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## SPUR'S FIRST BALE OF COTTON.

The First Bale of 1910 Cotton Was Brought to Spur Tuesday Morning.

The fall season opened up in Spur Tuesday morning when Poet Hagins brought in a bale of cotton grown on his place ten miles southeast of Spur.

The load of cotton weighed sixteen hundred and fifty pounds, field weights. Mr. Hagins arrived in town with the cotton just about daylight Tuesday morning, and on account of the Spur gin not being prepared to do ginning, it was stored temporarily to await the ginning process and while no bids were made by the cotton buyers to purchase the cotton, a premium of forty odd dollars was made up by the business men and citizens of the town.

Mr. Hagins not only enjoys the distinction of being the first farmer to bring in a bale of this year's cotton, but this is said by old timers to be the first bale of cotton ever picked and carried to market as early as the month of August in any year since the beginning of the cotton industry in this section of the country. We congratulate Mr. Hagins not only in bringing in the first bale of the season but in breaking the record for early cotton during the past twenty years or more since the beginning of the cotton industry in this section of the country.

Mr. Hagins says that there are several bales of cotton open in his section of the country, but that no one thought of making a rush to pick it and secure the premium, in fact he only decided to get hands and pick out a bale upon the information given him Saturday while in town. On going home he secured several hands and paid them one dollar per hundred to pick out the bale Monday. However, he was well paid for his trouble in securing the premium given by the business men of Spur. Mr. Hagins says that while he has the earliest cotton of the country, his crop is not as good as the average crop of the county and that he does not expect his cotton to turn out more than a fourth or one-third of a bale to the acre, while the average crop this season will probably be one-half bale to the acre. He says he is just in the edge of the dry belt this year, he failing to get some of the fine rains which fell in other portions of the country.

Dickens county is indeed fortunate this year in that while many other sections are dry and making almost complete crop failures we have had fine rains and expect to gather bumper crops of all kinds.

There are people in the eastern part of the state who think that this western country is extremely drouthy and that only cactus and coyotes will thrive in this section. They recognize the fact that the people here are hustlers and builders and do not consider the fact that we have an average rainfall of more than twenty-two inches each year, that the soil here is exceedingly rich and will produce not only a

great variety but as abundantly as the older sections of the agricultural belts of the state. There are no richer lands than in this western country, and when scientific methods of culture and moisture conservation are generally practiced in this section no lands will yield a more abundant harvest and no country will be more assured of production in all agricultural lines.

### HOW ABOUT IT?

Somebody wants to know "What is the matter with our country?" To which a Kansas editor makes reply as follows: "We throw away ashes and buy soap; we raise dogs and buy hogs; we grow weeds and buy vegetables and brooms, we catch fish with a \$4 rod; we build school houses and send our children away from home to be educated; and at last send our boys out with a \$40 gun and a \$19 dog to hunt 10c game." That seems to be a pretty good diagnosis of the case, alright, whether it be in Kansas or Texas.—Ex.

### RETURNS FROM TRIP.

W. C. Gruben, who has been spending the past several days on a prospecting and pleasure trip with his brother over the Plains country, returned the first of the week and reports having had a most pleasant outing, killed lots of game and had a general good time. He says that the feed crops are good on the plains but that in some places it looked pretty dry.

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## SPUR SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY

School Houses Complete And Everything Ready For the 1910-1911 Term.

The four school buildings being erected for temporary use during the 1910-1911 term of school are now complete, supplied with desks and everything is in readiness for the beginning of school which will open Monday, September the 5th.

During this week Superintendent J. P. Horton has been busy grading pupils and making other necessary arrangements for the beginning of the school days.

The Spur schools, although laboring under adverse conditions, is expected to make an exceptional record throughout the year. The school board has employed an able corps of teachers, and under the management of Prof. Horton everything is expected to move along smoothly and satisfactorily. The assistant teachers employed are Miss Ruth Thomas in the High School Department, Miss Jennie Reede in the Grammar Department, Miss Edna Ham in the Intermediate Department, Miss Fannie Kelly in the Primary Department and Miss Elizette Reede in the Music Department. All the teachers are highly recommended and under their guidance pupils are expected to advance in their studies and the Spur Schools make a record of which the entire citizenship and

country will be proud.

Good schools are indispensable in the advancement of any country and with the cooperation of parents, patrons and pupils we will have one of the best schools in all Western Texas.

### THE FOLLY OF LIVING ONLY FOR GAIN.

"For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out."—I Timothy 6:6.

There are many people in the world today whose highest ambition is to accumulate wealth. They become so wrapped up in their pursuit of money that they forget the obligations to their families, to their community, and to their God. These men come home late at night, indeed if they come at all, and leave early in the morning. There is no time for social intercourse with the members of the family; there is no time for spiritual meditation. They rush through the day in pursuit of the almighty dollar and dream about it at night. What will be the result of such a life? Such a man will accumulate wealth. But wealth will be the whole possession of his life. The man who has nothing but money is miserably poor. It is perfectly legitimate to make money. Every man should strive to make the greatest amount of money possible. But money making is just one duty of men. He who devotes all his time to the performance of one duty to the neglect of all the others becomes

## BUILDINGS GOING UP IN COUNTRY.

Every Day Many Wagons Are Loaded With Lumber at The Spur Yards.

The fact that there is much building going on in Dickens county is evidenced by the number of wagons loaded each day with lumber at the Spur lumber yards. Not a day passes but that we see several wagons load with lumber and the different kinds of building material, and several times we have counted from ten to fifteen wagons loaded with building material and drawn by two and four-horse teams pulling out of town.

Several new school houses are being built in the different parts of the county, new farm homes are being built, a number of the older settlers are remodeling and making additions to their homes, and everything denotes only prosperity in this section and an early settlement and rapid development of the surrounding country.

Dickens county has been favored with fine rains throughout the year, good crops are growing, new people are coming in to improve their homes purchased since the opening of the Spur Farm lands. The surrounding country as well as the town has caught the building spirit and before many years we expect to see farm homes on every quarter and half section of land in every portion of the surrounding country.

a one-sided man. Men should seek to be fully developed. The world needs well rounded characters and to become such there is no obligation that should not be fulfilled faithfully. Money is a gigantic power for good or bad. As long as money is the servant of man it is a great blessing, but when man becomes the slave of money then money becomes a curse. Make money, but don't get into the hands of money. Suppose it was possible to gain great riches, what are the profits? "What is a man profited should he gain the whole world and lose his only soul?" Man has a soul to save and a God to glorify. He has other obligations than that of making without bringing anything into it and money. Man came into the world he will go out of it without taking anything with him. Therefore he should be very careful of the influence that he leaves to live after he goes.—Rev. J. P. Hicks.

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Having made a transfer of my Fire Insurance business to Mr. E. J. Cowan, I desire to take this method of expressing my appreciation to the good people of Spur for their liberal patronage and courteous dealings so long as I maintained the agency, and now I bespeak for Mr. Cowan your favorable consideration when desiring Insurance in the best and strongest Fire Companies the country affords.

Thanking you for past favors, I remain, Sincerely Yours,  
M. H. Herring.

## NEW FALL ARRIVALS

McCall's Magazine and Patterns for October. Ladies new Persian Belts that are so extensively shown in the cities. Patent Leather Belts in red or black for 25c and 50c. Latest designs in hand bags for \$1.00 up. Hair Puffs, Switches and Nets at popular prices. School days remind you to buy the best Shoe and we sell

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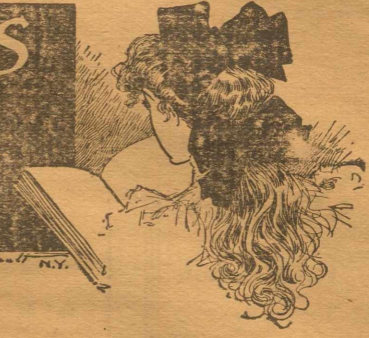
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The little child of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Horton has been quite sick the past week.

Wallace Howell was in from the ranch Monday and spent several hours in the city.

Mrs. Shep Holly returned this week from an extended visit to relatives in Erick, Oklahoma.

J. B. Morrison had business in the city Monday from his place in the Lower Red Mud country.

E. R. Rorie was in Monday from the ranch and spent several hours in the city on business.

Ike Killough returned Saturday from Haskell where he spent several days with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dunn, of Knox City, are in Spur visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn of the city.

When you break your harness or want your old saddle worked over, see Kellar, the saddler. He does the very best work only.

The old Red Front Drug Store stand on the west side of Burlington Avenue is being moved by G. C. Pass to the east side of the street where it is thought a more desirable location.

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B. Shacklett returned the latter part of last week from a trip to Saint Louis where he had gone to buy his fall stock of goods. During his absence Frank Owens acted as general manager of the business.

J. P. Higgins was in Monday from his Cat Fish ranch and reports everything moving along nicely in that section.

For staple and Fancy Groceries Phone Hisey Grocery Co.

Sheriff Cole was over Tuesday from the County Capitol on official business, spending several hours here.

Mrs. E. E. Patterson and children left this week for Paducah where they will spend several days with her parents and other relatives before returning home.

Will Stephens, of Stamford and plant manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company, spent several days in Spur looking after the plant construction at this place.

C. E. Boulte, district manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company, spent several days in Spur the latter part of last and the first of this week looking after the business interests of that company.

Mr. Casey, a barber of Miles Station, is in the city and will be employed at the Verner & Simpson barber shop in the future. We are glad to have Mr. Casey with us and welcome him to Spur.

Mrs. G. L. Barber is now in the Dr. Standifer Hospital on account of an operation performed last week by Dr. Standifer. We are glad to note that Mrs. Barber is doing nicely and will soon be removed to her home.

Mrs. C. C. Gay of Spur moved back to her residence in East Dickens.

Miss Jeanette Maynard went to Spur Monday where she will spend a week with friends, after which she will go to her home at Bastrop.

The Confederate Veterans will hold a re-union at Dickens on the second Saturday in September. A nice program will be arranged for the occasion.

Rev. J. V. Bilberry of Liberty, passed through town Tuesday en route home from Spur with a new windmill.

R. S. Holman moved to Spur last Monday. We wish Mr. Holman and family success in their new location.—Dickens Item.

John Lewelling, of Rotan, was a recent visitor to friends in Spur and the surrounding country. John reports that crop conditions in the Rotan country are not very promising and encouraging at this time on account of the continued dry weather. However, the Rotan country is a fine country and those who stay with it will win out in the end. That section is only suffering a temporary disadvantage with many other sections and will have better days in future.

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### TAP TELLINGS.

Mrs. Airhart and children of Loraine are here visiting kin-folks.

A. L. Greer of Kent county worshipped with the people here Sunday.

Chas. A. Henson of Lamesa is here on a prospecting trip and visiting relatives.

Sam Rash came in Monday from Claytonville to help gather the big crop here.

Crops are now maturing fast, cotton opening and picking will be general in a few days.

Jno. Sprinkler of Goree who has been visiting Richard Frye and other friends the past week returned to his home Monday.

The Baptist people here are now in the midst of a revival meeting, conducted by the pastor, J. V. Bilberry and Rev. J. M. Rankin.

Uncle Bob Williams is still trying to buy a farm but so far has been unsuccessful which goes to prove the home owners of Red Mud are content with their lot.

Mr. Hock, father of our Baily Hock, came in from Coke county where he farmed this year. He says nothing scarcely made and the people are moving out in search of work. Mr. Hock will locate with us. Gadabout.

R. R. Morrison who has been in the city looking after his business interests returned recently to his home at Rotan.

A. R. Fouts and Burley Griffin are making preparations to open up a first-class restaurant in the building recently vacated by the Spur Drug Company. Nice furniture and fixtures have been ordered and within the next few days they will be ready for business. Mr. Griffin is an expert restaurant man and will have charge of the business.

We now have secured the services of a first-class baker and are better prepared to supply the trade in bread, cakes, pies, and all kinds of cookies than ever before. Call in and see us. It will be a pleasure to serve you in anything in our line. City Restaurant & Bakery.

Grandma Morgan returned Wednesday to her home at Hamlin after spending several days with G. C. Pass and family. Grandma had also been visiting relatives in New Mexico.

Deck Powers and wife are in Aspermont looking after the hotel business at that place. In their absence Dave Caruthers is managing the cold drink business here.

W. S. Taylor and wife spent Sunday at the Spur Ranch with friends and acquaintances.

W. F. Godfrey.

C. C. Tyler

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Mrs. Meckon and son, Roy, of Fannin county, have been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Owen and family the past week.

I have just opened up a full and complete stock of dry goods and notions in the store building west of the post-office and will be glad to show you our stock. We have a complete line of the Brown, M. D. Wells and X5X Shoes and will make prices that will interest you. Call in to see us, we have the goods and will appreciate your trade.

Yours for business,

R. S. Holman.

Work commenced Monday on the new livery stable in the west part of town and before many days Spur can boast of three livery stables along with her many other businesses. Bill Hyatt of Dickens will be proprietor of the new stable, he having closed out his business at Dickens.

G. C. Pass made a trip Sunday to the plains country in his automobile with a number of passengers who desired to see the country. At this time there are many people coming out to look at the country with a view of buying land and building homes.

E. S. Kean, special adjuster of the Dallas Fire Insurance Agency, was in the city several days this week and was well pleased with the showing made in Spur.

J. C. Gray, a prominent lumberman of Rotan, passed through Spur Wednesday on his return home from a trip in the Lubbock country.

Miss Alma Young, of Afton, passed through the city recently on her way to Anson and Colorado City to visit friends and relatives.

Burley Griffin returned Saturday from Stamford where he has been attending the reunion held at that place.

Gene Day, a prominent hardware dealer of Rotan, was in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

Tol Merriman was in the city Wednesday from his place six miles south of Spur.

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**J. V. McCORMICK, Manager**

J. F. Vernon and wife made a trip Sunday into the country east of Spur.

W. E. Lyles left this week for Granbury where he will join his wife and spend ten or fifteen days with relatives.

### PRIZES OFFERED

Spur, Texas, June 25, 1910. We, the undersigned, agree to give the prizes set after our names for the best samples of farm, garden and orchard products raised in the Spur country and brought to the Spur commercial Club.

Collection of plums and peaches, J. A. Lambdin & Co., in trade coupons, \$5.

For best Maize, Bryant-Link Co., in trade, \$2.50.

For best stalk of cotton, Spur National Bank, cash, \$1.

Best bundle of oats, Red Front Drug Store, trade, \$1.

Best 5 ears corn, T. E. Standifer, cash, \$1.

Best bundle of wheat, West ern Grocery Co., trade, \$1.

Stalk of cotton with most boles on it, Dixie Store, cash or trade, \$1.

Best specimen of broom corn, Spur Grain Co., \$1.

Best watermelon, Brazelton-Pryor & Co., trade \$2.

Best peanuts, Spur Hardware Co., cash or trade, \$2.

Best Kershaw, Jeff D. Reagan, \$1.

Alfalfa, \$2.50 Sweet potatoes, \$2.50, Indian corn, \$2.50, June corn, \$2.50, \$10. for best assortment of farm products \$10.00, making a total prize of \$20 by Stamford & Northwestern Town site Company.

Sol Davis and little son, of Dickens, were in the city Tuesday looking after his business interests here. Mr. Davis will move his dry goods business to Spur just as soon as the First State Bank building is complete. He will also carry a line of groceries in connection. We will be glad to have Mr. Davis with us.

Miss Burnett returned this week from an extended visit to relatives in Central Texas and resumed her position in the millinery department of the Bryant-Link Company.

W. F. Walker and wife were in the city Wednesday with a load of watermelons from their place several miles east of town.

Mrs. B. F. Crump, of several miles west, was in the city Monday trading with the merchants.

Jeff Harkey was over Tuesday from Dickens and spent several hours in the city on business.

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To the first comers, ready to develop, we are willing to sell one-half our holdings of 673 square miles on easy terms and reasonable prices. We reserve the other half for big increase sure to come with development. We stand shoulder to shoulder with the homeseeker. Cotton, no boll weevil, corn, alfalfa, all feed stuffs, grains, fruits, melons, vegetables. Great hog country—no cholera ever known. The hog farmer is king, and nowhere can hogs be matured so cheaply. Quick run to Fort Worth market. Delightful, healthful climate—altitude 2000 to 2,500. The great extent and variety of land insure the homeseeker such range of selection that the man early on the ground can find exactly what he wants. For further information as to land and lots, with free illustrated pamphlet, see

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The following are the Democratic Nominees as a result of the Democratic Primary held July 23.

For District Attorney:  
ISAAC O. NEWTON

For County and District Clerk:  
CRAWFORD COBB

For County Judge  
F. C. GIPSON

For County Treasurer:  
B. A. CREGO.

For Tax Assessor  
E. L. HARKEY

For Sheriff  
H. P. COLE

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3:  
J. M. BENNETT.

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3.  
E. J. COWAN

We venture the prediction that more cotton and feed stuff will be made, considering the cultivated acreage, in Dickens county this year than in any county of Western Texas. Dickens county soil is exceedingly rich and when properly classed in agricultural pursuits its productiveness will not be surpassed by any section within the borders of the Lone Star State, east or west.

The proposition is being agitated somewhat by the politicians of West and Southwest Texas to use the dissecting knife and carve from the Lone Star two or more states. The Lone Star State is broad and her resources as well as acreage is almost unlimited, the political pie counter is broad but well surrounded by pie eaters who are well fed to do battle for the governmental machinery and save the country from the demnition bow-wows. The state is growing in population, her resources are being developed and her people are prosperous and generous—even in supplying the political pie, but the generous spirit will ever be limited to the supply of only one political pie counter.

Clay Smart is having a residence built in the northwest part of town.

#### BUILDING NEW HOMES.

Messrs. Draper and Markham, of near Rule, passed through Spur Friday in route home and while in town called in and had their names placed on the Texas Spur subscription list. They have been building homes on land recently purchased in the Dockum Flat country a few miles northwest of Spur, and as a result of their labors four new farm homes now adorn that section of the Spur Farm Lands.

Messrs. Markham and Draper inform us that on account of the dry weather their crops in the Rule country are very short, and on account of the fine crop prospects in the Spur country they are anxious to move out and become permanently located here.

Old timers here tell us that they have made the best feed crops this season of years and the prospects are very bright for a bumper cotton crop. New farm homes are going up all over the country, thousands of acres of new land will be cleared for cultivation another year and the prospects now are that many new settlers and substantial farmers will locate here during the fall and winter.

There is one thing that the country needs more than all and that is more farms and farmers, and the indications are that they are coming. The country needs

the farmer and the farmer needs the country.

#### WHITE-CAPS ARRESTED

We notice from other papers that five or six so-called "white-cappers" have been arrested for operations over in Garza county. It is said that while County Attorney Harkey and a prominent physician of Post City were returning to town from a little hunting expedition in the country they were intercepted by a bunch of masked men who blindfolded the physician and staked him to a tree and carried the attorney a short distance and proceeded to "wet-rope" him and on completing the job advised him to leave the country at once. State Rangers were ordered to Post to prevent further trouble but everything is reported quiet at this time. It is said that the "white-capping" was the result of incessant efforts on the part of County Attorney Harkey and other county officials in breaking up a bunch of horse thieves operating in that section. Some times we think "white-cappers" would do a righteous act in using the wet-rope on lying, meddling, petty shysters whose principles are to not only create dissensions in the community and among the citizenship but who promote the manufacture of evidence to defeat justice and assist

thievery and fraud, but such characters are not arrayed against their class but rather to be found assisting and defending the "white-capping" class.

T. A. Smith, of the Lower Red Mud country, was in the city Thursday trading and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reported to us that his section of country had an eight inch rain the past week, but explained to us that in stating that they had an eight inch rain he meant that the drops were eight inches apart. He says that he has one of the finest crops of maize and corn he has ever grown since coming to this country, and says that during the past several days a Holiness and Presbyterian preachers have been expounding the gospel to the people of that section.

Dr. Standifer now has four patients in the surgical department of the Standifer Hospital, all of whom are reported doing nicely. Since the opening of the Standifer Hospital several months ago a number of patients have been cured and Dr. Standifer has made an exceptional record and reputation as an able surgeon, and physician.

The first whistle at the lighthouse plant was blown Thursday.

**H. S. BARTLEY,**  
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**WE TREAT YOU RIGHT.**

We are informed that T. D. Humphrey traded his residence in the city this week for a farm near Spur. We did not learn whether or not Mr. Humphrey intends to move on the farm and engage in the agricultural business but presume he will prefer to hold down his position as bookkeeper for the Bryant-Link Co. Wise men have said long ago that the proper thing to do is to tie onto land at every opportunity and now is the time to do it. Land is not decreasing in value but increasing in price every year, and the time is coming when there will be no more raw agricultural lands for sale at any price.

New fall millinery at Ladies' Bazaar.

**W. C. BOWMAN  
Lumber Comp'y**

**LUMBER, SASH  
DOORS, PAINT,**

**And All Kinds Building Material**

The Texas Spur, \$1 per year

Mr. Simpson, who has been doing barber work at the Verner barber shop during the past several months, purchased recently a one-half interest in the business and will hereafter be identified with the firm. We wish Mr. Simpson a successful business.

The First State Bank building is going up at a rapid rate. The base of the building is of solid concrete and trimmed with white pressed brick and when complete will be a handsome structure. The building will cover two lots.

Latest style barrettes, braid, belt and collar pins at Ladies' Bazaar.

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Mr. White of Crosbyton was in the city this week, spending one or two days here. He reports that Crosbyton is moving along nicely and considerable building and improvements going on at this time and that quite a number of the Emma business men and residents are moving their places of business and residences over to Crosbyton to get on the railroad. An election has also been ordered for the purpose of moving the county site from Emma to Crosbyton.

H. S. Bartley and wife and Jas. Mahon and wife spent last week fishing in Blanco Canyon several miles west of Spur. Mr. Bartley reports that they had a nice time but that they failed to catch any fish to amount to anything, all of them being small.

Floyd Caylor made a trip last week to the plains country, visiting Plainview, Lubbock and other points on his rounds. He reports things a little dull on the plains.

R. M. Dickenson, a prominent citizen and business man of Stamford, was in the city Thursday looking after his business interests here.

Mrs. Blackwood is packing her household goods this week and will move soon to Abilene to make her home.

Rev. Robinson left on Thursday's train for Jayton to attend the Baptist Association at that place.

Newest collars and hand bags to please everyone at the Ladies' Bazaar.

**J. A. LAMBDIN & CO.**

**Autum Days Are Here.**

School opening Monday the 5th, why not make preparation by the early selection of the child's needs. We are showing a splendid assortment of gingham and prints as well as school shoes and other dependable needs.

**Special Cut Prices on all Oxfords.  
New Belts, Hair Curls, Turbans and  
Chatelaine Novelties are here.**

**Come in and view the new.**

**J. A. LAMBDIN & CO.  
Spur, Texas**

P. C. Maynard and Miss Jeanette Maynard returned with their parents this week to Bastrop where they will spend several days.

Lawrence B. Stewart, of Phoenix, Arizona, has been spending several days in Spur prospecting with a view of buying something like seventy-five thousand acres of the Spur lands for the purpose of establishing a sheep ranch here.

Mrs. Y. L. Jones and Mr. Jones' mother, who has been spending several weeks in the city with Mr. and Mrs. Jones, left the first of the week for Dallas where they will spend several days with relatives.

The Misses Jones of the Plains country and Miss Wooten of near Wake were visitors this week to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Taylor of the city.

M. H. Herring has sold his insurance to E. J. Cowan and will move to Afton to teach a school will open about the first of November.

Sam Clemmons has returned after an absence of several weeks on account of his health.

Mr. Johnston and two sons of the Jayton country, were in Spur Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Hindman returned this week from an extended visit to relatives at Stamford.

The Texas Spur, \$1 per year

The T. A. O'Reilly concrete building is now nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy. R. R. Morrison will occupy the building with his dry goods department.

Mrs. J. B. Conner is now at the Standifer Hospital, Dr. Standifer having performed an operation on her the first of the week. Mrs. Conner is reported doing nicely at this time.

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TEACHER OF  
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**Quality Pays Chase & Sanborn's  
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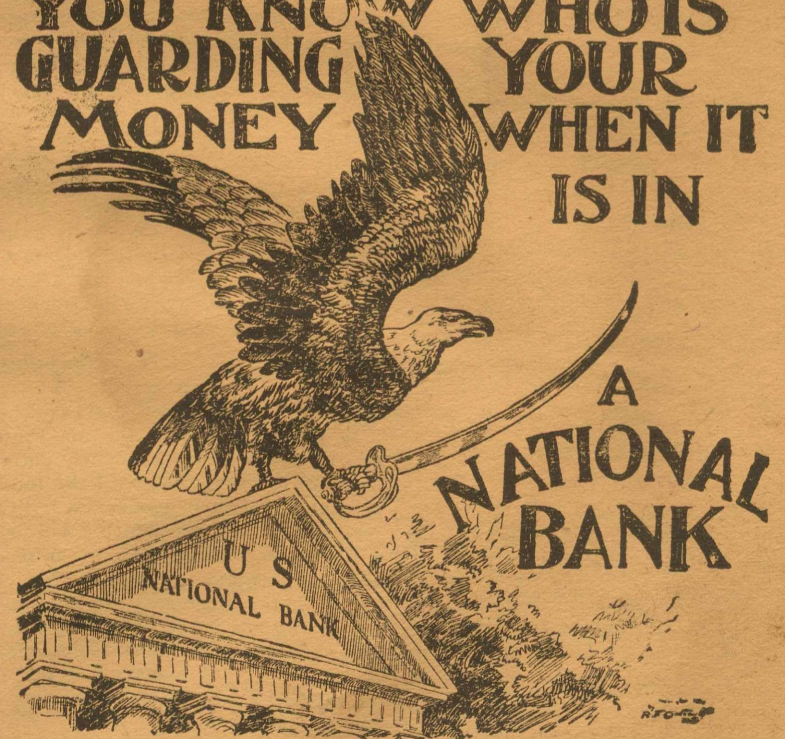
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GUARDING YOUR  
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## New Millinery Parlor

LADIES FURNISHING AND NOTIONS

Saturday, September 3rd.

I have carefully selected this stock, it is strictly fresh and up-to-date in every particular, and I assure the ladies of Spur and vicinity that I will appreciate their calling to see me and allow me to show you my line whether you buy or not. Respt.

**M. M. HUMPHREY,**  
SPUR, TEXAS

S. T. Lockett, an old time newspaper man of Fort Worth, passed through Spur Monday on his return from a trip over the plains country. While in the city Mr. Lockett was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, and being not only a newspaper man but a close observer he commented on the rapid growth of Spur and the great possibilities of the country. All who visit this section can not help but notice the recent developments along commercial lines and the great future in agricultural lines. The soil is admittedly rich and productive, and being varied in character the country is adapted to a great diversity of products and has a great future in development possibilities.

W. D. Clay, of Dickens, who has been on an extended trip over the eastern part of the state and Oklahoma, returned Monday to Spur on his way home. During his absence Mr. Clay has traveled over a large portion of the country and he reports that crops in Dickens county and the general crop conditions of this section of the country are much better than he saw in any section through which he traveled.

Many prospectors are coming in now and looking at the country with a view of locating. The country, the soil the prospects and present conditions are cogent factors and relevant invitations to wayfarers to join our boundless resources and become permanent and prosperous citizens with us.

Berry Pursley, who has been spending several weeks in the city, left this week for Colorado to join his wife who has been spending the summer in that country. They will return soon to their home near Jayton.

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The Exchange has listed for sale one of the best farms in Dickens County, consisting of two hundred and twenty acres, one hundred and twenty in cultivation, fine young orchard, well and wind mill, cistern, big tank of living water, fine residence and best improvements to be found on any place in this western country. This place can be bought for twenty dollars an acre. When a man sells a place of this kind and with all the improvements included, you can just figure that he had it almost given to him to begin with and is only making a price on the improvements. When a man can buy a place of this character and well improved we can't understand why he would wish to spend the greater part of his life in improving a place.

Prof. N. L. Clark, of Matador, passed through the city Monday on his way to Stonewall county to see about securing a school in that section of the country. Prof. Clark taught the Tap school last year and is highly commended by the people of that section. During the past several months Mr. Clark has been making his home at Matador and reports that crops in that country are fine and everything in fine shape.

J. E. Sparks was in Saturday and brought in a big load of watermelons from his place in the Tap country. He left two big melons at the Texas Spur office. They were the sweetest, best melons we have had in a long time, and they were not baby melons either by any means—one measuring at least two feet or more.

Mrs. Sam Smith was in the city Monday supplying her regular customers with milk and butter. Mrs. Smith lives out eight or ten miles west of town and makes two regular trips to town each week supplying customers with milk and butter and other produce from the farm.

Rev. C. T. Ball, of Abilene, has been delivering lectures at the Baptist Tabernacle each afternoon and night during the week. Rev. Ball is a forceful speaker and his lectures were appreciated by those who were present to hear them.

Dave Gray has resigned his position with the Southwestern Telephone Company and will hereafter devote his whole time and attention to the Exchange business. The Exchange is just being established in the city and under its management will sell and exchange farm and ranch lands, city property, livestock and real estate of all kinds strictly on the commission basis which insures the purchaser that the price of lands will not be raised a dollar or two when a sale is in sight. Dave Gray is a hustler and since the aim of the Exchange will be to contribute to the rapid settlement of the country in settling more farms and farmers, we wish him much success.

C. P. Pool, of Abilene, is in the city this week making preparations to open up a restaurant in the Hoffman building next door to the Spur Hardware Co. Mr. Pool, intends to put in an up-to-date business. He is an experienced man in the business and we wish him success in Spur.

### MUSIC

MRS. T. A. O'REILLY

Teacher of Piano  
Latest methods used.

TERMS \$3 PER MONTH

Also Musical Kindergarten  
Method for Beginners

### Crosbyton Automobile Line.

Daily except Sunday, connecting Spur, Lubbock, Floydada via Crosbyton. Arrives and departs in connection with trains.

An insurance man from Dallas has been in the city several days inspecting the town with a view of ascertaining the fire risks of the town.

Wanted—A lady to do ho use work. Phone Spur office.

## THE LADIES' BAZAAR

Will be open and ready for business September 1. We will have the most complete stock of the latest styles and designs in Millinery and Ladies' Furnishings to be found in town.

Call and see me on Harris Street.

MRS. NELLIE ROBERTSON.

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sold more Live Stock on the Fort Worth market in 1909 than any other Commission Co. doing business there. We give the best service and ask for shipments on our merits. Give us your shipments and we will do the rest

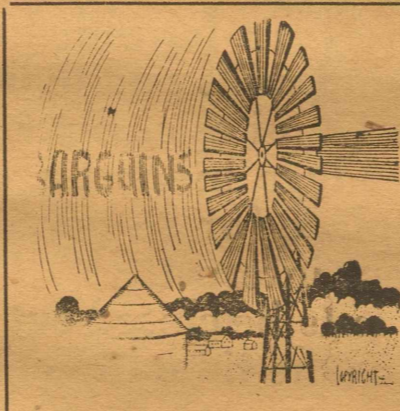
JOE STOKES, - Special Representative.

Dave Sparks, a prominent citizen of the Croton country, was in the city recently and reports everything in fine shape in that section. The fact of the business is that Dickens county is a most favored section with respect to crops and crop conditions and this fact is being evidenced by the various and many improvements being done and contemplated and in a substantial and permanent manner. New homes, school houses and other buildings going up in all parts of the country, bridges being built, roads improved and hundreds of acres of farm lands being cleared for another crop year are substantial evidence that the country is prosperous and a desirable location for the new settler and home builder.

Mrs. J. B. Pruden packed and shipped her household goods this week to Oklahoma where she and children will go to join Mr. Pruden who recently opened up a business. We wish Mr. Pruden much success in his new field of business and ever stand ready to welcome he and family back to Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Maynard, who have been spending several days in the city with their son, P. C. Maynard, returned this week to their home. Mr. Maynard expressed surprise at the rapid growth of Spur and the wonderful development of the country, and although he says he is established in the eastern part of the state, that there is no doubt but that this western country is the rapidly coming country, and in conjunction with other great men he says that the thing to do is to get a hold of a piece of land regardless of price.

W. M. Bender, who lives about three miles southeast of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Bender has just completed a residence on his twenty acre block near town and will soon move his family to that place. He is also having a residence built in town and will soon have it complete and ready for occupancy. Mr. Bender is one of our most substantial citizens and has contributed materially to the growth and building development of both town and country.



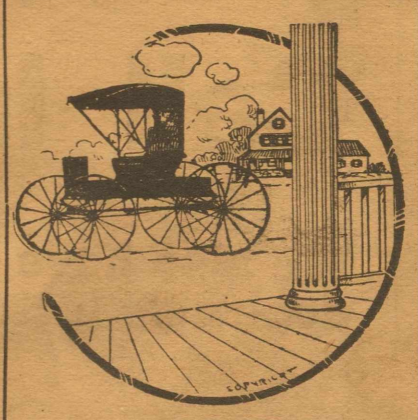
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# THE EXCHANGE

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**FARMS, RANCHES, TOWN PROPERTY  
AND LIVESTOCK FOR SALE OR TRADE.**

We are just opening our office and will be glad for any one who has town property or lands for sale to list it with us. We will sell it if it is saleable, and charge only the regular commission of 5 per cent.

## A SPECIAL BARGAIN IN FARM LAND

We have one of the best propositions in agricultural lands to be found in all of western Texas. It consists of about 3000 acres of sandy loam land, all smooth, tillable and as rich and productive soil as can be found in this section. It is all fenced and cross-fenced, has good 4-room house, fine orchard, 2 wind mills and living spring water on creek and being within 12 miles of Spur the place is desirably located and best produce market accessible.

We will sell this place for \$8 per acre bonus and on good terms at 8 per cent interest.

This proposition is to be closed out within 90 days, and if you want it now is the time to get it. See or write us.

**Call in to See or Write to Us.**

We also have some choice Spur property for sale and can give you a most desirable location. We are here to do business and will be glad to serve you.

LIVE STOCK  
RANCHES  
FARMS

**The Exchange**

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HOUSES  
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