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## MAKING THE BANKS SAFE

Every bank account of $\$ 2,500$ or less in the United States, except of course, those in banks which have not been reopened because of unsoundness, is now insured against loss to the depositor. How this will work out for the banks is as yet uncertain. Some people think it will make bankers careless with other people's money, since they have the nation-wide insurance fund to fall back on in case they make mistakes. Our idea is that it, among other things, will make banks a great deal more careful than many
out of thirty thousand banks fail or temporarily have to close down because they have been involved, direct ly or indiirctly, in careless or risky use of their deposcareful banking in the past.
We believe that the banks of the nation, generally speaking are in a sounder position than they have been in many years. We know that there no risk to any small depositor now in placing his money in any bank which the Government allows to stay open. We think there is still a good deal to be done before the banking system of the United States can function in all respects as efficiently as it ought to. There are still too many small banks, insufficiently capitalized to meet the needs of their communities. We do not believe there are many deliberate crooks in control of banks any longer, but we are not sure that every set of bank officials is as competent and filled with the sense of responsibility as they ought to be.
What has shaken public confidence in banks and bankers is not only the thousands of failures of smal! banks, but the shocking disclosures in the Senate Committee investigation, of the way in which the heads of some of the big banks enriched themselves at the expense of the public. We realize that a sound banking system is essential to the conduct of business, and we do not think that bankers generally are in good position to protest against being regulated and restricted.

## THAT HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

It will be recalled that the people voted an Amend ment to the Constitution two years ago to exempt homesteads from state taxes up to the value of $\$ 3,000$ At the time estimates of the amount of the exemptio varied from four to six million dollars. We have had one year of the exemption and here are the facts as disclosed by the tax rolls:
The total assessed value of the counties for 1933 was $\$ 3 \cdot 764,139,512$, leaving the amount of property represented by homesteads amounting to $\$ 566,022,061$. Applying the State tax rate of 77 c on the $\$ 100$ woul show an exemption of $\$ 4,358,369$ gross.
Many counties by reason of low values of property were forced to raise the tax rate in order to take care of the interest and sinking fund on bonds, hence, the actual exemptions will be much smaller than the above figures

When people voted a homestead amendment exempting homesteads up to $\$ 3,000$ taxable value, from State taxes, they naturally thought they were going to get a considerable reduction in their taxes, but it just the same old story over and over-you cann support a governmnet as expensive as in tex by paying local governments are expect to reduce taxation to any interest on bonds and expect to reduce taxation to make
appreciable extent in one way without having up the deficit in another. This is exemplified in the homestead amendment above referred to, and the best homestead amendment aboved that it has not reduced to
evidence of the fact that any great extent and in many counties not at all, is in comparison of your 1933 tax receipt with your 1932 on the same property and same values and let those figures tell the story. The facts told by these figures are you cannot reduce taxes unless you eliminate the expense that the taxes are used for. We have already expense that the taxes are used ore forest that some candidat noticed a forecast that some candidates for the Legis-
lature will likely advocate the homestead should be late will likely advocate the homestead should be advocates such exemptions in the fact of our bonded indebtedness is more to be pitied than censured, unless

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Englewood Enterprise: It is seldom the peopk an opportunity to grow winter gardens in Van with such success as they have had this winter: er have flower lovers enjoyed their flower yards the winter months as they have up to now. B or not, some of the housewives here in prospero Van Zandt (that's what we call it during pros times) are plucking flowers from the gathering things for the dinner table out gardens

The California climate seems to have come while the Hebrides climate has gone to Californ Hebrides climate is very changeable, and cold rain waves and tidal waves all over the plac Texas winter vegetables have flourished and flowers frolicked for a full year. Santa Claus tonished and delighted when he came down $f$ Polar igloo to favor the children of this state rarest gifts. He went through Texas with his and his suspenders down, sometimes whiskers to wipe the prespiration from his br weather wasn't hot, only just right, but Sant having left his headquarters during an Arctic felt the change. If he went back home ting on his coat we fear he took influenza: Santa Claus no doubt has told him "I told yo and over again. At any rate, this Texas w ture when it allowed a $\$ 3,000$ tax exemption steads. Texas tables have groaned under the of fresh vegetables, right out of the garden, de and crisp as new money. We have a wonde this Texas, with nothing at all to vex us.

## THOSE UNPRODUCTIVE FARMS

We have been greatly interested in Prolestatir well's exposition of the program for taking ur tive land out of use. Professor Tugwell, as Secretary of Agriculture and a trained confoioton keenly alive to the unsatisfactory state of looks forward to a time when all land on
difficult or impossible to make a living throud difficult or mpossibe to make avernment o
will be taken over by and converted into parks and forests, or solely to residential purposes for those wh sources of income.
A. long step has been taken in that directio mensely more needs to be done if this benefic to be carried out in its completeness. It is thing which can be done in a hurry. A full $h$ eration would seem to us to be about as sh as it could beaccomplished in. For, reg,
whether they make a living on it or not, m feel a deep attachment to the land on which and will consent to move or be moved only severest sort of pressure.
The farmers who will farm the productive be mainly those who now own those farms. descendants. Possibly there is still some cultural land that can be brought into efficieren tion through irrigation, but there is hardy it to settle all the present occupants of bad good farms. Professor Tugwell reports L cent of the American farm which are classel less produce only 2 per cent of the marke We wonder whether Mr. Tugwell and the nent economists and statisticians concerne account whatever of the human factors in are looking on farming as a commercial whereas to probably the majority of farm mode of living, with cash crops of secon quence. We think that before the wh scheme of agriculture can be changed the to be some alterations in human nature.


International Sunday School Lesson

Sunday School Lesson

| President＇s Ball＂${ }^{2} \mathrm{To}_{0} \mathrm{Be}$ Staged at Perryton $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{n}}$ Wednesday，Jan 30 | Why Get Up Nights？ LAX THE BLADDER with |
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## THE LYNX NEWS



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DR. E. R. JARVIS


NOTICE
-We have a large supply of Domno coal in our bins W. L. MATTHEWS -at W. B. Johnson Grain Company

FRED M. MIZAR Truck Line

## SPEARMAN PHONE AMARLLO PHONE

## DR. J.P.POWEL SPECIALIST <br> $\qquad$ <br> Sparfman Wechnesay Jan

# Calling Your Attention To the Fact That 1933 City Taxes 

 Go Delinquent Feb. 1Penalty and Interest will be saved by paying TAXES NOW!

## City of Spearman

D. W. Holland, Tax Collector

## Notice To Spearman Independent School District Tax Payers

Notice is hereby given that the general laws take effect if you do not pay your 1933 school taxes before February 1st, 1934, at which time they become delinquent and carry a 10 per cent penalty and 6 per cent interest
Our school board wishes to stress it upon all delinquent taxpayers of all these being paid before Feb. 1st, 1934, so we will have money to carry on the community's best interest, THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## SAM GILLISPIE

Tax Assessor and Collector For Spearman Independent School District

## Spearman Citizens



WE DO OUR PART

## Finish the

## Work Smile Spend

We are rounding out a year on a National Recovery program which brought much actual relief to many
thousands of unemployed and destitute citizens, as compared to one year ago, National conditions are

greatly improved. A national offensive which had the support of an overwhelming majority of our citi-
zens, attained many very satisfactory objectives-What we really did was to go vigorously to work on the job of Recovery-Now let's finish that job-There are hundreds of thousands of the unemployed of a year ago who are at work today-that means that the channels of commerce and industry are slowly but surely being opened again-When the wheels of industry turn, jobs are created; payrolls increase; and therc's a large market for commodities of all kinds-Every citizen who wants to help finish the job of bringing about Recovery-and better times--does hisbit best when he WORKS, SMILES and SPENDS.

Subscribed To By these Civic and Business Leaders

CAMPBELL TALLOR SHOP
HANSFORD ABSTRACT COMPANY
DR J. E. GOWER
McCLELLAN CHEVROLET COMPANY
CATES GROCERY AND PRODUCE
PHILLIPS- WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
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JIMMIE DAVIS
IVOMBLE MACHINE SHOP
COMSUMERS SALES COMPANY
CONE RADIATOR AND FENDER SHOP
TEXAS-LOUISIANA POVVER AND LIGHT CO.
CITY OF SPEARMAN
WHITE HOUSE LUMBER COMPANY
FOXWORTH-GALBRAITH LUMBER CO.
BURRAN BROTHERS GROCERY

SPEARMAN HARDWARE COMPANY SPEARMAN DRUG COMPANY
J. E. WOMBLE
R. L. McCLELLAN GRAIN COMPANY

ALLEN TIRE SHOP
WOMBLE HARDWARE COMPANY
NEW SYSTEM GROCERY AND MARKET
KOFFEE KITCHEN
W. J. WHITSON, Postmaster

PANHANDLE GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
J. H. BROADHURST
W. C. BRYAN \& SON GROCERY
F. W. BRANDT \& COMPANY

POST OFFICE CONFECTIONERY
FIRST STATE BANK

## Take Advantage of Our BARGAIN RATES

-The Spearman Reporter is making a bid for your patronage in the form of Subscriptions. The publication has been very linient in the past in the matter of subscriptions, and have carried many of the subscribers over"a period of several months and even years. Conditions are such at this time that the management of this publication finds it impossible to carry subscribers who do not pay their subscription at the expiration date. We regret very much that we are not in a position to extend this courtesy further.
-Payment of your subscription promptly will enable the management of the paper to produce a representative publication, and insure all readers of receiving a paper that covers the fiedd thor-
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-Now in effect is the lowest price you will have an opportunity to purchase this publication dur ing 1934. Cost of production has gone up more than 20 per cent in the newspaper business and we confidentially predict that county-seat newspapers all over the nation will have to increase their subscription rate before the end of the year. Sev eral national magazines and weeklies have announced increased prices in subscription. The small weeklies will have to fall in line.
-The management of this paper has determined to publish a representativ 8 page publication in the future, and to the extent that we will have to receive a certain revenue from subscription, we
are demanding that you PAY UP NOW.


## Used Cars

1929 CHEVROLET SEDAN, DELIVERY 1930 CHEVROLET SEDAN 1930 PLYMOUTH COACH 1928 HUPMOBILE SEDAN 1929 CHRYSLER SEDAN 1930 CHEVROLET COUPE 1931 CHEVROLET COUPE

## U. S. TIRES

-We have a large shipment on hand of U. S. tempered rubber tires. Before you buy see us-We will trade for your old tires.
-While you are in seeing the new car be sure to visit our shop, and see our full line of equipment.

Be sure and visit Mr. Marray's Body Shop in the rear -and let him figure with you on a body or paint job.

McClellan Chevrolet Co.

GRUVER MOTOR COMPANY, Gruyer, Texas

## Announcement

You are cordially invited to visit our show rooms and see the 1934 Chevrolet which will be on display Saturday, Jan. 27, 19 Kansas City and if comes on regular schedule will be here Saturday "Thursday have a 1934 Chevnolet on display at Gruver Motor Company, on Saturday.

## McCLELLAN CHEVROLET CO.

## SPEARMAN, TEXAS

GRUVER MOTOR COMPANY, Gruver, Texas

# Are You Giving Your Home Town Merchant a New Deal? 

Over a period of more than three years the merchants in small cities and towns of this nation have faced the most trying problems of any classification or profession. Starting the depression period with a stock of merchandise to take care of a demand that has steadily decreased, these merchants have faced a market that was as unstable as the prices of farm products. There has never been a precedent for them to judge in the past, and survival of the respective business concerns depended wholly upon buying close and quick turn-over. Many of the merchants in this county were not able to survive, and others in the face of cheap merchandise, distress merchandise, and rather unfair merchandising, have lost some of their surplus and personal savings.

These merchants have not been able to carry a complete stock in some instances, and have not been able to meet the prices of competition' where distress merchandise and cheap quality have prevailed. They are in the same boat with the farmer who has lost his labor and seed in planting wheat crops that did not grow.
Many merchants have lost a portion of their trade that has been attracted to adjoining cities, where PRICE has been the main and only drawing card. In their behalf, it can be said that they have faced their loss without grumbling, and without complaint. In Spearman, merchants have not censured individuals who were attracted away from this city for cheaper merchandise, because they know and have known that citizens of this county have been so hard pressed financially that quality was secondary to price.

Now that readjustment is being worked out throughout the nation, the time has come to think hard and carefully before you pass up your home town merchant. Stocks have been replenished on the same market that the big city stores buy their merchandise The distress merchandise that flooded the country for the past few years has been absorbed, and most merchandising is on an equal footing at the present. Manufac-
turers are very careful in extending credit and fewer failures in business have been reported during the past few months.

The day is dawning for the small town merchant. He can step into the market with a very clean stock in his store and buy perfectly new merchandise that he can and will sell you at a SAVING. We make this assertion on the basis of overhead in the small cities and towns of our nation. Merchandising in our smaller units of population has come to the point where the smallest possible handling charge has been worked out. Survival has depended wholly upon strict economy, and merchants in Spearman can sell you any merchandise that is bought on this year's market at as economical a price as you can secure anywhere within traveling distance.

In the face of these facts, this publication is asking the readers to check carefully before sending money away from Spearman.

The management of this publication knows the basic facts contained in this advertisement are correct. If you can secure standard merchandise cheaper by traveling from 30 to 50 miles, than you can purchase in Spearman, then merchants in Spearman are attempting to make excess profits. If this be true, this newspaper is wholly in sympathy with the customer, and are ready to take their part. At present we are convinced that Spearman merchants are the victims of circumstances and that they should be given every opportunity to sell Hansford county people their. merchandise before a purchase is made outside of this city. This publication is anxious to secure any data that would prove or disprove the basic facts embodied in this advertisement, and will treat such information confidential. If you as a reader can secure better prices on standard merchandise at any other city than you can in Spearman, the management of this paper would greatly appreciate checking your information for confirmation.

This is the first of a series of advertisements contributed by the Spearman Reporter, designed to cause the readers to THINK before they spend Hansford County money out of Hansford County.

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