

A BUILDING PROGRAM LOOMS FOR SPEARMAN

Street Paving and Water Works Improvement Program Assured by Warrants Sale

Water Works Job Will Begin Monday; Street Paving Within Three Weeks, Giving Work to All Unemployed of The City

The last obstacle in the way of beginning paving and water works improvement and extension program for Spearmen has been removed, and actual work on these important projects will be begun Monday, March 30.

It is the glad news coming from the offices of the mayor and manager at the city hall. The commission met in a called session at the city hall on Wednesday afternoon, with all members present. The proposition of purchase of the city paving water works warrants was considered, and by a unanimous vote it was decided to sell the warrants to the J. R. Phillips Investment Company.

Morse Will Celebrate May 1

Word comes from Morse to the effect that that fine little city will stage a big May Day blow-out in celebration of the completion of the Spearman-Morse branch of the Santa Fe. Committees have been appointed and the intention is to make this the big celebration of the season for this section of country. Spearman will cooperate with her neighbor to the fullest extent. The management of the celebration state that a grand reunion of the old-timers of the country will be a feature of the entertainment. Further announcements will appear in the Reporter.

Trustee Election

Don't forget the school trustee election to be held on Saturday, April 4. The election will be held at the high school building with Sid Powers, A. J. Wilbanks and P. M. Maize in charge. Every citizen should show an interest in our schools, which are our greatest asset, by going to the polls and voting for trustees.

Will Attend Herd Improvement School

Special to Reporter: Canyon, March 25.—Professor Frank R. Phillips, head of the agriculture department at the Canyon College stated today that J. W. Ratekin, secretary of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and R. V. Converse chairman of the agriculture committee, were two of the North Plains men who will attend the Herd Improvement School at Canyon, April 2, 3, and 4.

Spearmen had a good delegation at the first annual school which was held here last year.

Blizzard is Raging

As this issue of the Reporter is put to press a genuine blizzard is raging at Spearmen and throughout the entire north plains country. Radio announcements state that this Thursday night will be the coldest night of the winter. Snow and rain began falling in Spearmen this morning and continued until noon. The severe cold will cause considerable suffering and possibly some light loss of live stock. However the moisture will be of great benefit to wheat.

129 For; 3 Against

In the election held in Spearman today for the purpose of determining whether the city commissioners should be authorized to sell the Public Square to Hansford county for use as a site for the new court house, 129 votes were cast. Of this number 126 votes were cast for the proposition and 3 against the proposition. R. W. Huffstutter, W. L. Russell and M. L. McLain held the election, at the city hall.

Hansford County Council Parent Teacher Association Is Organized

The Hansford County Council Parent-Teacher Association was organized on last Saturday afternoon at the Spearman high school building. Delegates from the Spearman, Gruver and Morse Parent-Teacher Associations were present and are the charter members of the council.

Mrs. J. M. Bull of Perryton, second vice president of the eighth district, was here to assist in directing the county chairman, Mrs. J. B. Buchanan, in organizing the council. Mrs. Bull was accompanied to Spearman by Mrs. Shanks, Mrs. Shanks, Mrs. Caldwell, Miss Smith and Miss LaSater. Mrs. Caldwell gave a very interesting and interesting talk in "Why a County Council; Its Aim and Object."

Mrs. LaSater, the Ochiltree county chairman, and president of the county council, gave a real heart-to-heart talk on the council work and parent-teacher work in general. Mrs. LaSater is a splendid speaker and gave us some wonderful advice and encouragement about our work and what we might be able to do, if we only could realize what our work means to our children and the community as a whole.

Stone-Merritt & Co. Stage a Big Sale

Beginning on Friday, March 27, and continuing until Monday, April 6, the people of Spearmen and the Spearman trade territory will be offered an opportunity to buy high grade merchandise in the dry goods and clothing line at prices that will please the purchaser.

Stone-Merritt & Company are staging a big sale, and when this firm puts on a sale it is a real sale. This firm carries nothing but high class merchandise, and during this sale will sell the same at prices which doubtless will attract a splendid business.

Besides the advertising in the Reporter the firm is sending out several thousand copies of a two-page bill, giving prices and full details.

It will be well worth the time of anyone, and especially those who wish to do a little "dolling up" for Easter, to attend this big sale.

Appendicitis Operation Proves Quite Successful

Mrs. John Kellerby underwent an operation for appendicitis at the home of Dr. Spencer in Spearman on Sunday morning, which, the many friends of the family will be glad to learn, has proven to be quite successful. The operation was performed by Dr. Spencer, assisted by Dr. Gower. A trained nurse, Mrs. John Ater, from Amarillo, administered the anesthetic. Mrs. Kellerby is a sister of Mrs. C. A. Robinson and Ernie Cook, well known residents of Spearmen. It is thought that she will be sufficiently recovered by Friday to be removed to their home. Mrs. Ater, the nurse, returned to her home in Amarillo on Wednesday.

C. of C. Is Sponsoring A Rose Campaign

The Rose Campaign being sponsored by the local chamber of commerce, so far has been quite successful. Over twenty-five citizens of Spearmen have placed orders for roses. These roses are the same as those which are sold by "Tack" of the Amarillo News. They are sold in bunches of five at \$1.00 per bunch. They are two years old, assorted colors. The chamber of commerce is ordering a few extra bunches. Any one who wants some nice roses should phone the chamber of commerce by Monday, as the shipment will arrive on that day.

Buster Brown Is Coming

Buster Brown and his old pal Tige are coming to Spearman tomorrow, Friday, March 27, and will establish headquarters at Stone-Merritt & Company store. These famous characters will "throw a party" for the little folks, and big ones, too, in the afternoon. Kiddies, too, go to the Stone-Merritt Store and get a free ticket to the party to be held at the Lyric Theatre at 4:30 p. m. You will also get a nice free souvenir at the store.

Building A New Gulf Service Station

Work has begun on the construction of a new Gulf Service Station in Spearman. This new filling station will be located on the lots immediately east and across the street from the Texas station. The building will be the property of J. J. Green of Stinson, who will lease the same to the Gulf Refining Company, W. F. Dumas and Hull Brothers have the contract for the construction of the building.

Marvin Chambers, who now sells the Gulf products at the Equity oil filling station, on the west end of elevator row, will have charge of this new station, and Dawson Nichols, formerly with the McClellan Chevrolet Co., will be the bulk sales agent for the Gulf products in Spearman and the Spearman country.

SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK PROCLAMATION

Whereas an annual Clean-Up Campaign has become an important medium in each year's program of civic advancement; and

Whereas, it is impossible to estimate the vast number of lives saved each year by a thorough "Clean-Up" of all regions where the accumulation of the winter months has developed into a menace and a producer of disease and fire danger; and

Whereas, the official records of this State reveal that the health of our citizens and the danger of fire is greatly increased by "carelessness" in the homes and business districts in permitting the accumulation of trash, rubbish and untidy conditions;

Now, therefore, I, W. D. Cooke, Mayor of the city of Spearmen, Texas, do hereby designate the period from April 5 to 11 (inclusive) as Spring Clean-Up Week in Spearman, and I call upon every man, woman and child to diligently observe the occasion by clearing away all things that menace safety from fire, or the public health, stored within their homes or their places of business.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 21st day of March, A. D. 1931.

W. D. COOKE, Mayor.

Lions Favored With Music at Luncheon

The regular noonday meeting of the Spearman Lions club was enlivened considerably on Tuesday, by several violin and piano selections by Mrs. G. Collins and Miss Troas Elliott, who were guests of the club that day. Mrs. Collins in quite an accomplished violinist and her rendition of "Swanee River" and other old-time melodies, with Miss Elliott as accompanist, was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by the Lions. Max Lackey, the veteran entertainer, also helped out with several minutes.

The committee appointed several weeks ago for the purpose of making arrangements for an entertainment to which all Lions and Lionesses will be invited, announced that the date set for this blowout is April 7, Tuesday night, and that complete details would be given at next week's meeting of the Lions. Perren A. Lyon, Fred W. Brandt and H. A. Nichols compose the committee appointed to look after this matter.

Lion Sid Powers announced that the volley ball equipment had arrived and that work-outs would begin at once.

The district meeting of Lions to be held here in April was discussed.

The main project of the Lions club at this time, that of installing a sprinkling system on the school house lawn, was up for much discussion. Lions Keith and Foote are superintending this work and have the matter well in hand. The Lions decided that, in order to hold the expense of installing the irrigation system down to the lowest figure, the members of the club should do the ditch digging. Members who were not at Tuesday's meeting are supposed to take the lead in this matter. The ditches are to be from six inches to three feet deep and wide enough to allow Bill Merritt and Max Lackey to walk in. Lions present at Tuesday's meeting will dig the six inch ditch while those who were not present will dig the three foot ditch. This task will be negotiated and the pipe laid as soon as the blue prints arrive, which will be within the next few days, stated Lion Foote.

In the way of wholesome entertainment, the club is now interested in volley ball, the bridge and "42" tournament to be held on Friday night, April 3, and the entertainment of the Lionesses on Tuesday night, April 7.

Two Candidates for Mayor

Petitions bearing the names of the proper number of qualified voters of the city, and asking that the names of W. D. Cooke and R. W. Morton be placed on the official ballot to be used in the city election to be held on April 7, as candidates for mayor, have been filed with the city commissioners and mayor. An earnest appeal is being made to all voters of the city to go to the polls and vote on election day, April 7.

The Streets of Spearman Will Be Well Marked

After a few more days there will be no excuse whatever for any resident of Spearman not knowing the name of the street on which he lives, and the number of the block in which the habit is located. On Tuesday of this week the steel posts and markers for the streets of the residential districts of the town arrived and are being placed at their proper designations by city employees. The markers are securely fastened to a steel post ten feet long. This post will be placed in the ground a depth of 2 1/2 feet, leaving over seven feet clearance between the marker and the ground. The name of the street is on the marker, the block number is stenciled on the post. In the sections of the city which are paved, the name of the street and the block number will be painted in plain letters on the curbing at each street corner. Everyone should rejoice with O. C. Raney on the completion of this task. He has howled for this improvement, to the city commissioners and chamber of commerce, for months. Mr. Raney, as well as the commissioners deserve commendation for this bit of progressive-ness.

Everybody shouts Service! Sometimes the customer Service and sometimes he do or the ideal back of the word trouble is that it is used so by people who are incapable giving it any meaning.

The buyer who needs Service and gets it invariably is the better off. Experience and judgment, and lawyers, having little sell, sometimes get a fair price for these intangibles. A business man, beset by competition and dealing in intangibles, throws in w calls Service, hoping that get the order even though is a few dollars over the estimate.



McKay Hospital Opens

The McKay private hospital opened in Spearman on March 20, at its new location in the west part of town, on the Berger road. Dr. Simmons, chiropractor of Borger, has given forty treatments here in the last three days. Mineral baths are being installed and in a very short time, the management of McKay hospital hope to give the people of Spearman and vicinity hydrotherapy, chiropractic and massage. "Why not avoid the knife and give nature a chance," is the slogan of this hospital.

Miss Elliott Presents Musical Comedy Soon

One of the coming entertainments worth keeping in mind will be a musical comedy presented by Miss Troas Elliott, teacher and director of music in the Spearman schools. Miss Elliott has begun rehearsing the high school students and plans to stage the musical comedy sometime in April. There will be eight star singing roles assisted by a course of singers and dancers. This promises to be one of the most delightful entertainments of the season and everyone should plan to attend.

Farmers Will Meet at Legion Hall Tonight

The third semi-monthly meeting of the farmers of this section will be held at Legion Hall, Spearman, tonight, Thursday, March 26. Several important matters will be up for discussion by all those in attendance tonight. Among the subjects are soil conservation and the matter of obtaining a soil survey map of this county. R. V. Converse of the agricultural committee of the local chamber of commerce, is working on the matter of securing this map.

An interesting number on tonight's program will be an address by Mrs. W. H. McGreevey, on a subject to be selected by herself.

Why is it that those who like us the best say the meanest things to us?

Erection of the New Court House May Start Ball Rolling Toward a Building Program That Will Continue Indefinitely

Planted Tree in Amarillo Park on Arbor Day

Albert Thorne, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Thorne and student in Spearman schools, on invitation of Mayor Thompson of Amarillo, represented Spearman and Spearman schools at the city's Arbor Day celebration held on Tuesday, March 24. A part of the very interesting program for the day, was the planting of a tree in Amarillo park by students from schools in every part of the great Amarillo country. These trees bear a metal plant with the planter's name and the name of the school he represented. Thus the tree planted by Albert will carry a marker with the words "Albert Thorne, Spearman Public Schools, 1931." Mr. Thorne was accompanied to Amarillo by Prof. A. H. Word and they report a most enjoyable visit to the city. They were guests of the chamber of commerce while there. More than 15,000 trees were planted in Amarillo on Arbor Day.

Bridge and "42" Tourney at Legion Hall April 3

A "Bridge and 42 Tournament" sponsored by the Spearman Lions club will be held at Legion Hall, Spearman, on Friday night, April 3. Invitation to attend the meet is not confined to members of the Lions club and their families alone. Everyone has a cordial invitation to attend, and there will be a sale of tickets in advance of the event. R. C. Prewitt, Max Lackey, W. L. Russell and W. W. Merritt compose the committee appointed to make arrangements for this entertainment, which is to be made one of the outstanding social events of the year. No prizes will be awarded, but the tournament will be played out in the customary way and manner. The purpose of the entertainment, aside from the jolly good time assured to all who attend, is to raise money to apply on payment for the sprinkling system on the Spearman school lawn.

Warehouse Examiner Visits Spearman

Porter L. Williams an examiner of bonded warehouses for the state department of agriculture, was a visitor to Spearman on Tuesday of this week. The Equity Exchange has the only bonded warehouse in Spearman which comes under the inspection of the state. Mr. Williams informed us, Mr. Williams is an uncle of Miss Troas Elliott, and was her guest while in the city. His home is in Waxahachie, but he maintains headquarters in Austin.

Baseball Is In the Air; Meeting of Fans Is Called For Friday Night

Plans are on foot to organize, train, equip and maintain a first class ball team in Spearman for the coming summer months. Old, experienced ball fans are at the head of this movement, and a meeting has been called for Friday night, March 27, at the chamber of commerce offices, to discuss the matter. A tentative organization will be perfected at this time, such as electing a manager and appointing a steering committee. The boys have been tossing the ball about the vacant lots on warm days for a week or more, and a game will be arranged in the near future, it is said. The leading fans say they have some mighty good material to work with this year and express high hopes of putting a team on the diamond that will take 'em all into camp before the season's close.

A Beautiful Home Growing More Beautiful

Mrs. J. D. Cotter is beautifying the grounds around her farm home, four miles west of Spearman, by planting many trees, shrubs, vines, flowers, etc. Mrs. Cotter has had a beautiful yard for a number of years, but this year she expects it to be more beautiful than ever before. Nothing adds to the attractiveness of the home grounds like trees, shrubs and flowers, is the belief of Mrs. Cotter.

A building program of no mean proportions looms on the horizon for Spearmen, as spring draws near and general business conditions improve. In fact Spearman has not been at a standstill by no means during the fall and winter last passed. There has been some building going on at all times. Residences and business houses have been improved and new ones built, but there has not been the general activity in building circles that would naturally be expected under normal conditions.

The public improvements have been up to normal, in fact a little ahead of the average year, however. The Santa Fe is just completing its extension of the Spearman branch to Morse; highway No. 117 has been put to grade and drainage and as soon as the grade settles sufficiently is ready for hard surfacing; Spearman city commissioners have recently let the contract for the paving of more than 20 blocks of the business section of the city, and the contract is let and will be signed soon for the erection of the new Hansford county court house in Spearman. These are a few of the building activities which have been put through despite the Hoover-Amos "Andy" "repression."

Now, it seems, a residence and business house building program is evident. The beginning of work on the new court house may start the ball to rolling or it may start before that time. Several residents and others who contemplate locating here for the purpose of sending their children to our splendid schools, are quietly looking over the town and securing prices on vacant resident and business lots and building material.

Indications point to a building program for Spearman during the spring and summer months which may equal and possibly surpass any we have had in the past.

Attended Court at Canadian This Week

Several citizens of Spearman attended the sessions of district court held at Canadian the first of this week, being interested in the L. L. Hughes vs. Donna Hughes and the J. L. Davis vs. Spearman Equity Exchange cases. The trial of the Hughes vs. Hughes case resulted in a hung jury. This case was tried at the last term of district court held at Spearman, the case having originated here, and resulted in a hung jury. It was transferred to Hemphill county for a re-trial. In the case styled J. L. Davis vs. Spearman Equity Exchange, plaintiff took a non-trial.

Distance will lend quite a bit of enchantment to winter.

Hartley's Dept. Store Continues in Business

F. H. Hartley proprietor of Hartley's Department Store in Spearman this week makes an announcement which will be of interest to many people of this community and adjacent trade territory.

Mr. Hartley announces that he is restocking his store and will continue in business in Spearman with a stock practically all of which is new.

A few weeks ago Hartley's Store conducted a selling campaign which was advertised as a closing out sale. At that time Mr. Hartley had every intention of closing out his Spearman store, but not being able to negotiate a sale of the lease on the building occupied by the store, which lease does not expire for some time, he has decided to restock and continue in business here. New merchandise is arriving almost daily, according to Mr. Hartley and the stock will soon be as complete in every department as before the big sale opened a few weeks ago.

T. L. Bradford, Dallas, vice president, and C. P. Hutchings, Amarillo, inspector, of the Southwestern Life Insurance Company, were in Spearman Tuesday attending to business matters.

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WELL FILLED CELLAR

The farmer with a well-filled cellar and smoke house is not worried by the ups and downs in the prices of his products. To him price fluctuations mean either the having or the foregoing of some luxury—or a difference in his bank balance—but never want or suffering for his family.

WHO PAYS OUR TAXES?

Did it ever occur to you what a large part of the assessed property of Spearman is rendered for taxes by our merchants and business men? This is something to think about when you are tempted by the will-o'-the-wisp promises of mail order catalogue and distant city stores to spend your money away from the old home town.

GREENEST PASTURES

The greenest pastures are further down the hill. "Distance lends enchantment to the view." Thus is a youth led away from the peaceful and quiet pursuits of the home town to brilliant promises of the distant city.

Quite often disillusionment comes. He learns that opportunity is everywhere—that industry and perseverance also find their reward here in Spearman.

VARIATION IS SPICE

One may travel up and down a city and find no two houses exactly alike unless they be members of a row of dwellings. The different makes and models of automobiles number into the hundreds.

Women insist that their dresses, coats and hats be exclusive, but neither will two men be found in identical habilitation.

What is true of houses, automobiles and clothes is also true of breakfast foods, furniture,

shoes and virtually all of man's possessions. The reason is obvious. No two people have identical tastes. That which one finds attractive repels another. The person whose discernment you criticize probably thinks even less of yours.

Life would be a monotonous existence but for this conflict of tastes. Nothing bores like uniformity. What interest would the world hold for humanity if every house was built alike, if the choice of the ten million was good enough for the world, if the wardrobe of the modern woman had as little variation as Eve's, if what one wanted everybody wanted?

If all humanity was of the same opinion on all things, the free-for-all argument would be as extinct as the Roc, but why live if you can't argue?

Pending Matters In Legislature Cause Complex Problems

By CLYDE W. WARWICK
Representative 123rd District
AUSTIN, March 24.—(Special)—The real problems confronting the 42nd legislature are now pending and from now until the end of the 120-day period on May 13th the legislature will be busy day and night trying to solve some of these questions.

The various committees have very largely completed their tasks of passing upon the most important bills. These have been printed and are on the members' desks waiting to be studied and passed upon in open session. It is generally predicted that the legislature will not be able to complete its labors in the 120-day session, owing to the mass of pending bills which are more complex in nature

than any past state law-making body has seen.

Governor Sterling has taken a definite stand in leadership. He has sent to the legislature two important measures—one asking for a redistricting of the state so far as judicial districts are concerned, and the other to create a new oil and gas division, taking this work out of the hands of the Railway Commission.

The governor is convinced that at least ten district courts may be abolished.

His recommendation as to the Oil and Gas Commission is a result of the disruption in the Railway Commission which caused former Gov. Pat Neff to be replaced as chairman. It is stated that this commission has entirely too many divisions and too many problems. On top of these it is suggested that the proposed Utilities Commission may be unloaded on this department.

The teachers of the state are bombarding the legislature with requests for a large appropriation out of the general revenue to supplement the per capita apportionment. It is stated that unless some relief comes the per capita will not amount to more than \$14.50, the coming two years. Superintendent Marrs says that this will disrupt the schools of Texas.

It is expected that another fight will be staged as to the penitentiary system. A request has been filed for a half-million dollars to start a new industrial plant on the farms near Houston with the view of moving headquarters from Huntsville in the course of a few years. This fight for a new location has been before the legislature for the past four years. Just what the result will be this time is problematical, but there is a general feeling that the prison board made an untimely proposal owing to the financial conditions of the state.

Those who are proposing to abolish the income tax in favor of the repeal of the ad valorem tax were a little shocked at the figures issued by the federal government as to the result of the

and industry are the target of all. Just what would happen if all the big industries should move their headquarters outside the state boundaries and many large factories should leave the state, on account of tax discrimination, has not yet fully been considered as the result of the proposals to shift the tax burdens.

There are interesting questions ahead in attempting to solve the tax problems.

The dairy interests of the state are flocking to the support of Representative A. B. Tarwater of Plainview in his bills to require uniform tests of all buyers of cream, and the tax on oleomargarine. The dairymen have come to the conclusion that something must be done to save the dairy interests of the state.

A constitutional amendment is proposed in which the city and county government may be united and that the manager form may be substituted.

The proposal would be tried in the larger counties of the state if the amendment carries. This is the day of deficient government. People have come to the conclusion that they are paying too much for government, especially local government. The general attitude is to curb the state and federal governments, but citizens who know the facts have long been convinced that it is the local taxes which are the most burdensome. Therefore, any movement which will tend to make county and city government more efficient and reduce the costs should be welcomed by the taxpayers. Were it not for the matter of pride a half dozen small counties could be administered much more efficient and effective through a union under the manager system than the people now enjoy. But it is not likely that such a proposal shall ever be made. However, there is no reason why the county-city manager plan should not be given a fair trial. Reforms in government come slowly, but this is an opening wedge.

The legislature has spent quite a wad of the people's money in both lauding and condemning the National Democratic Party, and after tiring of such wrangles, which required several hours of debate, those who realized that nothing was being accomplished, decided to leave the destinies of the party to the future and spend the state's money in looking after the business of Texas.

Austin attempted to trade the state about forty thousand dollars worth of water and light for one hundred thousand dollars worth of taxes in the McGregor bill seeking a remission of the Austin taxes for water, light, sewer and police protection. If this bill had passed every city and county in which there were state institutions would seek the same trade. The trade would have been a good one for Austin.

DUAL BANK SYSTEM FAVORED BY BANKER

State and National Institutions Supplement Each Other in Serving Financial Needs

RECENT suggestions that all banks in the United States be under Federal jurisdiction, doing away with the chartering of banks by the various states recalls the opposition to this plan presented at the recent convention of the American Bankers Association by R. S. Hecht of New Orleans, Chairman of its Economic Policy Commission. Mr. Hecht said: "There are just as good reasons why there should be state as well as national banks, as that there should be state as well as a national government. I do not think that analogy is far-fetched. The states should not surrender all political jurisdiction to the central government, and the local business life of the states should not be made to surrender all control over financial functions to national financial instrumentalities. There are many variations of business conditions from state to state and there are special fiscal requirements of the various states.

"It is entirely logical, therefore, that the states should retain the right to charter banks so as to mold and direct their affairs in accordance with the states' governmental and business requirements and keep them adapted to localized sentiment and conditions.

Federal Reserve System

"The argument is sometimes advanced that the dual system jeopardizes the life of the Federal Reserve System because under it there is a large group of banks that are free to remain out of or to withdraw from the system. Facts and figures prove that this is a specious argument.

"It is true that there has been some shifting from national to state charters especially in cases of mergers of large national banks with banks operating under state charters. However, the Federal Reserve System was not weakened in this process because the merged institutions almost universally retained their membership in the system on a voluntary basis. Moreover, the records show that state bank members are just as good

members of the system as national banks and the ratio of state bank resources in the Federal Reserve System is constantly growing. In 1922, national banks held about 65 per cent, of the resources of reserve members and state banks about 35 per cent, while in 1929, the nationals held only 60 per cent and state banks 40 per cent.

"Reciprocally the state and national banks systems have helped each other. If the national banking law had served in some respects as something of a model code toward which state banking laws more and more have approached year by year, so have the state codes developed valuable reforms which have suggested improvements for the national laws. A great many undesirable competitive inequalities have been wiped out by this mutual evolutionary process and further progress along the line of uniformity so far as is desirable is anticipated.

Two Systems Desirable

"However, I do not believe that it is a disadvantage to have two banking codes that differ in some respects. It is quite probable that the state banking code in many instances represents a closer adjustment to local conditions than could be had under the national banking laws, and this is a situation that should be retained. There should, however, not be competition between the two banking codes. Competition should be between banks themselves and not between the laws under which they operate. The effort to offer too great alluresments in one code as against the other could lead only to weak banking laws. But I do think that there should be the alternative opportunities that now exist which banking institutions and local business interests may choose, so that they can function or conduct their business relationships under that banking code which best meets the conditions of the times and of the place as they see them.

"This has been illustrated in both directions. In states where such unsound measures as the guarantee of deposits were operative state banks had the opportunity to escape the baleful effect of such laws. On the other hand, when a court decision was handed down in Worcester, Massachusetts, which rendered uncertain the position of trust assets acquired by a national bank through a merger with a state bank, it was a real advantage for national banks affected to take out and operate under a state charter, either on a temporary or a permanent basis, as circumstances make expedient.

"In my opinion, bankers, national as well as state, should combat the thought that conveys of depriving us of the vitalizing benefits of our dual system."

11 YEAR CONSTIPATION GLYCERIN MIX ENDS

"For 11 years I tried to get rid of constipation," says Chas. E. Blair. "Then at last the simple mixture, Adlerika, made me regular."

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Buy It in Spearman.

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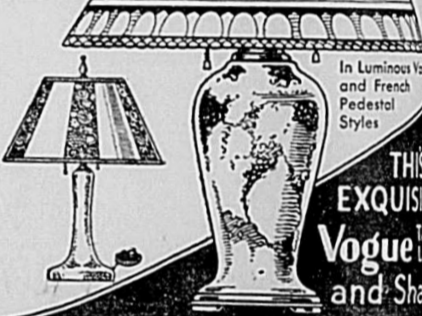
The closer a man's distant his friends are Buy It in Spearman

EXTRAORDINARY Announcement

This Story Franchise for the New Vogue Electric Lamps and Shades

We take pleasure in announcing that we have been fortunate in securing the franchise for the new line of Vogue Electric Lamps and Shades, distinctive and of unusually high quality and value. You are cordially invited to visit our store and inspect these lamps so that you may fully appreciate their most handsome finishes, colors, and the gorgeous array of hand decorated, translucent parchment shades in exclusive artistic designs.

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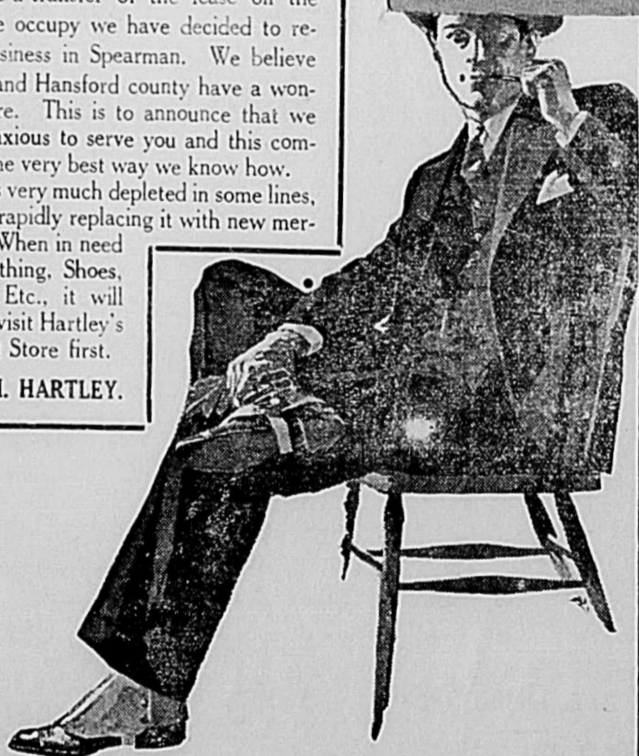
Spearman Hardware

Phone 35 On Main Street

Announcement

It is an old saying that wise men change their minds; the foolish seldom do? Not being able to negotiate a transfer of the lease on the building we occupy we have decided to remain in business in Spearman. We believe Spearman and Hansford county have a wonderful future. This is to announce that we are very anxious to serve you and this community in the very best way we know how. Our stock is very much depleted in some lines, but we are rapidly replacing it with new merchandise. When in need of new Clothing, Shoes, Dry Goods, Etc., it will pay you to visit Hartley's Department Store first.

F. H. HARTLEY.



New Spring Suits FOR EASTER \$22.50

Hartley's DEPT STORE

KELVINATOR

The People's Favorite 1914-1931

Refrigerator that has been manufactured since Kelvinator that has ever worn out. Combination of desirable qualities that cannot be equaled by any other refrigerator built today:

1. World's fastest freezing.
2. Greatest ice-making capacity.
3. Frost-Chest with below freezing temperature.
4. 4-way cold (4 different, automatically regulated temperatures) in the same refrigerator.

Other features, such as deep, roomy shelves, porcelain interior with rounded corners for easy cleaning, electrically lighted interior and lasting bearings are refinements rather than fundamentals.

First compare Kelvinator with others and then let your better judgment be your guide.

"No Kelvinator Has Ever Worn Out"—1914-1931

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SPEARMAN'S EXCLUSIVE FURNITURE STORE

This Is the Truth

Drive In Today

29x4.40	\$4.25
30x4.50	\$4.85
19x4.75	\$5.00
30: x5:00 8 ply	..	\$19.75
Free Tube With		
32:6.00 10 ply	..	\$33.00

Allen Tire Shop In Spearman has cut the prices on tires so low that it certainly is a grand opportunity to buy tires at a big saving, and too, they sell the very best brands of tires and tubes on the market including Federals, Seiberlings, etc.

We compete in prices with mail-order houses and other dealers.

Allen Tire Shop Spearman Texas

If you want to trade in your old casings they will trade with you, giving you as much and sometimes more than they are worth.

BUS COMPETITION HITS RAILROADS

Bankers Association President for Even Treatment for Rail and Motor Transport—Favors Mergers

NEW YORK.—Fair treatment for the railroads in respect to highway motor competition was called for by Rome C. Stephenson, President American Bankers Association, in a recent address here. He also strongly endorsed "sound economic railway consolidation" and praised President Hoover for his initiative in this respect.

"I am very strongly of the opinion that one of the measures which would help materially to put back business where it ought to be is the Eastern four-system plan of railroad consolidation as announced recently following negotiations instituted by President Hoover," said Mr. Stephenson. "Its adoption by the Interstate Commerce Commission would tend to stabilize the transportation industry, facilitate operation and exert a favorable influence on business."

"It is a fact well known to business leaders that our railroads are now facing a crisis. Not only do they need protective laws to meet competitive situations arising from increased use of our highways and waterways by other carriers, but they need unification such as the proposed four-system plan."

Mr. Stephenson declared that the past, present and future progress of the United States is inseparably bound up in railway welfare. In neglecting just consideration for them we are even more neglectful of the public's best interests.

A Question of Public Interest

"We are confronted with the question as to how much more the public economic interest will stand an invasion of the welfare of the railroads by forces and difficulties not of their own creating and not within the scope of their own unaided powers to combat," said Mr. Stephenson. "I refer especially to new competitors that are undermining the hard-earned position of the railroads, not only with the aid of natural economic forces but also through the aid of government policies which give competitors undue advantages over the railroads."

"It goes without saying that the railroads have no right, nor claim any, so far as I have been able to discern, to complain at legitimate competition in the field of transportation, for the public is entitled to the best possible transportation at the lowest practical cost. But equally does it go without saying that this cannot be fairly brought about by using, or by failing to use, the taxing powers of government to enable competitive methods of transportation to do things they could not otherwise do as unaided private enterprises, particularly when this impairs vested rights held by great masses of our people in enterprises now serving the public well."

Mr. Stephenson said it was not his purpose to argue against such competitive transportation as the highway passenger motorbus and motor truck as such when conducted under proper conditions and in keeping with public welfare and benefit. He declared, however, there is need for serious consideration whether such competition is being developed under conditions that are unfair to the railroads.

Would Investigate Bus Traffic

Railroad rights of way, he declared, represent tremendous capital investments, on which the railroads have also heavy current costs to meet. "They pay every day a million dollars in taxes and most of this is on their rights of way," he said. "Also they spend daily over two million dollars additional for the proper maintenance of

way." He asserted that the motorbuses have not had to pay for their rights of way in any sense that the railroads paid for theirs.

"They have simply taken possession of public highways built by public funds, both state and national," he continued, "and they have extensively made those highways vastly less comfortable, less safe and less serviceable for private motorists and others who are contributing chiefly to their creation and maintenance."

Mr. Stephenson declared that all these matters should be thoroughly inquired into by competent public bodies, both state and national, with a view of determining the equities and basic public economic interests involved, "particularly in respect to their effects upon the nation's railroads."

"I venture to say," he added, "that such inquiries would show whether it is to the public interest to let things remain as they are, whether the situation calls for a new basis of motorbus and truck taxes to satisfy the equities of the case or whether it would call for such drastic action as the exclusion of this traffic from our public gen-

eral highways, and the requirement that, even as the railroads, it provide as a part of its own private capital investment its own rights of way and for its own maintenance of way out of operating income."

What a Chick Should Eat As Told by Experts

"Not corn alone—not wheat, oats buttermilk, and meal thrown together—not too much emphasis on vitamins—but balance, the proper proportion of ingredients to get results, that's today's message to poultrymen who buy feed," say the research men in Purina Mills' laboratories whose life work it is to find out just what things chicks need and just how much of each they must have to live and grow.

"We've heard so much talk about vitamins," they say, "that some of us begin to think that vitamins are the only things necessary in a feed. They're important, mighty important, but are only a part of the things need-

ed. Chicks also need carbohydrates, proteins, fats, fiber, and minerals."

"A chick can eat only a tiny bit of feed each day—just a thimbleful—and that bit must do the job of building bones, muscles, and tissues—make feathers out of fluff—make pullets out of chicks. And since baby chicks can store food for so few hours, it's important that they get every day all the things for life and growth."

So in making a baby chick feed these men determined first what chicks needed, then searched for grains, minerals, oils, and other ingredients to meet these needs.

After much research, cod liver oil, dried buttermilk, alfalfa leaf meal, yellow corn meal, granulated meal, wheat middlings, wheat bran, linseed meal, corn germ meal, calcium carbonate, and wheat germ meal were brought together. Taking a little of one, more of another, and so on, they brought about a combination that would give chicks not too much—not too little, but just the amount of each ingredient needed for life and growth. Then it was mixed over and over again to make every bite alike.

Were they satisfied? Not entirely, so they fed this combination of ingredients to shipment after shipment of chicks at the experimental farm for a solid year, making it prove up in every detail and under every condition, before being announced to poultrymen.

Then, to verify in a practical way the work done in the laboratories and on the experimental farm, records were kept last year on 1,384,513 baby chicks all over the United States. Ninety-two out of every 100 lived, and they weighed 17 ounces at six weeks, a quarter of a pound more than the average chick weighs.

What did this mean? To the farmers keeping the records it meant 458,628 more pounds of broiler meat in six weeks. Valued at 30c a pound, it meant an extra income of \$137,588.40. To the research men who had spent years in searching for ingredients, testing them, weighing them, experimentally feeding combinations of them, and calculating their results to fractions of a pound, it meant another victory—an achievement which would give baby chicks the right to live—and give to poultrymen full returns for their money invested in those chicks.

It's dangerous to lose the habit of making friends.

THE MEANING OF SERVICE

What men mean when they advertise Service is that they are selling judgment, intelligence, courtesy and efficiency, in addition to bare goods.

Keen business men long ago realized that if they limited themselves to the sale of tangible product, such as paper or glass,

Tempo of American Life Is Told In Our Dance Tunes



RAY O'HARA THE FINISH
Just an armchair with an armful of you, — A heart full of love, — a sky full of blue, day.

Famous Orchestra Leader Finds We Express Ourselves in Our Music

New York City.—"Music, more than any other expression, reveals the tempo of the people. No wonder the music of America is more barbaric, vital and far-flung than any the world has known before," says Ray O'Hara, famous musical conductor at the Governor Clinton

music is really the melting pot of all human emotion, since every civilized nation has contributed its bit to the thing called jazz. But the speed at which our machines run is the tempo to which the world dances."

It is true, as Mr. O'Hara points out, that most of our musicians are men who have sampled this tempo and lived as part of the great mechanical age. Paul Whiteman op-

erated a taxi and it is probably this experience, more than any other, that gave him the understanding of the American public's tastes, and another well-known leader was once a stoker on a great ocean liner. Ray O'Hara himself was an automobile salesman and mechanic before he took to music.

"Lyrics as well as music are, now typically American," says Ray O'Hara. "America's picturesque language is reflected in its lyrics. We have a very pictorial manner of saying commonplace and our popular songs more than any other medium are responsible for this."

"An Armchair With an Armful of You," a fox trot ballad that I get many calls for nightly, has a marvelous dance tune but its cute lyric is what makes it in demand. 'An Armchair With an Armful of You' calls up a pleasant picture to most of us and with good music that picture looks grand."

they were in a price competition with every other dealer in their line.

To lift themselves out of the ranks of the dull traders whose brains are as empty as drums, the men of imagination determined to make it clear to their customers and prospects that they were prepared and qualified to offer something that could not be evaluated by the ordinary measuring stick.

Unfortunately, just as there is nothing that can be said of a \$10.00 hat that someone will not claim for a \$3.00 hat, so the sincere and capable business man has discovered that his stupid and unscrupulous rivals have lung power equal to his own.

Everybody shouts Service. Sometimes the customer gets Service and sometimes he doesn't.

Nothing is wrong with the word or the ideal back of the word. The trouble is that it is used so often by people who are incapable of giving it any meaning.

The buyer who needs Service and gets it invariably is the receiver of a rare bargain. Few sellers charge enough for brains, experience and judgment. Doctors and lawyers, having little else to sell, sometimes get a fair price for these intangibles. But the business man, beset by hungry competition and dealing chiefly in intangibles, throws in what he calls Service, hoping that he will get the order even though his bid is a few dollars over the lowest estimate.



AS THE DOCTOR ORDERED

ALL the co-operation of a quality drug store is given your physician, at Hastings Pharmacy, when he prescribes for you. Pure, fresh, full strength ingredients make up all of our prescriptions—no cutting of quality to meet competition—everything as ordered by the doctor and dispensed by a registered pharmacist.

Hastings Pharmacy

"Where Friendly Service Bids You Welcome"

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Men's Spring Accessories

DRESS SHIRTS, values to \$3.50, special at \$1.50
PORTIS and BUCKSKIN Hats to \$7.50, special at \$4.95
DRESS PANTS, values to \$7.50. Special at \$3.95

TOP COATS 1-2 PRICE
ALL KNIT UNDERWEAR
ONE-HALF PRICE

Campbell's STORE



"How do you like our new furniture?"

I'VE fallen in love with your furniture and hope that you have it insured.

Some people overlook this necessity and insure only the building. Then, if they have the misfortune of a fire, they are unable to replace their valued possessions without spending their own savings."

Protect your furniture with a policy in a sound company such as this agency represents. A telephone call is all that is required.

PHONE No. 42

HANSFORD ABSTRACT CO.

North Main SPEARMAN

PRE-EASTER SALE!

we offer on merchandise will do through our store taking advantage event. Easter is just around the buying will be in everyone's mind spring merchandise will make the

This Store Will be Closed all Day Thursday to Prepare for Sale

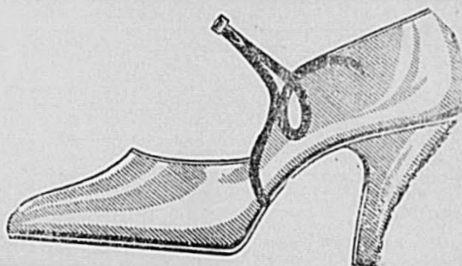
SALE BEGINS Friday, March Sale Closes Monday, April



LADIES SHOES

Every lady wants a pretty pair of new shoes for Easter. Here is your opportunity. Buy them at a reduction. High heels, low heels, blacks and blonds—in fact everything you may wish. Come early and get your pick.

Ladies \$3.50 and \$3.95 values	\$2.95
Ladies \$4.00 values	\$3.95
Ladies \$6.00 values	\$4.95
Ladies \$8.50 values	\$6.95



Ladies Silk Hose

We Sell Ladies Fine Feather Hose. They are Guaranteed to Give Satisfaction or a New Pair. They are Now on Sale—and look at the prices. All hose listed are full fashioned, pure thread silk to the top. We have stocked a new number in the dollar hose. It is as good as the hose you paid \$1.50 for last year. Remember you can buy it for 89c.

The \$1.50 value last year, regular \$1.19 this year, you can buy in this sale for \$1.00

The \$2.00 value last year, \$1.50 retailer this year, you can buy in this sale for \$1.39

Our new \$2.00 number, in this sale at \$1.79

The above numbers can be had in all the new and wanted shades for Spring. Try a pair of FINE FEATHER HOSE.

LADIES SPRING COATS

Remember EASTER is just a week away. Why not take advantage of these prices on new SPRING COATS. We only have a few left. But they will go on sale at

33 1-3 Discount

YOU WILL FIND MANY BARGAINS IN OUR STORE THAT ARE NOT LISTED ON THIS BILL

Ladies Millinery

In all the pretty new designs and materials for Spring lotted as follows:

LOT NO. 1.—Your Choice	\$2.89
LOT NO. 2.—Your Choice	\$3.49
LOT NO. 3.—Your Choice	\$3.98

ALL BETTER HATS 20 PER CENT DISCOUNT

All Our Dresses Will be in Lots as Follows:

LOT NO 1 will consist of Co-Eds, and Bothmans well known California line, values \$16.75 to \$19.75, pretty new prints, chiffons, and all the pretty new things for Spring. Your Choice

\$14.98

LOT NO. 2 will consist of all \$12.50 and \$14.50 values. All the pretty new things for Spring. Your choice

\$9.98

LOT NO. 3 will consist of all our pretty new Spring dresses, \$6.75 to \$8.50 values, your choice \$4.95

Ladies Undies

Ladies Rayon Bloomers, Dance Sets, Silk Gowns in all the pretty, wanted shades and designs. Ladies pretty dance sets, in all the pretty past shades, Lot 1 \$1.79 Lot No. 2 \$2.98

10 per cent off on Ladies Silk and Rayon Gowns	
Ladies \$1.00 bloomers	89c
Ladies \$2.50 bloomers	\$2.19
Ladies \$3.00 Panties	\$2.49
Ladies \$3.50 Panties	\$2.98

We are agents for the wonderful line of Madam Grace Corsets and Brassiers. They will be offered at 15 per cent off.



WE WISH to expand our trade territory. In order to do so we are offering unusual bargains. We want to turn merchandise into cash and we are sure the prices we know buying crowds will appreciate. An unusual price reduction for the Easter appeal for irresistible bargains in the public rejoice.

This Sale is For Cash Only. Goods Charged Will be at Regular Price

Here's Real Values In Household Necessities

- LOT TURKISH TOWELS, Each 10c
 - LOT TURKISH TOWELS, 22x44, extra heavy, real value at 25c
 - Our \$1.98 line of wash dresses going in this Sale for \$1.79
 - Our \$2.98 line of ladies wash dresses for street and home will go in this sale for \$2.69
 - One big lot of pretty val lace goes in this sale for, yard 3c
 - One Big lot Curtain Scrims, ecru and white, real bargain, yd. 7½c
 - One big assortment of ladies Rayon Hose. They are real values at 50c. They go in this sale for 45c
 - One lot ladies and childrens dresses in broken size, value to \$1.39, your choice 49c
 - One Lot Ladies and Children's mixed cotton and rayon Bloomers, pair 25c
- Big Bargains in window curtains. Space will not permit listing prices.



FREE SHOW

Buster Brown and Tige in person. Get your tickets now at Stone Merritts. See Buster Brown and Tige at the Lyric Theatre Friday Mar. 27, at 4:30 p.m. Added attraction free picture "Tiffany Chimps". Hear the monkeys talk.



MEN'S CLOTHING

Easter is just around the corner. Who would not like to have a new suit for Easter?

Men's and young men's spring suits in serviceable worsteds and twists. New models, all hand tailored (not machine made). Your choice of any suit in our house

\$18.95

None of these suits sold for less than \$25.00 and some as high as \$34.85. Come early and get your choice.

Dress Goods

Spring time is sewing time. Take advantage of these prices on pretty new spring dress goods.

- 36- inch PRINTS, fine count cloth, soft finish, rich print designs in all colors. Suitable for ladies and children's dresses. Fast colors, yd. . . 20c
- PRINTS, 36 inches wide, fine count cloth, soft finish, pretty designs, fast colors, yard . . . 16c
- RAYON, exceptionally good grade rayon crepe, new designs, in exquisite prints, fast colors, 43c
- RAYON FLAT CREPE, 39 inches wide, pretty pattern designs in new, wanted prints, yd., 89c
- ONE BIG LOT of printed voiles. Every pattern suitable for spring and summer wear. Many striking designs combining popular colors, yd., 25c

Arrow Shirts

Did you know that Arrow Shirts are guaranteed not to shrink or fade. In our better shirts we sell ARROW BRAND. The prices below are on new spring patterns. Why not buy your shirts now.

- \$2.00 values \$1.79
- \$2.50 values \$2.19
- \$3.00 values \$2.49
- \$3.50 values \$2.89

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS Extra Special! LOOK! One Lot 79c
One Lot Men's Dress Shirts, values \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50
go in this Sale for \$1.29

MEN'S HATS

Hats that are selected for men who want style and fit and look right. The season's new shapes and colors offer excellent choice. Roll and snap brims, in shades of tan, grey and others. Priced to please.

- One Lot for \$2.95
- One Lot for \$3.95

All other hats in the well-known Davis Brand 20 Per Cent Off

We are showing all the new shapes in Spring Stetsons, but they are not reduced.



One big lot of men's khaki work pants, values to \$1.75, your choice \$1.19

Yard-Long and other good work shirts of same quality, standard made, cut full, colors blue and gray . . . 79c

One lot men's work shirts for only 49c

Men's Hawk Brand overalls, in blue and stripes, 220 wt. every pair guaranteed to give you satisfaction or a new pair \$1.00

Boy's Hawk Brand overalls, same guarantee as men's, per pair 79c

Men's Cotton sox in black, grey, brown and white, per pair 10c

Men's genuine Automatic work sox, white heel and toe, per pair 10c

A big assortment of men's 25c value rayon sox . . 19c

Boy's tennis shoes of better quality. Sun tan color, lace to toe, Nobby toe guard, 11½ to 6, pair 98c

Closing out all boy's long corduroy pants, values to \$2.95, choice \$1.00

ALL TRUNKS, INCLUDING WARDROBES, 20 PER CENT OFF

One lot boys all wool pants, exceptional values, colors brown and blue, sizes 12 to 16, your choice --- \$1.79

One lot boys Knight-Klad pajamas. A real bargain, in sizes 10 to 16, choice 89c

Young Men's fancy suspenders, Hickok made, \$1.00 values, choice - 69c

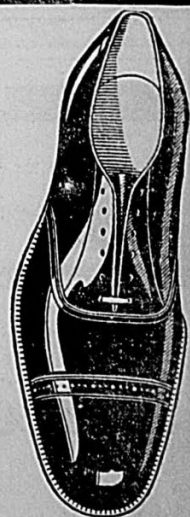
Men's Dress Shoes

Exceptionally good values in men's dress shoes at the regular price. But look at the savings you make by buying now.

Men's \$4.00 Brown-Bilt (Foursome), nationally advertised, go in this sale at .. \$3.49

These shoes are wonderful values. Come and see. We invite inspection.

- Men's \$5.00 values for \$3.95
- Men's \$6.00 values for \$4.95
- Men's \$8.50 values for \$6.95
- Men's \$10.00 values for \$7.95



Stone-Merritt & Co.

A Good Store In A Good Town

Spearman, Texas

POLITICAL PRACTICES

In almost every small town there exists men who think that they are politicians. They usually disregard or care nothing for the welfare and development of the town in which they practice their art.

Men of this class usually find something wrong with all city officials, and spread their so-called inside information by calling men off to one side, so they are sure that their important inside information will not "get out" and whisper the so-called wrong doing in their ears.

I have often wondered why some people think that it is their special mission to determine whether the public officials elected by the people are crooked or not, and it seems that according to these special protectors, everybody except themselves is crooked. This same class of men is always trying to stick their nose in where they have no authority. If the people are so crooked, why don't they come before them and state the cause and the remedy, in place of whispering the trouble privately.

Your public officials are your servants and are always glad to hear when things are not going as they should.

When one of these men approach you, ask them to please submit the trouble in writing and sign their names to it. If they are men of honor they will either submit to a written statement or else shut up. I have never had much confidence in any man who would not put his name where he keeps his mouth.

There are a few men in our town who have yelled their heads off about the city engineers being paid a five per cent fee for their services. I can not help but wonder why these same men are not saying something about the architects on our court house job being paid the same fee, and also about the county paying a ten per cent fee for engineering on the state highway which has just been completed.

Are they not the same propositions?

I am not complaining about the above-mentioned fees, as they are regular and should be paid, but I am not able to see why it is wrong for the city to do the same thing that the county is doing.

What do you think? I have a wholesome respect and admiration for the city officials who have served this town in the past. They had a constitution strong enough to stand up under

this petty political gossip. I am almost of the opinion that the vicious system as practiced in the last two elections should be wholly and completely exposed.

Your councilmen and mayors of the past have been the very best citizens that the town affords, and have done much for the development of the city. These former officials have not been given the credit they so richly deserve.

On the other hand, what have the men who are usually heard growling, done for the betterment of this city? The men who served you as aldermen, previous to the adoption of the commission form of government, have given the present city commission their support, and have helped us in every way possible to succeed. This help and cooperation is appreciated to the fullest extent.

The object in the coming election should be to choose the man who will conduct the business of the city on a strictly business basis, disregarding the opinions and growls of all knackers, regardless of whom they are.

I, as a citizen and taxpayer of the city, would like to see a published statement from each candidate for mayor, giving his program for betterment of the city, and his record of what he has already accomplished or helped accomplish.

Do we want a city government free from political tricks and clique domination, or do we want a machine-operated system.

Are you satisfied with the accomplishments of your present mayor?

If not, why not? Sit down and see if you can write an article for the paper showing why the city commission has not been a success.

The city is yours. You, as an individual, are a part of the city. Upon your shoulders rests the burden of electing a responsible man, upon whose shoulders the responsibility will rest.

Will you vote or be voted? Do you think for yourself, or does gossip influence you.

If there is any information that you desire from the city office, call for it; it will be cheerfully furnished. The city office is at your service.

Respectfully,
R. C. SAMPSON.

Buy It in Spearman.

The average public speaker knows one man who can make a good speech.

MEAT PRICES ARE LOWEST SINCE 1924

Meat prices at the present time are lower than they have been since 1924, it was pointed out recently by Charles D. Carey, prominent livestock man of Cheyenne, Wyoming, in a statement to the National Livestock and Meat Board, of which he is chairman.

There has been a very noticeable decline in meat prices all along the line during recent months, Mr. Carey stated. Wholesale prices of beef, pork and lamb are down and these declines have been reflected in the retail market. The consumer can now satisfy his wants in the way of meat at prices lower than they have been in seven years, according to the board chairman.

Take beef, for example. Annual average prices for all slaughter cattle declined from \$10.58 per 100 pounds in 1929 to \$8.55 in 1930, a drop of over 2 cents a pound or 19 per cent. The downward trend of slaughter cattle has been accompanied by similar trends and greater declines in wholesale beef prices. These declines also have been evidenced in the retail prices and to bear out this fact Mr. Carey quoted figures compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics which showed that retail beef prices for the country as a whole have declined 5 cents per pound or 14 per cent from December, 1929 to December, 1930. He pointed out further that a special survey by the U. S. Department of Agriculture covering about 1,000 retail shops in New York City showed that the average composite price of all retail cuts of good grade steer beef had dropped 8 1-3 cents a pound or 20 per cent from the first six weeks in 1929 to the same period this year.

In order to show exactly what these prices mean to the cattleman and to the housewife in actual dollars and cents, Mr. Carey took as an example a 1,000-pound good grade live steer. The steer sold for \$30.00 less during the first six weeks of this year than it did during the same period in 1929, he said. The carcass of this steer, which would weigh 580 pounds, brought \$30.74 less than two years ago. The trimmed saleable retail cuts totaling only 464 pounds were bought by the consumer for \$38.51 less than an equal amount of meat of the same quality would have cost during the period in question in 1929.

"When it is considered that a larger part of the family budget goes for meat than for any other one food, the present trends in prices are of great importance to the housewife who purchases the family supplies," said Mr. Carey.

"Not only are cattle prices down to the lowest levels since 1924 but the beef supply is ample to meet all of the consumer's requirements." In speaking of other meats, Mr. Carey quoted figures showing the decline in wholesale prices of pork and lamb cuts in Chicago by contrasting the prices prevailing during the last week in January, 1930 and the same period of 1931. These figures showed that fresh pork prices, including loins, hams, shoulders, Boston butts and spare ribs, had declined from 24 to 42 per cent.

Prices of cured pork cuts, including smoked hams, smoked bacon, smoked picnics, bellies, fat backs and lard, had declined for 3 to 31 per cent.

Lamb and mutton carcasses were down from 22 to 34 per cent.

EXAMPLE

Every man has some power over others that is exercised without conscious effort on his part. It is a responsibility he cannot dodge. If he is a strong man, others will strive to emulate his strength. If he is a weak man,

others, in passing will shudder at the thought of being like him. Both serve the noble cause of uplift.

In almost every group, organization or community there is one man who walks his chosen way without thought for the preferences, opinions and will of others. He is a strong man; original, dominant, cocksure. If he has looked the world over and decided against it; if it is his custom to attribute the worst possible motives to all men; if he is, in short, a cynic, those who come within his influence are almost certain to find themselves sneering at mankind and calling the world a failure.

But if this strong man is a conservative with a well-lined nest and a conviction that all who advocate change or a disturbing of dividends are dangerous cranks who should be jailed or deported, those who associate with him soon learn to use his pet phrases in denunciation of dreamers and to

feel a certain awe of money in large piles.

Therefore, since it is a certainty that the average man, who lacks a dominating personality, will be remade after the image of the strong men within whose orbit he moves, why shouldn't he exercise what little discretion he has in the matter and attach himself to men who are what he would like to be?

Ford Finance Co. Reduced Rates Here

The Oklahoma City Branch of Universal Credit Company has announced another reduction in the financing costs on Ford Passenger and Commercial Cars effective at this time. This reduces Time Delivered Prices on Ford products in this territory, which is covered by the Oklahoma City Branch of the Ford Motor Company. It is important to note that when the UCC Plans of this Authorized Ford Finance Company were first in-

troduced in this territory over a year ago, the financing costs on Ford cars were reduced from \$25 in some sections of Oklahoma and Texas up to \$50 in other parts of this territory. The Universal Credit Company, which is an exclusively Ford financing institution, has since its inception two and one-half years ago effected savings of nearly \$50,000,000 for time purchasers of Ford cars throughout the country.

As the new Ford extends the limits of man's opportunity, so these Authorized Ford Finance Plans are another phase in the Ford program of making available quality transportation to the greatest number of people at the lowest possible cost. These UCC plans provide credit for every deserving person in the nation who choose to pay for their Ford transportation as they use it. In interviewing an official of this Ford financing organization he said: "The first cost of the new Ford is usually low not only because of

the economies but because that inspire them. It is easy to mean greater little value if the later through financing. Universally serves the economically as

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Use all your Auction Money at this sale as it will be the last one held.

Watch Announcements of Future Big Doings

Spearman Retail Merchants

Bank Credit and Bank Balances

The balance you carry in your checking account has a good deal to do with the amount of credit extended at your bank. When one man wonders why he can't borrow as readily as his neighbor, granting all other factors equal, the reason is probably found in steady, substantial average balance as against a small, fluctuating account.

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Tire Prices

4.50x21	\$5.00
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SPEARMAN MOTOR CO. HOLDING MONEY RAISING TIRE SALE
Many Spearman People Taking Advantage of Wonderful Savings

The Spearman Motor Company is holding a money raising tire sale. Their tires are marked down until they are just above cost. Many Spearman people are taking advantage of the wonderful savings offered on tire prices by having new tires put on their automobiles. If you are in need of automobile tires you should not fail to drive in the Spearman Motor Company today and see their wonderful stock of tires.

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Water Main Extension Program Being Considered By Commission

A city commission of the city has under consideration a water main extension program which provides for the laying of six-inch mains from the intersection of Collard and Carson through Kenneth to the intersection of Kenneth and Morton streets, and through the intersection of Morton and Edwards streets, and through the intersection of Edwards and Carson streets, and through the intersection of Carson and Edwards streets, and through the intersection of Edwards and Carson streets, and through the intersection of Carson and Edwards streets.

In the building and development of any city an adequate water supply and fire protection are the foundation upon which future development depends. No city can be greater than its water supply and system. Our little city

PEAR

Spearman, Hansford

First Christian Church Will Hold Revival

Revival services, but are without the advantage of such a system. If we are forced to pay for an adequate system it seems that it would be wise to install this system so that we might enjoy the service that we are entitled to and for which we are paying.

The city commission would be glad to hear from Spearman citizens through the press. Will you respond

By R. C. SAMPSON, City Manager.

Conoco Programs Devoted to West

Saluting the West, the next broadcast of the Conoco Listeners' Hour will continue the series of programs dedicated to sections of the country of interest to motor travelers. Music typical of the West will be heard during the program.

Peggy and Pat, of course, will be in the studio to direct the program in accordance with the wishes of the listeners themselves and promise an exceptionally fine broadcast. The orchestra and the quartette are preparing special features they report.

Tune in Wednesday evening, April 1, on station KGGM, Albuquerque, at 8:30; KGIR, Butte, at 9; KFBB, Great Falls, at 8:30; WKY, Oklahoma City, at 6:15; WHDF, Calumet, at 6:30.

Gladys Van Burkleo, Bernyce Burran, Bill Burran, Herbert Campbell, Dawson Richards, J. D. Merriman and Arnold Wilbanks played golf at Perryton Sunday.

R. L. McClellan, Pope Gibner and Frank Lyon, of the McClellan Grain Company, Spearman, and Walter Forester, this company's representative at Morse, spent Tuesday in Amarillo in attendance upon a J. I. Case Company dealer's convention. They report a profitable and highly enjoyable trip.

More Than Million in Twenty States Fed by Red Cross Volunteers

Hot School Lunches and Balanced Rations Given to Drought Victims — Seed Programs Instituted on Wide Scale

More than 1,000,000 persons in 22 drought-stricken counties of 20 States came under the care of the American Red Cross in what developed into the most extensive relief operations in half a century of ministering to stricken humanity.

Measures to lessen the severity of the blow inflicted by drought were taken as early as last September, when seed was distributed to more than 58,000 families for the planting of rye and other pastures, and to more than 27,000 families for the planting of kitchen gardens. The expenditure for this purpose amounted to \$326,800. Green vegetables were made available up to January.

Early in February another Red Cross garden program got under way and 507,000 packages of seed were distributed in 15 States. Quarter-acre plots were planted to beans, beets, cabbage, carrots, sweet corn, kale, lettuce, mustard, onions, peas, spinach, squash, tomatoes and turnips. Once again were farm families given the opportunity to participate in their own salvation.

A comparatively mild winter contributed to the success of the Spring and Fall seed campaigns. Many habitual single-croppers were introduced to the advantages of kitchen gardens, balanced cropping and balanced diet. Numerous land-owners have expressed the opinion that this constitutes the one apparent blessing to come out of the drought catastrophe. The United States Department of Agriculture and the local county agricultural agents and home demonstration agents cooperated in making this part of the relief operations successful.

Balanced Meals Served
Red Cross feeding was aimed at adequacy and scientific correctness. In large numbers of schools, where children were found to be attending with little or nothing in their lunch boxes, hot meals were served at noon. A typical menu consisted of vegetable soup and bread one day; thick beef soup or stew with vegetables another day; cocoa or milk and cheese, peanut butter, or jam sandwiches, a third day.

In some places where lunches were not served in the schools, but were provided for in the regular food orders, each family having

school children received extra staples for school lunches including peanut butter, raisins, prunes and tomatoes. Red Cross nutritionists instructed mothers in the preparation of lunches.

County health officers and private physicians commended the adequacy of rations procured on orders issued by Red Cross chapters. Besides the usual staples, such as corn meal, flour, lard, meat, beans and potatoes, such items as canned salmon, cabbage, tomatoes, vegetables and milk were provided, each order being adapted to the special needs of the family from whom it was issued. Where pellagra threatened, eggs, yeast and other preventives were given.

Thousands of Volunteer Workers
Many thousands of volunteers, through their local Red Cross chapters, gave freely of their time, experience and efforts, as in other Red Cross disaster operations. They searched out needy cases in their communities. Chapter committees investigated circumstances, distributed food and clothing.

More than 500 carloads of foodstuffs were contributed. These were given free haulage by railroads. Farmers of more fortunate sections embraced the opportunity to help their pastoral cousins of the affected area. Shipments ranged from live poultry to fish, from grain to grapefruit. Carloads of flour, eggs, beans, vegetables, onions, rice, corn and mixed vegetables were included.

As the result of co-ordinated Red Cross chapter efficiency, no authenticated case of starvation as a result of drought has been uncovered. Large quantities of new and used clothing were distributed. In direct consequence many school children resumed their studies, who had been kept at home for lack of sufficient protection from the elements. In some instances, rural schools that had been closed were enabled to reopen as a result of Red Cross relief.

States involved were: Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.

Many of these States had been hard hit by a succession of floods, crop failures, low prices and economic depression, and drought constituted a climax to the cycle of distress.

"Wherever I went," wrote one observer, "I made a point of asking what would have happened if the Red Cross had not been able to respond. In widely scattered points, from leading citizens, came the answer that undoubtedly there would have been many deaths, directly from starvation, with epidemics preying upon the undernourished."

Pat Barbour was in Spearman Saturday, from Dalhart, visiting and attending to business matters.

Ermin and Bill Hollis and Raymond Watts, of Toxhoma, were visiting friends and relatives in Spearman Sunday.

Willard Clark, district manager for the Western Telephone Corporation, was here from Guymon Monday, attending to business matters.

DIGS DEEP

Breaks up the subsoil



JUST TO LOOK at the "business end" of this sturdy Case Orchard Tiller tells you that it's built for deep penetration. But you must see it in action to appreciate its full worth. The nine stiff chisel points dig deep and thoroughly stir the subsoil, laying it open to the action of air and water—releasing valuable plant food. Enough top soil is admitted to prevent the subsoil from cementing together again. Roots go deep into this loose soil—you'll notice the difference in healthy, rapid growth. During heavy rains, more water will be absorbed—less top soil washed away.

The Case Tiller has a practical value for all crops and is especially valuable in orchard cultivation. Clean cut outline—protects overhanging tree branches and fruit—no projecting levers or other parts. Fine screw adjustment operated from tractor seat. Power Lift. Rope controlled.

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1. WELL, IT IS ALWAYS
2. MOST MODERN EAT
3. YOU GET PLENTY

bankers and was informed: "We have changed our minds. He Ford business is not worth that much money."
Mr. and Mrs. John D. Duncen the proud parents of a 7 lb. boy, born on Monday of this week, the young man has been named John Robnett.

Churches and Society

Windom-Ware

Miss Geraldine Windom, daughter of Tom Windom of Spearman, was married to Earl Ware of McLean on Saturday, March 7. The marriage occurred in New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Ware will make their home in McLean, the former home of the Windom family.

Christian Science Churches

The lesson-sermon subject in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, was "Matter," Sunday, March 22. The golden text was from Isaiah 42:8. "I am the Lord: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images." The service included the following passage from the Bible (Psalms 48:8): "The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved; he uttered his voice, the earth melted." These citations from Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy (pp. 281 and 97), were also read: "Our false views of matter perish as we grasp the facts of Spirit—'He uttered His voice, the earth melted.' This Scripture indicates that all matter will disappear before the supremacy of Spirit."

Methodist Church

We are engaged in a revival meeting at the church. This week we will have different speakers each night. These men are men of ability—hear them. Not only pastors of the town, but professional men will occupy the pulpit this week. Next week the presiding elder of this district, Rev. Ed R. Wallace, will do the preaching. We extend to everybody an urgent invitation to attend these services during this and next week's services. It will be a blessing to you and you in turn can be a blessing to your community. The Sunday school will convene at 10 in the morning. At the eleven o'clock hour preaching. League at 6:45 and evening worship at 7:45. Let's improve a bit on the attendance of these departments of the church work. You can enjoy Easter better if you will come to the services and get your soul revived—this is the season when we should do some heart-searching individually. Not what the other fellow is—but what am I? Then we are prepared to do some church work, and it will be effective.

Church of Christ

During the first half of May Bro. A. C. Williams of Forgan, Oklahoma, formerly of Pomona, California will hold a revival at the Church of Christ, Bro. Tarbet will conduct the song services. Services as usual Sunday. The morning preaching subject will be: "The Church a Cultivated Field." There will be no night services on account of a special meeting at Canadian.

FELIX W. TARBET, Minister.

Woman's Missionary Union

The W. M. U. met at the home of Mrs. R. L. Baley Wednesday afternoon, March 25th. Mrs. Boston led the very interesting Bible lesson which was the 26th Chapter of Matthew. In the short business session it was decided that the W. M. U. would cooperate with the T. E. L. Class in holding a silver tea next Thursday afternoon, April 2. After the meeting a basket of handkerchiefs was presented by the W. M. U. to Mrs. C. O. Collard who is moving away from Spearman. Mrs. Collard has been a very faithful member and she and her family will be missed by all. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses to the 13 members present. Several other members are moving from Spearman and it is with regret that we see them go. The next meeting will be held Wednesday afternoon, April 1, at the home of Mrs. Jimmie Davis, with Mrs. Babb as hostess.

L. R. Wiley, representing the advertising department of the Progressive Farmer and Southern Ruralist, Dallas, spent Tuesday in the city, conferring with Secretary Ratekin of the chamber of commerce and business men of the city. Mr. Wiley was a guest of the Lions Club at the regular weekly luncheon.

Missionary Society Methodist Church

The Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. W. Mathews with nineteen members present. Mrs. Barkley and Mrs. Stinnett gave the devotional. A delightful lesson was given by Mrs. Bailey. Her subject was prayer. Mesdames McClellan, Allen, H. A. Nichols, Stinnett, Buzard, and Lester McLain read scripture references and discussed prayer. Mrs. Dawson Nichols sang a beautiful solo. Mrs. H. P. Bailey and Mrs. H. A. Nichols were elected delegates to the annual Missionary Conference to be held in Big Springs April 6. Mrs. Barkley, Superintendent of children's work, will have a meeting for the children next Sunday morning at the church hour. Mothers are urged to bring or send their children. We especially want the cradle roll. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Pope Gibner and will be a business meeting. The following answered roll call: Mesdames Clark, Bailey, P. A. Lyon, McClellan, H. A. Nichols, Allen, Dawson Nichols, Mathews, Stinnett, Morton, Buchanan, Lester McLain, Wolfe, Lee, Barkley, Dodson, Hale and Ratekin. We were very glad to welcome Mrs. S. B. Hale as a new member. At the close of the meeting Mrs. R. W. Morton made a pretty speech and presented Mrs. Philip Wolfe, the retiring president, with a basket filled with handkerchiefs as a parting gift from the members of the society.

Epworth League

Program for March 29. The principles of Jesus Christ applied to ordinary family and social contacts. Songs. Prayer. Scripture—1 Sam. 25:10-17; 1 Peter 5:5. Special Song—Lucile Maize. Suggestions for Discussion—Mr. Finley. Brotherhood of Men—Freeman Barkley. Supremacy of Spiritual Values—Lometa Buchner. Sacredness of Life and Personality—Lois Bailey. Leader—Chester Rhoads.

Pupils of Miss Elliott in Interesting Recital

The recital given by the pupils of Miss Troas Elliott at the High School Auditorium, Friday evening, March 20, was one of the most entertaining and instructive programs that have been presented in Spearman this year. The majority of numbers showed very careful preparation, study and practice. The carrying out of the character of the compositions in costume added much to the program, giving beauty and strength and helping the listeners become more responsive to the idea of each piece.

The number by the high school mixed quartet, "Lassie O'Mine" was especially liked by the audience and was well rendered. The girl's quartet also showed much training in their song "Neopolitan Nights." In the vocal music, the solo of Miss Emma Reeves was by far the most finished and polished and was very well presented, as also were those of Miss Fannie Sparks and Miss Mac Richards.

The duet by Misses Evelyn Mathews and Emma Reeves, with Louise Brewitt and Jack Noe featured, was most interesting. R. L. McClellan, Jr., nicely accompanied by Eyerette Greene, put on a very clever and pleasing Chinese number.

In piano, Miss Floyden Hays played beautifully, giving "The Dancing Lesson" a grace and even-flowing rhythm, not usually found in so young a player. Inez Leitner kept up to her usual high standards in the rather difficult Chinese composition, "Fan Tan." R. L. McClellan, Jr., showed his musicianship by playing "Regimental March" with a vim and virility, which made you want to march. He showed no timidity and seemed perfectly at home at the piano.

Miss Vera Beth McClellan showed that she is ever pushing on by hard practice and study, for her rendition of the difficult "Spanish Dance" showed a well-rounded technique together with a keen musical conception for interpretation. She played with ease and grace, yet was forceful and exact in a composition which might easily tax a more mature musician. Lorene Rossion in her "Arbutus," a composition of entirely different type than "Spanish Dance," showed a well developed musicianship in her lovely interpretation of the piece. Her tones were full and round and she played with a finish, difficult for an amateur to attain in a composition of that type.

Several interesting duets, a pleasing musical reading by Doris Kirk, and a vocal solo by Lola White completed the program. All in all, it was a most enjoyable evening spent in recital, and Miss Elliott is to be congratulated on the manner in which it was accomplished.

Mrs. F. H. Carpenter of Sour Lake, Texas, state president of the American Legion auxiliary, and Mrs. Robert O. Whitaker of Austin, were guests of Mrs. J. W. Ratekin last Saturday. They were enroute to the big legion convention at Perryton, where Mrs. Carpenter was one of the principal speakers. The Carpenter family have been friends of Mrs. Ratekin for many years.

Rae Samuels Finds the Theatre Is Coming Back Into Own



Houses for Legitimate Will Again Dot Land, She Declares

New York City.—All this talk about the passing of the American legitimate theatre is bunk, says Rae Samuels who as the "blue streak of vaudeville," has toured every town and hamlet in the U.S.A.

"The public wants good shows just as much as it ever did," she declares. "For a time all our playwrights became scenario writers and now they are doing talkies. What we need now is a new crop of writers and then you just watch the public step up to the box-office."

"In vaudeville, the same situation holds. Good acts always get over. I think that in a few years

from now there will be more legitimate theatres than ever and more houses playing vaudeville.

"The theatre is an integral part of our life and the personal touch with the audience can never be supplanted."

"Music, too, needs a lot of coming back. For a while all of our writers did nothing but theme songs, simply because 'Ramona' made a fortune for its writers. The country wants good novelty tunes and sweet ballads. 'Sweetheart of My Student Days,' comes as near to being what the public demands as anything I've heard. It carries you back to life's happiest days and does it in a delightfully tuneful manner."

Miss Samuels, one of the few stars of the stage who has not succumbed to pictures, is one of America's best loved singers.

First Christian Church

I will preach at Gruber Sunday, March 29th, both morning and evening, and then our meeting will begin Sunday April 5, Easter Sunday, to run over the 12th or later.

Remember the Sunday school, communion and Junior Christian Endeavor at usual hours each Sunday, and Ladies' Council at church each Thursday.

JASPER BOGUE, Minister.

Women's Committee Ho'd Meeting at Perryton

The Women's Committee of the Texas-Louisiana and Oklahoma Electric and Water Company met Friday, March 20, at the home of Mrs. R. B. Guthrie, Perryton, Texas.

Mrs. C. E. Whippo, temporary chairman, presided. The greeting song was sung to Miss Isabel Herndon, Fort Worth, chairman of the Women's Committee work. Miss Herndon gave a very interesting and instructive talk concerning Women's Committee work.

Mrs. Stanley D. Key, Perryton, talked on several phases of home lighting. Mrs. R. C. Jenkins, Beaver, gave an interesting talk on the Sun Lamp. Mrs. Neal Johnson, Tyrone, ably discussed General Electric Refrigeration. Almost all the members contributed something of interest in the round table discussion of electric refrigeration.

Mrs. Roy Cunningham, Forgan,

entertained those present with a well selected dramatic reading. The lamp and sweeper campaigns were discussed and reports given.

The members expressed the wish that Miss Herndon could meet with this division more often.

The twenty-two members and Miss Herndon adjourned to the Texas Louisiana office for refreshments.—Reporter.

Advertising in Reporter

Always Gets Results

The Reporter has proof to show that advertising in this paper gets results, and the more you advertise the more results you get. In a December issue of the Reporter an ad was run stating that the Reporter would pay 19c per pound for clean cotton rags. Soon two small bundles of rags were bought. In March we ran out of rags again and ran an ad in the Reporter for two issues stating that we would pay 4c per pound for clean cotton rags. The results were that up to date we have bought about eight large bundles of rags at 4c per pound.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nollner were in from the Kimball community Tuesday, trading and visiting with friends.

R. L. Baley spent the last weekend in Amarillo, attending to business matters.

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Mrs. LeRoy Satterwhite and Miss Clementine Venneman were in from the vicinity of Hitchland Wednesday, trading and visiting with friends.

Mrs. W. S. Hiler, nee Miss Beatrice Gibner, arrived from their home in Hobbs, New Mexico, Wednesday for a visit in the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. P. Gibner, and with other relatives and friends. Mrs. Hiler expects to return to Hobbs on Saturday.

Prof. Frank Phillips, member of the faculty of West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, was a visitor to Spearman on Saturday of last week.

C. B. Martin, teacher of vocational agriculture in the schools of Tulia, was looking after business matters in Spearman on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Fred Lusk and baby Sue left Monday for McLain where they will visit in the home of her sister, Mrs. C. P. Pope. From McLain they will go to Kiowa county, Oklahoma, for a visit with his parents.

Dr. Oscar Huff of Mason, Texas, who owns some fine farm land out south of town, was looking after business matters here Monday.

A. R. Junod was in from Kimball on Friday of last week attending to business matters. Mr. Junod formerly lived a few miles east of Spearman and as this was his postoffice address for years. His address is now Guymon Star Route, and if parties who wish to correspond with him will address the mail in that way it will save unnecessary delay in delivery.

Wm. E. McClellan and Rev. J. H. Richards attended court at Pampa Tuesday.

A. L. Rippey, manager of the Spearman Equity, attended court at Canadian on Monday of this week and from there went on to Enid, Oklahoma, to attend a meeting of grain dealers held in that city on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Jackson and the children spent Sunday in Perryton, guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Roper.

C. W. Smith left Tuesday afternoon for Rochester, Minnesota, to which place his father, J. E. Smith of Hooker, was taken last week for an operation at the Mayo Brothers hospital. The elder Smith is a well known resident of Hooker, having resided in that town for several years. He was first taken to specialists in Oklahoma City, and from there was sent on to the Mayo clinic in Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Walker and the children visited relatives and friends in Beaver, Oklahoma Sunday.

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