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## JOHNSON IN SPUR.

### Deliveres An Address of Two Hours on The Prohibition Issues of The Campaign For Governor.

Friday of last week Cone Johnson, candidate for Governor on the prohibition platform, arrived in the city and was met by a considerable delegation of voters of the town and country. He came in on an automobile from the Plains country, arrived here about eleven o'clock in the morning, and immediately repaired to the Baptist tabernacle where for two hours he entertained the audience with a prohibition speech and a discussion of the evils of the liquor traffic and environments of the open saloon.

On being introduced Mr. Johnson stated that the high altitude and windy west had so affected his throat that it would be impossible for him to display any oratorical inclinations.

He said that in the gubernatorial campaign there are only two consistent candidates, the one being O. B. Colquitt on the anti-prohibition platform the other himself on the prohibition side, other candidates in the race being termed straddlers who offered no relief whatever on the main issue of the campaign. He said that his friend Davidson was an anti-prohibitionist but favored submission, while Poindexter offered a compromise in the three mile liquor law provided the legislature again refused to submit a constitutional amendment vote to the people. Johnson said that the three mile liquor law would affect only the country districts where local option is already in force, and if such a statutory law could be enforced it would not be impossible to extend such a law over the whole of Texas, and that if he was elected governor and if the legislature of Texas failed to submit a constitutional amendment providing that it shall be unlawful to manufacture or sell intoxicating liquor within the state he would ask the legislature to pass a statutory law to the same effect.

Mr. Johnson took up a considerable portion of his speech in discussing the evils of the saloon and the degrading effects of the liquor traffic. In closing his speech Mr. Johnson read a letter written by him some two years ago and which Judge Poindexter is now using as evidence in his campaign that Cone Johnson is admittedly an anti-prohibitionist and is only a prohibitionist at this time in the hope of being seated in the gubernatorial office at Austin. The letter in question was a very effective appeal for prohibition and no one by its

reading could infer that Cone Johnson was other than an ardent and staunch prohibitionist at that time, but by reading a single line of this letter Poindexter attempts to make the public believe that Johnson in this letter entertains an anti-prohibition sentiment.

Mr. Johnson's speech here was well received and during the address of two hours his remarks were liberally encored.

### CARD OF THANKS

Recently my friends of Dickens county asked my consent to put my name before the people of the 105 Representative District as candidate for Representative. On a careful consideration of the matter and being informed that there was no candidate out for the place I consented to have my name put on the ticket, but owing to a recent ruling of the Attorney General which requires all names of District candidates to be turned in to the District chairman by the sixth of June. My friends were too late to get official recognition and my name did not go on the ticket.

I appreciate the confidence of my friends and supporters and assure them that if I am ever elected to fill a position of public trust, honesty of purpose and untiring efforts will be my guiding star, and every particle of my energy will be thrown into the fight at all times for civic righteousness and legitimate development of our great West.

I hold it the sacred duty of every citizen of this great commonwealth to stand ready at all times to serve his country in any capacity that he might be called upon, and in giving that service he should hold as the thing most sacred, that which is honest, good, true and noble.

Jesse P. Horton.

### A BELIEVER.

Jno. S. Callahan was in the city Saturday and a pleasant caller at this office. Mr. Callahan has been in the western country a good many years and says that he is now a firm believer in the Campbell system of farming and that he has been a believer in his methods for quite a while but was not aware that such methods were the Campbell system. He says he has been successful in making crops according to this system but until he heard Mr. Campbell explain the why and wherefore he did not attribute his success to the methods practiced. He says every farmer should adopt the moisture conservation methods and we believe that it will pay in every instance.

### THE BALL GAME.

Preparations are now being made to pull off a big ball game here Monday between the Fats and the Leans of the town. Those who engage in this game will be amateurs, the fats upon one side and the leans upon the other. We are not informed as to whether an admission will be charged, but there is no doubt but that the game will be interesting and amusing from the first to the last.

The line-up is as follows:

Fats	Weight
Deck Powers, 3-b	230
Frank Vernon, 1-f	235
T. L. Owens, c	225
W. S. Campbell, c-f	220
W. G. Sherrod, 1-b	215
Jeff D. Reagan, p	190
J. V. McCormick, r-f	215
Perry Fite, s-s	242
F. W. Jennings, 2-b	185
N. B. Hancock, sub	190
W. A. Walthall, sub	235
Nanson Womack, sub	210
Total	2592
Average	216

Leans	Weight
M. H. Herring, 1-b	130
R. B. Bryant, s-s	225
R. A. Stewart r-f	135
F. A. Prideaux, c-f	146
E. C. Edmonds, p	3 147
C. B. New, 1-f	135
J. P. Horton, c	147
C. G. Chandler, 2-b	147
C. H. Senning, 3-b	150
Bert Ingram, sub	130
C. L. Love, sub	130
N. Q. Brannen, sub	140
Total	1652
Average	139 1-2

### FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

The latter part of last week T. J. Harrison, of the New Hope community, was in town and was a pleasant caller at this office, and while here authorized the Texas Spur to place his name in the announcement column for the office of Tax Assessor of Dickens county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held July 23. Mr. Harrison has been in this country since 1882 and until four or five years ago he worked on the Spur and Matador Ranches. He is well and favorably known by all the old timers, is well qualified to fill the office he seeks and if elected to office will perform the duties ably and justly to all parties. We ask that readers of the Texas Spur and voters of the county consider Mr. Harrison's candidacy before casting a ballot on election day.

### DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

District Attorney B. D. Glasgow was in the city Wednesday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Glasgow has made a record in his official capacity and one which is sel-

dom equaled by prosecuting attorneys within the state. He is making a campaign for reelection to the office upon the record he has made in the past and claims that he is better fitted and qualified to serve the district as prosecutor in the future than he has been in the past. Mr. Glasgow is an able attorney, a hard prosecutor of violators of the law and in every way eminently qualified and fitted for the office he seeks.

### THE RAIN.

Reports come in that good rains have come to the different sections of this country. A good rain is reported in the Dickens and Afton country, and also a pretty good rain in a portion of the Tap and Red Mud country. A nice shower fell in Spur Tuesday afternoon and night. The clouds are still hanging around and the prospects are that a good, general rain is coming.

### VOTING CONTEST.

Spur Methodist church	501
Middle Red Mud	688
Noview	721
Tap Christian church	575
Spur Baptist Church	8,389
Miss Alta Shermerhorn	1566
Miss Cordie Harrell	723
Miss Lillian Denton	777
Miss Emma Benson	575
Miss Little	501
Miss Thera Reavis	8,389

Tickets in this contest can be secured on ten cent purchases at the following places: Ladies Bazaar, Red Front Drug Store, Spur Furniture Store, Spur Hardware Store, Dixie Store, Hisey Grocery Co., Spur Sheet Metal Works, R. W. Scurry, R. B. Spencer & Co., Spur Meat Market, Variety Store, Mack, the tailor, J. B. Conner, Texas Spur.

### OPERATE ON SPINE.

Wednesay, Drs. Meers & Morris, after calling in Dr. Smoot of Dallas in consultation, decided to operate on A. Kansler who was thrown from his buggy one week ago. An operation was performed on the spine with successful results. Dr. Smoot has spent several years in Europe, and is now Professor of Surgery at Southwestern University Medical College of Dallas and is considered one of the ablest men of Texas, and in assisting in the operation it was done in a most skillful manner. Mr. Kansler's condition is considered very serious, considering his age and the nature of the injury and his recovery will be very slow.

H. M. Henry, of Ferris, is in city this week with a view of locating here. Mr. Henry was in Spur at the opening of the town, leaving here in February. We are glad to have Mr. Henry with us again and hope that he will become permanently located with us in the future.

## SPUR SCHOOL

### Teachers Secured and School Will Begin September 7th And Continue Probably Nine Months.

The Board of Trustees of the Spur Schools have been very active in school matters, since their election, having made all the necessary arrangements for a first class school in every particular. The Christian and Baptist tabernacles have been secured for school purposes and will be used in connection with the present school building. These buildings will be ceiled, canvassed and papered, furnished with desks and other school accessories to make them comfortable and adequate for the necessities during the 1910-11 term of school.

J. P. Horton has been employed as principal of the school, and Misses Thomas, Kelly, Cleo Jennings and Jennie Reede as assistants. The corps of teachers insure a successful school, each teacher being eminently fitted and qualified for their respective positions, and there is no doubt but that the Spur school will be a success in every particular, and although the teachers and principal will be somewhat at a disadvantage on account of the buildings, we expect the Spur schools to make a record and be recognized as among the best schools of the country.

Good schools are a necessity in any country, and along this line Spur will be second to none. We are going to have the best of everything going, and especially in schools, teachers and facilities. The school board has ordered the very best furniture and fixtures and before another school year rolls round we will have a forty or fifty thousand dollar school building.

Let Spur grow in education, agriculture and commercial development.

### NEW BANK BUILDING.

The First State Bank will soon begin the construction of a fine brick business honse on the lot now occupied by the Spur National Bank. The State Bank building will cover two lots and one story high. Sol Davis, a prominent business man of Dickens will move his business here and occupy a portion of the First State Bank building, having a frontage on both Burlington Avenue and Harris street. The plans of this building show it to be handsomely designed and when complete will be an enduring credit to the town, contribute largely to the substantial growth and progress of its business interests.

Watch Spur Grow.

It is rumored that E. Luce, of Tap and J. Carlisle of Gilpin may enter the race as candidates for Commission of this precinct. At this time there are already two good men in this race but it will do no injury for two more good men to get in and make the campaign livelier. The more the merrier.

Tom McArthur was in Saturday and informed us that he had secured a cook. However, notwithstanding the fact that he has one of the best cooks in the land, Tom says that he is not yet satisfied and will continue his efforts in the matrimonial line.

Mr. Allen, a prominent citizen of Rotan is in Spur to assist Glen Rector in the construction of a concrete building for T. A. O'Reiley on the east side of Burlington Avenue between R. R. Morrison and the First State Bank office.

Mack Powers, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, says he is convinced that it pays to advertise. Last week he put in a local notice for a first class waiter and said he secured the waiter almost before the paper was mailed out.

Mrs. M. L. Faver of Afton spent Thursday and Thursday night in the city with her daughter, Mrs. Lee Kelly, Mrs. Kelly returning home with her mother Friday where she will remain for some time.

**FOR TRADE**—House and lot in Rising Star, 5 rooms, lots and crib, good well of water, close in. Will trade for land in or around Spur. Write Ellis Harris, Rising Star, Texas.

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Mrs. W. G. Broyles returned last week from Rule where she visited relatives several days. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. George Bennett, who will spend several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Broyles at their home in the city.

Master Edward Anderson son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Anderson, has been quite sick this week of measles. Quite a number of cases of measles have been reported this week in different parts of town.

Dr. Morris who has been sick left recently for Haskell where he goes to recuperate. We hope to see the doctor well again and back in Spur.

F. E. Parks, the Tailor, will clean your clothes and make them look like new.

When you want a square meal or short order go to the City Restaurant.

When you want fresh vegetables or any kind of staple and fancy groceries remember that Hisey Grocery Company keeps a nice assortment and well selected stock and will be glad to serve you.

Miss Ray Forrester, daughter of Judge and Mrs. A. S. Forrester of Rotan, is here this week visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Johnson.

Everything in the grocery line can be found at the Hisey Grocery Company. Your orders will be promptly filled and your trade appreciated.

Clarence Young and sister Miss Alma and Miss Ruth Austin were in town Saturday and Sunday the guests of Hugh Squires and wife.

Call in at Deck's place at the Cowan stand for cold drinks of all kinds. He knows how to fix 'em up to your liking.

Jim Swearer and family spent Sunday on the creeks north and west of town, gathering plums and grapes.

Mrs. Gilmore and children of twelve miles west of town spent Friday and Friday night with W. N. Blackwell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Percy and Mr. and Mrs. Smith were among the visitors Sunday to the plum orchards in the country.

Mrs. W. N. Blackwell and children spent Saturday with Mrs. Tol Merriman of six miles south of Spur.

Little Miss Willis Young of Afton, is spending this week with her sister Mrs. Hugh Squires.

Deck's place is the swell place for Ice cream, cold drinks and all kinds of confectionery. Call in and see.

Rev. J. V. Bilberry and family were in recently from their home eight miles north of Dickens City.

Hisey Grocery Company sells everything in their line at the very best prices. Give them a trial.

YOU get what you BUY at RICHARDSON LUMBER Co.

**LOST**—Set of leather tug harness between Dudd Martin's and Wilson tank, on head of Wilson Creek. Return to either wagon yard for reward.

Mace Hunter, Spur, Texas.

W. A. Copeland of the Red Mud country, was in Saturday on business and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Luther Harbin, who has been working on the Texas Spur the past several weeks, is now confined to his bed on account of measles.

County Attorney B. G. Warwick, of Dickens City, was over Monday on business pertaining to the County Attorney's office.

You can get the very best cream floats at Deck's place at the E. J. Cowan old stand.

Sherrod Williams returned last week after several weeks absence from the city.

When you want a nice cake, phone your order to 71.

Will Walker was here Saturday from his place a few miles east of the city and reports everything all o. k. in his part of the country.

Othar Hale, a prominent citizen and business man of Afton, was in the city the latter part of last week on business and to hear the Cone Johnson speaking Friday.

Sebe Lambert, of the Tap country, was in the city the latter part of last week on business and reports everything in the Tap and Red Mud countries in pretty good shape.

George Cox, who is an old time railroad man and for a number of years a traveling drummer over this western country, was here last week selling stuff to the merchants of Spur.

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 SPUR, - - TEXAS

C. B. Tankersley and family went over to Post City where they will remain several weeks, during which time he will assist J. A. C. Davis in the construction of a fine residence in that city. Mr. Tankersley says the residence will be built on plans similar to the Verner residence in Spur.

How about that new wagon or buggy? Our line can't be beat. Barber, Hancock & New

R. L. Holman of Afton was in Spur the first of the week.

My perfect ventilated cold air Flues has no equal. J. R. Leach, The Spur Tinner, just north Spur National Bank.

Mr. Haynes purchased last week a one-half interest in the Eastside Barber Shop of Mr. McGill. Hereafter the business will be conducted by Messrs. Tidwell and Haynes, both of whom are expert barbers and accommodating gentlemen. Your attention is called to their advertisement in another column of the paper.

Have you seen our new assortment of enamel ware. Barber, Hancock & New.

Sherrod Williams left recently to attend a business school in Fort Worth or Dallas.

Come to the City Bakery for your Bread, Cakes and Pies.

**The Eastside Barber Shop**

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Wallace Howell, who is now helping the Spur Ranch people gather up and brand the cattle, was in the city Saturday, and reports the work progressing nicely. The camp, which has been located east of Spur, was being moved to the west and quite a number of the boys spent that day and night here, the camp being pitched for the night at the Spade tank in the south part of town.

Roy Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Williams of the city, returned last week from Nashville, Tennessee, where he has been attending a school of law.

W. N. Blackwell made a trip over in the Dickens country Monday and reports that that section of the country had a very good shower of rain.

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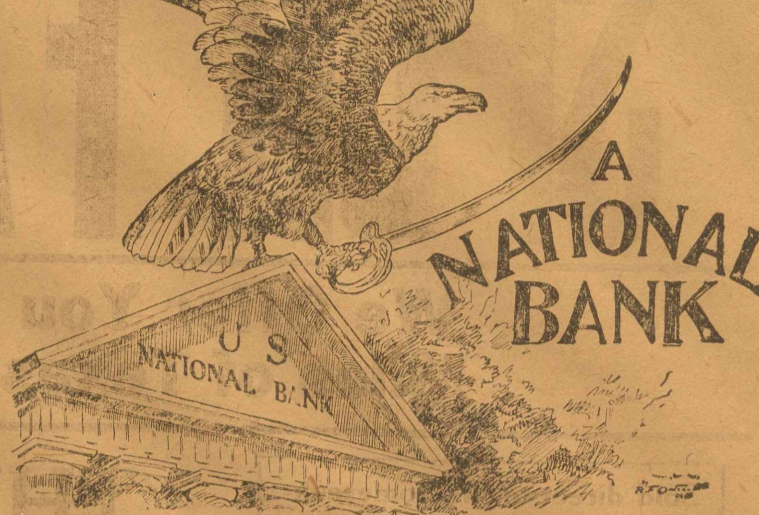
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W. M. Kirkpatrick, who has been hauling water in Spur since the opening of the town, sold his water wagon and business to Mr. Pugh. Mr. Kirkpatrick has not yet decided what he will do but thinks probably he will go to Oklahoma.

District Judge Dixon, of Seymour, accompanied by his son came in Tuesday and will spend several days in the city before convening district court at Dickens next Monday.

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A National Bank is an absolutely safe place to put your money, because the United States Government examines regularly all National Banks.

Ask our patrons how we treat you. We invite you to make OUR Bank YOUR Bank.

**THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK**

Farmers tell us now that people of the country in general have their crop in fine shape and are up with their work and are now enjoying themselves awaiting the July showers.

J. E. Sparks and family were in the city Saturday, Mrs. Sparks and children boarding the train here for the eastern part of the country to visit relatives and friends several weeks.

John Luce, wife and mother, of the Tap country, were in the city Monday trading with the merchants of Spur.

A big nine and a half pound boy was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. John S. Callahan at their home near Spur.

For the best Well Casing get the Peerless Double Swedged, made by J. R. Leach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Horton made a business trip Monday to Dickens.

I am agent for the New Home sewing machine. Come and let me show you B. Shacklett.

J. R. Leach, the Spur Tinner.

The Spur National Bank will soon move into the new building now being completed on the corner of Burlington Avenue and Harris Street. New furniture and fixtures will be installed and the building throughout will be one of the finest and most handsomely furnished in the country.

Glen Rector is now making the blocks for the O'Reiley building and before many days the construction of the building will be under headway.

Misses Lou, Daisy and Ella Willis of Hamlin are here visiting their father, B. A. Willis and their brother Ed Willis and family.

Wanted to Trade—A new sewing machine for a good fresh cow, jersey preferred.

B. Shacklett.  
 Mrs. E. H. Clemmons formerly of Marshall, Texas, recently moved to Spur and will make this her home in the future.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to action of the July Democratic primary.

For District Attorney:

ISAAC O. NEWTON

B. D. GLASGOW, (Re-election)

For County and District Clerk:

CEPHUS HOGAN

CRAWFORD COBB

For County Judge

F. C. GIPSON

O. S. FERGUSON

J. C. ALLISON.

For County Treasurer:

B. A. CREGO.

For Tax Assessor

E. L. HARKEY

J. A. MURCHISON

T. J. HARRISON

For County Attorney

ELLSWORTH HAM

For Sheriff

H. P. COLE

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3:

J. M. BENNETT.

P. H. MILLER

You might just as well tell us that a printer can set type without a stick as that a farmer can farm without proper tools, the practice of scientific methods, and a liberal use of good old common sense. The days of slip shod methods and the use of the forked limb plow are a thing of the past, and the man today who makes a success is the man who is not only energetic but intelligent, progressive and alive to the advanced systems and sciences of today.

The United States congress has adjourned and in this session as well as the former it has made a billion dollar record of expenses and expenditure of money and also in the disclosure of scandals and near scandals and graft upon the part of its membership. However, we are away out here where we know little of the procedures, care less for the expenses so long as we have dough to foot the bills, and since we are busily engaged in building towns, farm homes, and developing a great country, and promoting its agricultural possibilities we pay little heed to the greed, scandals and petty graftings of our Washington servants. The time may come that it will become necessary to give such matters a little thought and possibly retire some of those servants who think they own rather than serve the public.

The great Fourth of July is approaching and it is hoped that the accidents and fatalities will be decreased and the celebrations be sane and in conformity with the twentieth century idea of progress and civility.

Occasionally we read of robbers and depredations of typical nineteenth century bandits, but the twentieth century method of robbery is by scheming, trickery and wire pulling and the shyster lawyer aids, abets and promotes such methods.

We honestly believe that the country man is more excusable for sending to Sears-Roebuck & Co. for supplies than the town man or business firm has for sending out of town for stationery and commercial printing.

The farmer of Western Texas who fails to grasp the moisture conservation idea fails in the best interests to himself and to the country. We have an abundance of rain fall but we do not at all times get this rainfall at the proper time, and if by some method this rainfall can be stored away and retained for future use the agricultural possibilities of this country is assured, and those who practice such methods will not only reap personal benefits but will contribute to the success and prosperity of a great country.

Conserve moisture and diversify crops and this western country will become the richest and most productive agricultural sections of America.

It is said that corporations are soulless but we note that a soulless railroad corporation presented to a Bosque county boy a solid gold watch as an enduring testimony of corporate appreciation in that the boy flagged down a train, thus preventing an accident. Let the good work go on.

The Jeffries-Johnson world championship prize fight scheduled to be pulled off at San Francisco California will not occur in that state. However, the managers and principals of this battle state that it will be pulled off elsewhere on scheduled time. Verily, verily the days of the prize fighters are now passing.

Frequently we get letters requesting that we mail sample copies of the Texas Spur to individuals. We always comply with the requests but we much prefer that the request would be accompanied by a five cent piece to kinder help pay the expenses incurred. It takes money to pay a printer and unless we get money in return for the publication and contents of the paper we will come out the little end of the horn. Think about these things when you are dealing with a newspaper man.

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Dr. Morris returned Wednesday from Dallas where he had been several days under the treatment of a specialist.

Rev. Mike M. Young will preach at the Christian tabernacle Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. Everybody cordially invited to hear him.

Instead of placing instructions on the Democratic for the legislature to submit a constitutional amendment vote to the people, why not let the Democratic party instruct the legislature to pass a statutory prohibition law? We believe this would be the shortest, quickest and best method of procedure. If a majority of the democrats want a prohibition law it is an absolute certainty that we can have it since the Democrats are in full power in the State.

Since hearing Cone Johnson make his speech on the statutory prohibition question we are just about convinced that the statutory route is the proper way to get prohibition. We have an old foggy that it is bad policy to monkey with the constitution, and as Johnson says, if the legislature can pass laws to prohibit the toating of pistols, operation of gambling houses,

etc., it can just as consistently pass a law to prohibit the sale of liquor without effecting the constitution. However, if we were very anxious to have the prohibition law passed we would not elect a governor to do it but would elect Representatives and Senators to do our bidding since they are the law making body of the land.

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Dr. Smoot, a specialist of Dallas was in the city Wednesday in response to an invitation from Dr. Meers to consult in the case of A. Kansler who was injured recently in a runaway. Since the accident Mr. Kansler has been in a critical condition and it is hoped that he will soon recover.

See F. E. Parks the tailor, next door to Patterson's Barber shop.

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Miss Lillian Denton was a visitor over at Dickens Saturday and Sunday.

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J. B. Morrison, of the Lower Red Mud Country, had business in the city Saturday.

See F. E. Parks for your orders for Tailor-Made suits. First class guaranteed fit.

C. L. Love made a business trip to Stamford Sunday returning later in the week.

N. N. Rogers and wife, of Clairemont, were in the city one day last week and spent the night with W. N. Blackwell and family.

Work on the sewer system is moving right along and before many moons Spur will have in operation a first-class sewerage system. Let the good work go on.

It is reported that a big rain fell in the country ten or fifteen miles west of Tap, and also a pretty good shower in a small portion of the Tap and Red Mud country.

Mrs. Stewart, of Hico, is here this week visiting her brother, R. C. Morrison. From here she will go to Rotan and visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Morrison, before returning home.

B. D. Glasgow, District Attorney of this District and candidate for reelection at the coming primary, was in the city Saturday circulating among voters.

R. J. Greer, who is now doing carpenter work in the Afton country, was here Saturday on business.

Judge A. J. McClain was in Saturday from his Cat Fish ranch and spent several hours in the city. He reports everything in that section of country in pretty good shape and crops growing nicely.

John Buzbee, who has been here the past several months working in the Riter tin shop, left the latter part of last week for Rising Star where he has a position with his father in the hardware and furniture business. Just before leaving John had the misfortune to have his house and contents destroyed by fire, but we are glad to learn that he collected insurance which no doubt relieved him of considerable loss. We would have been glad for John to stay with us, however, we wish him all kinds of success in his new home and business.

We understand that on account of his health, L. L. Kelly will resign his position with the First State Bank, return to the Afton country to live. Mrs. Kelly returned to Afton the last of the week and will visit with her parents until the first of the month.

J. Carlisle came in Saturday from his place in the Gilpin country and spent several hours in the city.

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Nat Patton came in the latter part of last week from the Afton country and boarded the train here for the eastern part of the state where he goes in the interest of a heating apparatus which he intends to sell in this section at a later date.  
We sell everything in the Hardware line.  
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Isaac O. Newton, of Seymour, candidate for District Attorney of this district, was in the city in the interest of his campaign. It is supposed that later the candidates for this office with other candidates will make the rounds of the counties in joint discussion at regular speaking dates. The campaign is now coming to a close and on the twenty-third of July the Primary will settle the question as to who will serve the country in public office.

F. F. Richburg, of Carlton, is here this week visiting his son, J. B. Richburg and family. Mr. Richburg was very much surprised at the development of this part of the country and says he sees where he missed it in not coming west in his earlier days and getting hold of some of the low priced western lands at that time. He was pleased with the town and predicts a bright future for the town and the country.

R. S. Boothe, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of the Gilpin country, was in the city on business the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Hugh Squires returned Saturday from an extended visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Young, and other relatives and friends of the Afton country.

J. J. Martin, a prosperous citizen of the Red Mud country, had business in the city Saturday and while here was a pleasant caller to the Texas Spur office.

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R. D. Campbell and wife, Mrs. Graham, Miss Kate Mahon and Mr. Colbert returned Saturday from a week's fishing trip on Blanco Canyon. They report having had a most delightful outing, caught all the fish they could eat, killed all the game they wanted, shortened the long summer days with a variety of cold drinks and it was with reluctance that they returned so soon to their homes in Spur.

Sam Smith, of the Red Mud country, was in Saturday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, making us smile by giving us a silver dollar for subscription to the paper. He reports that the crops of his section are growing nicely but that a good rain at this time would help things wonderfully. The sandy lands of Red Mud and Tap countries do not require as much rain as the hard lands and as a consequence the sandy land farmers are resting easy and worry but little on account of dry weather.

S. C. Hickman, of Wake, is here spending several days with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Callahan of near the city. Mr. Hickman reports that the crops in his section of country were doing very well but beginning to need rain as is the case in every section of the whole country. However the crops are not yet suffering and should we get rain within the next few days everything will be in fine shape.

G. C. Pass begun the construction of a new residence this week. This making the third residence to be built by Mr. Pass within the past month.

Mr. McBride, who has been in Spur for the past several weeks, returned recently to his home at Rotan.

Mrs. Wade Johnson who came to Spur with her husband and children at the opening of the town died recently at a hospital in Dallas. Mr. Johnson's family left Spur several months ago and has been engaged in the carpenter trade since then in Dallas

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