

**DAIRY, CHICKEN RANCH,
VINEYARD, TRUCK FARM**

W. A. Craddock, a prominent citizen of Crosby county, was in Spur last week and while here bought a twenty acre block of land north of Spur. We are informed that Mr. Craddock will at once build a fine residence, surround his twenty acre block with chicken proof fencing preparatory to establishing a combination chicken ranch, dairy and vineyard. On the place he will have thirty head of full blood Jersey cows, five hundred chickens and several acres of the block devoted to an orchard in which will be grown a variety of fruits, berries, etc.

The improvement of such a place means much to Spur and we extend a hearty welcome to Mr. Craddock and wish him unbounded success in the undertaking. The place is an ideal location and the present conditions warrant a deserved successful business from the very beginning of the new industry.

It will be only a few years until Spur will be completely surrounded by industries of every character in agriculture, truck farming, dairying and fruit production. The soil is especially adapted to the growth of every variety of produce, the conditions warrant success in the various undertakings and Spur assures a superior market place and trading point to all who may locate within its territory.

SPUR SCHOOL THE BEST.

Dr. Bachelor and wife will vacate their home in the western part of the city this week, having recently sold it to C. H. Chumbley of Dickens, whom we understand will move here at once for the benefit of the Spur Public school. We will be glad to have Mr. Chumbley as a citizen of the town and assure him that no mistake is made in selecting Spur school as the best for his children.

SUCCESSFUL YOUNG MAN.

Tom McArthur was in Saturday and reports everything in the finest shape on lower Red Mud. He has leased some more grass land and has been fencing and preparing to graze and water more cattle on his place. Tom is one of the old timers here and is now among the best fixed young men of the country. He needs a "help-mate" to superintend his household, and since he has been successful in other respects we predict that he will soon be successful in his efforts along this line. Here is hoping.

OLD SCHOOL FISHERMEN.

That Messrs. C. C. Tyler, H. S. Haines and C. H. McDonald are fishermen of the old school is evidenced by the string of fish caught one day last week in Spade Tank just south of the city. They were out only a few hours, returning with enough cat fish to supply their families and friends. Tyler said that he caught many more than was shown but that the turtles robbed him of the principal part of his catch.

DAMAGE OVERESTIMATED.

T. A. Tidwell returned the latter part of last week from a trip of several days in the Afton country. He reports the crops of that section looking fine and says that the report of great damage by worms has been greatly overestimated. The average crop of that section will probably be from one half to two-thirds of a bale to the acre. Hurrah for Dickens county. She is producing the Coon Skins.

BAPTIST MEETING CLOSED.

The Baptist protracted meeting closed Sunday night after a most successful week of meetings at the tabernacle in the city. Sunday there were ten new members of the church baptized in the Spade tank, and we understand that a number were added to the church enrollment by letter. Rev. Rankin, of the Plains country, has been doing the preaching and his sermons have been interesting and effective.

KINDERGARTEN BEGINS.

Mrs. C. C. Tyler opened her kindergarten school Monday in the Christian tabernacle where she will teach temporarily until the old school buildings are vacated. We understand that some thirty or forty pupils were present at the beginning of the school. Mrs. Tyler is highly recommended as a teacher and the children are expected to advance rapidly under her superintendency.

TRANSFERRED BUSINESS.

Mr. Leonard returned the latter part of last week from a trip to Fort Worth, Louisiana and other eastern points where he spent several days. Throughout the year Mr. Leonard has been in the grocery business at the White Front Grocery Store, he recently having transferred the business to J. W. Hodges, and is now looking for another location.

MOVED TO SPUR.

Mr. Walker and family of Commerce, arrived in the city the latter part of last week and will make Spur their home in the future, Mr. Walker having purchased the Spur Grain and Coal business. We wish Mr. Walker and family a pleasant and prosperous home in Spur.

**DICKENS COUNTY COM-
ING INTO HER OWN.**

W. A. Copeland one of the most prosperous farmers of the Tap country, was in the city Saturday trading with Spur merchants. We understand that Mr. Copeland has already picked and ginned two or three bales of cotton on his place. The Copeland boys are said to be among the most successful farmers of the country, and it was an accident that T. C. Copeland failed to get enrolled with the state contestants for the best ten acres each of corn and cotton grown in the state. We understand that two Dickens county farmers entered the contest. Owing to conditions in other sections further east, we of Dickens county stand a pretty good show to outclass the eastern part of the state this year along all agricultural lands. Hurrah for Western Texas and especially Dickens county. We will come into our own.

BLUFFED BY WORMS.

Sam Smith was in the city Saturday from his place in the Tap country and says that the cotton is now opening rapidly in that part of the country. Mr. Smith will not operate his gin this year. Early in the season he ordered new machinery with the intention of putting in a fine gin plant, but when the worms struck the crops early in the season he countermanded the machinery order and closed down the old plant.

MORE THAN HALF BALE.

E. C. Edmonds returned Saturday from Afton where he spent several days looking over the country and looking after the interests of the First State Bank. Mr. Edmonds says the crops of that country are fine and the prospects are that more than one-half bale to the acre will be gathered this year.

SHIPPING CATTLE.

W. M. Bender returned Friday from Fort Worth where he had been with a load of stock to sell at that market. He reports satisfactory sales and says that the crops of this section outclass anything he saw along the route. Western Texas is coming into her own some day.

BIG WATERMELONS.

At the Jackson Realty Company office can be seen some as fine watermelons as were ever grown anywhere. They were brought in from the Cat Fish country and weigh from fifty six up near the one hundred pound mark. When it comes to an exhibit of farm produce the Spur country recognizes no superiors considering opportunities and narrowness of the country.

IN FINE SHAPE.

Joe Allison, of the Soldier Mound country, was in the city Saturday and reports everything in good shape. We understand that Mr. Allison will move to Dickens at an early date, he having bought property in that city. He has been selling medicines in connection with his farming duties throughout the year and we understand has been most successful in both businesses.

BOUGHT A FARM.

Mr. Grubbs, who has been here several days from Young county, bought through the Jackson Realty Company last week the Lewis place on Cat Fish. Mr. Grubbs will move his family here at an early date and become a permanent citizen with us. We extend to him and family a welcome to the Spur country and hope they will enjoy much of the prosperity which abounds in the agricultural sections of this country.

1000 BALES GINNED.

Sebe Lambert and family returned Friday from a trip to Rotan, Roscoe and other points south where they spent several days visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Lambert reports crops good in the sections visited and says that at Rotan more than one thousand bales of cotton has already been ginned, and we note from other reports that a number of the farmers of that section are about through picking at this time. Well, we have just commenced picking in Dickens county and expect to be busy throughout the winter.

FINE GRAZING.

Uncle Tom Gilmore was in Saturday from the Spur Ranch greeting his friends here. Uncle Tom reports grass in fine shape.

**COTTON SEASON OPEN
IN THE SPUR COUNTRY.**

During the week more than twenty five bales of cotton have been ginned and weighed in Spur, and the cotton season in the Spur country is now in full blast.

At Afton, we are informed that about twenty five bales have been ginned and about the same number at Girard, the gins at these places being all that are in operation at the present time. At an early date the Draper and Dickens gins will be ready for operation, and these with the two gins in Spur will be in position to care for the ginning of the country in the most satisfactory manner. The Tap gin, we understand, will not be operated this season.

The greater part of the cotton ginned and brought to Spur during the week has been sold to merchants and cotton buyers, the highest price paid being eleven and one-half cents per pound, the average price being eleven and a quarter cents.

Throughout the fall the Spur merchants and cotton buyers will pay the top market price, and you will note from the advertising pages of the Texas Spur that the merchants are soliciting the business of the country and are offering inducements and prices to attract even the most conservative buyers in the various lines of merchandise.

COME AND INVESTIGATE.

R. A. Squyres, who recently bought the W. B. Griffin place north of Spur and moved here with his family from Breckenridge, was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Saturday and requested that the paper be mailed hereafter to him at Spur instead of Breckenridge. We are glad to welcome Mr. Squyres and family to Spur and hope and expect to see many more of the Texas Spur readers become resident citizen of the Spur country in the future. We have a rich, varied and most productive agricultural soil, an ideal climate and unlimited opportunities for the home seeker and home builder to secure a home and become one of an exceptionally prosperous and enlightened citizenship. Come to Texas and investigate the Spur country.

We want the people of this territory to make Spur headquarters, and we want all business men to help advertise it as such.

BUSINESS CHANGED HANDS

A deal has been closed and the Spur Grain & Coal business taken in charge by J. R. Walker on the 19th inst. J. R. Walker is from Palestine, Texas, having been connected with the Pearlstone Grocery Co., wholesale grocers of that city for the past 6 years. W. J. Walker, senior member of the new firm is from Bryan, Texas, where he has been prominently connected for the past thirty years and identified with that city's interests. He will arrive with his family in about two weeks. J. W. Walker and family are located for the present in the Davis home in the northeastern part of the city.

We have just received a complete assortment of

POCKET CUTLERY, SHEARS,
SCISSORS AND GUNS...

And it will be to our mutual interest for you to call
early and see them before the stock is broken.

Spur Hardware Company

Everything in Hardware and Diamond Edge Tools.

TAP TELLINGS

Autumn is coming with her coat of brown, and farmers are busy gathering their crops. Most everyone in this locality is now gathering the fleecy staple and some are harvesting their feed crops.

Mrs. Walter Hughey and little son, of Spur, spent a few days here last week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith.

Mr. Davies and wife have been here for the past several days visiting. They reside at Post City.

Judge McClain threshed his wheat crop last week and is marketing the same this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Luce were called by telegram a few days since to Gordon to be at the bedside of a daughter who is dangerously ill.

T. S. Lambert and family returned a few days ago from an extended visit with relatives at Roscoe and Claytonville.

The Christian people closed a very successful meeting here Sunday night. Several reclaimants and quite a number of baptisms.

Jim Crump, of Steel Hill, with his family, was here Sunday.

Miss Mildred Rash, of a few miles south of Spur, was here this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sparks.

Well, news is scarce this week as everyone is busy but me and I continue to—Gadabout.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Letters remaining in the Spur Post Office for the week ending September 23, 1911.

Mr. Henry Dodge, J. E. Hardin, Ollie Harris, J. S. Richards, Willie Spikes.

Mrs. Roland Done, Mrs. Bert Sevam.

When calling for the above letters please say "advertised."

Norton A. Baker, P. M.

FOR SALE—60 head of hogs, seedlin or buded fruit trees. If you want anything in this line see E. B. Shaw at Draper, Texas.

Just received a full line of winter goods at Sol Davis.

BANKS

Official statement of the financial condition of the First State Bank at Spur, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day of September, 1911, published in the Texas Spur, a newspaper printed and published at Spur, State of Texas, on the 22d day of September, 1911.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal		
• collateral	\$58,168.42	
Loans and Real Estate	6,026.60	
Overdrafts	1 8.34	
Real Estate (banking house)	7,763.58	
Other Real Estate		
Furniture and Fixtures	2,162.90	
Due from Approved Reserve Agent net	\$5,582.76	
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	32.20	5,614.96
Cash Items		238.85
Currency		1,685.00
Specie		2,223.70
Other Resources as follows: Int. in Depositor Guar. Fund	1,500.00	
Judgements	95.43	
Warrant account	40.00	
Total	\$91,707.78	

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus Fund	1,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,795.42
Individual Deposits sub. to check	36,187.60
Cashier's Checks	79.76
Bills Payable and Rediscouunts	2,445.00
Other Liabilities as follows:	
Int. set aside for taxes	200.00
Total	\$91,707.78

State of Texas, County of Dickens: We G. H. Connell as president, and E. C. Edmonds as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. H. CONNELL, President.
E. C. EDMONDS, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me by E. C. Edmonds, Cash., this 12th day of September, A. D. nineteen hundred and eleven.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid
E. J. COWAN, Notary Public.

Correct Attest:
J. D. Harkey,
S. R. Davis,
T. E. Standifer
Directors.

Sworn and subscribed to by G. H. Connell before me this 14th day of September, 1911.

Witness my hand and Notarial seal on the date last aforesaid
NORMAN E. NELSON, Notary Public.
Tarrant County, Texas.

A man may grunt and a man may whine,
And talk of billows thick,
But the man who'll stick
Is the man who'll pick
A suit from our tailored line.
EDWARDS-HOGAN CO.
"Just Mens Clothes."

Sol Davis line of Hats are the best to be had.

Mace Hunter, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and spent some time here on business. Mace says that the crops on his place are fine.

We come get 'em, fix 'em and take 'em to 'em.
Edwards-Hogan Co.

NEW GOODS

ARE ARRIVING DAILY

WHILE we are not complete in our Fall Showing, Many Lines are Extensively shown, especially in Gingham, Percals and Wash Fabrics, Domestic, Cottonade, Sheeting and staples of various kinds. We are also showing Wool Dress Goods and various Mercerized Dress Fabrics, all Shades of Wash Silk. Also 36 inch Black Tafetas, New Barretts, Bags, Ribbons, Kid Gloves, Handkerchiefs and Notions. We assure the public that in purchasing at this store you will find the same low prices as heretofore with better selections. It is to your interest to learn what money can do.

You Come And See

J. A. LAMB DIN & CO.

STAMFORD AND SPUR.

NOTICE.

I have this day sold my stock and fixtures known as the Spur Grain & Coal Co. to W. J. and J. R. Walker who will continue to run the business under the name of the Spur Grain & Coal Company. All accounts owing to the said firm are now due and are being collected by M. E. Manning at the Spur National Bank. Any accounts due by me will be settled by me when properly presented. I wish to thank the good people of the city and county for their liberal patronage and support in the past and bespeak for my successors the same generous treatment.

Your truly,
Spur Grain & Coal Co.
Per R. M. Dickenson.
Spur, Texas, Sept. 19, 1911

Referring to the above, we wish to say that we have bought out the stock and fixtures only of the Spur Grain & Coal Co. We will keep a complete stock of grain, feed stuffs of all kinds, hay, seeds and coal and if we haven't got what you want we will get it for you at the lowest cash price. We expect to buy and sell for cash, giving you the benefit thereby. The name will remain the same. We will appreciate any business given us and assure you courteous treatment at all times.

Yours truly,
Spur Grain & Coal Co.
By W. J. and J. R. Walker,
Spur, Texas, Sept. 19, 1911.

FOR SALE.

A good gentle family pony and rubber tire buggy. A bargain.
C. B. New.

We take this means of introducing ourselves to the buying public and asking a continuance of the patronage heretofore accorded

THE SPUR GRAIN & COAL COMP'Y.

We expect to carry a large stock of Bran, Chops, Oats Shorts, Alfalfa, Prairie Hay, Wheat Rye Hulls, Pressed Cake, Lump and Blacksmith Coal. If we haven't got what you want in stock we will be glad to order it for you in our next car at the lowest cash price. We are compelled to buy for cash and will be forced to sell for cash. Phone, write or tell us your wants. We want to meet all the friends of the "old Spur Grain & Coal Co." and their friends will be our friends

SPUR GRAIN & COAL CO.

G. A. HOWSLEY

Horseshoeing & General Blacksmithing

Hot and Cold Tire Setting a Specialty. Near the Gin

..E. J. COWAN..

Real Estate, Rentals. Abstracts procured.
Fire & Tornado Insurance. Land Loans
long time, 8 1-2 per cent Int. Notary Public.

ESTABLISHED NOVEMBER 1st, 1909.

STOCK NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to who ever it may concern that the practice of turning horses and cattle loose in the Spur Pastures must cease as we will gather all such stock and hold for pasture at the Public Wagon Yard at owners expense.

W. J. Lewis, Mgr.

NOTICE.

To whom it may concern: I will sell grain for strictly cash after Oct. 1, 1911 to one and all. All those knowing themselves in debt to me for grain will please call and settle same by this date.

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J. B. Conner.

DO YOU WANT TO DO THE RIGHT THING?

Step in at Gruben's and see the New Jewelry of vaarious Kinds just received and now ready for inspection.

The highest grade Repair Work on Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. All work done at Hard Time Prices and guaranteed Satisfactory. We have in stock eight day Clocks, Alarm Clocks, Watches, Chains, Jewelry, etc. Call and see

THE FARMER SOWS WHAT HE EXPECTS TO REAP. IF YOU WISH A COMFORTABLE OLD AGE, PLANT SOME MONEY IN THE BANK NOW



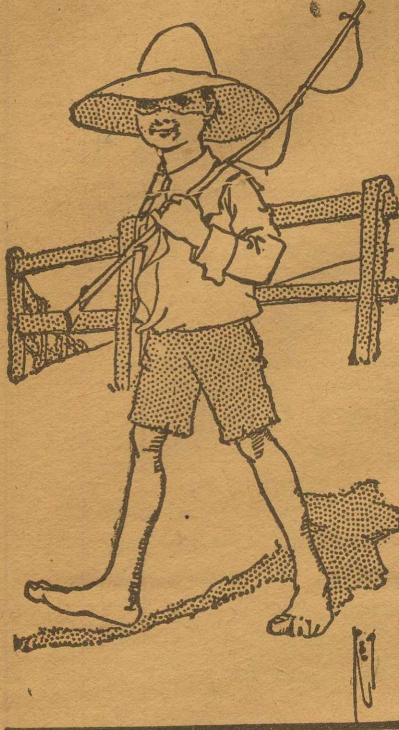
MAKE UP YOUR MIND to save a PART of your income, and put it in the bank and let it stay there. How else can you get ahead. Make Our Bank Your Bank.

Spur National Bank.

The Onlooker

By WILBUR D. NESBIT

The Fresh Air Child



They bring you out here for a week, then take you back again,
Back to the noisy, dirty street, where people herd and pen;
We give you grass to play upon, we give you food to eat,
We make you realize for once that life is very sweet,
And, little one, my heart is sad when we send you back there;
I see the shadow in your eyes—I do not call it fair!

One week of all the fifty-two to run and laugh and play,
To sate your soul with happiness that overbrims the day,
One week away from dirt and care—the best that we can give,
One week of all the fifty-two for you to truly live,
I see you hold the teardrops back, and give a good-bye glance
That almost is a smile because some other has a chance.

I know you ask why things are so that our own girls and boys
May live out here where always they have all these wondrous joys—
The flowers and the friendly trees, the fences they may climb,
And something on the table when the bell says dinner-time.

I know you ask why this is so, and, dumbly, so do I—
But you, with puny legs and arms, you are a living "Why?"

God bless you, little fresh air child, and some day may this world
Beat back the troops of poverty until their flags are furled,
Brave little hearts, to take one week of gladness and good cheer
And make it last and spread it out to cover all your year!
And when the day comes you must go—go patiently back there—
I see the shadow in your eyes, and do not call it fair.

Clever Work.

"Sir," said the Russian general to the war correspondent, "I and the members of my staff wish to thank you for the highly creditable work you have done during this campaign. The papers containing your articles have just reached us and we have been greatly pleased with the evidence of your carefulness."
"Thank you; thank you, sir," said the correspondent, blushing deeply.
"Not only," continued the general, "have you got all the main facts and incidents correctly, but you have succeeded in properly misspelling our names."

An Amendment.

"All men," shouts the impassioned orator, "are created free and equal. Who can add anything to this noble sentiment which has come resounding down the long avenues of our history? Who can make it more impressive? Who can—"

"I can," cries a little man with worried eyes, who bobs up at the edge of the audience. "All men are created free and equal, and then they get married."

At this point a sturdy feminine hand wearing a plain gold ring, is seen to grip the little man's ear and bring him back to his place.

The Message.

"Daddy, Pahson Brown done sent word he unnahtood yo' was about ter backslide en he 'lowed he'd come foddinneh temorrh en rassle wid yo' in de sperrit."

"Humph! Ah reckons Pahson Brown knows I isn't quine ter backslide ne fudder back dan ter de back do' ob Mistah Jonsings henhouse so's ter hab chicken fo' dat dinneh he wants."

Hard Luck.

"Ah, living in an attic because you write songs?"
"No. Living in an attic because I can't write poetry that is bad enough to make into popular songs."

Wilbur D. Nesbit

QUEER DISEASE IS IN UNITED STATES

Many Here Afflicted With Odd Ailment, Says Prof. Munyon.

GREWSOME CREATURES VERY COMMON, FINDS EXPERT.

Many people in the United States are afflicted with a queer disease, according to a statement yesterday by Professor James M. Munyon. He made the following remarkable and rather greswome statement:
"Many persons who come and write to my headquarters at 63d and Jefferson Sts., Philadelphia, Pa., think they are suffering from a simple stomach trouble, when in reality they are the victims of an entirely different disease—that of tape worm. These tape worms are huge internal parasites, which locate in the upper bowel and consume a large percentage of the nutriment in undigested food. They sometimes grow to a length of forty to sixty feet. One may have a tape worm for years and never know the cause of his or her ill health."
"Persons who are suffering from one of these creatures become nervous, weak and irritable, and tire at the least exertion. The tape worms rob one of ambition and vitality and strength, but they are rarely fatal."
"The victim of this disease is apt to believe that he is suffering from chronic stomach trouble, and doctors for years without relief. This is not the fault of the physicians he consults, for there is no absolute diagnosis that will tell positively that one is not a victim of tape worm."

"The most common symptom of this trouble is an abnormal appetite. At times the person is ravenously hungry and cannot get enough to eat. At other times the very sight of food is loathsome. There is a gnawing, faint sensation at the pit of the stomach, and the victim has headaches, fits of dizziness and nausea. He cannot sleep at night and often thinks he is suffering from nervous prostration."
"I have a treatment which has had wonderful success in eliminating these great creatures from the system. In the course of its regular action in aiding digestion, and ridding the blood, kidneys and liver of impurities it has proven fatal to these great worms. If one has a tape worm, this treatment will, in nine cases out of ten, stupefy and pass it away, but if not, the treatment will rebuild the run-down person, who is probably suffering from stomach trouble and a general anaemic condition. My doctors report marvelous success here with this treatment. Fully a dozen persons have passed these worms, but they are naturally reticent about discussing them, and of course we cannot violate their confidence by giving their names to the public."

Letters addressed to Professor James M. Munyon, 63d and Jefferson Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., will receive as careful attention as though the patient called in person. Medical advice and consultation absolutely free. Not a penny to pay.

A Personal Matter.

"You must have studied political economy pretty thoroughly to be so impressed with the iniquity of the trusts."

"To tell you the truth," replied the candid citizen, "I don't know much about the inside workings of trusts. But I have seen pictures of the men who run them, and I have kind of taken a dislike to them."

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM
Take the Old Standard GROVES' TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out the malarial and the Iron builds up the system. Sold by all dealers for 30 years. Price 50 cents.

Crafty.

"What does the veterinary surgeon next door advise for your pet lap dog's sickness?"
"He forbids my playing the piano."
—Flegende Blaetter.

Stop at the WESTBROOK HOTEL, FT. WORTH. Absolutely fireproof. Texas' biggest hotel. Rates \$1.00 and up.

Revision.

Suitor—I am afraid that I am not worthy enough for your daughter.
Parent—Bosh! The point nowadays is, Are you worth enough for her?—Judge.

The Bradley's Hair Emporium; Westbrook Hotel Building, Box 665, Ft. Worth, Texas. Finest line of human hair goods, wigs, pompadours, switches, puffs and curls. Any of these articles made from your combings. Used or faded articles renewed. Mail orders sent on approval. Hairdressing and Restorative Parfumeries, Electrolysis and Chiropody a specialty.

In Seclusion.

"Is your mistress at home?"
"Are you the manicure lady?"
"No, indeed!"
"Then she ain't at home, mum."

BEAUTIFUL POST CARDS FREE

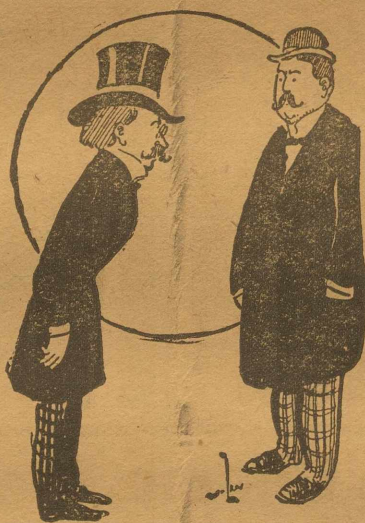
Send 2c stamp for five samples of my very choicest Gold Embossed Birthday, Flower and Motto Post Cards; beautiful colors and loveliest designs. Ask Post Card Club, 731 Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas

He who fights and runs away doesn't always have to buy a return ticket.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

One strong thing I find there below—the just thing, the true thing.

SURF.



Man in the Big Hat—I've always made money out of politics.

Man in Small Hat—Are you a political orator?

Man in Big Hat—No; I'm the leader of a brass band. The musicians always get paid, but the orators are expected to talk for nothing.

Family Enough.

Horace, five year old, has a brother, nine, and a sister three, and with his father and mother, he deemed this family large enough. When, therefore, he was told by his aunt that a little baby was to be added to the family, he protested—

"I think papa and mamma might better spend their money for more strawberries and powdered sugar for me," he observed, indignantly.

On a certain day a doctor came to the house and Horace thought he knew what that meant. His spirit of revolt nearly got the better of him, however, when a second doctor came.

A few hours later, after the doctors had departed, his Aunt Ella told him he had a new little brother. Horace brightened, and tiptoed to his mother's room. "It's all right, mamma," he assured her. "There's only one."

Serenty.

"The true religious man, amid all the ills of time, keeps a serene forehead and entertains a peaceful heart. This, going out and coming in amid all the trials of the city, the agony of the plague, the horrors of the thirsty tyrants, the fierce democracy abroad, the fiercer ill at home—the saint, the sage of Athens, was still the same. Such a one can endure hardness; can stand alone and be content; a rock amid the waves—lonely, but not moved. Around him the few or many may scream, calumniate, blaspheme. What is all to him but the cawing of the seabird about that solitary, deep-rooted stone?"—Theodore Parker.

Unimportant.

Southern negroes have an irresponsible way of visiting about indiscriminately.

"Please tell me your name and address?" asked the depot reporter of a middle-aged negress.

"Ah's Mrs. Ca'tah from Co'fax."

"Whom have you been visiting, Mrs. Carter?" she was asked. "Ah's been visiting de ole colo'd woman down de track heah a couple blocks fo' about a week. Ah can't jus' member her name."—Success Magazine.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of *Wm. L. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

A New Ailment.

Mother was sick, and Janet, four years old, had heard the doctor say that she had ptomaine poisoning.

A short time later Janet was heard confiding to one of her playmates: "Mamma's sick. She's got toe-nail poisoning."

A Specimen.

"Did you ever hear of anything so ridiculous as men of honest graft?"
"What's the matter with the gardeners?"

A sordid love of money is certainly a very senseless thing, for the mind much occupied with it is blind to everything else.—Diphilus.

Lewis' Single Binder gives the smoker a rich, mellow-tasting 5c cigar.

The man who plays poker for pastime usually passes more or less coin over to the other fellow.

Know prudent, cautious self-control is wisdom's root.—Robert Burns.

Our highest religion is named "the worship of sorrow."

PHILOSOPHY TO THE RESCUE

Pat Went Without His Steak, but at That Everything Was Not Lost.

Charles Nagel, secretary of commerce and labor, says the Irish race has, in addition to its sentiment and romance, a lot of philosophy as one of its characteristics.

"The best illustration I ever heard of this," he explained to a dinner party one evening, "was the case of a poor Irishman who had been given a fine, juicy piece of steak. Being a religious man, he placed the steak in front of him, and there, in the shade of the trees surrounding his benefactor's house, he folded his hands, closed his eyes, and gave thanks to heaven for the meal. When he was in the attitude of prayer, a dog rushed up and captured the steak. Pat looked around in time to see the food disappearing over the hill.
"Thank heaven," he exclaimed, again closing his eyes, 'he left me my appetite!'"—The Sunday Magazine.

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A western mining prospector was paying his first visit to New York.

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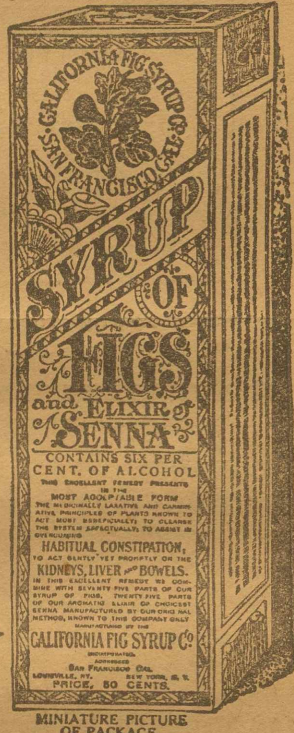
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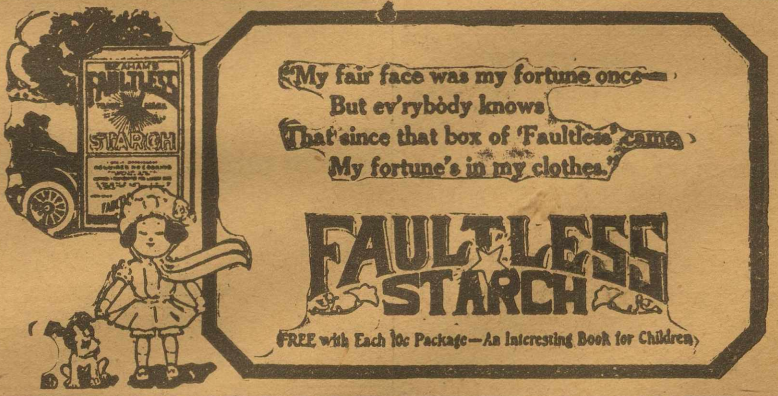
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TEXAS FARM MORTGAGES.

According to the Federal Census for 1910, we have 416,377 farms in Texas, and only 131,161 of these farms are owned by the farmers who operate them; have 219,106 tenant farmers, 2,278 farms operated by managers and 63,832 farmers who partly own their farms.

There are only 32 per cent of the farmers of Texas who now own their farms, and in 1900 there were 38 per cent of our farmers who owned their farms, free from debt, showing a decrease of six per cent in the number of farmers who own their farms. In the absence of detailed reports, we can only speculate as to the causes that have led to this undesirable result.

We have opened up during the past decade 64,187 new farms and a portion of the increase in indebtedness will undoubtedly be found in this item. A large

number of immigrant farmers have come to us and, as a rule, they buy farms and make only partial payments. The young farmer starting out in life may be justified in buying a farm on credit, but certainly there is no good business reason why the Texas farmers who have been farming for years should be in debt or why a tenant farmer should not in the course of time own his farm and if such results cannot be reasonably hoped for, then there is something wrong with our economic system.—Ex.

J. E. Sparks and wife, of the Tap country, spent Friday night and Saturday in the city with G. W. Odum and family. Mr. Sparks says that everything in the Tap country is all o. k. and the farmers of that section generally will begin picking cotton this week. Two or three bales of cotton have already been ginned from that section.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

The Commissioners' court met in regular monthly session Monday. Among other proceedings it was ordered that L. S. Scott be appointed special road overseer to lay a portion of the Spur and Post Public road. Six hundred dollars were appropriated for this purpose. It was ordered that Commissioner H. T. Garner put in a culvert on the draw between the C. A. Jones farm and the Dud Martin farm on the Dickens-Spur road. It was ordered that Commissioner L. G. Crabtree have the bridges on the Dickens-King County road repaired.—Dickens Item.

J. A. Jackson, of the Cottonwood country and one of the pioneer farmers and stockmen of the country, was in Spur last week on business. Mr. Jackson has been here many years and is one of the most prominent and successful men of the country.

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Mrs. L. N. Riter returned last week from Hamlin where she had been spending several days with her daughter and family.

Sheriff Cole came over from Dickens and spent some time here last week on official business.

J. Anderson Davis, of several miles northeast of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and reports everything looking fine in his section.

C. B. New and wife moved this week from the W. Bender suburban home to their residence in the city. Mr. New will be employed at the Sol Davis general mercantile establishment.

Clinton Funk, who was formerly employed at the Riter Hardware Company is now with the Spur Hardware Company. Mr. Funk is an experienced and efficient hardware man.

Luther Hindman reports that he is painting his house and making other improvements on his place during his idle days from the well drilling business.

J. C. Davis was in the city last week on business and visiting his sons, Sol and Luke Davis. Mr. Davis recently moved from his ranch in the north part of the county to Dickens where he will live throughout the school term at Dickens.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrd of Coke county, are in the city visiting their daughter and family. Rev. G. C. Berryman and wife, and will probably remain here several days. Mr. Byrd reports his section of country in pretty hard shape on account of several successive dry years. Many of the laboring masses, he says, will be carried over by the merchants another year.

Parties wanting seed wheat call on Conner and Spur Grain Co.

W. J. Lewis shipped a number of cars of cattle Friday out of Spur to the markets.

Miss Stradley, of Dickens, visited last week R. S. Holman and family in the city.

Judge McClain of the Cat Fish country was in the city Wednesday and spent some time here.

J. Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was in the city Saturday and reports everything in fine shape in the Gilpin country.

T. M. Green, a prominent citizen of Dickens, was in Spur recently on business and spent some time here.

Clyde Bradford, a prominent citizen of north Cottonwood country, was in Spur trading last week.

A. S. Jackson, a prominent business man of Dickens, had business in Spur the latter part of last week.

E. H. Blakely, a prominent citizen of the Liberty community north of Dickens, was in the city last week trading with Spur merchants.

It is reported that Will McKay is quite sick at his home in the Red Mud country. Will McKay is a fine man and we hope soon to note his complete recovery.

Just received a lot of Shot Guns and Winchesters, 32-25, 25-20, 22 Targets and 30-30s. A large supply of ammunition. Call and see us. Barber & Hancock. 44-tf

Will Jackson had business in Spur recently from his place in the Cottonwood country. Crops in that country are reported in the best shape and bumper yields of both feed and cotton are being harvested.

Miss Pike, of Lubbock, spent several days last week in the city with Mrs. W. H. Stephens. Last season Miss Pike was in the millinery business in the city with Mrs. Stephens and Miss Nelson, and she has many friends here who were glad to again meet her.

S. T. Wooldridge, of Paris, was here recently looking after his property interests near Spur. Mr. Wooldridge owns a fine farm north of Spur and informed us that he would probably move to Spur at an early date. We will be glad to have Mr. Wooldridge as a citizen of the town.

J. M. Upshaw was in the city the latter part of last week with a load of watermelons to sell from his place several miles northeast of Spur. We did not know that he was making a crop this year until we saw the melons, but we had noticed that he has not been a frequenter of the streets. He reports having a good crop on his place and the melons shown were evidence that he had been working.

W. H. Teague returned the latter part of last week from Crosby county where he was called to treat horses. Mr. Teague in connection with his blacksmithing business, is now employed not only as a horse doctor but has several medicines, the formulas of which he prepares, and also has several inventions, patents for which applications have been made to the authorities at Washington. We wish Mr. Teague success in his undertakings. Hereafter he intends to travel over the country selling medicines and treating horses exclusively.

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J. B. Morrison was among the many visitors to Spur last week. He reports everything in good shape in the Cat Fish country.

Mrs. Tom Davis was operated upon last week for appendicitis at the Standifer Sanitarium and is now reported doing nicely.

Postmaster McDuff, of Dumont, was in the city last week attending the Baptist Association and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything in good shape in the Dumont country.

We received a postal card this week from W. H. L. Ward, requesting that we mail his paper to Dickens hereafter. Mr. Ward has been up in the Wake country doing carpenter work the past several weeks and we presume he is doing work of like character in Dickens. He is an expert carpenter, having followed the business during the past quarter or half century and during the time has held down many important and expert mechanical positions.

Mrs. Michael, who has been spending some time with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McDonald, returned this week to her home in Fort Worth.

John Q. Adams, a young man of the Red Hill country, is now confined at the Standifer Sanitarium as the result of an operation the latter part of last week. He is reported as doing nicely and will soon be in condition to return home.

Mrs. B. B. Gainer, who has been in the city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, is spending the week in Dickens with friends. Mrs. Gainer recently had an operation performed at the Standifer Sanitarium and is now rapidly regaining her usual good health.

J. A. Ross recently sold his tailor shop in the city to other parties and the business will hereafter be conducted at the same stand. The present owners will make additions to the business and hereafter be prepared to do a bigger and better business in their line.

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The summer resort smiles.

The electric fan is doing its best.

Baseball continues to be the great leveler.

Maybe the crop of cool waves has been frost bitten.

Let the thermometer alone. It can take care of itself.

All play had no work makes Jack a good for nothing boy.

The shirtwaist man is keeping step with the summer girl.

The newest thing in crime is aeronautical murder and suicide.

Rules to keep cool only make one hotter trying to observe them.

While fruits may fall we have the tin can variety to fall back on.

After a while the summer vacation people will come back to recuperate.

One fly lays 4,589,600 eggs, says a fly expert, but not if you swat him first.

Aeroplane flights are preferred now to flights of oratory on public occasions.

Boston is eating lots of spaghetti, but Yankee Doodle probably calls it macaroni.

We have discovered, however, that artificial ice melts in a perfectly natural manner.

A 14-carat diamond has been found in Arkansas, but it isn't big enough to play ball on.

Why object to the prevailing temperature? It is always hot at this time in the year.

Our idea of a patient boy is one who can wait until apples are ripe before he eats them.

A woman 80 years old is to enter the University of Wisconsin, but co-eds are likely to do eccentric things.

Two Los Angeles people were married by moonlight, and will live for three months in honeymoonlight.

Four nations have sworn to protect the seals, but who will protect the women from imitation seals?

The bubbly fountain is all right, but until it is generally installed it is better to carry your own drinking cup.

Soft drinks may be injurious in certain ways, but they don't put their victims to bed with their boots on.

The housewife who can keep sweet through the canning season has earned a hereafter with the angels.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to wear a cabbage leaf in his hat in hot weather?

A Los Angeles man has advertised for a homely wife. Some people will do almost anything to break into print.

The plotting of the fashion editors to lure men into wearing corsets is not meeting with much favor these hot days.

Hiram Maxim has taken the flash and sound out of cannon shots, and if he will go on and render all such shots harmless he will indeed be a benefactor.

Where to go is always a puzzling vacation problem; but how to go is often more baffling yet in these days of inelastic currency.

Gaby Deslys says that pearls are nicer than diamonds and much quieter. Naturally enough, as the pearl comes from the clam.

All the flies in America could be killed in ten days, and everybody would be happy except the sellers of fly traps and fly paper.

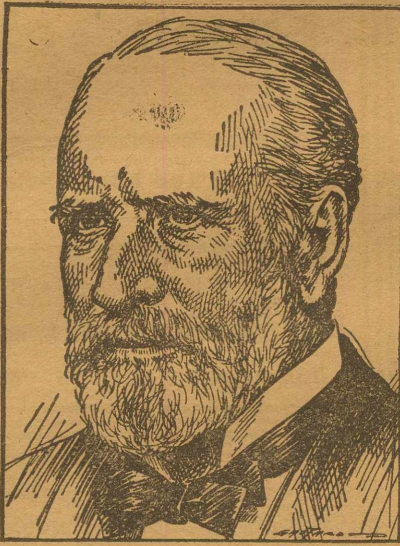
Unfortunately the dispatch which recounts the death of a man from excitement over catching a big fish does not tell how big the fish was.

Citizens of Newark, N. J., exploded 400 pounds of dynamite in order to kill mosquitoes. Personally we prefer the safe and sane method of swatting them.

A Connecticut man came home from the Klondike to find they had erected a monument in his memory, and he had been carrying his memory right with him all the time.

IN THE LIMELIGHT

POPULAR WITH THE FARMERS



The champion long-distance cabinet officer is Secretary of Agriculture "Tama" Jim Wilson, for he has been holding down that job constantly since 1897, while he has seen more than a hundred other cabinet officers come in and retire to private life. "Tama" Jim is the friend of the farmers and the farmers seem to be friends of his.

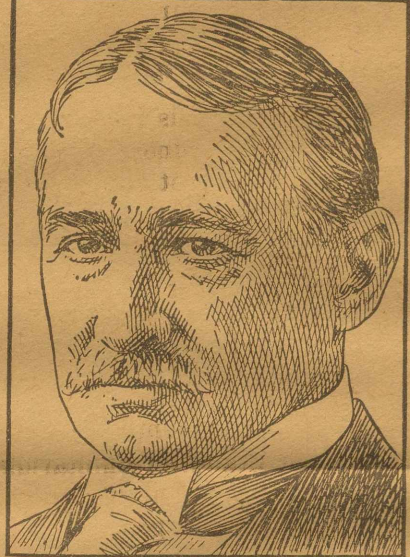
Secretary Wilson has made the department of agriculture the greatest instrumentality of practical every-day helpfulness to 40 per cent. of the people in the United States. He has experiment stations finding out how to make dry farming pay where there is only ten inches of moisture a year; and they are finding it out, too. He brought the durum wheat from North Africa, and in the regions formerly too dry to be cultivable it has added millions of bushels to our annual wheat crop. He sent to Siberia, and there, far up in the north, found alfalfas that seem to need neither moisture nor warmth to develop good pasture.

He brought the finest Cuban tobacco, tested and analyzed the soil in which it grew, got detailed reports of the climatic conditions it required—and then hunted up the same soil and climate, and proceeded to grow the tobacco in South Carolina. He brought seed of the inimitable Sumatra wrapper-tobacco, searched for a place under the American flag where it would flourish, and found it—in Texas. To prove it, he will hand you a five-cent cigar made of Texas Sumatra and Carolina Cuban filler, if you will ask him; and you will pronounce it a high-class imported weed.

IS A PIONEER IN ECONOMICS

In these days when so much is said and done for the conservation of our natural resources there has sprung up a new school of economists who are preaching the doctrine that in labor every effort, every expenditure of muscular or mental energy, should count for the utmost and not go to waste. A pioneer in this school is Frederick Winslow Taylor, who recently appeared by invitation before a committee of congress to explain how the application of his theories increases the productiveness of workmen from 15 to 20 per cent.

Mr. Taylor is a native of Germantown, Pa., and has risen to his present prominence through his own efforts. He is a patternmaker and machinist by trade and a mechanical engineer by profession. In 1878 he entered the employ of the Midville Steel Company, Philadelphia, and was successively gang boss, assistant foreman, foreman, master mechanic, chief draughtsman and chief engineer. In 1889 he took up the work of organizing management in manufacturing establishments, in shop, office, accounting and sales departments, and since then he has put his theories into operation in many business organizations, including steel works, wood pulp works, etc. He is the owner of about 100 patents on his inventions.



JAP WAR HERO IN AMERICA



Admiral Togo, the Japanese war hero who came to this country as the nation's guest, is described by a Japanese official as one of the simplest and gentlest of men. "You would hardly imagine, to see the small, slender figure, that you were in the presence of the greatest master of naval strategy that our navy has produced, or that the world has seen in modern times."

Marshal Oyama, General Kuriki, Admiral Kamimura, Admiral Yamomoto and Admiral Togo were all born in the city of Kagoshima.

Togo had just grown to youth's estate and was fighting with a broadsword when a messenger came from the mikado ordering him to become a naval officer. He packed his few belongings and journeyed to England. When the Chinese-Japanese war was threatening Togo was captain of a cruiser. He halted an English ship with 1,000 Chinese soldiers aboard, and when surrender was refused, sunk it. This act started the war.

CHOSEN IMPERIAL POTENTATE

John Frank Treat, who was elected Imperial potentate of the Mystic Shrine at Rochester, is a resident of Fargo, N. D., and a member of El Zagal Temple of the Shrine. From the four corners of the earth, by train, boat and automobile, an army of 30,000 Shriners swooped down and planted their tents on the Rochester oasis. From every part of the United States they came and even from far-away Scotland were pilgrims to the cradle of Shrinedom.

The Khartoum Temple, from Winnipeg, Man., brought a genuine Scotch kilties band of bagpipers; the Islam Temple of San Francisco had a Chinese band of 50 pieces; the Los Angeles Shriners brought two carloads of California fruits and wines to distribute to their eastern friends; the Galveston (Texas) Temple brought two carloads of Mexican burros; Osman Temple of St. Paul had its millionaire band, every member of which is a business or professional man whose fortune runs into big figures; El Zagal Temple, from Fargo, N. D., to which the pictured potentate belongs, brought a 15-foot loaf of bread and a cowbell of the same dimensions, and, in fact, every bunch had some novelty to spring.



AN INSANE EMPRESS

Carlotta a Pitiful Figure in Belgian Palace.

Maximilian's Mad Widow, Now 71, is Passing Her Last Days in Home Provided by Her Brother Leopold.

Brussels.—The mad Princess Carlotta of Belgium, better known as the ex-Empress Carlotta of Mexico, is a pitiful figure in the Chateau de Bonchout, a palace home provided by her brother Leopold. This frail old woman is now 71 years old. Her life which began in such brilliancy is ending in sadness. It is a page of history that belongs rather to the past than to the present generation.

Young folks of today have to be told all about the pretty Princess Carlotta, youngest child of Leopold I. and his second wife, and who married the Grand Duke Maximilian of Austria. Her ambition (for she much resembled her brother, Leopold II.), made her drive her somewhat unwilling husband to accept the Mexican throne. This ended in his being shot with his back against a wall by the republican troops. Before that, she had come to Europe to try and get help from France and Austria and other nations, but no one would listen, and the failure of Napoleon III. to keep his promise and the loss of her husband drove her insane.

Ever since 1867 she has been mad, and has had to be looked after as a mad woman. Her brother, Leopold II., took charge of her, and she has never left Belgium since. Indeed, one of the few humane traits in the late Leopold was his love for his sister Carlotta.

For years the ex-empress was lodged in the Tervuren palace, but in those days she was very violent, and contrived to set it on fire and burn it down. The new building is now the colonial museum. With years she has become more quiet, but leads a strange life. She never goes outside her own park gates, and for many years would see no one but her ladies in waiting. But of late she does not refuse to see members of the royal family, though she never speaks to them.

For a good many years she had a hallucination that she would be poisoned in her food. So a special servant carried her meals into a private room,



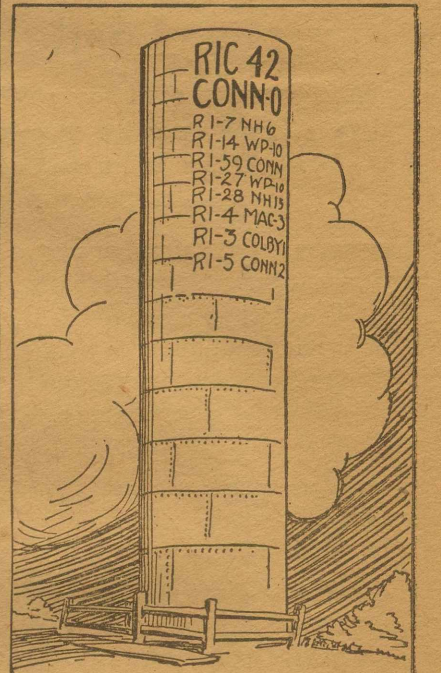
which she locked. Then the empress entered, locked the door, and partook of her meal alone. Now she is more reasonable and eats with her ladies in waiting. She has lapses of silence of years' duration; then she will begin to talk again, but always of trivial things and she never refers to the past. She reads books and papers, but never makes any reference to what she reads. She plays the piano constantly, but

only just those pieces which she learned as a girl, and though a good performer she cannot be persuaded to look at a new composition. So the mild melodies of the "Maiden's Prayer" and other favorites of her youth steal out from the chateau window for many hours a day. She plays cards in the evenings with one of her three ladies in waiting, but always in silence, and it is an unwritten law that she must be allowed to win the game. She seldom speaks, and always impersonally, never using "I" nor even the royal "We." She says when she must: "One is hungry" (On a fain), "One is tired" (On est fatigué). Nothing more. There are no photographs to be had of her. She refuses to be taken.

NOVEL FOOTBALL TOTEM TANK

Method Adopted by a Rhode Island College Team to Record Gridiron Victories.

Providence, R. I.—The illustration shows the novel method adopted by the football team of the Rhode Island college to record their victories. Be-



Gridiron Victories.

fore this, in their prankish elation, they covered everything on which they could write with such records, not only on the college grounds, but also throughout the country for a radius of several miles. This often resulted in the college authorities having to pay damages to the owners of the properties thus defaced.

A compromise was then brought about with the students by which they were given the privilege of recording such victories upon the most conspicuous place within the college grounds. This tank was finally decided upon.

Eagle Swoops at a Man.

Tacoma, Wash.—Frank Olsen, who is installing electrical equipment at the National Park inn, near Longmire Springs, on Mount Tacoma, while returning from Nisqually Glacier, watched with curious interest the gyrations of an eagle until with a rush it descended and swooped past within a foot of Olsen's head. So fast was the bird that neither Olsen nor his companions had time to hit it.

Snake Had Two Tails.

Oakland City, Ind.—George Wilk found a snake with two tails near the Peacock coal mine, and to settle an argument as to whether the snake was coming or going it was killed. Then it was found that the reptile was a double-header, the result of a spreading viper snake having swallowed a blacksnake, all but his tail.

Breaks Her Leg in Bed.

Allentown, Pa.—Mrs. Mary Sainksy, 85 years old, met with a peculiar accident when on a visit to the home of a friend in the country. She twisted a leg in bed in such a manner that she broke the upper bone of the leg clear in two.

CASE OF TOOTH-SWALLOWING

Supreme Court of Kansas Sends Celebrated Case Back for a New Trial.

Topeka, Kan.—The famous tooth-swallowing case in which Alice Wingfield of Junction City seeks to recover damages for an operation causing the death of her father, James Wingfield, has been sent back by the supreme court for retrial in Geary county.

Wingfield swallowed a set of false teeth and called in a doctor, who took him to Topeka, where he was operated on. The doctors applied an X-ray and thought they saw the teeth in Wingfield's throat. Then they made an incision and found no teeth. The patient died from the operation.

In the first trial the defendants entered a demurrer when the evidence was in, holding that it was insufficient. The lower court sustained the demurrer and the supreme court has decided that in doing so the lower court erred.

STAKE TURTLES TO GET RAIN

Plan Adopted by the Creek Indian Tribe in Oklahoma Followed by Showers.

Wetumka, Okla.—Creek Indians in this vicinity are resorting to ancient tribal customs in an attempt to obtain a rainfall. One of their customs, which has been followed, is to stake mud turtles on the edge of a stream just far enough from the water so that they cannot reach it. It is the Indians' belief that the turtles, despairing of their attempts to reach the water, invoke the aid of the "great spirit" to send rain, so that the stream will be raised and brought near them. Since the turtles were staked out several rains have fallen. The Indians believe their prayers are answered and are fastening up more turtles to pray for a still greater rainfall.

Value of Early Training.

Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it.—Proverbs of Solomon, xxii: 6.

Vardaman Coming to Spur

SATURDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 30

GOV. VARDAMAN is conceded to be one of the greatest orators of the Southland. He will deliver his famous lecture, "THE IMPENDING CRISIS", at the Methodist Tabernacle. This will be a rare opportunity for the people of Spur to hear an orator of national reputation. This will be the first of a series of five numbers to be given in Spur by the Dixie Lyceum Bureau.

SEASON TICKETS ON SALE AT RED FRONT DRUG STORE

NEW DAIRY

I have a few nice healthy Jersey cows, and would like a few milk customers. Milk carefully handled, and delivered in regular dairy bottles, ceiled. Purity and cleanliness guaranteed.

W. A. Craddock.

Bring your old "duds" in and give us time to work them up before the norther comes.

Edwards-Hogan Co.

Gov. Vardaman an orator of national reputation will deliver his famous lecture "The Impending Crisis" at the Methodist Tabernacle Saturday night, September 30th.

For Sale—One sow, seven pigs, six shoats. Call at the Texas Spur office.

J. C. Glover, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Saturday greeting his friends and trading with the merchants.

French dry cleaning will not injure the most delicate fabric.

Edwards-Hogan Co.

Hear something of real worth Saturday night September 30th at Methodist Tabernacle.

SOCIALIST SPEAKING DATES

The Texas Spur is requested to announce that M. A. Smith, a prominent Socialist speaker and organizer, will address the public in Spur on the night of October 5th. He will be followed here by Mr. Clark who will speak October 12th at night.

Everybody invited to come out and hear both speakers at their respective dates, October 5th and 12th.

Mr. Gruben, of Royston, is now located in the city and will be associated with his brother, W. C. Gruben of the Gruben Jewelry Company. Hereafter they will be in a better position to do all kinds of repair work as well as look after the sale of jewelry, watches and clocks.

A baby was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Chumbley at their home in the city, and the parents are now receiving the congratulations of their friends.

For prompt service in Dry Goods and Groceries, phone 139, Sol Davis.

Calico is cheaper than silk. Some flour is cheaper than Light Crust. Bryant-Link Co.

FOR SALE

Hogs, all sizes. P. E. Johnson, 3 miles west of Girard.

We want every lady that makes light bread to know we keek Split Silk, a flour for light bread only.

Bryant-Link Co.

Dr. Morris was called Saturday morning to treat a child of W. F. Markham who was kicked by a horse at their home several miles west of Spur. The child is reported doing nicely at this time, we are glad to note.

The Pass & Ellis Restaurant is now open for business on the corner of Fifth Street and Burlington Ave., and wants to serve you something to eat. Give it a trial.

One of the most complete line of groceries in the west always in stock at Sol Davis.

Mrs. Smith, of the Tap country, who was recently operated on at the Standifer Sanitarium, is reported doing nicely at this time and, we are glad to note, will soon be able to be removed to her home.

Don't fail to hear Vardaman at Methodist Tabernacle Sept. 30th.

THE GOOD OLD

Summer Time Is Gone

And it is time to lay off that old straw hat and get your new fall styles.

The Davis Hat

was made specially for us, as its just like we want it, that's why we know its chock full of value. We have the latest shapes and invite you to see them today

Our Grocery Department

is always stocked with the best of things to eat. Let us know your wants.

SOL DAVIS

"The Best is the Cheapest."

Dr. Grace and family have now moved into the Tom Harkey residence, Mrs. Grace and children arriving last week in the city from Mangum. We are glad to welcome them to Spur. Dr. Grace will be permanently located here in the future and will practice his profession. He has a superior knowledge of medicines and is highly recommended as a practitioner in his profession, and we wish him all the success possible consistent with extreme healthfulness of the country.

Did you have good buiscuit this morning? If you didn't don't fuss at your wife, just buy a sack of Light Crust.

Bryant-Link Co.

Shep Holly and wife and Mrs. Bernie Hill are attending court this week in Amarillo.

An aunt of Mrs. J. E. Morris is in the city the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Morris.

No more ice on thirty days. Ice bills are due every Monday.

G. C. Pass.

J. D. Martin was in Saturday from the Ranch and spent several hours here.

Just mens clothes.

Edwards-Hogan Co.

Clinton Dillion returned the latter part of last week from Cisco where he spent several days with relatives and friends. He is again at his post of duty at the Red Front Drug Store, serving patrons and customers of that popular place.

Fresh fish and oysters Saturday at Pass & Ellis Restaurant.

L. S. Scott of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Monday trading with Spur merchants and greeting his friends here. He reports crops in good shape in his section of the country.

All ice bills are due every Monday.

G. C. Pass.

S. P. Odom, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Monday and spent some time here trading with the merchants.

All Sol asks is a trial order. Both phones 139.

J. W. Johnson, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Monday and spent several hours here on business.

For school shoes, a complete line at Sol Davis.

Jno. Smith, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was in the city Saturday.

SAVE MONEY

By Buying Your Groceries Where Your Money Buys Most.

100 lb Sack Standard granulated sugar	\$7.25
25 " " " " " "	1.85
(no sugar sold to merchants at this price)	
100 lb Baker Boy Flour, that good kind	2.90
Large bucket coffee	1.00
Bushel sack meal	.70
10 lb. Bucket Swift's Compound Lard	1.00
5 lb " " " " " "	.50
10 lb. Bucket Cottolene	1.35
Three 3-lb cans Hominy	.25
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Smoke Bacon, by side, per lb	14 1-2c

R. R. Morrison

(OF COURSE)

LAMB DIN'S

IN OUR MENS DEPARTMENT

We Are Showing The New Fads in Ties, Hosiery, Garters, Soft Shirts with endless other New Things to Arrive within a very few days.

KEEP YOUR EYES ON THIS STORE.

We Assure You of Something Doing Every Day

J. A. LAMB DIN & CO.

WINTER IS COMING!

Whether You Like It or Not!!

We are Just Ahead of the Norther's Cold Whistle
WITH FURS, THE BEST ASSORTMENT

Ever Shown in Spur. Don't order your Fur before seeing our beautiful showing.

Ladies, Childrens and Misses Coats.

Come Early and get Choice. Bring Mary and Johnnie and let us rig them up with RED GOOSE SHOES for their feet, and don't forget IRON CLAD HOSE, leggins to save their hose, coats to protect their dresses and keep their bodies warm, and caps, hats or toques for their heads. We have a stock of dry goods in all lines of which we are proud. It has been selected from St. Louis, New York and Chicago markets by careful, well posted buyers, and we know it is Right in Style and Price, and we want to show you through if you anticipate buying anything in Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Millinery, etc. Don't forget \$15 Guaranteed Every Thread Wool, and not only that but absolute Satisfaction Guaranteed to every purchaser of \$15 Schwab Suits.

Red Seal Gingham in a Class to Themselves!!
200 PATERNS OF GINGHAMS IN STOCK

To select from. In Outings we have an overstock and are putting a 10 cent price on all patters to make it move.

MILLINERY.

We are proud to tell our friends that Miss Burnett has charge of our Millinery department again, as those who have worn her hats know she is an artist in her line. Her own creations are masterpieces of millinery skill. She knows what becomes her customers and if you will leave your selection of a hat with her you can't go wrong.

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

We have built our trade by honest dealing. We are not SELLING OUT AT COST, but are offering you goods with Quality at Legitimate Prices. Our yards are 36 inches and our pounds are 16 ounces. We ask for and will appreciate your business on that basis.

BRYANT-LINK COMPANY

H. H. Vardeman, of Weatherford and who is now traveling for the Spaulding Company and also looking for a permanent location for a home, is spending several days in Spur and the Spur country. He has traveled considerably over the whole country and says that from all appearances Spur is holding up better than any of the new towns of the country.

Did your wife ever tell you to buy a pretty good sack of flour. If she did don't buy Light Crust for its the best.

Bryant-Link Co.

It is reported that a number of delegates attended the Baptist Association last week in Spur from a distance of more than one hundred miles.

We are offering for cash some broken lots of Enamelware at one-half value. It will pay you to take advantage of this offer.
Barber & Hancock.

Mrs. C. C. Gay, of Dickens, was a visitor in the city last week and spent some time here with friends.



L. W. DAVIS & CO.,
COMPLETE ABSTRACTS TO DICKENS
COUNTY LANDS.

J. D. Green, a prominent citizen of Motley county, was in Spur last week attending the Baptist Association meeting which was in session several days. Quite a number of visitors and delegates were in attendance from a distance.

LOST—Roman gold bracelet with Amethyst setting. Liberal reward for its return to Mrs. G. M. Bachelor.

Mrs. N. A. Baker is reported on the sick list this week. We hope soon to note her complete recovery.

Don't buy cheap flour its false economy. The best is cheapest. What is best? Light Crust.
Bryant-Link Co.

The Spur Hotel

W. N. BLACKWELL, Prop.

RATES: \$1.50 Per Day.

See me for Weekly Rates

Nice, Clean Rooms and the Best Table the Market Affords.

Richardson Lumber Co.

First Class Building material, as GOOD as the BEST and as CHEAP as the CHEAPEST. We Want Your Business.

S P U R,

J. V. McCORMICK, Manager

T E X A S

W. C. BOWMAN

Lumber Comp'y

**LUMBER, SASH
DOORS, PAINT,**

And All Kinds Building Material

Mr. Smith, of Hale Center, came to Spur last week to have an operation, and which was performed at the Standifer Sanitarium. The many successful operations is making a noted and wide reputation for Spur in surgery. Here patients are given the benefit of the very best Sanitarium comforts as well as the most skillful surgery.

Dave Sparks, of the Croton country, was in the city Friday and Saturday and reports crops in good shape in his section, notwithstanding the fact that he failed to get any of the early rains of the season.

Baxter Scoggins, of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Saturday trading with the merchants and reports everything moving along nicely in his section of the country.

Mrs. R. C. Forbis, of near Dickens, visited last week at the home of Sol Davis in Spur.

LIST OF LAND FOR SALE.

No. 1—220 acres two miles of Oriana, has one 2-room house, one 3-room house, well, 140 acres in cultivation, good shinnery land; price \$6.80 per acre.

No. 2.—Four sections in Lynn county 12 miles of Odonnell, 200 acres in cultivation, fine lake, well, good improvements; \$8.00 per acre. One-fourth cash, balance term 7 per cent interest. This is a choice ranch, has fine grass, and always raises plenty of feed.

No. 3.—One section in Crosby county, fine grass price \$12.50 per acre. One-fourth cash, balance terms 8 per cent.

No. 5.—Six section ranch Dickens county. \$12.50 per acre.

No. 7.—Improved land close in to Spur; \$25 to \$30 per acre.

No. 8.—Lee county, one-fourth section; \$12.50 to \$13.50 per acre.

No. 9.—Several residence that I can sell on the installment plan. All city property a specialty.
H. T. BURGOON,