

NO BETTER CROP PROSPECTS THAN HERE

M. A. Jordan, of the Steel Hill community, was in Spur Monday and reports a nice shower of rain in his section. He said that while the rain was not heavy it was sufficient to liven up crops. His cotton he says is about knee high, spreading out and growing rapidly and he expects to make a record-breaking crop of cotton as well as other feed stuff. He has corn higher than his head which is beginning to tassel and will make a big yield. The Spur country is indeed favored above other sections, in that no better crop prospects could be wished for anywhere or at any time.

GETTING PLENTY RAIN

C. D. Copeland was in the city Saturday and reports everything in the very finest condition on his place five or six miles east of Spur. He is getting plenty rain this year and expects to make a record breaking crop. Here is hoping for big crops and big prices.

WILL HAVE MELONS

W. A. Copeland was in the city Saturday from his home six miles east of Spur and told us that he would soon have water melons. He refused to tell where the patch is located.

WILL PLANT FEED CROPS

Fred O. McFall was in town Saturday from his place near Spur to the northeast and reports that his cotton crop as well as that of his six or seven neighbors on one section of land was almost totally destroyed by the recent hail. There are seven families living on one section of land in that section and Mr. McFall says that all of the cotton land will probably be planted to feed this year on account of the damage by hail.

MOST PROMISING PROSPECTS

Wyatt Taylor and wife, of the Plains country, were in Spur Monday visiting their son, W. S. Taylor and family and trading with the Spur merchants. Mr. Taylor says that he was in the biggest part of the recent hail storm and suffered little damage. His crops he says are in fine shape and the prospects for bumper crops is now most promising.

MAKING A BIG CROP

L. C. Arrington, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and reports crops in his section in the finest shape, and says that although in some communities damage was done by the recent hail, such crops are now coming out and will suffer only in a temporary delay in maturing. Mr. Arrington says he is making the biggest crop he has ever before attempted and that he does not wish for better prospects than now prevails.

DICKENS COUNTY PICNIC

On the 12th and 13th of July we will have the Old County Picnic at the county seat. Everybody is cordially invited and all candidates that will speak will please see the program committee and have their names enrolled. Also anyone else who would like to speak on any subject will be given their time. We would be pleased to have some one or more to make speeches on bettering our local school government.

For exercises matched baseball games, fat and lean men's ball game, fat men's race, lean men's race, catching greasy pig, riding tournament, broncho busting, roping contest, or anything else for amusement will be considered by the program committee.

Anyone that will give a beef, goat, pig or mutton or contribute to buy same will also see the committee and give name and donation. This and a full dinner basket will be gladly received. Let us all come together and have a glorious time.

A TWO-DAYS DICKENS CO. PICNIC AT DICKENS

Great preparations are now being made for the two-days picnic to be had at Dickens, July 12th and 13th.

Aside from the usual festivities accompanying a big picnic, the committee in charge is arranging for noted speakers to be present and deliver addresses upon various subjects.

This picnic, as we understand, will be in celebration of the anniversary of the creation of Dickens county and everybody is expected to contribute to its success and the pleasure of all who attend. Thousands of people are expected to attend both days, and the committees promise that at no time throughout the two days will there be a dull moment for either old or young.

HIT BY BALL

W. F. Godfrey has been confined to his room several days as a result of being hit by a base ball in a game being played in Spur Thursday afternoon. The ball struck Godfrey on the cheek, probably shattering the bone and it was feared for some time that more serious effects would result. However, we are glad to note that Mr. Godfrey is now able to be at his place of business, though slightly disfigured.

COMES BACK TO SPUR

Roy Zinn, who has been spending the past week with the East India Medicine Company traveling over the country, returned Saturday to Spur. Mr. Zinn is giving a moving picture show in connection with the Medicine Company show, and together they give entertainments in every instance worth the price of admission.

IN FINE SHAPE

Uncle Pink Higgins was in Spur Saturday from his home on Cat Fish and reports everything in fine shape in his section, and says that the grass hoppers have about all kicked themselves to death.

PROSPECTS FOR BUMPER CROPS AND BIG PRICES

Lona Greer, a prominent citizen of north of Afton, was in Spur the latter part of last week to meet his mother who came in from Brazos county and will make her home with Mr. Greer in the future. Mr. Greer was elated at the crop prospects prevailing in his section of the country, and says that better conditions and crop prospects have never been had since the beginning of farming operations in Western Texas. There is little doubt but that this country will produce a bumper crop this fall, and with the plans under consideration by farmers and financiers to secure fifteen cents a pound for cotton, it is hoped the country will be in the most prosperous condition.

MARRIED

Guy Reavis and wife are in the city this week visiting his parents and other relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Reavis were recently married in Hillsboro where he is now making his home. The Texas Spur joins his friends here in extending congratulations and best wishes.

CROP AND TOOLS FOR SALE

We know of a crop, teams, tools, etc. which can be bought at a bargain and on easy terms. In the list for sale are: cultivators, three planters, one harrow, one 14 inch sulkey, all having been used only one season. Also six horses and harness, one hundred and fifty acres of maize, fifty acres of cane and two hundred twenty five acres of cotton, all in fine shape with the finest prospects of big yields. If you are interested in making such a purchase call in at the Texas Spur office and we will tell you more about it. A very little cash will be sufficient to close a trade.

DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN TO MAKE UP TICKET

County Commissioner L. G. Crabtree was in Spur Saturday and Sunday attending the protracted meeting from his home in the Croton country. Mr. Crabtree is also County Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee and says he will call a meeting next week to make up the ticket to be voted in the Primary July 27th. In selecting a County Chairman to serve during the next two years Mr. Crabtree said that he thought a man living in a more convenient place, or in the county seat should be selected by the voters. We also believe that a County Chairman should be paid for his services. He spends a number of days in the work, holds a responsible position and the party should not expect one man to devote his time and attention for nothing. We make a motion that hereafter a County Chairman be paid five dollars a day for the five or six days service necessary. Who will second the motion?

GARAGE CHANGES HANDS

H. G. Irwin and A. A. Copeland last week purchased the business of the Spur Auto Garage of Walter Richardson and are now operating and managing the business. Mr. Richardson and family will go to South Texas. We wish Messrs. Copeland and Irwin a prosperous business. They are now having the house enlarged, will put in more cars and repair equipments and doubtless will enjoy a more extensive business than heretofore.

PLEASED WITH COUNTRY

J. E. Wright, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday and reports that his crops are in fine shape and that he expects to make bumper crops of all kinds. Mr. Wright has been in this section only a short time, this being his first crop year in Dickens county. He is well pleased with his location and will probably make this country his permanent home in the future.

PROSPECTS LOOK VERY GLOOMY TO THIS MAN

Tom McArthur was in Spur Saturday from his home in the Tap country and said that things continue to look gloomy to him since he needs a big rain at least once each week to grow the crop he wants. However, he was smiling and didn't seem in the least depressed on account of either dry weather or short crop prospects. We want to see Tom make a bale of cotton to the acre, but feel confident that in his present "mood" he will be greatly "dissatisfied" with the price.

DICKENS ITEM

The county commissioners met Thursday and went down to Duck Creek and inspected the bridge which recently took a "tumble." The Court will meet again next Monday and receive bids for the repair of the bridges.

VERY UNFORTUNATE

J. P. Crump, of Garza county, brought one of his daughters to Spur the latter part of last week for an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Crump has been unfortunate in that two of his daughters have been operated upon for the same ailment during the year.

GOOD CROPS

W. M. Randall, a prominent citizen of the Steel Hill community, was in the city Monday on business and spent several hours here. He reports the crops on his places in fine shape and expected to make record-breaking yields this fall. The Spur country is coming.

VISITS POST CITY

J. F. Goodwin returned last week from a trip to Post City and other Plains towns where he had been prospecting for carpenter work. He reports nothing doing, and no doubt returns to Spur convinced that we here have the liveliest town of the country.

SPUR COUNTRY WILL GROW BIG FEED CROPS

County Commissioner H. T. Garner was in the city Saturday from his place a mile or two northeast of Spur. Mr. Garner reports that considerable damage was done on his place by the recent hail, his cotton crop having suffered the greater part of the damage. There is one consolation of the damage in that plenty time remains in which to grow bumper feed crops in localities damaged by hail, and the probability is that less feed will have to be bought in this section another year.

BIG CROP HARVEST

Mr. Allison was in Spur last week and called in and told us that he had moved from the Soldier Mound community to Dickens where he is now making his home. He says in his rounds over the country he is impressed with the bumper crop prospects prevailing in every section and that there is but little doubt this country will harvest one of the biggest crops within its history. Hurrah for the Spur country.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS

H. C. Allen, a prominent citizen of the Dry Lake community, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He says that the crop prospects in his community are most promising. Similar reports come from every section and there is little doubt but that the Spur country will make a record breaking crop of every kind this year.

WILL PROBABLY BUILD

J. M. Upshaw was in the city Saturday from his place several miles northeast of Spur and reports everything in good shape in his section. Mr. Upshaw recently lost his farm home and household effects by fire and he is now domiciled in a temporary shack built on the place. His insurance was adjusted this week and it is presumed that he will soon begin the construction of another residence on his farm.

CAUGHT YOUNG COONS

Mr. Greenwade and family passed through Spur Saturday on their return from a plum hunting expedition in the old Espeula country. While there he caught two young coons which he intends to pet. He reports lots of plums and enjoyed the trip.

A FISHING PARTY

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, Misses Lena and Grace Roberts, Mary Jane Smith, Williams and Fite, and Messrs. Ross Edwards, Arthur Poole, W. F. Godfrey left Monday for Blanco Canyon where they will spend several days fishing. They are equipped with tents, cooking utensils and provisions sufficient for a two weeks' or ten days' outing and it is very probable that they will have not only a great time but will have the most interesting fish stories to relate upon their return.

THE NEW PARTY

The Roosevelt supporters and delegates took the only course open to conscientious men when they organized the new party in Chicago last Saturday night with Col. Roosevelt as its leader. Delegates instructed for him by the people, of whom there were enough to have nominated him had they all been seated, proved loyal not only to their chief but that which is more important than any man, the principles for which they as delegates and representatives of the people stood. Whether the new party lives to take its place as one of the great national parties or whether it goes the way other third parties have gone in the past, is not the paramount question. The Roosevelt delegates were progressives, to be the cause of right and justice and the cause of the common people who sent them as their representatives to Chicago, and as such they could not acquiesce in the adoption of the Republican platform and the nomination of Taft.

Whether we are Democrats or whether we are Republicans we must realize that reactionary politics can no longer rule. Progressive principles and progressive men must lead and will lead before we can have either political or industrial peace. The great middle class which is constantly growing in intelligence and influence, being augmented from below, is demanding a voice in government, is demanding its rights, in stronger terms than it has ever demanded it before. If the old parties in their platforms, in their candidates, and in their administrations, do not meet the demands of the people for civic, industrial and political progress and righteousness, it is inevitable that new parties will arise to meet the exigencies. Whether Roosevelt and his new party will be able to take a commanding place in the presidential race this year depends very much upon the appeal which the Democratic party is able to make to the voters. But as has been said above, the progressive principles and progressive men, whether it be this year or in the future, are bound to prevail. — Albany News.

LOANS ON REAL ESTATE

I have secured a company that will advance 40 per cent of value on improved real estate. — E. C. Edmonds.

House and lot, west part of Spur, well improved, for sale at a bargain on easy terms. — J. L. Borden.

AN IMPORTANT MATTER

The matter of electing a representative to the legislature is one of the most important matters before the people of this or any other county in the state, for much of the rotten legislation of the past is due to the fact that the people didn't give this matter the attention they should, hence elected men who were not competent, or men who were wilfully crooked, to fill the position. If you don't know how the candidate for this position in your county stands on all questions of public import you should make inquiry and if he does not suit you, should make an effort to get some one to beat him, as Judge Ramsey suggested here, even though you have to get in the game yourself. You should remember that you have no kick coming if you go and vote for an incompetent or a reactionary when he does not vote to suit you or does not offer opposition to some piece of rotten legislation. If you don't know the candidates or what they stand for ask some who do, and try to inform yourself on this all-important question. This is a very responsible position, contrary to the idea of some and only full grown men in every sense should be elected. — Weatherford Herald.

PROFESSIONAL RAINMAKERS

The San Angelo Chamber of Commerce have employed Charles M. Hatfield, the rainmaker, who in company with his brother has had experience in the work of rainmaking in California, Kansas, Alaska and other places. The contract with the San Angelo people calls for a total of ten inches of rainfall to be supplied between June 10th and September 10th. In case he delivers the rain he is to be paid \$3,000; but should the precipitation fail to be at least seven inches, he receives not a cent. The Messrs. Hatfield use open reservoirs of chemicals, the composition of which is a secret known only to them. They claim that the solution has "affinity" for rain. Their experiences as rainmakers elsewhere has been successful. — Albany News.

RANCH LOANS

I am prepared to make ranch loans in any part of the state. No loan too large where the security is satisfactory. If interested write me. — B. E. Hurlbut, Brownwood, Texas.

Well drill outfit complete for sale. For particulars see W. G. Sherrod at Spur National Bank. — Shelby & Landes. 32-4tp.

CITY BUILDING NO

Some towns would grow faster if some people would move faster.

Short cuts lead straight to success.

Internal strife will retard the growth of any community.

Experience brings wisdom — patronize home industry.

Men and cities are always judged by size, industry and integrity are also taken into consideration.

Something besides talk; talk is cheap and requires little effort, but it takes a man to do things.

Don't take all day to make up your mind; settle on some course and follow it.

You may have to go to town in a hurry some day, improve the road.

You would not think of throwing slop in the kitchen — your work shop, you shouldn't throw it out in the yard — your children's play grounds.

Dull care can be driven away in a live city.

Every one is in favor of a railroad — providing, it runs across their land.

In union there is strength, especially in building cities.

A dead commercial club is a parasite which will eat the life out of the town.

Towns are not God-made they are man-made.

The decay of a commercial club is usually due to the unprogressiveness of the business men.

Commercial organizations are not automatic; neither is any other business; it takes capital and push to stir things up.

Don't pay too much attention to little things or the big things may slip by while you are fiddling around.

Transportation facilities will enable you to keep in touch with progress.

There is no reason why you should not buy everything at home for Texas markets have the goods, the prices and the quality.

The sun seems to shine brighter in a live town; in fact, everything there carries with it an air of tranquility.

More towns have stood still through indifference of their citizens than from any other cause.

THE LOCAL PAPER IN THE HOME

The local newspaper should be found in every home. No child will grow up ignorant who can be taught to appreciate the home paper. It is the stepping stone of intelligence in all those matters not to be learned in books. Give your children a foreign paper which contains not one word about any person, place or thing which they ever saw or perhaps ever heard of and how can you expect them to be interested. But let them have the home paper and read of persons whom they meet, and places with which they are familiar, and soon an interest is awakened which is increased with every weekly arrival of the local paper. Thus a habit of reading is formed and those children will read the paper all their lives and become intelligent men and women, a credit to their ancestors, strong in their knowledge of the world as it is today. — Ex.

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ENTERPRISING SCIENTISTS

Scientists are predicting wonderful things for the future, as will be seen by the following clipping from the Houston Post:

"Nihola Tesla claims that the day is not far distant when the very planet which gave man birth will tremble at his voice. Man is to draw the mighty ocean from its bed, transport it through the air and create lakes and rivers at will; he will command the wild elements; he will push on to greater and greater force until he will reach the spheres beyond the terrestrial. Prof. E. Rutherford goes him one better in predicting worse things to come, announcing the possibility of devising a detonator which could send a wave of atomic disintegration through the earth and decompose the whole mass into gases, leaving literally not one stone upon another.

Prof. Duncan would turn all of these discoveries to useful account. One of them, he says, foreshadows the predetermination of sex, another the extension of youth, a third telepathy, on a practical basis, which would mean the elimination of lying and hypocrisy. And last, there is predicted some method of holding life in abeyance by which, when men, and women are tired, they may retire to a condition of vital abeyance from which, after the lapse of time, they may be awakened.

FOUND — A gold F L T pin on streets of Spur. Owner can get same by applying at Texas Spur office and paying for this notice.

SPEAKING DATES

Realizing that it is nearly impossible to meet the people of Dickens county in a house to house canvass, I have decided to make appointments to speak at each school house. I sincerely trust the people will take enough interest in the office of County Judge to meet me at these appointments. I will try to make it worth while for you to hear me.

All other candidates are invited to be present and will be given all the time they may desire in presenting their claims for your votes.

Every man, woman and school child interested in better school results are earnestly invited to come.

W. A. Craddock.

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| Liberty. | Friday night | July 5 |
| Afton. | Saturday | July 6 |
| Cotton Wood. | Monday | July 8 |
| Prairie Chapel. | Tuesday | July 9 |
| Amity. | Wednesday | July 10 |
| Highland. | Thursday | July 11 |
| Buford. | Friday | July 12 |
| Wichita. | Saturday | July 13 |
| No View. | Wednesday | July 17 |
| Dickens. | Thursday | July 18 |
| Spur. | Friday | July 19 |
| Prairie View | Saturday | July 20 |

IS IT A FACT?

The man who claims to be a good citizen and trying to aid in building up his town and country, yet refuses to patronize his home papers, is not sincere. The newspaper is the greatest and most potent aid to the development of any town or community and does more valuable work to that end, without compensation, than any other instrumentality. The citizen who withholds his support from his home newspapers is an enemy to his town, no matter what his claims to the contrary. — Big Springs Enterprise.

Attorney L. W. Dalton of Plainview and R. S. Holman of Spur were in town on legal business last Saturday. — Dickens Item.

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TAP TELLINGS

J. S. Neal and family attended the big meeting at Spur Sunday.

Mrs. May of Rice, Texas, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. B. Rutherford.

W. A. Copeland, of Duck Creek, was here this week visiting his old home and friends.

Mr. Jno. W. Holt and children, of Rule, Texas, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sparks this week.

C. J. Smith and family, of Dry Lake, were here Sunday, the guest of P. Hinson.

Farmers in this locality are well up with their work, and crop prospects at present are good.

W. A. Craddock and O. S. Ferguson spoke here Thursday night of last week to a large crowd in the interest of their candidacy for the office of County Judge.

Billie Smith and wife, of Dockum Valley, attended the big meeting here Sunday. The meeting which has been in progress for the past week closed Sunday night. We feel that this meeting has done much good in our community.—Gadabout.

COUNTY PICNIC

We desire the enactment of the program committee to make the announcement that every man come to the picnic in his shirt sleeves, and the women in their calico dresses and feel at home. We desire that every lady be as comfortable as possible. There will be a prize given to the lady that wears the best looking calico dress, the cost not to exceed one dollar.

The bids for privileges shall be turned in not later than four o'clock Thursday to R. D. Shields and A. S. Jackson.

Bill McArthur was in the city Saturday from his place in the Tap country and says that crops are looking fine and everything is lovely in his section at this time.

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

Rev. W. B. Bennett attended church at Spur Monday night.

There was a singing at W. A. Taylor's Sunday night.

H. L. Arnold and family are visiting in the Clipper settlement this week.

Mrs. Butts, of Spur, visited P. E. Haggins and family Sunday.

L. W. Bilberry and family attended church at Spur Saturday and Sunday.

Little Mandie Estes, of Spur, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Butts this week.

Mrs. Samantha Smith and children, of Spur, are visiting kinfolks and friends in the Gilpin settlement this week.

The farmers of Gilpin and Duck Creek are expecting to gather a mammoth crop of cotton this fall, and they are also expecting the fleecy staple to bring them a good price.

P. E. Haggins and W. B. Bennett attended the Masonic Lodge at Jayton Saturday night. They report crops suffering for rain in that vicinity, and I suspect the crops in this settlement will soon be in the same fix if it don't rain pretty soon, but we are not uneasy, we believe it will come in due time.

Johnson Hunter, who has been to Stamford for the last three weeks having his eyes treated has returned to his home and we are glad to say that his eyes are almost well.—Johnny Jump-Up.

PREACHING NOTICE

Elder Mike M. Young will preach Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night at the Church of Christ. Saturday night the subject will be, "Christian Duty" (Rom. 12-1). Sunday at 11 o'clock the subject will be, "Proper Division of the Word" (II. Tim. 2-15), and Sunday night the subject will be, "One" (Jno. 17). All are respectfully invited to attend the services.

EMPIRE BUILDING

The Currents of Civilization Flowing Texasward—69,000 Homeseekers and \$123,000,000 of Property Moving Into Texas Annually.

There is no more inspiring scene than to watch the growth of an empire, and no viewpoint is more instructive than to sit by the highway of civilization and watch the currents of progress sweep life and property Texasward.

Along the head of nations there passes annually 69,000 homeseekers and \$123,000,000 of property. In this moving van of civilization can be heard the accents of every nation and the jostle of property from every clime. In this line of march can be seen the fiery haste of the East, the hurry and bustle of the North, the enterprise and enthusiasm of the West, the strange and powerful energy of Europe and the queer frugality of the Orient—all united in one thought and one purpose—to build in Texas the grandest civilization the world has ever known.

This mighty movement of world forces is the most tremendous event in human affairs today. This uprising in civilization is gathering its forces from the hills and valleys of two continents and its powerful sweep is startling the nations of the earth. No country on the globe ever possessed such a powerful asset, and economic students look with amazement upon this accumulation of human power in Texas, which must inevitably result in recasting the civilization of the whole world.

In a decade our immigration has given us a population exceeding that of the States of New Hampshire, Vermont or Delaware, and the money moved into the state during this period has exceeded the assessed value of all property in all the above states combined. Our population and wealth increased so rapidly that the figures are too large to grasp, and we must measure our growth by States and Nations.

BANKS

Official statement of the financial condition of the First State Bank at Spur, Texas, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 14th day of June, 1912, published in the Texas Spur, a newspaper printed and published at Spur, Texas, State of Texas, on the 5th day of June 1912.

RESOURCES

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| Loans and discounts, personal or collateral | \$67,531.16 |
| Loans and Real Estate | 967.15 |
| Overdrafts | 156.56 |
| Real Estate (banking house) | 7,750.00 |
| Other Real Estate | 2,688.85 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 2,150.00 |
| Due from Approved Reserve Agent net | \$2,891.53 |
| Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net | 83.55 |
| Cash Items | 6.60 |
| Currency | 2,172.00 |
| Specie | 1,825.30 |
| Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund | 304.79 |
| Other Resources as follows: | |
| Assessment for Guar. Fund | 183.76 |
| Warrant Account | 2,467.44 |
| Total | \$91,187.69 |

LIABILITIES

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| Capital Stock paid in | \$50,000.00 |
| Surplus Fund | 1,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits, net | 4,910.06 |
| Individual Deposits sub. to check | 25,129.13 |
| Cashier's Checks | 91.25 |
| Certificates of dep. for money bor. | 10,000.00 |
| Reserved For Taxes | 33.16 |
| Suspense | 24.09 |
| Total | \$91,187.69 |

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 27th day of June A. D. 1912.

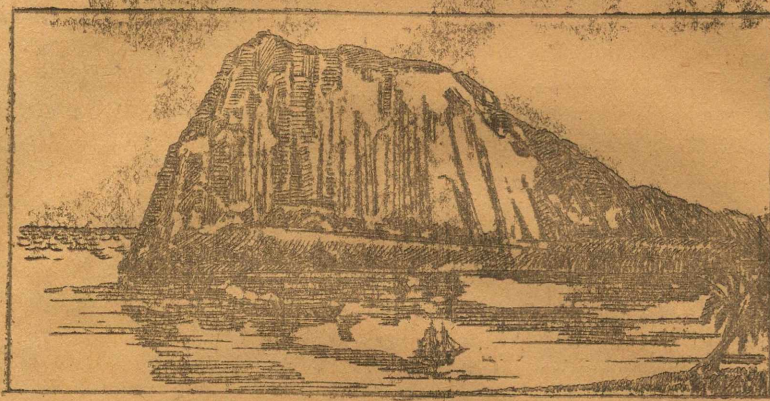
Witness my hand and Notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

R. S. HOLMAN Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
S. R. Davis,
T. E. Standifer,
J. D. Harkey,
Directors.

State of Texas, County of Tarrant:
Sworn and subscribed to by G. H. Connell, before me this 29th day of May, A. D. 1912.

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

Cotton a Reliable Crop

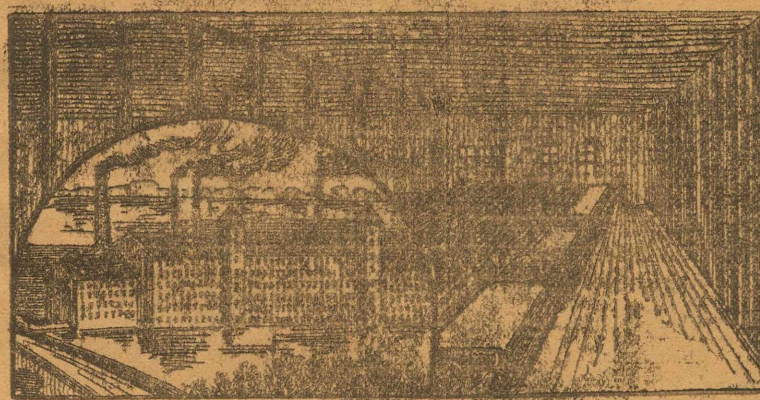


THE LOWEST FARM VALUE OF THE TEXAS COTTON CROP DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS WAS \$144,000,000.

Cotton has ever sought diligently the friendship of man and by the stability of the market, the endurance of the fibre and the many uses of the product, it has won the heart of mankind, until today it meets him at the cradle, is his closest companion through life and goes with him to the grave. It is the Rock of Gibraltar of products. It is the most reliable of staple crops.

The Texas Welfare Commission is investigating the cotton industry. W. T. Loudermilk of DeLeon is chairman of the sub-committee on the Production of and Methods for Marketing Cotton. O. E. Dunlap of Waxahachie is chairman of the committee on Cotton Mills.

Cotton Mills

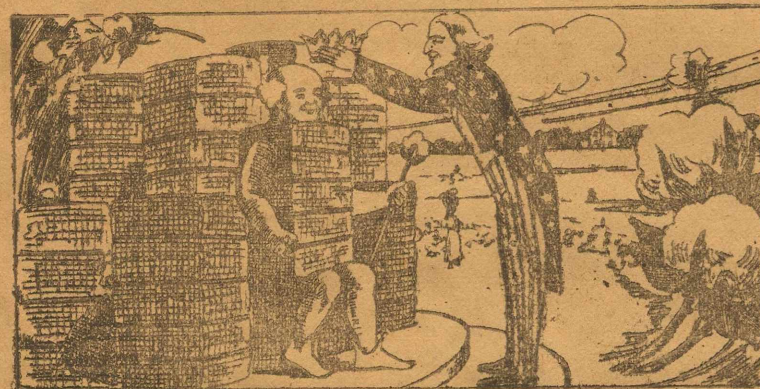


WE MANUFACTURE ONLY ONE BALE OUT OF EVERY SEVENTY PRODUCED.

The factory is the farmer's market house and he must travel until he reaches it and pay the freight to destination. The Texas farmers ship their crop ten thousand miles to reach the factory. We have 15 cotton factories in Texas valued at \$2,229,000. We manufacture approximately 60,000 bales of cotton per annum. Building factories in Texas to manufacture the cotton we produce would require an investment of \$350,000,000. To gain control of the cotton industry, we must build factories.

The Texas Welfare Commission is investigating the Fabrication of Cotton into Cloth and the establishment of Cotton Mills. O. E. Dunlap of Waxahachie is chairman of the sub-committee having the investigation in charge.

Cotton is King



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DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for offices in Dickens County and this Judicial District, subject to the Democratic Primary in July.

For Representative (105th District):
A. J. Hagins
A. C. Wilmeth

For Tax Assessor:
T. J. Harrison
E. L. Harkey (Second Term)

For County and District Clerk:
Crawford Cobb (Re-election)
J. V. McCormick

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
J. B. Conner
D. C. Sparks
H. P. Cole (Re-election)

For County Commissioner (Precinct 3):
H. T. Garner
Jeff D. Reagan

For County Surveyor:
L. T. Cochran

For County Judge:
W. A. Craddock
O. S. Ferguson

For County Treasurer:
B. A. Crego (Re-election)

For Public Weigher (Precinct 3):
C. H. Perry

When a hen lays an egg she advertises the fact, a goose never says a word—some merchants do likewise.

With fifteen-cent cotton and bumper crops the Spur country is coming into agricultural prominence and unsurpassed prosperity.

Nineteen hundred and twelve will be the first time we have ever had the privilege to vote for a real, successful president of the United States. All things come to those who wait and work.

We can judge of the amount of business being done in Spur by the amount of advertising which appears in the paper, but we want to say that no country ever had better crop prospects than now prevails in the Spur country.

If we democrats fail to elect a president this year it would be politic to transfer our party affiliation to the republicans and thus be in a position to at least express our preference as to the nominee. Hurrah for Woodrow Wilson and Democracy one more time.

The two big national conventions have been holding the eyes of the public during the past few weeks and as a result we have about lost track of the minor disturbances in Mexico. However, we presume the revolution continues uninterruptedly.

Since the Democratic National Convention has acted in accord with the demands of the country by nominating a progressive candidate for the presidency it is very probable that both Taft and Roosevelt will be retired to a position with the rank and file after the general election in November.

Of course there are many who cuss William Jennings Bryan and want him to take a back seat, but the fact remains that he is one of the greatest men, always fights in the open and for the interests of the masses. His every act in the recent convention courted publicity rather than dealing in private caucusses and secret trades indulged by "politicians."

Some times we get very much disheartened. We boost the country to the limit of our capacity, try to make it appear that the town is busy, bustling and prosperous, and when the first of the month rolls round we barely collect enough money from our advertisements to pay printers. We have a few live merchants, but we also have some who have been riding the more generous and public spirited since the very beginning. The town should not be burdened with this extra load and the general public should take cognizance of such conditions and transfer business to the progressive man who will bear his part of the burdens and thus contribute to your individual benefit as well as the advancement of public interests.

AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

The Bi-Monthly meeting of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association will be held in Haskell July 11th, 1912. The organization is for the material upbuilding of Central West Texas, and the citizens of Haskell and Haskell County extend a hearty invitation to all of their neighbors to attend the meeting. A strong program has been arranged for the occasion and it is one of distinctive importance to Central West Texas. It is as follows:

Called to order at 9:45 a. m. by the President, Hon. A. D. McLaughlin, Hamlin, Texas.

Address of welcome, Judge S. W. Scott, President Haskell Board of Trade.

Response, Judge L. M. Buie, Stamford, Texas.

Address—"Raising Broom Corn in Central West Texas"—Geo. E. Courtney, Haskell, Texas.

Address—"My Farming Experience in Central West Texas"—A. H. Carlton, McCauley, Texas.

Address—"The Aims of Farm Demonstration Work"—Hon. J. L. Quicksall, Field Agent for West Texas, Agricultural Exhibit.

Dinner.
1:30 p. m. Awarding of prizes Agricultural Exhibit.

Address—"Relation of Agriculture and Education"—L. T. Cunningham, County Superintendent Jones County, and T. C. Williams, County Superintendent Haskell County.

Introduction of Boys' and Girls' Maize and Corn Club of Haskell County by A. M. Latham, Farm Demonstrator of Haskell County.

Address—"Is Hog Raising in Central West Texas Practical"—C. C. French, Fort Worth Stock Yards Co., Fort Worth.

Address—"Peanut Culture"—Capt. C. M. Waters, President National Peanut Grower's Association.

General Discussion.
Business Session.

The farmers and merchants of the Spur Trade Territory are hereby invited to meet at the Commercial Club rooms in Spur Monday afternoon, July 8th, at three o'clock to organize a Dickens County Association affiliated

"THE FIRST STEP IS ALL THE DIFFICULTY"

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REFRESHING SHOWER OVER SPUR COUNTRY

Again Sunday the Spur country had a very refreshing shower of rain which apparently was general over the entire surrounding country. While this rain was not heavy it was a fine "cotton shower" and caused all crops to freshen up and renew their rapid growth.

Every indication at the present time points to an exceedingly big crop production of every kind in every section of the Spur country, and the only fear now entertained is the probability of depressing the market price of the staple products in that the harvest in this country may glut the market.

Those in the East who think only mesquite and cactus thrive in Western Texas should keep their eyes on the Spur country and watch us grow, prosper and develop.

Clinton Funk and wife and Mrs. Allie Campbell are spending the week with relatives in Rotan.

R. M. Broyles, of Lockney, visited W. G. Broyles and wife Saturday and Sunday.

O. F. Love and Mr. Gunn, of the firm of Gunn, Love & Company, Dickens, were in the city Wednesday on business.

B. T. Graves, of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday and had his paper changed from Wake to the county capitol.

R. D. Shields, of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday looking after business interests.

Miss Ada Wright, of Wichita, Kansas, is visiting in the city at the home of her cousin, Luther Hindman.

E. E. Patterson left Spur the latter part of last week for Waco and other eastern cities where he will spend several weeks on a vacation. During his absence Howard Monteith, of Abilene, will be in his place at the Eastside Barber Shop.

We hope Pat will have a big time.

SPUR COUNTRY GROWING HIGH GRADE BROOM CORN

Tuesday Mr. W. W. Selder, of several miles south of Spur, brought the Texas Spur a sample of the broom corn growing on his place this year, and the sample brought in is without question as fine as can be grown anywhere.

The straw of this broom corn measured twenty seven inches and was without blemish. He has six acres of this broom corn, twenty acres about two weeks later, the balance of his crop being planted several weeks later. He said that he planted his broom corn crops in this manner so that he would have plenty time in which to harvest the crop at the proper time and thus be in a position to grow and mature the very highest grade straw for the manufacture of brooms in Spur during the fall.

There has never been any doubt in our minds but that the Spur country could excel in growing broom corn as well as cotton, maize and other western products, and the crops now being grown by Mr. Selder demonstrates such to be an actual fact.

There is no greater agricultural country than the Spur country and but a few years remain in which land can be bought at present prices. This is the coming country of Texas.

J. A. Nichols, a prominent citizen of the Plains country near Wake, was in Spur the first of the week on business and trading with merchants.

Henry Clay, who has been clerking for F. C. Gipson in the grocery and drug store at Dickens, returned last week to his home in Spur.

W. A. Johnson, of the Dockum Stock Farm, was in the city Saturday and reports everything lovely in that section.

S. W. Rather, a prominent citizen of the Cat Fish country, had business in Spur the latter part of last week.

with and part of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association, elect a Vice-President for Dickens county, send representatives to the above association to be held at Haskell, July 11. The importance of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association cannot be over-estimated. By concerted action results will be obtained that are impossible to individual efforts.

Special rates from Spur to Haskell will be on July 10th.

HIGGINBOTHAM-WILSON

On the evening of July first at six o'clock, at Milford, Mr. T. L. Higginbotham, of Spur, and Miss Flora Belle Wilson, of that city, were united in marriage.

Mr. Higginbotham is well known in the business circles of Spur, having established the Spur Ice & Bottling works some few months past. His strict adherence to business and fair dealing with the public have won for him the friendship and respect of the best citizenship of our city.

His many friends join the Texas Spur in wishing he and his bride many years of happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Higginbotham will be at home to their friends at the New Western Hotel for the present.

DOCKUM NEWS

Mr. A. H. Smoots has disposed of his hounds.

Rev. Billberry preached at Dry Lake Sunday night.

Mr. Clarence Estes returned to Afton Sunday.

Mr. Henry and Jim Smith went to Red Mud Sunday.

Crops are fine on Dockum Flat. Corn silking and tasseling, maize heading.

Mrs. Minnie McBrown and baby, Fouston, were in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wells and baby Ermine, and mother, brother and family went fishing Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Zumwalt and daughters, Miss Ella and Vernon also Miss Mollie and Eunice McBrown and Edna Smoots, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Smith Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Pruett is talking of going to New Mexico.—Bachelor Girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Bryant, of the Pitchfork Ranch, were in Spur Tuesday.

J. E. Sparks, of the Tap country, was in Spur Tuesday and spent some time here. He said that he was up with his work and had fine crop prospects. He had had Uncle Tom Cochran out at his place this week making a survey of land to locate land lines.

NEW WESTSIDE BARBER SHOP

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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, and we will give you prompt and satisfactory service.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey and Mr. Jordan, of Paducah, came to Spur Sunday to be with their son, W. F. Godfrey, who was injured by a baseball striking him in the face Thursday. They returned home the first of the week.

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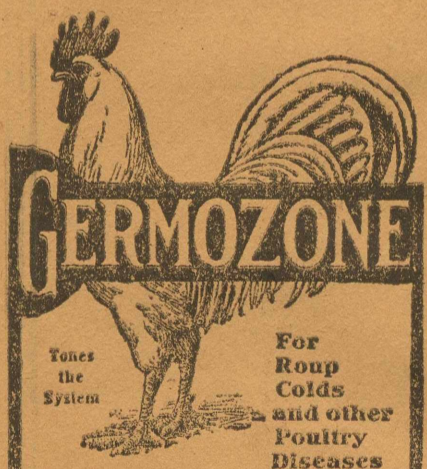
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NEW TEACHERS EMPLOYED FOR SPUR SCHOOL TERM

The Spur School Board employed last week Prof. F. E. Mace, of Nocona, as principle of the Spur School, Prof. Adams having resigned the superintendency to accept a position in eastern Texas. Three teachers employed as assistants last year, Misses Clark, Hardin and Kelley will teach again this year. Misses Reynolds and Hanson and Mrs. Johnson are also employed as assistant teachers for the coming term.

This is an able corps of teachers and the school is expected to maintain its high standard and wide reputation as among the best schools of the country.

The school term will begin the first or second Monday in September, and those desiring to transfer pupils to this district will have to do so before the first day of August.

Bill McArthur was in the city Saturday from his place in the Tap country and says that crops are looking fine and everything is lovely in his section at this time.

Judge McClain was in the city again Tuesday after repairs for his farm machinery and reports everything moving along nicely and peacefully in the Cat Fish country.

S. Power and family left the first of the week for the eastern part of the state where they will spend several weeks visiting relatives and friends. They will probably be gone a month or six weeks.

C. F. Cates is making the rounds of the country viewing the fine crops, securing pictures of the growing products and also making an estimate of the cultivated acreage and the probable crop yield this year.

Mesdames W. H. Stephens, Wes Hisey, Slack and Miss Crat Neely went out Saturday and spent the day gathering plums and picnicing. It is said that there are plenty of wild plums this year.

Towns Taylor is at the home of his brother, W. S. Taylor, suffering of injuries received by a horse falling with him. Mr. Taylor was injured in the back and hips and it is hoped that he will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Vineyard, of Duncanville, were in Spur this week and visited W. S. Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wilson, of Lockney, were also here to visit their son and also to meet Mr. and Mrs. Vineyard who returned with them to Lockney for a visit.

Subscribe for The Texas Spur.

The Texas Welfare Commission

The Commission Will Review the Industrial Life of State.

The Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association, recognizing that a wholesome public sentiment is the most powerful asset that a state or nation can possess, has launched the Welfare Commission for the purpose of providing the people with dependable information essential to a more intelligent analysis of economic conditions, to the end that our citizenship as a whole may be able to more readily distinguish lines of industry conducive to its progress and to more easily recognize and maintain public policies which promote the general welfare of the people.

This body of men will sit as a tribunal reviewing the material life of State and there will pass before it for inspection some of the grandest, the most stupendous and some of the saddest events in 20th century civilization.

In this line of march will be seen the Texas farmer hauling \$425,000,000 per annum of raw material to the foreign factory—forming a procession that will reach from the earth to the moon; the Texas cowboy will be there driving a herd of sixteen million head of live stock to the market. Our lumber mills loading a hundred thousand cars of their products for the factories of the North and East and millions of dollars of other products will pass on their journey to the factory.

More important than the mighty current of commerce that is sweeping our raw material from our State is the mute pleading of our powerful resources for an opportunity to pour a golden stream of wealth into the channels of trade. We have less than one fifth of our area under cultivation; our mineral wealth is sleeping undisturbed; our cotton factories can handle only one bale of cotton out of every seventy produced. The opening of the Panama Canal will flood us with a new world of opportunities and we have many possibilities yet undeveloped.

The return of the tide of commerce brings with it from the foreign factory \$100,000,000 of finished products per annum and we ship in seventy-five million dollars of feed stuff per annum, 5,200 carloads of cured meats per annum, 2,000 cars of canned goods and \$25,000,000 of miscellaneous items, all of which can and should be produced and manufactured in Texas.

PICNIC COMMITTEEMEN

Program—J. B. Conner, O. S. Furgerson, W. A. Craddock, Chas. Jay, S. E. Gunn.
Beef—W. D. Clay, A. S. Jackson, J. D. Harkey, O. O. Love, John Day.
Finance—R. D. Shields, A. S. Jackson.

AN OLD-TIME FRIEND

Mr. Richardson, of near Rising Star in Eastland county, was in Spur last week to visit his son, Walter Richardson and family. We knew Mr. Richardson more than twenty years ago and enjoyed meeting him again at this time. Of the many Eastland county people in this section he referred more especially to Cal Cade of Kent county who is making the campaign this year for sheriff of that county. He said that Cal Cade was one of the best men he ever knew and hoped that the people of Kent county would select him as its sheriff, saying that if the people did elect him no county would have a better officer. Cal Cade is not only qualified but eminently fitted for such an office and all of his old time friends want to see him honored by the people in the July Primary. Mr. Richardson returned the latter part of the week to his home.

Mrs. Williams and son, who have been spending several weeks with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, left this week for Dallas where they will spend several days before returning to their home at Angleton.

SUCCESSFUL BAPTIST MEETING CLOSES

The Baptist meeting began on schedule time, Sunday, June 16th, the pastor doing the preaching. Rain, however, interfered with these services and services were resumed on Tuesday, the 18th. The visiting evangelist and singer, Finney and Hiatt, came in Wednesday and conducted their first service on Wednesday, the 19th, 8:15 p. m.

The preaching of Bro. Finney and the singing of Bro. Hiatt captured the people from the first service, and held them to the very last. By his fearless and scathing denunciation of sin and by his tender and impassioned appeals to Christian manhood, and to the sinner to give his heart and life to God, the preacher won a large place in the hearts of the people.

Bro. Hiatt, also by his soul-stirring messages in gospel song, endeared himself to the people and by his personal piety, he commended the religion of Jesus to all who came under the spell of his voice and spirit.

In visible results, the meeting in some respects, was a disappointment, in that there were not as many adult persons reached as we had hoped to reach. Yet we cannot tabulate the beneficial results of the meeting.

There were a number of conversions, most of whom were from the Sunday School. Quite a number of accessions to the church both by letter and by baptism. On Sunday, the 30th, the pastor baptized ten boys and girls from the Sunday School.

On the same day an offering was taken for the evangelists which went in the end to \$302.20.

Monday night the service was turned into a talking meeting which was concluded by the evangelist heading a movement to raise a purse in the nature of a free will offering for the pastor. He said he wanted \$100.00 and when the subscription was concluded, in about ten minutes, there was found to be \$110.00.

One of the greatest blessings of the meeting was the moulding of sentiment for morality and civic righteousness in the community. This took definite form at the last service on Tuesday at 10:00 a. m., when in the concluding moments of the service a "Men's Christian Meeting" was launched, with Geo. S. Link as temporary President, E. C. Edmonds, Secretary and J. F. Vernon as Treasurer. The first meeting of this organization will be Sunday, July 7th, at 3:00 p. m. in the Baptist Tabernacle. This organization is in line with "Men and Religion Forward Movement," and we are looking for good to come from this Men's Meeting.

The meeting brought an uplift and God's men won for themselves a warm place in the hearts of the people and should they ever return for another campaign they will receive a royal welcome.

J. T. Carlisle, of Gilpin, was in Spur Thursday.

Many improvements have been made in the Spur baseball diamond this week. A grand stand with a capacity of four hundred has been erected, the ground scraped and the lines laid off according to Hoyle. We can now boast of one of the nicest little parks in this part of the country.

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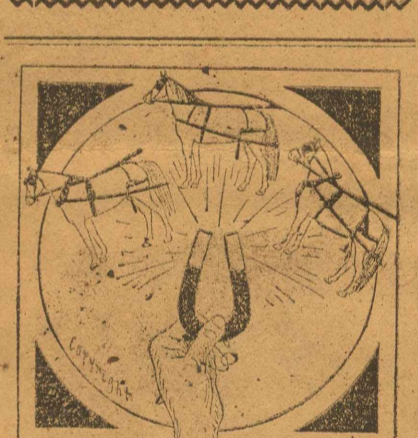
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KELLAR, THE MULE JEWELER,
WEST SIDE

Misses Elnora Dunn and Iva Joplin left last week for Floydada where Miss Dunn will spend the summer with friends and Miss Joplin will spend ten days or two weeks before returning to Spur.

Roy Elkins, wife and child, of Post City, are spending the week with her parents, Uncle Buck Hardin and wife. Uncle Buck says he now has four of his grand-children visiting him, more than were ever together before.

R. B. Craig, who has been away from Spur some time doing photo work, is in the city this week visiting his family and making arrangements to move to Oklahoma. Mr. Craig is a fine citizen and we will be sorry to have him move from Spur.

Hugh Hazlewood and family left this week for Reeves county where they intend to make their home in the future. Mr. and Mrs. Hazlewood have many friends here who regret to see them leave Spur, but who wish them a pleasant and prosperous home further west.

A SIGN BOARD

IS good advertising, but its scope and effectiveness is limited to the passer-by who chances to read as he runs. A sign board in The Texas Spur is carried to the homes of the Spur Trade Territory and is read by every member of the family; therefore, to that extent is better and will bring more results than a road sign. A sign board in the paper is more effective and costs less.

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WE ARE, Therefore, Ready to Price and offer for sale such Sections in these localities as has heretofore been Reserved.

We wish to advise the present settlers in the lands so that if they desire to buy the land adjoining their former purchases—they will have the first opportunity to do so.

DEFINITE PRICES ON THESE OR ANY OTHER LANDS WILL BE MADE UPON APPLICATION

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 made so cheaply. Quick run to Fort Worth market. Delightful, healthful climate—altitude 2000 to 2,500. The great extent and variety of land insure the homeseeker such range of selection that the man early on the ground can find exactly what he wants. For further information as to land and lots, with free illustrated pamphlet, see

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

FARMING IS A BUSINESS

Farming has become just as much a business as banking or manufacturing. No longer is the unsuccessful farmer a slipshod individual content with sparse crops that will just pull him through the winter, but he is a man of business ability who knows the worth of certain kinds of feed as milk, butter and flesh producers and likely keep books on his business as do the proprietors of any commercial business.

Men who invest their money in a farm expect a business return from their investment. The properly managed farm is a combination of a number of enterprises each of which has a definite relation to the place or business as a unit.

The practice of keeping farm accounts is being taught now in some agricultural schools and a regular course is given. The in-

struction comes under the department of rural economics and consists of lectures and practice work dealing with the general principle of accounting and its application to farm work. Such instruction is good training for the young man who expects to make farming his business, but any staid and established farmer can adopt a system of bookkeeping of his own that is best adapted to the methods employed by him in his daily work.

System is a very essential attribute in a farmer in this day when the markets exact such high grades of products and so much of them.—Globe Democrat.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Four 70-saw gin plant for sale, or will trade for cattle, mules or Dickens county real estate. Will sell all on time, four annual payments, with proper security.—E. D. Chambers, Afton, Texas.

CITY BUILDING NOTES

(By Commercial Secretaries)

City boosters seldom end in the poor house.

Publicity is the life of prosperity.

Are you a broken cog in the wheel of progress?

A good way to make your business popular is to advertise.

Newspapers like Commercial organizations are entitled to the loyal support of the citizen.

If you have a good thing to sell advertise it. If you have an indifferent article to dispose of advertise it anyway.

Vim, vigor and force will gain out where capital wont even start you.

Concentrate your efforts on the welfare of your community.

Railroad outlets are prosperity inlets.

Paved streets look out of place without the necessary trimmings—sidewalks and shade trees.

Dead cities do no deeds.

Cooperation is the main thing in town development.

It stands to reason that business will increase if the population doubles—join the Commercial Club.

Patronize the merchant that patronizes the Texas markets.

A tree thrives because the leaves, twigs, branches and roots are all working together. This is also true of town building.

Build towns on sane plans; don't plan on plain sands.

CHEAP POWER DEEPER

The deep well at Spur will be drilled to still deeper depths, says the Spur at that place. The well is now down three thousand feet, and the drill has gone thru a hard, flinty rock nearly all the way. The bore will be reduced to four inches, and it is hoped to find artesian water. If the well is three thousand feet deep, it must be considerably below sea level at Spur already. We are not versed in geology sufficiently to venture a treatise, but off hand it strikes us that below sea level is a poor prospect for artesian water. If water goes that low and even lower they could keep on going until they strike steam and have the cheapest power in the world.—Slatonite.

Don't leave progress to the Lord. Take a hand and help along.

SOMETHING EXTRAORDINARY

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W. D. Bender left this week for other sections of the country where he will spend some time trading and buying horses and cattle.

Mrs. Bender, who has been at the Standifer hospital for some time, was removed Saturday to her home several miles northeast of Spur.

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SPUR, TEXAS

Al Sullivan was in the city Thursday on business and spent some time here.

Miss Edith Crego, of Dickens, spent Sunday in Spur with friends.

J. P. Gibson, of Steel Hill, was in the city Saturday on business and spent some time here.

John Ligon, of Clairette, is in Spur visiting his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Taylor.

Miss Cal Smith, of Stamford, has been spending the week in Spur with her sister, Miss Mary Jane Smith.

C. L. Love made a business trip to Stamford the latter part of last week where he spent several days.

Uncle Pink Higgins boarded the train here Saturday for southern points where he will spend several days on business before returning to his home on Cat Fish.

Prosperity does not come of itself, it has to be seized with both hands.

Mr. Posey, of Aspermont, has been in Spur this week selling goods manufactured by the Winona Mills.

J. C. Hamill recently returned to Hillsboro after spending several days in Spur with his mother.

Jeff Harkey was over Saturday from Dickens to attend a meeting of the directors of the First State Bank.

Jim Gilmore, a prominent citizen of Crosby county, was in Spur Saturday on business and trading with Spur merchants.

Mrs. F. R. Harrington, of Chillicothe, arrived in Spur Saturday to visit her son, Burl Harrington, and family of near Spur.

The Spur Lodge meets Friday night for the purpose of conferring the third degree in Masonry. All members are requested to be present.

R. P. Cole left Monday for Chicago where he will spend some time with his brother of that city.

Mrs. Travis returned this week from Bell county where she has been spending several months with relatives.

Messrs. Morrow and Johnson, prominent citizens of Jayton, were in Spur last week attending the Masonic Lodge.

Baxter Scoggins was in the city Monday from his Cat Fish farm and ranch and reports everything in good shape in his section.

J. H. Fox, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent some time here on business and trading with the merchants.

Mrs. Dav, of Fort Worth, is in the city visiting Mrs. Viola Flowers at the home of T. G. Harkey and wife.

Mrs. Viola Flowers returned last week from an extended visit to friends and relatives in the eastern part of the state.

Bert Brown, who has been in the Standifer hospital on account of an operation for appendicitis, was this week removed to his home in Kent county.

T. L. Higginbotham returned this week from the eastern cities where he spent several days on business in connection with the Spur Ice & Bottling Works.

Miss Minnie Fite is now employed as bookkeeper for Sol Davis, Mr. Owens being on the sick list and unable to work.

Judge McClain was in the city Saturday from his Cat Fish farm and ranch and says that he has not yet finished repairing his water gaps since the recent big rain. He expects more rain and bumper crops.

A. A. Marshall, a prominent citizen of near Spur, was in the city Saturday trading and spent some time here.

TEXAS NEEDS GREAT MEN

XXXII. GOVERNING

PETER THE GREAT, standing at the tomb of Richelieu exclaimed, "Thou Great Man, I would have given thee half of my dominion to have learned of thee how to govern the other half," and Peter the Great was one of the most progressive monarchs of any nation or age. The greatest rulers the world has ever produced are those who sought wise counsel from their associates and profited by the experiences of others.

Knowledge is the most valuable element known in human life and to government it is the most powerful asset in civilization.



PETER THE GREAT AT THE TOMB OF RICHELIEU.

Let that country feel secure whose rulers cry aloud for wisdom and who are anxious to exchange power for knowledge and sacrifice ambition for intelligence to the end that the throne may become the fount that makes the brook of industry flow and flood the land with a golden stream of happiness and prosperity. Texas Needs Great Men.

Mace Hunter, of four miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent several hours here on business.

Dock Edwards, a prominent citizen of the Croton country, was in Spur Saturday on business and trading with the merchants.

W. F. Shugart, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent some time here trading and looking after business interests.

H. T. Burgoon has consolidated his real estate business with that of the Jackson Realty Company and will hereafter be identified with the latter firm.

J. V. McCormick left the city Tuesday on a campaigning tour of the surrounding country, in the interest of his candidacy for the office of County and District Clerk.

We are requested to announce that Rev. Mike M. Young will preach Saturday night and Sunday, July 6th and 7th, at the Church of Christ in Spur. Everybody is invited to come out and hear him.

Crawford Cobb came over from Dickens and spent Saturday in Spur to meet the voters here in pushing his campaign for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk.

J. Anderson Davis, a prominent citizen of several miles northeast of Spur, was in the city Saturday on business and reports everything in fine shape in his section of the country.

Mrs. Claude Nations returned last week to Spur and joined her husband here. Mr. and Mrs. Nations have been making their home near Rule but will make Spur their home in the future.

W. E. Cross, a prominent citizen of the Dickens country, was in Spur recently and reports fine rains and everything in fine shape for bumper crops of all kinds.

Mrs. Duke Henson and little son, Duke, Jr., accompanied by her sister of Dickens, left Spur the latter part of last week to visit their parents in Abilene. They will be gone about one month.

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