

## SPUR SCHOOL BUILDING NEARING COMPLETION

The eighteen thousand dollar school building now under construction in Spur is nearing completion and will be ready for teachers and pupils by the first day of January.

The building is one of the finest and most conveniently arranged in the country, and the Spur School under the able supervision of Superintendent Adams will hereafter become noted in educational advancement. Prof. Adams is now maturing plans for attractive entertainments in furtherance of the instruction and edification not only of school pupils but the general public, and just as soon as the building is complete such plans will materialize.

## OBSERVE THE LAW

If any reader desires to know whether or not his subscription to The Texas Spur is due, you can be informed by looking opposite the address on the wrapper or margin of the paper, where the month and the year to which is paid or from which you owe is given. For instance, on your paper you see Nov. 09, or Nov. 11, you will know that you owe from November 1909, or November 1911, to the present time at the rate of one dollar a year. The postal laws require that every subscriber shall not owe for more than one year to any newspaper, and we will expect our readers and subscribers to observe this law. Keep your subscription paid up. We need it, will appreciate it and give you value received.

## ESTABLISHING AUTO LINE

Walter Richardson moved to Spur recently from New Mexico and is now putting in a garage and will establish an auto line from Spur to Floydada by the way of Crosbyton, Ralls and intermediate points. He has several fine autos at the service of the traveling public and will be prepared to do all kinds of auto repair work. Walter formerly lived in Eastland county, and no doubt he and this writer have chased the same rabbits over the same sand-ruffs many times in our younger days. We are glad to again meet him and renew former pleasant associations in the heart of the great western country, and we wish for him success and much of the prosperity which abounds in Spur and the Spur country.

## RETURNING TO SPUR

We are informed that C. B. Cook and family, who have been in Dallas the past several weeks, have gone from that place and after visiting relatives in other parts of the country, will return to Spur and again make this place their home. Mr. Cook has been seriously considering the proposition to enter the campaign next year in Dickens county for some county office, and it was primarily for this purpose he moved to Dallas to attend school to better prepare himself for official work and public service. We are not in-

formed what office Mr. Cook will ask the voters to give him, but we have promised to give him our vote. C. B. Cook is not only qualified to serve the people of Dickens county in an official capacity but is a gentleman in every respect and will give the people a clean, honest, intelligent and satisfactory service in any office to which he is elected.

## ENTERTAINED THE CLUB

Recently Mrs. Duke Henson entertained the members of the Social Club at her home in the north part of the city, and since the press reporter of the Club is out of the city The Texas Spur failed to give the entertainment the deserved mention. However, it is reported that the guests were most delightfully entertained and the hostess distinguished herself as an original and interesting entertainer.

## WILL MOVE TO SPUR

J. A. Murchison was in Spur Monday from his home in the Draper country, and we are informed that he is making arrangements to move his family to Spur at an early date and will send his children to the Spur school. We have been expecting Mr. Murchison to make this move some time and we are now glad that such expectations will be gratified. We welcome Mr. Murchison as a citizen of Spur.

## MOVING TO BELL COUNTY

E. L. Pass packed up and shipped his household effects this week to Heidenhammer, Bell county, where he will make his home in the future, or at least until next year. He will make a crop next year in Bell county and we wish him a big harvest. Since he owns considerable property here which he does not desire to sell, we, of course, are assured that he intends to reside only temporarily in the eastern part of the state.

## A STRAY DOG

J. A. Alston was in this week from his home three miles southwest of Spur and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He says that he has at his place a stray bird dog with a Spur tag attached, and that the owner can get the dog by paying The Texas Spur two bits for this notice.

## MOVING STORE BUILDING

G. C. Pass is moving this week the old Dixie storehouse to the lot across the alley from the Texas Spur office on Fifth Street and across the street in front of the post-office. We understand that a furniture store and second hand store will be established in the building.

## RETURNS TO GROOM.

N. P. Shaw, who has been spending some time in Spur on business matters, left recently for Fort Worth and other eastern cities. While here Mr. Shaw had the misfortune of losing a nice residence in the city by fire, and was detained here some time in the adjustment of the insurance. He will probably return to Groom where he is employed in the lumber business.

## WILL ESTABLISH STEAM LAUNDRY IN SPUR SOON

Last week Sam Smith, of Tap, was in the city and informed us that he had sold his farm in that section and had purchased a twenty acre block north of Spur.

Mr. Smith is making arrangements to establish a steam laundry either on his twenty acre block or in the city, the only proposition is securing plenty water for the operation of his business. He is of the opinion that the water on the twenty acre block will be much more suitable for his purposes, and unless the water can be piped into town at a satisfactory cost the steam laundry will be built on his twenty acre block.

We are glad to see such an institution going in here and believe it will not only benefit the town but will prove remunerative and a success to the owner and operator. The laundry as planned will be of sufficient capacity to not only supply the laundry demand of Spur and this immediate territory but all of the surrounding towns and territory.

## NECESSITY OF DIVERSI- FICATION OF CROPS

At Georgetown Tuesday night Judge E. R. Kone, State Commissioner of Agriculture, spoke on the necessity of diversification of crops and he is making the trip over all of the Katy lines to preach to the people of Texas the doctrine of better farming. He said:

"There is no man on earth who has a greater opportunity or a more respectable occupation than the farmer. In this day and time every farmer must study his vocation and the science of farming is becoming so much a part of all farming, that farming is rapidly getting to be just as much a profession as law or medicine or teaching. The boy who gets discontented and leaves the farm is in the way of making a great mistake, for he will never find any work where he may be as independent and make as much money as he may by intelligent farming. I want to say right now that I firmly believe that the educated, trained farmer in this day and time can make more money in a life time and lead a happier life if he will start out with a fifty acre farm and cultivate it right, letting it grow gradually as he can handle more land.

"The old idea of growing only cotton and corn is losing its hold on the farmers and they must learn to diversify and rotate their crops. The farmer who tries to raise only cotton and corn year in and year out is sure to sap the strength of his soil. Men have an idea that this black land is so rich that it will last forever, but I know that is all wrong, for I can remember when I was a boy, two or two and one-half bales of cotton to the acre were raised, but who is doing that now under the same conditions? Now they think they are doing great things if they get one bale to the acre. The reason

is that long years of cotton and corn have taken away the strength of the soil and the farmer has got to find some way to save that strength. The way to do that is to change his crops from year to year, to use one crop one year on one part and next year to change to another that will replenish the soil strength that has been taken away.

"I can remember the time when my father and my grandfather were the only men I knew in my home county who raised enough corn for their own stock. I have seen men attempt to farm without live stock on their farms. No farmer ought to fail to have live stock on his farm. He can make more money out of turning his corn and his scraps into hogs than he can make out of selling the corn on the market. The time is coming when the best farmer will be the one who makes an exact study of his work and who mixes different crops on his farm, raising a little cotton and a little corn and lots of alfalfa, peas, beans, hay, hogs and fine stock.

"Most farmers are too careless in their selection of seeds for planting. I have seen farmers come into the country store and buy most any sort of shelled corn for planting, without knowing where it came from or what its strength is. That is the reason your cornstalks have only one ear on every four or five stalks for the seeds have no prepotency. Every farmer should select his seeds to start with and each year save the best ones for seeding next year and that way he can improve his crops and know what he is going to get.

"Farmers in this State complain that it is too dry to raise crops and they say you can not raise anything except cotton and corn. I have raised cotton in years when there was not one drop of rain from the time the seed was planted until the crop was picked and the whole secret is in preparing your soil right in the fall by deep plowing so as to let the rain soak in and be saved for the plants to draw upon in the spring.

"To the boys and girls I want to say that this talk about not having as great opportunities as your fathers had is all nonsense. You have just as great opportunities if you will hold to high ideals and stick to farming to learn the business and do it right. If you will all grow up and go to the great schools the State has provided to train you right for your work in life, you can be even better than your fathers. I want to see every one of you boys grow up and go off to the A. & M. College to study farming and then come back to make Texas what it ought to be as the greatest farming State in the world."

## SELLING PRODUCE

J. R. Robertson, who formerly lived in Spur but now a prosperous farmer of the Afton country, was in Spur last week with produce from his farm. He says everything is moving along nicely in his section, and from appearances he is satisfied and contented with his farming operations.

## A NOTED RAILROAD PRO- MOTER VISITS SPUR

Morgan Jones, a noted railroad promoter, was in Spur last week and went from here out into the White Flat country. While he made no definite statement concerning his visit here, it is presumed that it was in furtherance of some railroad project. Morgan Jones is a noted character, and although he may have encountered failures in promoting railroads, he has the reputation of building roads, and since railroads are one among the things necessary to country development, we presume that this field is open to any and all railroads that may come. We expect to live to see Spur a railroad center, lined with street cars and sky-scrapers and the commercial center of a densely populated country and richest agricultural section of America.

## COTTON ABOUT OUT

Dave Sparks, a prosperous citizen of the Croton country, was in town recently and says that the cotton of his country is about all gathered at this time. The gins of that part of the country are only being operated now on special days of the week. The cotton gathering season in and around Spur has not yet advanced thus far, since the two gins here continue to run both day and night to keep up with the ginning. However, the picking season will soon end and the work of another crop begun.

## NEW ROAD OPEN

Numbers of the citizens of the Draper country are now coming to Spur over the new road recently opened up from that section to Spur. The road is said to be a much shorter and better route, and as a result will not only convenience the people of the Draper country but will encourage more trade to come to Spur from that section. Build more roads and better roads is a good slogan for Spur and the Great Spur country. Let the work continue.

## RETURN TO SPUR

J. R. Nations and family, who have been spending the year in Oklahoma and near Memphis, Texas, returned this week to Spur and will again make this place their home. Mr. Nations owns some land east of Spur and he will probably build a residence on the place, make other improvements and clear land for cultivation another year. We welcome Mr. Nations and family back to Spur and wish them a pleasant and prosperous home with us.

## SUCCESSFUL FARMER

Uncle Wash Robertson was in Tuesday from the Afton country. He brought in cotton but says it depends upon what price is offered as to whether or not he sells at this time. Uncle Wash is not only a successful farmer but one of the very best men of the country, and we consider him one of our very best friends.

# Groceries

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## Karnival Prices

Everything in our complete and large stock of Groceries will be sold until Saturday, December 30 at Attractive Carnival Prices

A nice selection of Cakes, Apples, Oranges, Nuts and Other Nic-Nacs for Christmas

Come to the place where you get the best service, the best goods and the best prices

**Hisey Grocery Co.**  
Spur - - Texas

The Texas Spur is giving tickets on every paid subscription for the \$230.00 in premiums to be given away at two o'clock Saturday, December 30th. There are twenty-two premiums in cash and merchandise to be given away on that occasion and the twenty-two men who pay a dollar each to the Texas Spur may be given the handsome premiums. We hope so anyway. Come in and see about it, and also read the big ad on two pages of this paper.

LOST.—Two Navajo saddle blankets between Spur and Red Mud camp. Finder return to Hyatt & Garner Livery Stable and receive reward.—L. M. Thornton. 2tp.

Mrs. Dr. Morris returned recently from a visit to her parents and friends at Haskell where she spent several days very pleasantly.

You don't have to be a Beaver to wear "Beaver Hat." If you are "real good Indian" the price is \$3.00 to you.—Sol Davis.

R. L. Smith, manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company of Spur, made a business trip recently to Stamford.

Where can you get the best flour? Light Crust. Bryant-Link Co.

W. P. T. Smith, of eight or nine miles west of Spur, was in the city last week with cotton and also to trade with the merchants. Mr. Smith made a good crop this year and with other farmers of the country is wanting to secure a good price in the sale of his produce, and as a result is holding his cotton for a higher price.

We are not advertising all our prices for the benefit of our competitors but from now till Christmas will make you prices on groceries to discount all competitors. Bryant-Link Co.

Mrs. C. C. Tyler left this week to spend the holidays with her parents in Oklahoma, and as a result her kindergarten school is dismissed until after the holiday season.

Where can you get flour guaranteed to be as good as any flour sold in Spur at \$2.90 for \$2.75? Bryant-Link Co.

W. E. Kellar returned last week from the eastern part of the state where he spent several days on business.

Telephone us your needs for cake ingredients, Xmas fruits and nuts.—Sol Davis.

Virgil Davis, of near Spur, had business in town this week.

### A MODERN AND WELL EQUIPPED HOSPITAL.

Last week we had occasion to call in at the Standifer Sanitarium and were surprised at the completeness of the hospital furnishings and surgical equipment of the institution. We were shown through the building by Miss Jessie Schneider, Dr. Standifer's first assistant and who is well informed and highly accomplished in her profession. Miss Schneider accompanied us first to the operating room where is installed complete surgical instruments, furniture and modern equipments. Recently a new and costly sterilizer has been added to the furnishings of this department which now lacks only the addition of an utensil sterilizer to make the surgical department complete in every respect, and this, we are informed, will be installed at an early date. From here Miss Schneider showed us through the several rooms, introducing us to the four patients who were recently operated upon and are now convalescing. At either end of the hospital are two large and handsome, airtight hospital stoves in which was burning Pennsylvania smokeless coal and which contributes to the comfort of the building throughout. Taking the Standifer Hospital throughout and it is a modern structure, handsomely equipped and furnished and the institution is a credit to Spur and the whole of Western Texas.

#### DIED

Friday of last week Messrs. Walker, Hazlewood and Mrs. Walker left with W. J. Walker for Commerce in the hope of benefitting his health, Mr. Walker having been sick and in a critical condition since Thanksgiving. However, before reaching Fort Worth Mr. Walker died and the remains were carried to his former home at Bryan for burial.

W. J. Walker and family came to Spur from Bryan only a few months ago, having been residents of Brazos county a number of years. Friends of the family here extend sincere condolence to the family in this bereavement.

#### NOTICE

The Annual Share-holders meeting of The Spur National Bank, will be held in its Directors room on Tuesday, January 9th, 1912, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transacting of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Signed, G. W. Sherrod, Cashier. 6-5t

I wish, through the Texas Spur, to thank the Woodmen of the World and the Modern Woodmen of America for their promptness in the settlements of the policies held by my late deceased husband, Wm. G. Potts, for \$1000.00 in each order. I wish to heartily thank the local camp officers at Spur, Wichita Falls and Decatur for their assistance in my bereavement. I can recommend the above orders for promptness in carrying out their obligations.

Respectfully,  
Mrs. Wm. G. Potts

Some special Christmas silver ware. Bryant-Link Co.

# The Christmas SHOPPER.

who has a desire to offer a gift that will please every time will make no mistake on calling on us for your needs. See that your friends or relative gets something that he will appreciate. In our line you will find something that will just fill the bill How about something in the following.

A nice pair of gloves from 25c to \$3.50  
A good hat from 1.50 to 7.50  
Nice pair of suspenders 25c to 1.00  
A beautiful scarf from 75c to 2.50  
1 Nice hand bag from 1.00 to 3.00  
1 Good pair of hose from 25c to 1.00  
1 Nice pair garters for 25c  
1 Beautiful muffler from 50c to 3.00  
One good suit of clothes or a good pair Star Brand Shoes

We have hundreds of other articles that will please in every sense of the word. Why not let us assist you in selecting your presents? We especially invite you to see our new line of mens and boys Hats. With best wishes for a Merry Xmas

1897 SOL DAVIS 1911  
"THE BEST IS CHEAPEST"

Dr. Morris recently moved his office to the Red Front Drug Store where he is not only greeting his friends but is prepared to serve his former patrons in medicines and professional services. His special duties at the Red Front will be a prescription druggist, since he is a registered pharmacist in connection with a practicing physician.

Rev. Pearn will preach at the Christian tabernacle Sunday morning and night. Everybody is invited to attend the services.

In buying gifts for your friends for Xmas remember things of real use Can be found at Bryant-Link Co.

W. M. Randall, prominent citizen of the Steel Hill country, was in the city Tuesday on business.

Don't overlook our ladies shoes. Take a peep at our window.—Sol Davis.

Wilson coal and wood heaters. Bryant-Link Co.

Mace Hunter, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Tuesday. He, too, was complaining at the cotton situation and said that overproduction was one of the causes of the present conditions. Plant more peas, beans, shoats and fine stock and the cotton situation will be of secondary consideration at all times.

Rev. Berryman returned last week from Waco where he attended the Baptist Convention. He reports an interesting meeting and a large attendance upon the convention.

All those who are indebted to me will please call and settle, not later than Jan. 1st, as I must have the money.—A. S. Jackson, Dickens Texas. 2t

HORSES TO SELL—4 good work horses and mares, or will trade for mules. Phone No 2.—M. A. Jordan.

C. L. Love made a business trip this week to Stamford where he spent two days.

## Always Open For Business

People sometimes ask us when we will be open for loans. There is not a day in the year except Sundays and legal holidays that we are not open for any kind of legitimate banking business

IF YOU HAVE ANY MONEY TO DEPOSIT. BRING IT!  
IF YOU WANT TO BORROW MONEY, SAY SO!

Our customers all know that when they have a legitimate business proposition they can put it up to us any day in the year, if you are not a customer, come around and let us show you why it would be to your advantage to become one.

**The Spur National Bank**  
Capital, 100,000.00

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C. A. JONES, Vice-President

W. G. SHERROD, Cashier  
M. E. MANNING, Asst. Cashier

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**NOTICE**

Owing to the high price of cattle and high price of feed, we are forced to ask and require our freinds and patrons to pay cash for meat.—Central Meat Market.

**STOCK HOLDERS MEETING**

Of the Crosbyton-Southplains Railroad Company, to be held Wednesday, February 7th, for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to issue bonds, etc.

To the Stockholders of the Crosbyton Southplains Railroad Company:

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 28th day of October, 1911, at special meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company a resolution was unanimously adopted calling a meeting of the stockholders of said company to be held on Wednesday, February 7th, 1912, at the offices of the Company in Crosbyton, Texas at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to execute a mortgage upon the property of the Company and to issue bonds thereunder to be fixed by the stockholders at said meeting, and to authorize the directors to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue such bonds; and to take such further and other steps as may be necessary under the laws of Texas for the final approval by said Commission of said bonds, and to obtain the authority of said Commissioner to register said bonds when issued in the office of the Secretary of the State of Texas.

Dated this 28th day of October, 1911, at Crosbyton, Texas.  
[SEAL] R. M. Bassett, Secretary.

**G. T. BRANDON, Dentist**

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**The First State Bank, Spur, Texas**

CAPITAL STOCK . . . . . \$50,000.00.

**PLANS FOR SPUR**

"If to do were as easy as to know what to do, poor men's cottages would be princes palaces," yet, the knowing must precede the doing.

Spur stands to day at the threshold of an enviable labor. Her youthfulness vouchsafes purity while her position augurs a fruitful career. No great mistakes have been made, nothing but a clear sky and fortune's beckoning hand entice us to break our moorings and set sail for the land of larger labor and more splendid achievements.

Not only a new town but a new country is ours, a town and a country whose citizenship will be what wise planning, careful supervision and tactful leadership can make it, if we only take advantage of the opportunity.

Not yet have habits become fixed, they are in the nebulous stage, as it were, waiting the master hand to mould into concrete form. Shall we let the task appall us or refuse to embrace the opportunity? Let me answer for Spur and her people; No!

Activity is the watchword of the day. Social consciousness is stirred. The greater thought is ramifying every part of Texas. Forces are at work that will hasten the day when the poets shall cease to sing of "man's inhumanity to man."

The greater thought is the brotherhood of man; the forces for good are the many organizations which have the welfare of man at heart, organizations with but one creed, "Man's betterment, socially, morally and economically."

Among these forces is the Social Center Movement. This is a late activity of man, the mortar in which all the talents, tendencies, policies and powers of a town are brayed that there may be a higher social and economic consciousness compounded. It does not seek to supplant any organization, but gives the needed sands for the grades.

I may briefly state the objects of the social center movement as follows:

1. It seeks to give the school building its widest service in the town's activities.
  2. It seeks to make use of and develop local effort, by solicting the leaders in the several vocations to make talks before the school children, or in the regular social center meetings.
  3. It seeks to get the people together that they may know one another better.
  4. It seeks to develop pride in the town and country, in their every phase of life and activity, in a word, to develop a social, economic and civic consciousness that the town may make good.
- In its efforts no creeds will be known, no class conscience will be developed, but all will come together in one great family

council where each shall be heard and no one shall be ignored.

It is my purpose to introduce the social center movement in its widest scope, beginning with new year 1912. It shall be joy for us to give freedom to the whole that our school may set forth in its life the deepest meaning of its name: "SPUR PUBLIC SCHOOL."

With your permission I state below a few of the things we wish to accomplish:

First, a united town; then a more vigorous town, more intensive work in all vocations, and a happier people. The social center work will accomplish these by encouraging the play gound movement, athletic improvement, civic righteousness, better school attendance, while the beauty element in life will be especially emphasized.

Already I have made arrangements with the Turner Art Exhibit Company of Boston for a four day's exhibit of their Traveling Art Exhibit collection of the master paintings. This will let the children see what art really is.

Ask me about our plans. I like to tell what we plan to do. Respectfully,

S. W. Adams.

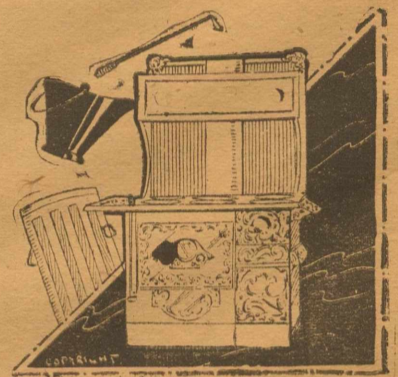
**WANTED**

A horse for his feed or will buy good gentle delivery horse. —Spur Grain & Coal Co.

**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.



**THE WANTS OF WINTER**

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**22 Prizes!**  
**GIVEN AWAY!!**

Cash and Merchandise to the extent of \$230.00 will be distributed among the thousands of people who will take advantage of the offerings in this trades event.

# SPUR'S GREAT DECEMBER TRADES KARNIVAL! AND MERCHANDISE SALE

**18 Days of**  
**BARGAIN SALES**

This will be eighteen of the biggest trading days and the widest range of selection in merchandise ever offered to the public in this country and trade territory.

## Biggest Merchandise Movement Ever Had in West Texas Beginning Monday, December 11, Ending Saturday Dec. 30th

To meet the prevailing cotton situation and consequent conditions existing in all lines of commerce, twenty-two of the leading merchants and business firms of Spur have inaugurated a December Trades Carnival, beginning December 11 and ending December 30. This will be the Greatest Trading Carnival ever attempted in Spur or Western Texas, and with the combined stocks covering every line of merchandise and the co-operation of the twenty-two business firms, the general public and people of Dickens and surrounding counties are assured of exceptional values in merchandise and exceedingly low prices on every item sold during the Great Carnival. The merchants who represent the best business interests of Spur and this section promise to those who come the greatest money saving event ever had in Spur and a most acceptable opportunity to buy not only for present needs but for the future in all kinds of merchandise, including staple goods in all lines.

### Special Low Carnival Prices Will be A Most Attractive Feature of This Occasion Staple Goods of All Kinds are Sacrificed to Meet Demands and Existing Conditions

With the massive congregation of stocks included in this movement, and the aggressiveness displayed by combination and concerted action, affords unlimited resources and a wide range of buying power to people of this trade territory and most substantial encouragement to those who live a great distance and within reach of Spur to come and make purchases.

**THE RICH AND THE POOR**  
Austin Statesman: Sometimes an able cartoon is better than a sermon. One by John T. McCutcheon, printed in the Chicago Tribune several days ago, deserves a place among the great ones. It consists of a dual picture, and over one is the inscription, "What Winter Means to Some Children." Beneath this is a picture of an old man covered with ice and snow, typical of winter. With a lash he is driving a pack of wolves which ap-

pear to be waiting at the door of a miserable hovel, where poverty, want and suffering seem to linger. The title to the other picture is, "And What It Means to Others." Here all is changed. There is a beautiful boulevard lined with fine homes, where the Christmas spirit is at its best. There is a glorious full moon, and across it one sees the fabled figure of Santa Claus with his team of reindeers. It is a cartoon which makes a man better for having looked at it.

The suffering that the bitter cold brings down upon the poor of the North is indeed a subject for the kind-hearted to dwell upon and temper. The out worn theory that we are not our brothers' keepers is giving way all over the world to the newer and more blessed conviction that the weak are entitled to concessions that will place them more nearly on an equity with the strong. To contemplate a city street lined with the homes of the prosperous, where comfort and plenty

and light and joy are radiated in the faces of those who there abide and then a few blocks away, observe the wretchedness of the poor streets, where little children shiver in rags and grown men and women wear the look of misery and hopelessness, where Christmas is little more than a mockery and Santa Claus a maddening myth—to consider the vast difference between the peace pregnant in one street and the pain that enters in the other is to convince any but the oldest

and most selfish nature that conditions which make for such unnecessary distinctions and differences are manmade conditions, and that God will hold somebody to an eternal responsibility. And that responsibility will not be charged to weak, but to the strong.—Dallas News.

A few more hats left at very low prices at Mrs. W. B. Griffins.

Henson & Poole. Nuff said.

# 22 Prizes Will be Given to the Public!

## \$230.00 IN CASH AND MERCHANDISE ABSOLUTELY FREE

### Superior Cotton and Produce Market Place

SPUR offers not alone the most attractive and economical trading point, but should be your market point as well. Cotton seed is now selling for \$16.00 a ton, while other markets pay only \$12 to \$14. This fact alone is a substantial inducement to come to Spur. Here you will be charged only 40 cents for ginning and paid from eight to nine cents for the staple. Prices may fluctuate but Spur always pays the highest price because we have the proper resources for handling any kind of farm produce and are in a position to pay cash.

### PRIZES TO BE GIVEN AWAY

- 1st Premium, \$30.00 in Cash given by Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company.
- 2nd " 25.00 in Merchandise by Bryant-Link Co.
- 3rd " 25.00 in Merchandise by J. A. Lambdin & Co.
- 4th " 20.00 Watch by W. C. Gruben, the Jeweler
- 5th " 12.50 Stove, Riter Hardware Co.
- 6th " 12.50 Building Material, Spencer Lumber Co.
- 7th " 10.00 in Groceries, Hisey Grocery Co.
- 8th " 10.00 in " Western Grocery Co.
- 9th " 10.00 in " Hinson & Poole
- 10th " 10.00 in Furniture, Campbell & Campbell.
- 11th " 10.00 Rocker, Texas Furniture Co.
- 12th " 10.00 Doll, W. B. Griffin
- 13th " 5.00 in Gold, First State Bank
- 14th " 5.00 Carving Set, Barber & Hancock.
- 15th " 5.00 Building Material, Brazelton-Pryor
- 16th " 5.00 " P. H. Miller
- 17th " 5.00 " Richardson Lumber Co.
- 18th " 5.00 Feed, Spur Grain & Coal Co.
- 19th " 5.00 boiled Ham, Central Meat Market
- 20th " 5.00 in Subscriptions to The Texas Spur
- 21st " 3.00 box Apples, C.H. McDonald
- 22nd " 2.50 Cleaning & Pressing, Spur Tailoring Co. & Stamford Steam Laundry

TICKETS WILL BE GIVEN WITH ONE DOLLAR CASH PURCHASES FROM ABOVE MENTIONED MERCHANTS.

### Greatest Merchandise Movement Launched!

SPUR, by combining twenty or more of the biggest firms of the town in this Great December Trades Carnival, will be in a position to supply the trade in every line of merchandising and at prices never before offered. The 22 Handsome prizes to be given away are worth coming after, the sum total in premiums amounting to \$230.00, and will attract thousands of people to Spur since this amount in cash and staple merchandise will absolutely be given without any cost to those who come. You can't afford not to attend this big sale.

**All Premiums Given Away at Promptly 2 O'Clock, Saturday, December 30th.**  
**And Awarded Only to Those Who Are Present or Represented on This Occasion.**

# THROUGHOUT DECEMBER ONLY!

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Please be advised that we are continuing the work of poisoning prairie dogs in the Spur Farm Lands, and should any settler in Spur Farm Lands desire that we do the work of poisoning on his land when same is reached, as the work progresses, arrangements can be made to this end either at our office or with Mr. James Foster, in charge of the dog poisoning, who can be found at the camps as established.—S. M. Swenson & Sons, C. A. Jones, Manager.

#### NOTICE

I have bought the interest of G. P. Kiester in the Central Meat Market. I desire to thank the public for patronage in the past. In the future I will continue to serve patrons with the best meats the market affords and solicit your business.—Perry Fite.

A new line of Xmas goods just arrived at W. B. Griffins. Call and examine his line.

LOST—Ladies gold watch, photograph on dial. Lost between Spur National Bank and L. W. Davis' residence. Finder return to L. W. Davis, Spur, Texas.

A new line of ribbons, handkerchiefs for Xmas. Call and examine the line at W. B. Griffins.

FOR SALE or rent, City Hotel. Apply to T. A. Randleman Spur Texas. 6-4tp

#### A BAZAAR

At the Wendell building, Friday and Saturday, November 15th and 16th respectively. Given under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church. The public patronage is sincerely solicited.

A new line of cut glass at W. B. Griffins.

Buy your Christmas candies, nuts and fruits at C. H. McDonalds.

#### NOTICE

I have sold my interest in the Central Meat Market to Perry Fite who will conduct the business in future. All accounts due the market under management of Fite & Kiester must be paid at once or the matter will be turned over to an attorney for settlement.—G. P. Kiester.

LOST—A diamond stick pin between the Lyric Theatre and the home of Mrs. T. M. Verner. Finder return to T. M. Verner.

Santa  
Claus  
Head-  
quarters

# MEET ME AT

## THE RED FRONT DRUG STORE

### DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Santa  
Claus  
Head-  
quarters

We have used the most precaution in selecting our mammoth stock of Holiday Goods, and we feel confident that we will have on display, during the Holidays, the swellest assortment and best selected stock of Holiday goods ever shown in this part of the country. :-: This advertisement is nothing more than an invitation to all young and old, to call at our place of business, and inspect our line of Holiday Goods before you buy, as we are aware of the fact of this being a hard year all over the country and are going to make our price right.

#### WE QUOTE A PARTIAL LIST OF OUR MANY THINGS IN STORE FOR HOLIDAY BUYERS

Jewelry Guaranteed	Chinaware	Books	Toys, Toys
Diamonds \$75.00 to \$300.00 Watches \$5.00 to \$30.00 Chains 25c to \$12.00 Rings 1.00 to 300.00 Brooches 1.00 to 50.00 Cuff Links 35c to 10.00 Hat Pins 75c to 5.00 Jewel Box 2.00 to 5.00 Gold Head Umbrella 10.00 to \$15	Hand Painted China of every design that you may want. Berry Sets Coffee Sets Cake Plate Fruit Bowl	Bible 50c to 5.00 Poem 1.00 to 2.50 Young Folks Book 35c to 2.00 Children Book 5c to 50c	Iron Toys of all kinds, such as Steam Engines, Trains, Irons, Tool Chest, Horns, Pistols, Etc., 25c to 5.00
<b>Cut Glass</b> The latest design of the very highest grade, with the best price. Ranging from \$1 to \$25	<b>Manicure Set</b> We are sure we lead in this line. Sterling Set from 2.00 to 15.00 German Silver Set 2.00 to 12.50 Ebony Set 1.00 to 10.00 Traveling Set 2.50 to 7.50	<b>Pictures</b> Picture for your Parlor, Dining Room, Bed Room, from 15c to \$5	
<b>Silverware</b> We are carrying a complete line these goods, Rogers 1847 Sterling and German Silver.	<b>Military Set</b> In Sterling Silver 5.00 to 10.00 German Silver 5.00 to 10.00 Ebony 2.50 to 5.00	<b>Dolls</b> Dress Dolls from 25c to 5.00 Kid Dolls from 25c to 3.00 China Dolls from 5c to 75c Rubber Dolls from 15c to 50c Sambo the negro from 75c to 1.50	<b>Toys</b> Tricycles, Doll Buggy, Dishes, china or tin, Air Gun, Black Boards, Doll Beds, Doll Chairs, Doll Trunks, Drums, Work Box.

Extending to all a cordial invitation to visit our store during the Holidays, and thanking all for their liberal patronage for the year now coming to a close, we are - - - - -

Santa  
Claus  
Head-  
quarters

Yours Truly

# RED FRONT

## DRUG STORE

Santa  
Claus  
Head-  
quarters

QUESTION.

# When is a Bargain Not a Bargain

ANSWER.

When Quality is sacrificed to make a bargain day price, or When there is no real reduction in price, but the label of bargain price given to deceive the people.

## We Never Advertise Bargain Sales in What You Eat.

But continue to Sell Spur's best trade, dependable groceries. Our Chase & Sanborns coffee has quality in the cup. Our Golden Brand Can Goods are never sold by "Cheap John" grocers. If you want a square deal and honest value every day trade with us.

We wish for you a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

# Western Grocery Company

The Store of Quality.

Both Phones 93.

Spur, Texas

### SPUR MAKING BIG INDUCEMENTS TO TRADE

Throughout December the Spur merchants are making big inducements to the people of this territory to do their trading at this time, and the prices being made and other attractive inducements offered at this time will to a great extent counteract the conditions as a result of the low prices being paid for cotton in every section of the country.

Twenty two of the merchants and business men of Spur have combined in launching a big December Carnival and Merchandise Sale and in which they will give away to their customers at two o'clock Saturday, December 30th, two hundred and thirty dollars in cash and merchandise. This big sum in cash and merchandise is to be given away for the sole purpose of inducing the people of this territory to do their trading at Spur during this month. Tickets are being given with each one dollar purchase by the various firms, and we understand that corresponding numbers of the tickets distributed will be placed in a barrel Saturday at two o'clock, rolled up and down the streets and after being thoroughly mixed some disinterested party will draw from the barrel one ticket which will entitle the holder of the corresponding number to the first premium which will be thirty dollars in cash. The second ticket drawn will get the twenty five dollars in merchandise, and so on until the twenty two prizes have been awarded. This method of distributing the premiums is fair and free from favoritism on the part of any one interested, and hundreds of people are now availing themselves of this opportunity to secure one or more of the handsome prizes. The premiums are worth coming after, and it is possible for one man who holds twenty two tickets to secure all of the twenty two premiums to be given away. However, such a possibility is not likely to occur, and it is probable that twenty two different people who have traded in Spur will be rewarded by receiving a handsome prize each.

As a further inducement to the trade of this entire territory Morrison is continuing his Bar-

gain Carnival until December 30th, and is quoting prices that will further open the eyes of the buying public that Spur is after the trade and is going to get it if low prices, good values and handsome gifts and inducements of superior advantages will appeal to buyers during the remaining days of December.

#### TAP TELLINGS

Well sir, we are having some kind of weather most every day, rain, snow and sometimes a real spring day. The rains have put the land in fine shape for the plow, and some of us are so discouraged over the cotton situation we've about decided to cut it out and raise peanuts, potatoes and popcorn and everything else but cotton.

C. J. Smith moved the past week to his new home on Dockum Valley and L. S. Scott now occupies the Smith farm which he bought some time ago.

S. S. Allecorn is in Floyd county building his residence and making other necessary improvements.

Rev. Medlin, of Dickens, filled the stand here Sunday, but due to weather conditions the attendance was small.

Prof. Greenwade visited home folks at Dickens Saturday and Sunday and the school is progressing nicely and the attendance increasing daily.

T. S. Lambert sold his farm the past week to B. S. Manning. Mr. Lambert will locate again in our locality and we are glad.

Ben Smith and wife, of Hale Centerspent a few days the past week with his uncle here, Samuel D. Smith.

Will Mitchell, of Soldier Mound, was here first of the week looking after his interests here.

Mr. Brock, from near Dickens, was here a few days ago looking out a location. We failed to learn if he got a place.—Gadabout.

#### FOR SALE

About 200 bushels of Missouri ear corn to arrive in car this week. Any parties wanting this corn leave name and amount wanted at Spur National Bank.—M. A. Jordan.

Where can you get Jewel Compound at 90 cents? Bryant-Link Co.

#### BUILDING FARM HOMES

J. F. Goodwin and J. B. Richburg returned to Spur this week from south of Spur where they have been employed during the past several weeks in the construction of three new farm houses in that section. When the weather permits we understand that they will return to build other new farm homes in that section. The building progress in Spur and the Spur country has continued uninterrupted since the beginning of the town and before many years have passed the Spur country will become densely populated and have many fine, handsome and comfortable farm homes within its territory.

L. W. Davis made another trip this week to Fort Worth. He is closing up a big land deal and may be forced to go to Dallas and Austin in terminating the sale.

Tol Merriman, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Saturday shaking hands and greeting his many friends of Spur and the surrounding country.

Uncle Pink Higgins was in the city Monday from his ranch in the Cat Fish country and reports everything in good shape in that section.

Why pay \$2.90 for flour when you can get as good for \$2.75 at Bryant-Link Co?

Sebe Lambert was in Spur the latter part of last week and reports everything moving along according to Hoyle in his part of the country.

A big dance will be given at the hall Thursday night, December 21st. Good music furnished and everybody invited.—John Day.

Miss Cal Smith, who has been in the city on an extended visit to her sister, Miss Mary Jane Smith, returned Wednesday to her home at Stamford.

Uncle Tom Harkey returned last week from Brownwood and other south Texas cities where he spent several days on business.

Baxter Scoggins was in the city last week from his home in the Cat Fish country and spent some time here.

A girl was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Fite at their home in the western part of the city.

W. J. Elliot was in the latter part of the week from his Spring Creek farm and ranch near Spur.

Mrs. H. K. Parks, of Girard, was in the city Monday and Tuesday visiting her friends here.

Berry Pursley spent several days in the city this week looking after his interests here.

See L. W. Davis for Fire, Tornado and Cotton Insurance. If

A few more good values in men's and boy's suits.—Sol Davis

H. S. Haines, who has been barbering in Spur since the beginning of the town, recently sold his interest in the Eastside Barber Shop and returned to the Plains country. During his residence in Spur Mr. Haines made many lasting friends who wish him success and prosperity wherever he may abide.

R. B. Bryant returned the first of the week from a trip up on the Plains. He says that the people of that section have the very finest crops of every character, and if a good price could be secured for the cotton everybody would be prosperous.

J. Carlisle, a prosperous citizen of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Tuesday on business and spent some time here. Mr. Carlisle was recently appointed by Gov. Colquitt as county chairman of the cotton organization.

The Bazaar had last week by the Methodist ladies was a successful proposition and resulted in returning a nice sum of money which will be used in Methodist church work.

Mr. Brewington, a member of the Brazelton-Pryor firm, was in the city last week looking after the interests of the business at this place.

W. A. Johnson was in the city the latter part of last week from his Dockum Stock Farm and reports everything moving along nicely in that section.

Lilly Darling cook stoves at Bryant-Link Co.

## Hand Painted China & Cut-Glass at Cost

From now until December 30th, we will sell all hand-painted China and Cut-Glass at wholesale cost. We have a large stock and some of the finest selections.

### Watches, Clocks and Jewelry of All Kinds. Come Here to Get Your Christmas Presents

Tickets given with every dollar purchase for the \$230.00 in cash and Merchandise given away at 2 o'clock Sat. Dec. 30.

### W. C. Gruben, The Jeweler At Spur Drug Company

## ..For Cheap Dolls..

Perfumes, Fancy Stationery, all in Nice Christmas Boxes

No substitution in Prescriptions, you get what you call for. Satisfaction guaranteed. Everybody treated alike and right at

# The Spur Drug Co.

By Strickland, the Registered Pharmacist.

Do  
It  
Now

# UNTIL DEC. 30.

Buy  
Your  
Fall  
Supplies

**We Are Going to Unload Merchandise  
For Cash Regardless of Cost or Former Selling Prices**

## Trade With Morrison and Save Money

We must unload a big stock of Mens Clothing, Ladies Ready-to-Wear, Hats, Shoes, Groceries, Etc. We are going to divide profits with you. Do your trading now while you can save money. We are the price-makers of Spur, our method of a big business at a small profit has saved the people of Spur and the surrounding country thousands of dollars. But from now until Dec. 30th we propose to eclipse all former efforts. We must turn a large part of our stock into cash by Dec. 30th. Jobbers and manufacturers must be satisfied whether Morrison makes money or not. Our loss is your gain. Come expecting to save money. You won't be disappointed. If you buy from us you get a premium on money saved. Don't hesitate! Come before the stock is broken.

**WE NEVER ADVERTISE A BARGAIN CARNIVAL WITHOUT PRODUCING THE BARGAINS.**

### GROCERIES

Remember we buy groceries in car lots, when the price is right and sell them for about what they cost smaller concerns.

100 lbs. Granulated sugar	\$6.50
25 lbs. Granulated Sugar	\$1.65
100 lbs. Baker Boy Flour	\$2.90
<small>(Remember this flour is guaranteed as good as any flour sold in Spur at any price.)</small>	
10 lb. Bucket Cotelene	\$1.25
10 lb. " Swift's Compound	90c
10 lb. " Armours	90c
Large Bucket Coffee	\$1.00
5 Gallon Best Bulk Oil	50c
5 Gallon Keg Krout	\$1.35
10 lb bucket Cotelene	1.25
14 lb. Navy Beans	\$1.00
14 lbs. Red Beans	\$1.00
Potatoes per sack per lb.	2 1-2c
Smoked Bacon	12 1-2c
Dry Salt Bacon	11 1-2c

### Staple Cotton Goods

At the Lowest Prices in Years  
Lay in all your Needs.

All standard calicos go at	4c
15c Dress gingham	11c
Good outing for quilt lining	5c
10c Outings	7 1-2c
12 1-2c Amoskeag 1748 out	10c
25c Table Oil cloth per yd.	10c
35c 10-4 Bleached sheeting	23c
50c Bleached table linen	29c
75c Bleached table linen	48c

### Ladies Suits, Coats & Skirts.

A large and up-to-date showing of ladies ready-to-wear at prices that are competition proof

\$25 Ladies Suits	\$18.98
20.00 " "	14.97
15.00 " "	10.98
3.50 Panama Skirts	1.89
4.00 " "	2.98
5.00 " "	3.85
6.50 " "	4.75
8.50 " "	5.98
10.00 " "	7.98

All Ladies, Misses and Childrens  
Coats at proportionate cuts

### Dress Goods and Silks

At Astonishingly Low Prices  
Now is the Time to Buy

25c Cotton serge all colors	12c
20c Suitings	12c
25c Poplins, all colors	18c
35c " " "	25c
40c Waist silks	25c
75c " " "	45c

75c Crepe de Cheine	48c
50c All wool serge go at	39c
50c All wool panamas go at	39c
75c Wool dress goods go at	48c
All dress goods proportionately.	

### Shoes, Shoes

Shoes from the best manufacturers at great reduction.

Ladies \$2.00 dress shoes	1.48
Ladies 2.50 " "	1.89
Ladies 3.00 " "	2.39
Ladies 3.50 " "	2.89
Mens 4.00 " "	3.39
" 3.50 " "	2.89
" 3.00 " "	1.98
" 2.50 " "	1.79

Children and boys Shoes at similar reductions.

### Mens Clothing

800 Suits just received from the best factories that will be sold at a price that anyone can afford.

100 Suits \$10 values all col.	\$5.98
12.50 New grays & browns	7.48
15.00 values in new shades	10.98
17.50 " " " "	12.48
20.00 " " " "	14.98
2.00 grade boys suits	1.48
2.50 " " " "	1.98
3.50 " " " "	2.89
4.50 " " " "	3.48
1.00 Overalls and Jumpers	89c
1.25 Carhart overalls	98c
1000 pair odd pants at big reductions	

### Mens Hats

\$3.00 Buckskin felt hats, all styles, colors and shapes \$2.85

2.50 hats all styles	1.89
2.00 " " "	1.48
1.50 boys hats	1.19
1.25 " " "	98c
75c " " "	48c

Big line of winter caps at similar reductions.

### Mens Furnishings

Buy Furnishing Goods while you can save money.

50c Work shirts	45c
75c Dress shirts	48c
1.25 Dress shirts	98c
Mens heavy underwear	45c
1.00 sweaters	75c
2.00 sweaters	1.48
50c 4-in-hand ties	29c
Boston garters	19c
10c heavy gray hose	5c
15c black and tan hose	8c
25c fancy hose	8c

### Household Goods

15c Turkish bath towels	10c
10c Scrim. per yard	7c
25c Stenciled Scrim.	12c
25c " " "	17c
35c Misses & Boys union suits	25c
65c Ladies vests	45c
75c Ladies union suits	48c
15c Misses ribbed hose	8c
20c Misses ribbed hose	11c
15c Ladies Black Hose	8c
25c " " "	18c
45c " " "	25c

**COME AND DO YOUR TRADING NOW, AT A TIME AND PLACE WHERE YOU CAN SAVE MONEY**

# R. R. Morrison, Spur, Texas

**Buy Your Fall Supplies - - - - - Do It Now**



The Time

FROM NOW UNTIL SAT.  
DECEMBER 30TH, 1911

You can make a big saving by purchasing your Fall garments and groceries

# THE PLACE

BRYANT-LINK GO.  
SPUR, TEXAS

The Price

THE PRICE IS AS LOW AS POSSIBLE.

To keep the Quality Up, The Time, The Place & The Price are most important factors in buying Goods.

## We Will Make The Prices

So that in Future Years when you are old and gray you may sit around the fireside and tell your grand-children of the good values sold you at Extremely Low Prices

We Will Sell You Millinery at St. Louis Wholesale Prices Less the Freight. This is Your Opportunity

We are in Spur's December Carnival and Merchandise Sale which will distribute in Cash and Merchandise at 2 o'clock Sat., Dec. 30, to those who trade here during intervening time. Come in, ask about the plan. Tickets with \$1 purchase.

**YOURS FOR A SQUARE DEAL AND LOW PRICES.**

# BRYANT-LINK COMPANY, Spur

## 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.

## CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

PERRY FITE, Proprietor

Fresh and Cured Meats

Call or Phone us Orders. Your Patronage is Solicited.

## All Kinds of Feed Kept

WE HANDLE HIGHEST GRADE & MAKE THE LOWEST PRICE.

See me Before You Buy. First-class Wagon Yard Accommodations Plenty water and good camp house. 1 Block west of Spur Hardware

**J. B. CONNER**

## Luzon Telephone Co. Spur, Texas.

Best Local and Long Distance Service and Connections

THE VERY BEST SERVICES EXTENDED TO PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC.

Let us put a 'phone in your home or place of business.

### FOR SALE

Or exchange for pigs, 11 fine White Plymouth Rock hens and 1 cock. - J. V. McCormick, Spur, Texas. 1t.

Mrs. G. M. Bachelor entertained the Social Club Saturday afternoon at her home in the city, and although the weather deterred many from attending, those present were delightfully entertained, fared sumptuously and enjoyed most inviting refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bramhall returned Tuesday from the Plains country where they spent several days visiting relatives.

Mrs. E. C. Edmonds and children left this week for Fort Worth where they will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Connell.

Mrs. P. H. Miller, who has been spending some time in Waco and other places visiting relatives, returned this week to her home in Spur.

C. D. Copeland, of four miles east of Spur, was in the city one day this week and reports farming operations about ended on his place for the year.

Baxter Scoggins and wife were in the city Tuesday from their home in the Cat Fish country.

Mr. Markham, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city the latter part of the week greeting friends and trading with the merchants.

Mr. Greer was in the city last week from the Tap country and reports everybody living easy in that part of the country.

## E. J. Cowan

Abstracts Procured.  
Notary Public.

REAL ESTATE, FIRE, TORNADO  
LIFE & LIVESTOCK INSURANCE

Agent Union Central Life Insurance Company.

## Buy Your Lumber, Paints and Oils

FROM

## BRAZELTON-PRYOR COMPANY

SPUR, TEXAS

W. F. Godfrey.

C. C. Tyler

Real Estate  
Fire Insurance.  
Life and Live Stock Insurance.

Godfrey-Tyler Realty Company.

## Horse Dentistry!

W. H. Teague is prepared to pull or cut horses teeth, treat all diseases and prescribe for horses and cattle. Office at Teague's Blacksmith Shop, Spur, Texas.

## Spur Dray and Transfer Co.

J. P. Simmons Prop

We do all kinds of heavy and light hauling and transfer work, and solicit your business in our line.

Phone Us at No. 128

and we will give you prompt and satisfactory service.

## SPUR ADVERTISERS ARE AFTER YOUR BUSINESS

We call special attention of every reader of the Texas Spur to the page ad of the Red Front Drug Store and others after your December and Christmas business, including Bryant-Link Co., Sol Davis, Campbell & Campbell, Western Grocery Co., Texas Furniture Co., Spur Drug Co., W. C. Gruben, Henson & Poole, J. A. Lambdin & Co., Hisey Grocery Co., as well as all other advertisements appearing in this paper.

Spur is after the business of this territory and is offering the inducements in prices, goods and premiums, and from all indications December will be the biggest trades month in the history of Spur. Come to Spur before the end of December or forever regret the lost opportunity to buy goods at bargain prices and participate in the big December Carnival and Merchandise Sale.

Judge McClain was in Thursday from his Cat Fish ranch. He told us that since we had been hinting for an invitation to hunt birds on his place he would now extend that invitation. We are making arrangements to go about Christmas.

WANTED:—City scavenger. Apply to City Council.

The ladies of the Methodist Missionary Society will rent the church chairs during holidays and thereafter for 50 cents per dozen.

Mr. Neighbors, a prominent citizen of the Duck Creek country, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. Wright, a prominent citizen of Stamford, spent several days this week in Spur with Dr. Bachelor.

W. H. L. Ward is confined to his room this week with the grip.

See L. W. Davis for Cotton Insurance.

## NOTICE

The Annual Share-holders meeting of The Spur National Bank, will be held in its Directors room on Tuesday, January 9th, 1912, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transacting of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Signed, G. W. Sherrod, Cashier. 6-5t

A new line of Xmas goods just arrived at W. B. Griffins. Call and examine his line.

## Spur Tailoring Co'y.

The place to buy your suit or overcoat for speedy delivery and correct fit. Try us for cleaning and pressing, our new methods do the work proper.

## Spur Tailoring Com'y.

PHONE 102

AGENCY STAMFORD STEAM LAUNDRY.

## A Gift Of Furniture

Will Keep the Remembrance Fresh in memory through a long time and inspire a full measure of gratitude and gracious acceptance, appropriate and ornamental as well as lasting and useful

Can you think of a Christmas remembrance that more fully fulfills the Christmas idea. Something for the home that will bring greater comfort and content.

### Suggestion for Useful Gifts From Our Store

Rugs, art squares, center tables, library tables, rockers, dining chairs, child rockers and high chairs, music cabinets, book case, davenport, steel couches, buffets, sideboards, china closets, dining tables, wardrobes, hall rockers, chifforobes, framed pictures, kitchen cabinets tricycles, velocipedes.

## Campbell & Campbell

SPUR, TEXAS

## 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

# ...CHRISTMAS... ...PRESENTS...

What will be nicer for a present to mother or wife than a nice Davenport, Buffet, China Closet, Dining Table or Kitchen Cabinet.

What will be nicer for father or husband than a nice Morris Chair, Turkish Rocker, Book Case, Library Table, Office Desk and Chair.

What would be nicer for daughter or sister than a nice, Ladies Writing Desk, Art Square, Rug, Pictures, Parlor Suit, Rocker or Divan.

What will be nicer for son or brother than a nice Swinging Chair, Reclining Chair, Writing Table or Room Suit.

For the baby, High Chair, Rocker, Go-Cart, Sulkey, Baby-walker or bed.

Give as a present something that is serviceable and will last. It will always be remembered.

We are making special low prices from now until after the Holidays are over. Come to see us.

## Texas Furniture Com'y.

Spur's Leading House Furnishers

PHONE 103, LUZON

## BARBER SHOP

T. M. VERNER, Prop.

FIRST-CLASS WORK. HOT OR OLD BATHS

Located West Side Burlington Ave., Opposite Royal Hotel.

## Eastside Barber Shop

TIDWELL & WILSON, Props.

First Class Tonsorial Work. Hot and Cold Baths and Up-To-Date Service in Every Respect. Call and see us

Mrs. Axley and daughters, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Senning, left Tuesday for Gainesville where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Axley and family recently came from Michigan.

J. T. Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was in town one day this week with a load of wood and which he disposed of to the Texas Spur, and as a result he will here after read this paper.

A. W. Jordan was in town Monday from the Steel Hill country and spent some time here.

J. P. Gipson was in the city Tuesday from his home in the Steel Hill community.

Henson & Poole. Nuff said.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Please be advised that we are continuing the work of poisoning prairie dogs in the Spur Farm Lands, and should any settler in Spur Farm Lands desire that we do the work of poisoning on his land when same is reached, as the work progresses, arrangements can be made to this end either at our office or with Mr. James Foster, in charge of the dog poisoning, who can be found at the camps as established.—S. M. Swenson & Sons.

C. A. Jones, Manager.

A new line of cut glass at W. B. Griffins.

C. H. McDonald for Christmas toys and everything in holiday line.

Henson & Poole Staple and Fancy groceries. Both phones 28

# DO HOLIDAY BUYING!

WITH the Great Inducements offered to Buyers during Holiday buying by this "Store" should appeal to each and every one in this section. We have on Sale nearly Every Item in the Store at Cut Prices, Especially The Goods Most Needed at This Time and by the People of This Country.

WE HAVE ON SALE A Splendid Assortment of Ladies, Misses and Childrens Cloaks Sweaters and Furs. Our showing in one yard wide Satins, "The Guaranteed Kind" at \$1.00 is a saving of 25 per cent. Wool Dress Goods are being Slaughtered for this Sale. Come and Look Through. We have many shades of Fringe, the muchly used trimmings to "match" Wool Goods and Satins. In Our Shoe Department you can find the best range in styles and sizes. In Spur they all go at Special Low Prices during this sale.

IN OUR STAPLE DEPARTMENT we are well equipped in Gingham, Calicos, Outings, Cheviots, also in Flannels for the children. Underwear in this line we can now give you most any item for men, women and children, either in union suits or separate garments both in Wool and cotton. Plenty of styles in Hosiery, in wool and cotton, for men, ladies and children, or any other item for present needs. All mens clothing at Manufacturers cost. Special cuts in all Odd Pants and childrens suits, also in mens and boys Overcoats. Big showing in Trunks, Suit-cases and Bags. Come to us to look. The goods are here in a Profusion of styles with the CORRECT LOW PRICE.

## J. A. Lambdin & Company,

TICKETS GIVEN ON MERCHANTS KARNIVAL. SPUR, TEXAS

### RECORD COTTON CROP IS OFFICIAL REPORT

Washington, Dec. 11.—The greatest cotton crop on record, 14,885,000 bales, is the Department of Agriculture's official estimate of the country's total production this year. Texas production being estimated at 4,280,000.

This is greater by 1,477,000 bales than the record crop of 1904.

Every State in the cotton belt except Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Florida, established new records for production.

Heretofore the record cotton crop was that of the year 1904, when 13,438,012 bales, exclusive of linters, were grown. Other large crops were those of 1906, which was 13,241,809 bales, and 1908, when 13,241,799 bales were grown. In point of value however, the crop of 1910, which was the record one, the fiber being valued at \$820,320,000 and the cotton seed at \$142,860,000 a total of \$963,180,000 as the aggregate value of the cotton crop of that year.

Conditions early in the growing season this year led to the belief that the crop would be one of record proportions. First estimates of the yield, based on the condition figures, placed the probable production well toward the figures of the biggest crops heretofore grown. The acreage on which cotton was planted this season was estimated at the Department of Agriculture to be 35,204,000 acres, a greater area than ever before planted to cotton in this country. This vast area exceeding the previous record of acreage by more than

2,500,000 acres, there having been planted 32,444,000 acres in 1908 and 32,403,000 acres last year. In the record production year of 1904 only 30,053,739 acres were planted.

Scorching hot and excessive dry weather during the middle of the summer caused considerable damage to cotton in many parts of the cotton belt. Later in the season weather conditions were distinctly favorable in most

parts of the belt and the crops improved. The hot weather and drouth, however, were responsible for a smaller yield this year than experts early in the season predicted as a result of the record acreage and splendid growing conditions then prevailing. One result of the hot weather was that the crop matured about two weeks earlier than usual.

The Texas Spur \$1.00 per year

A. J. Tyler made a business trip Monday to Dickens, where he spent some time superintending the work of shading the windows of the new school building now nearing completion at that place.

Mrs. Matthews and children recently returned to their home at Jayton after spending some time in the city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephens.

## MR. CUSTOMER!

Do you realize that you only have a few days more in which to buy your Christmas

FRUITS, CANDIES AND NUTS.

We have them in plenty. Our stock of staple eatables is complete. Fresh vegetables on Monday's and Friday's.. Come and see us or phone us your orders. Both phones No. 28.

## Henson & Poole

Buy your Christmas candies, nuts and fruits at C. H. McDonalds.

# SPUR FARM LANDS

We Offer You a Choice From 673 Square Miles of Texas' most productive Territory

Sold direct to the homeseeker, perfect title, no selling commission. We give full value for every dollar.

**\$12 to \$17.50**  
Per Acre

With some additions when close to town

## THE FARMERS' OPPORTUNITY.

To Secure a  
**HOME.**

### STATE EXPERIMENTAL FARM STATION AT SPUR

Recognizing the great possibilities and wonderful future of Spur Farm Lands, the state is now operating an Experimental Farm Station at Spur. This will be a great benefit to the settlers in this region, showing them by actual demonstration on the lands what crops can be most profitably raised; best methods of cultivation, and assisting in all the problems of the farm. This decision was reached after a visit to the lands by Judge Ed. R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Dr. H. H. Harrington, Director of Experimental Stations, who recognized the unusual farming value.

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 price. 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 greatest 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

**Chas. A. Jones, Manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons,  
SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.**

THREE hundred times the Imperial City of Rome witnessed the triumphant procession of her victorious generals celebrating conquests in all parts of the world, and for nearly a thousand years she levied tribute upon three continents; but, weakened by the quarrels of her Senators and the strife of her leaders, she became an easy prey to the barbarians. There is no more pitiful sound than the moan of a nation writhing in the throes of internal dissension.



QUARRELSOME LEADERS

Let those who search for power understand that no nation can endure leadership that plunges in the tidal wave of unrest, like a maddened soul bellowing with rage and belching forth flames of spite and hatred hot from hell, and that no country can prosper while cringing under the leaden heel of partisan and factional strife, which blights it like terrors fresh from the devil and are as bitter as the dregs of sin. Texas needs great men.

### GOOD RAINS

During the week Spur and the Spur country have had several nice rains, the total rainfall amounting to one and one half inches. Those rains places a fine season in the ground, and if present indications are to be considered we now have most promising prospects for a fine crop year in nineteen hundred and twelve. Experienced and scientific farmers say plow early and deep, and we hope that every farmer of this country will begin now in promoting successful farming operations for the coming years.

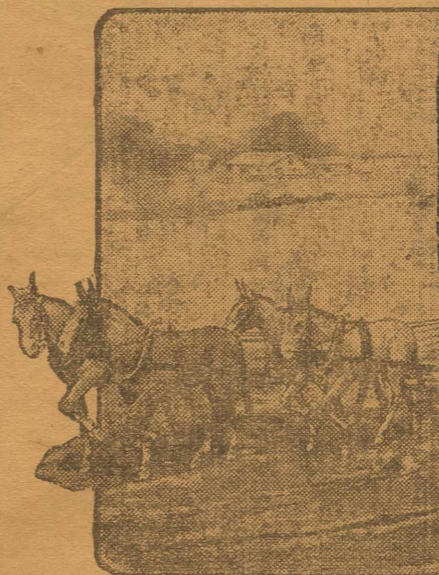
### CARD OF THANKS

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist church desires to thank the people of the town for their generous patronage during the Bazaar given by them, and the business men for their uniform courtesy and all others who contributed to the success of the Bazaar.

### NEW ROAD OPEN

Numbers of the citizens of the Draper country are now coming to Spur over the new road recently opened up from that section to Spur. The road is said to be a much shorter and better route, and as a result will not only convenience the people of the Draper country but will encourage more trade to come to Spur from that section. Build more roads and better roads is a good slogan for Spur and the Great Spur country. Let the work continue.

THE proper maintenance of a road is as important as its construction. It costs five dollars per mile to build macadam, and the efficient use of a split log drag, does the work in better condition at a nominal expense. The drag costs five dollars, and operated at a cost of one dollar a day. The road mileage which can be kept in proper condition varies according to the condition of the road and the amount of rainfall. A split log drag is 12 miles long, and operating the drags, according to a recent estimate, is \$3.20 per mile.



There Are 656 Split Log Drags

In some cases the drags are operated at the expense of the county; in other cases they are operated by the farmers along the road.

Every County May not be able to afford to Improve its Public Highways, but every County can operate Split Log Drags.