

COTTON SELLING AT 11.50 TO 11.70 ON SPUR MARKET

Throughout the week cotton has been selling in Spur for 11.50 to 11.70 cents a pound, and at these prices farmers are selling as fast as the staple is being ginned without regard of holding for a higher price at a later date.

Up to date the Spur gins have ginned near five hundred bales and possibly more than this number has been sold to the cotton buyers of Spur. The prices being paid in Spur will bring cotton here from a large territory and since good crops are being made in this territory it is very probable that Spur will be the market place for thousands of bales of cotton during the fall. In conjunction with the cotton market the merchants of Spur are stocking up with goods to supply the every demand of the trade territory and will make competitive prices that will insure and maintain a superior trade center.

VERY TRUE INDEED

The man who wants to whip the teacher because his boy got a licking at school is the one who in the future will be circulating a petition to the governor to pardon one of his near male relatives.—Sterling City News.

Right you are Bro. Kellis. The parent who takes sides with his child against the teachers, and criticises them in the presence of the child from doing any good whatever at school, but is a disorganizing element in the school management. Such parents do more to hurt a school than all the bad pupils in it. It is the parent and not the teacher who is to blame for such children doing no good at school.—Colorado Record.

DIED

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jackson died Wednesday night at their home in the city, after an illness of about one month. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Berryman at the home Thursday afternoon at four o'clock and the remains were interred in the Spur Cemetery.

The Texas Spur extends sincere condolence to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and the family in their bereavement.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES.

Bishop Temple and Rev. Seaman of the Episcopal Church will spend next Sunday in Spur. Bishop Temple will hold the 11 o'clock services and either the Bishop or Mr. Seaman will preach at 7 o'clock Sunday night. These services will be held at the Presbyterian Church and the public is most cordially invited.

TRANSFERS BUSINESS.

T. L. Higginbotham, Sr., of Dublin, was in Spur this week on business and to see his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Higginbotham, Jr., of Spur. While here Mr. Higginbotham turned over his interest in the Spur Ice & Bottling Works to his son who is now sole owner and manager of the business.

"THE FIRST STEP IS ALL THE DIFFICULTY"

In any important undertaking in life's work, the first step should be taken with a feeling of confidence and security. Backed by the knowledge of a healthy bank account, that step will be made more easy and secure. Opportunities constantly occur for the one with financial backing. We invite you to start an account in our bank, if you are not already a depositor.

THE FIRST STATE BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS.
CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000.00 GUARANTY FUND BANK

SPUR WILL BE NOTED IN MANUFACTURE OF BROOMS

B. C. Palmer, who lives five miles north of Spur, brought to the Texas Spur office this week a sample of broom corn grown on his place this year. The heads are about thirty inches long and the straw will make as fine brooms as that of any country. It has been thoroughly demonstrated during the past two years that the Spur country will grow the very finest broom corn with respect to both quality and quantity and before many years Spur will be noted in the manufacture and production of brooms.

HIGH COST OF MARKETING FARM PRODUCTS

Tyler, Texas, September 26.—Mr. S. A. Lindsey, chairman on the sub-committee on Production and Marketing of Farm Products, has been conducting an investigation into the high cost of marketing, on behalf of the Welfare Commission. There have been shipped out from this city this season 1,571 carloads of peaches to out-of-state points and the last end of the crop rotted on the ground for want of a market, although the consumer was anxious for the fruit.

A great deal of the Texas product goes to Colorado and Mr. Lindsey's investigation into market conditions at Colorado points shows peaches that the Texas producer gets sixty cents per bushel for packed and delivered f. o. b. Tyler at a cost of twenty-seven cents for picking, packing and hauling, sell to the Colorado consumer at \$3.75 per bushel, and when the market drops to \$3.75 per bushel the Texas farmer gets nothing for his peaches. The cost per bushel of market-



S. A. LINDSEY

ing a bushel of peaches in Boulder, a common point with Denver, is distributed as follows: Picking, 2 cents; packing, 2 cents; package, 20 cents; hauling, 3 cents; freight, 40 cents; icing, 15 cents; handling after reaching Colorado, \$2.60; total, \$3.42. It follows that peaches which sell to the Colorado consumer for \$3.75 brought the Texas producer 33 cents.

The cost of handling the peaches after they get to Colorado is more than four times the cost f. o. b. Tyler, and nearly five times the cost of the freight and icing charges added together.

This situation exists to a greater or lesser degree with all perishable farm products, and many that are not strictly perishable.

COTTON PICKERS WANTED IN THE SPUR COUNTRY

Farmers from every section of the Spur country are wanting cotton pickers and are offering good prices to secure the help in gathering the big crops. In every section the crops are now opening and for the lack of cotton pickers many bales will be wasted in the fields.

Men wanting work at good prices are invited to come to the Spur country at once.

POLITICAL SCANDALIZING WILL HAVE TO CEASE

Assistant Attorney General C. E. Lane is preparing a bill which he hopes to have passed by the next legislature, which is intended to put the campaign slanderer out of business. The bill as he is framing it will make it a penal offense for candidates for public office to circulate slanders upon an opponent which are circulated to permanently injure his reputation. The bill would give the injured party the right to also sue for damage by civil action. Such a law should have been on the statute books long ago. There is no reason in the world why a man seeking public office should be protected by law from malicious slander. Of late when one announces for an office of any importance he becomes the target for almost every conceivable kind of slander—his good name is dragged in the mire and herculean efforts are made by his opponents to tear to shreds the reputation it has taken a lifetime to build up. The Signal hopes the bill will be passed, and that the penalty provided will be heavy enough to protect the good name of all who seek public office—whether it be for constable or U. S. Senator.—Honey Grove Signal.

A TEXAS RANGER which is to appear IN A BIG TENT is not a noisy shooting show of blood and thunder but a play that holds and enthralls, being more on the order of the "Squaw man." "The great divide," and plays of that character, with a clean, human, vivid, truthfully portrayed plot showing the picturesque customs of Indian life at home, on the trail, and in warfare. Spur, Thursday, Oct. 13.

SPUR COUNTRY GROWS BIGGEST AND BEST MELONS

W. L. Grubbs brought in a water melon Thursday and entered it in the Texas Spur premium contest for the biggest melon grown in the Spur country.

The melon is the biggest one brought to this office up to the present time, and while the weight in the contest has not yet reached the one hundred pound mark, the melons brought in are substantial evidence of the fact that the Spur country grows the biggest and the best water melons of the country.

The melon brought in by Mr. Grubbs was grown on his place on Red Mud creek, and it weighs sixty five pounds. This melon is heavier by nine pounds than any yet entered the contest, and should it prove equal in meat and taste to "Rufus Rastus" it will be proclaimed the Champion of America.

SEVERAL GUILTY

A story of rumor is going the rounds concerning the occurrence at one of the numerous picture shows in Waco last week. At one of the late evening performances, so the story goes, a man was seen standing out in front with a double-barreled shot-gun under his arm. He attracted considerable attention among the patrons, although many who noticed him believed it to be some kind of an advertising stunt and paid little attention to him. Finally, however, some one mentioned the fact to the manager inside the house and he immediately went out to ascertain the purpose of the man with the gun. Answering his inquiries as to what he intended doing with the gun, the man said: "Well, it isn't any of your business, but since you will soon find out anyway, I will tell you. There is a man in there with my wife, and when they come out at that door I am going to get him. I've got both barrels loaded and what I'm going to do to that guy will be a plenty." The show manager undertook to talk him out of his rash act but to no avail, the "injured husband" with the gun continuing to declare his intention of getting revenge in large chunks. The show man was up in the air. He didn't want to cause a scene in front of his place by calling an officer and he didn't want to see any of his patrons shot. Finally he decided upon what he considered the only expedient to prevent a deplorable tragedy. He went back and mounted the stage and in a low, confidential tone he informed the audience of the man out in front and his avowed intention, continuing the show man said: "I dislike to make such an announcement to the audience, but I dislike still more to see a tragedy enacted, and I am convinced that the man means business. Now the show is about over, and I am going to close the performance at once, and if the man being looked for is in the audience, that he step quickly out at this back stage door into the alley and thus save trouble." It is asserted that before the man ceased speaking fifteen men arose and made a wild and simultaneous break for the back door.

To Our Patrons, Notice

OWING to the cool weather for the past two weeks, we find it necessary to advance the price on ice. Having to store the ice for so long and owing to the amount of waste in doing so makes it a losing proposition for us. Hereafter for the rest of this season ice will sell at seventy-five cents factory weights. We also take this time and place to thank all our patrons for the support they have given us this past season and hope to have and hold their business next season. We have tried to give the best service we were possible to give, and will try to improve our service as well as business for next year.

Starting Sunday, September 29th, the price takes effect and after that date nothing less than ten cents worth of ice will be sold off the wagon.

SPUR ICE AND BOTTLING WORKS T. L. HIGGINBOTHAM, Proprietor

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OUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

The following officers were nominated in the July Primary for Dickens County officers to be elected in November General Election.

For Representative (105 District):
A. J. Hagins

For County Judge:
O. S. Ferguson

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
J. B. Conner

For County and District Clerk:
Crawford Cobb

For Tax Assessor:
T. J. Harrison

For County Surveyor:
L. T. Cochran

For County Treasurer:
B. A. Crego

For County Commissioner, (Pre. 3):
Jeff D. Reagan

For Public Weigher:
C. H. Perry.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

R. S. HOLMAN

Attorney-At-Law

All legal business attended with accuracy and dispatch
Office in Flert State Bank Building, Spur, Texas

B. D. GLASGOW

Attorney-At-Law

Office Over The Spur National Bank

J. H. GRACE, M. D.

General Practice of Medicine

Prompt response will be given to all calls, city or country, day or night.

Office At Spur Drug Store

Both Res. Phones No. 96

STANDIFER & MORRIS

Physicians and Surgeons

DR. STANDIFER Diseases of Women and Surgery a Specialty
DR. MORRIS Diseases of Children and Electrotherapy a Specialty. City Physician

G. T. BRANDON, Dentist

Over the Royal Hotel

Office hours from 8-12 and from 1-5
Residence Phone 142.

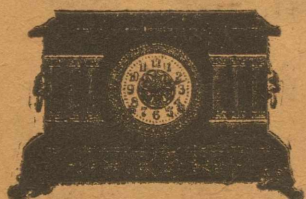
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C. C. Tyler

Real Estate
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Life Insurance.

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HAVE YOU A RELIABLE TIME PIECE?



IF NOT, LET ME SELL YOU A
CLOCK THAT WILL GIVE
YOU PERFECT TIME

GRUBEN, THE JEWELER, SPUR

THUMB-JUNE NUPTIALS

The Baptist Ladies' Aide wish to announce the marriage of

MISS JENNIE JUNE
to

MR. TOM THUMB

Tuesday, October first, nineteen hundred twelve.

At the School Auditorium.

You are requested to be present.

The following program will be rendered:

Music—By the Orchestra.

Vocal Solo—By Miss Lillian Grace.

Reading—By Mrs. Mace.

Music—Mrs. Bachelor.

Quartette—Miss Lillian Grace, Mrs. Y. L. Jones, E. C. Edmonds and Rev. Bowles.

Mendelshon's Wedding March—Mrs. Kate Turnage.

Song, "O, Promise Me"—By Dorris Attebury.

The characters are as follows:
Bride—Callie Holman.

Bridegroom—Geo. S. Link, Jr.
Ring Bearer—Lorains Pass.

Flower Girls—Rosanna Turnage, Ella May Glasgow, Della Ross Walker, Mary Christine Shelton.

Maid of Honor—Alline Cates.

Matron of Honor—Artie Fite.

Bridesmaids—Bessie Wane Jackson, Onna Davis, Marjorie Berryman, Goody Neeley, Allie Belle Chapman, Mildred Williams.

Best Man—Roy Edmonds.

Ushers—Elvis C. Edmonds, Jr., Ben Chapman, Morris Vernon, Weldon McClure, Cliff Jennings, Bobbie Holman.

Father—William Manning.

Mother—Adelaide Senning.

Grandfather—Buell Jennings.

Grandfather—Floy Richburg.

Minister—Scott Johnson.

Edwards-Hogan Co. sez—Its too cold to go without em. They have lots of new sox and things.

A very interesting character in A TEXAS RANGER which IN A BIG TENT is Mr. William Valentine who plays the part of "Deerfoot" a young Indian chief. He is one of the few actors who make a study of Indian parts. In the last five years he has never played any part except Indian characters having appeared in as the chief in "The Squaw Man," as "Black Hawk" in Bunco in Arizona, and especially engaged to create one of the leading parts in the new theatres production of the Indian.

Mr. Valentine spends his summer vacations on the Sioux reservation, he studies the ways, mannerism's and customs of the red men. He also speaks four Indian tongues and this season will wear a genuine chief's costume which was given to him by old Chief Ceronio. Spur, Thursday, Oct. 3.

J. A. LAMB DIN & COMPANY

MERCHANDISE OF QUALITY

Spur, Texas, September 27, 1912.

A "BUYER'S" BUSINESS:

In purchasing fall goods regardless of the item you have in mind, "the" question, who will serve me best? It is said—and I believe after 26 years selling goods "that" it's true—very few people are judges of goods. How are the incompetent to get best results? I can only see one solution. That there is a difference in price in the same town on the same item no one will question. Why not look into these matters? You can find frequently a difference in Spur of 25 per cent on the same brand of merchandise. If this be true what may you expect on lines which you are not familiar with? We have strived hard to merit the confidence of our patrons, and believe that few of our regular customers need any extra argument in presenting our claims. We have combined this season the highest class merchandise that Spur has ever had within its limits. We will present within a very few days our new line of Stetson Shoes for men. This is one of six exclusive high grade lines made in the United States and the only one sold in Spur. We can back this statement by the best authority in the shoe business. In our Clothing business we handle "Graduate" and Viking Suits for men. In Boys' and Children's Clothing we sell the Woolly Boy. If anything in this class is sold nearer to us than fifty miles we have failed to learn of the news. With these statements try us out on an inspection tour. We are getting in shape to meet all demands and assure you that the class of goods handled in this store are a class that bear us out in our statements by service as the individual appearance they present.

J. A. LAMB DIN & COMPANY,

BY C. L. LOVE, Manager.

Emmett Lee, who has been building a residence in Hillsboro for George Russell, returned this week to Spur, having completed his contract.

W. T. Wilson was in Spur Thursday with a bale of cotton from his place five miles east of town and sold to Spur buyers for 11.60 or 11.65.

Edwards-Hogan Co. Sez—they are terribly warm—between Red Front and Spur National Bank.

Jess Moseley sold this week to Bryant-Link Co. the Western Grocery Co. business and is now employed in the grocery department of the company.

Edwards-Hogan Co. sez their French Dry Cleaning process will clean anything except character.

Get your school supplies at the Wonder.

Mrs. Y. L. Jones and little daughter, Miss Nan, returned this week from an extended visit to relatives and friends in the eastern part of the state.

Lee Wilhite, of Rotan, who has been spending several days in Spur on business, made a trip to the Roaring Springs country this week accompanied by Joe T. Heath also of Rotan.

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.

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.

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

Horse Dentist!

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.

NEW WESTSIDE BARBER SHOP

A. P. EDGAR, Proprietor

FIRST-CLASS BARBER WORK

Shop located next door north of McDonald's Confectionery. Your work solicited and will be appreciated.

MURRAY BROTHERS

FOR

Specialized Service in
Cement Construction

If a man can write a better book, preach a better sermon, or build a better mouse-trap than his neighbor, tho he build his house in the wilderness the world will make a beaten track to his door-way.—Emerson

THAT'S US.

Luzon Phone 78. SPUR

George Bogart, of Fisher county, was in Spur Wednesday and spent several hours here on business. He went from here to Crosbyton before returning home.

A. A. Marshall, a prominent citizen of Spur, was in the city Saturday on business and spent several hours here.

Men may moan and
men may groan,

And hammer with
hardest knocks,

But those worth while
will surely smile,

When they sport our
Tailored Frocks.

--Edwards-Hogan Co.

Miss Donna Edmonds is now at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill twenty miles northwest of Spur.

Get a suit that you'll be proud of.—Edwards-Hogan Co.

BURNING QUESTIONS FOR MERCHANTS TO WEIGH

When hard times strike a town, expenses must be cut down, and the first place to feel the effect of the "cut-down" is the printing office. But just let some outside advertising scheme pop up and the merchant takes that sort. Then to pay for "that sort of advertising" the merchant must pull out his advertisement in the home paper. But when there is anything good the merchant wants said of his business he is very eager to let the editor know about it, so he can publish it, thus get some free advertising, and if a salesman representing a foreign concern comes into the community selling goods to the newspaper office, here comes the merchant and says to the editor. "You must lambast those fellows; tell the farmers if they don't want to get humbugged, cheated and robbed, steer clear of them—they're grafters; tell them the merchant helps build the churches, the school houses, pays taxes, and as a matter of the loyalty you owe to fight for the support of home institutions, you must fight these leeches, etc." The editor, knowing it to be his duty to protect the merchant, grabs the pen, dips it into the vitrol and spreads it on the copy sheet. When he has concluded his manuscript he has the hide skinned off those agents and hung on the fence to dry. But the next day when the little shriveled editor calls on the merchant battered and scarred by the fellows whom he roasted and asks him for a small ad., meets with the greeting: "Times are too hard, I can't see where advertising will do me any good. I must cut down expense so I can pay \$10.00 for that batch of advertising stuff I ordered from out-of-town." The editor leaves the store thinking of that "loyalty to home institution" talk the same merchant made in his spiel to run out the foreign salesmen that his business may prosper. As the merchant takes the last glimpse of the editor as he leaves his store he says inwardly: "He hasn't paid me last month's account, and the chances are that he won't this month's—if he doesn't, we'll have to refuse to sell him more."

How long would the editor's credit last at the local store if he sent cash out of town for goods?

How long would the local store exist if the people bought their goods out of town?

If the merchant sends his

money to foreign climes to buy that which he can buy at home, has he any moral right to ask the home paper to make a crusade against mail order houses, and make a sympathetic appeal to the "dear people" to spend their dollars at home thereby save his business from bankruptcy?

As a matter of fact, who is it that is responsible for the making of the town, the building of the churches, the school houses, the building of strong and substantial business institutions, the building of solid governments, the making of statesmen, etc? It is the newspaper.

Can the merchant afford to buy advertising matter away from home and "kill" the ad. in the local paper to save money to pay for the shipment when it arrives?

Is it the duty of the paper to feed food to an institution that it may grow strength "to bite the hand that feeds it?"

These are burning questions that the merchant and business man should well weigh before they send away for printing that the home paper can easily do. And again, don't rob the pocket-book of the newspaper man by stopping your ad. to pay some foreign concern for some cheap advertising.

The editor is the best friend you have. 'Tis he who sings your praises after you're dead when the community declares you were the greatest scalawag in seven states. 'Tis he who tells how beautiful your daughter looked at her wedding when the community declared her to be the ugliest creature that was ever offered as a sacrifice on the matrimonial altar. 'Tis he who heralds to the buying public the freshness of your line of goods when the editor's good wife had just dumped into the slop bucket a can of spoiled tomatoes.

Don't you think him a pretty good friend of yours? Then treat him as such.—Hereford Recorder.

J. F. Vernon made a business trip this week to Haskell county.

Several men with teams and tools left Spur Friday morning to repair the Plains road into Spur. Work will be commenced at the Cap Rock and the road into Spur placed in first-class shape. A sufficient amount of money was made up by the business men of Spur for this purpose and by so doing we want to assure the people of the Plains country that we want and will appreciate their trade. Come to Spur.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Dickens County. Greeting:

Oath having been made as required by law You are hereby commanded to summon J. A. Reeves by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 50th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in the nearest District to said 50th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, on the 4th Monday in November, A. D. 1912, the same being the 25th day of November A. D. 1912, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of August A. D. 1912, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 377, wherein Jennie Reeves is Plaintiff, and J. A. Reeves is Defendant, and said petition alleging that Plaintiff is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the said County of Dickens for at least six months next preceeding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 10th day of January, 1910, in Dickens, Texas, Plaintiff was lawfully married to Defendant and that they had no children born to them; that at, and before said date, this Plaintiff's name was Mrs. Jennie Pritchett.

That they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about June 11th, 1910, when by cruel and harsh treatment and improper conduct of Defendant toward Plaintiff, she was forced and compelled to abandon him, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife; that during the time of their living together, the Defendant was indolent and made no effort to provide support for this Plaintiff, and that they accumulated no community property nor has this Plaintiff now any property of any nature acquired by their joint efforts.

Plaintiff alleges that during the time she and Defendant lived together as aforesaid, she was kind and affectionate toward him, and at all times conducted herself in a lady-like and prudent manner, but Defendant unmindful of his duties and obligations of his marital vow, one week after their marriage began a course of harsh, cruel, unkind and tyrannical treatment toward Plaintiff, which continued to grow worse until Plaintiff was forced and compelled to abandon Defendant as aforesaid.

That Defendant often cursed and abused Plaintiff and applied to her the vilest and most opprobrious epithets, without any cause or provocation whatever on the part of the Plaintiff.

That on or about February 1st, 1910, at their home in Dickens County, Texas, Defendant cursed and abused Plaintiff by taking hold of her and told her that if she was a man, he would not leave a drop of blood in her, all without any cause or provocation on the part of Plaintiff.

That on divers and different times he told her that he had never loved her; tried to make her leave home and threatened to kill her if she failed to do certain things, and accused this Plaintiff of being an unchaste woman; which accusation was false and untrue.

That said marriage relations between Plaintiff and Defendant still exist. Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's actions and conduct toward her generally are of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable; the premises considered.

Wherefore Plaintiff prays the Court that Defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving their marriage relations, for the restoration of her name to Jennie Pritchett, for costs of suit and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and equity, that she may be justly entitled to, etc.

R. S. HOLMAN, Attorney for Plaintiff. Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Crawford Cobb, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Dickens, Texas, this the 14th day of August A. D. 1912.

CRAWFORD COBB, Clerk District Court, Dickens County.

NOTICE

Friends and patrons of the Spur Ice & Bottling Works are hereby notified that the business is now under the sole management and ownership of T. L. Higginbotham, Jr.

T. L. Higginbotham, Sr.,
T. L. Higginbotham, Jr.

A PARABLE ON BOYS

Verily in this day and generation the father raiseth up his son on the streets and sidewalks.

He layeth around the soda fount and imbideth slop and hookworms.

He groweth in knowledge of nothing save cigarettes and cuss words.

When he attaineth the age of 16 he acquireth a suit of clothing turned up at the bottom above his feet.

He displayeth a pair of noisy sox with purple background and violets on the front.

He weareth low cut shoes and a green tie.

He looketh like a banana merchant on the streets of Cairo.

The inside of his head resembles the inside of a pumpkin.

He falleth in love with a spindle shanked girl with pink ribbon on her hair, and craveth for an automobile that he may ride her forth in the springtime.

He thinketh work is sinful.

He scattereth his mother's pin money like a cyclone scattsrreth a rail fence.

He sitteth up late at night to write poetry and giveth no thought to the multiplication table.

His mind turneth to the vanities of life and not to the high cost of corn bread.

Verily, verily, he needeth a board applied to the southwest corner of his anatomy.

His thinketh his father a plodder and his mother a back number.

He pictureth himself great riches suddenly acquired.

He dreameth of steam yatches and private cars.

Yes he thinketh himself the real stuff.

He butteth in where he is not wanted; he criticises his elders; he buyeth cheap perfume and smelleth louder than a billy goat.

When he groweth up he getteth a job as clerk in a store at \$1.00 a day and swipeth extra from his boss until he is caught.—Ex.

Mrs. J. A. Alston returned home last Sunday after an extended visit in East Texas, where she had been at the bedside of her grandfather, who has been dangerously ill.

Otho Hale, a prominent citizen and business man of Afton, was in Spur this week and spent some time here on business. He reports the Afton country in fine shape with respect to crops. This section has had good rains this week and also last week.

CITY BUILDING NOTES

By J. A. ARNOLD.

Don't worry; don't over buy.

After a man starts a thing he can generally find something to do and a way to do it.

Good roads, good crops, good water are three things necessary in the march of progress.

Keep out of a rut. The only difference between a rut and a grave is the dimentions.

Lots of cities are given credit for being dead by people who visit them and merely find the laws enforced on Sundays.

Elimingte all fancy work in advertising, such as scrolls, old English letters, jumbling of words, and bold borders. Simplicity is the thing that counts in most advertising.

The best way to build a city is to make it a center where people will go, not only to trade, but because they know there is a welcome there for strangers, and where they will get a smile and a glad hand. The commercial, educational, and recreative features all count strong though of course trade is the chief drawing card.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

September 16, 1912.

W. R. Starnes,
J. B. Martin,
Ed Fox,
Miss Ann Morris.

September 23, 1912.

Mrs. A. E. Johnson.

When calling for the above letters please say "advertised."
—N. A. Baker, P. M.

A SURPRISE

A minister down in Arkansas found his people too poor to purchase hymn books, says an exchange, so being offered the same book free by a patent medicine house, provided they be allowed to insert their advertisement, ordered three dozen for the congregation. He was elated upon receiving them to find no ad in same. The next Sunday he distributed the books, telling the brethren his good fortune, and requesting them to sing page 120. His chagrin may be imagined when they sang as follows. "Hark, the heavenly angels sing: "Johnson's pills are just the thing. Hear the voices meek and mild—two for a man and one for a child."—Exchange.

JACKSON REALTY CO.

Fire, Tornado, Plate Glass and Livestock Insurance. We sell Land, City Property and Livestock. Non-Residents' business promptly attended to.

NOTARY PUBLIC IN OFFICE

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Chas. A. Jones, Manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons,
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PRACTICAL DEFINITIONS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM

Dear Editor:

Having lived in Socialist communities for the last two years; we claim to have some knowledge of the "Real thing" relative to practical socialism. Below we give the Real Definitions of Socialism.

What is Socialism?

Socialism is a political cult that teaches its membership to sell soap grease, 'possum hides or anything else to pay tribute to a ranting, pranting cuss who comes 'round once a week to hoodwink the practice that he preaches—Takes up a collection.

Where did Socialism originate?

In the garden, when Mamma Eve promised Daddy Adam an apple, but handed him a lemon.

What is the official organ of the Socialist party?

The pipe organ; the calamity

howlers of Europe pump the done to the great Europe, from whence it is dished out to a few foreigners, who have learned a little English, finally after getting mixed with their gall injected into the carcass of the buggy Americans who pull the hoodwink close, gulp it down, get their breath and yell, "Class Consciousness." Say Jeems, drive out the flies!

Under Socialism who will dig the coal?

Who will be mine boss?

The Socialist speaker will be boss. The Socialist speaker will be the banker, but the common red card member will clean the sewery; the socialist speaker will be the merchant, the common red card member will still be the farmer; the Socialist agitator will wear the fine clothes and diamond shirt stud, but the common red card member will

still wear his fifty cent breeches and five cent socks. Let it soak in, Jasper.

Under socialism what will be the divorce laws?

We will have no divorcees. Hiram will stay with Catherine a while, with Susie, a while with Adline and Carrie, then move and find a new affinity. It will not be anybody's business either. Golden Age, why delay us?

What is Social Democracy?

A form of government where cow punchers are university presidents, snipes are engineers, cobblers are supreme judges. Jimmy's wife is Bobbie's wife and the whole push belong to the State.

Under Socialism, what will become of the family?

We will have no family. Pap will be a stray, we children will belong to the state and Mam' will be common property of the community.

What is a red card member?

One who sits on the bosom of his pants and cusses the PRESENT SYSTEM, while his neighbor is at work.

What is an Anarchist?

One who sets off explosives, throws bombs, killing the innocent.

When an explosion of this nature occurs, what does The Spiel To Teasing do?

It comes out with a red hot, double-decked, front page article titled "KIDNAPPED."

Then what does the common red card member do?

He goes down into the bottomless pits of his greasy duck-ins, digs up his last dollar, sends

it on the first mail to defend the "INNOCENT ANARCHIST, AGAINST THE CRUELTY OF THE U. S. JUDGE;" A lawyer is hired, he goeth over and trieth to bribe the jury and getteth caught. Then another of the high ups taketh a few thousand of the money extracted from the common red card member and when he arriveth it is too late, but he findith a new affinity and basket in her sunny smiles while the dratted fool who furnished the dough is fretting away his life for fear the judge has caught the "Dear Kumrid." Put on the crupper.

What does the letter "S" stand for?

Scallowag and Scab, shot and shell, slop and slum, shame, sham, and Socialism.

What do the red card members get for the money paid into the "Locals"?

Fuss, fizz, funk and feathers.

Why is the Socialist party sometimes called the hard kicker?

It is composed of the asses from both old parties.

Who is subject to Socialism?

People with abnormal stomachs, chronic bellyachers.

When will Socialism come into power?

When the laws of nature reverse,

Men with monkeys convers;

When seven wives with one man vie,

Then Socialism will be nigh.

When by evolutions slow but constant smear,

We go wild and hair over like a steer;

And when all men can like a Jackass bray,

Then, Dear Kumrid, will be the golden day.—"KUMRID" W. W. LUNSFORD, Wetumka, Oklahoma.

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KILLS SELF

The suicide of the white wife of Jack Johnson at her home just over the Cafe de Champion, in the heart of Chicago's black belt, is perhaps the evidence that pride and virtue were not entirely buried when she became the legal mistress of the champion. The wonder is that her nerve held up as long as it did. The associated press report of the suicide concludes with this little paragraph which tells a big story in itself: "Barred by her marriage from the society of her own race, regarded with suspicion and contempt by the race to which her husband belonged, she had ended all with a pistol shot in her room above the cafe with the shouts and laughter of the white and black revelers ringing in her ears. She said nothing; left no word, but everybody understood."

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Mrs. A. P. Rudder, of Edon, is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Teague. Mrs. Rudder will return to her home the latter part of this week.

Mr. Cleghorn, who has been in Miami the past several months, returned this week to Spur and is now again greeting his friends here.

W. M. Randall, of the Steel Hill community, was in the city Thursday and reports cotton picking the order of the day in that section.

C. H. Allen and family left Spur this week for Andrews county where Mr. Allen has a position superintending a farm and stock ranch near Andrews.

Buy your hosiery at the Wonder.

Walk Over Shoes at Edwards-Hogan Co.

Uncle Tom Gilmore was in the city Wednesday from his farm several miles south of Spur and reports everything in good shape in his section.

Mrs. S. H. Bruce returned this week from Lubbock where she has been visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans, of Dallas, are in the city visiting Mrs. Fite and will probably make their home here in the future.

W. G. Sherrod returned this week from Arkansas where he spent several days visiting his aunt.

John Weatherby was in the city this week on business from the ranch.

Buy your fall hat from Mrs. W. B. Griffin at the Wonder.

New goods every day at Edwards Hogan Co.

ON THE ROADS OF PERSIA

Vehicles, Called Palakis and Kajavahs, Are Quaint and Very Uncomfortable.

Bushire, Persia.—The most useful vehicles for long journeys in Persia are the palakis and kajavahs, the quaintest contrivances for travel to be seen anywhere. These "Persian cabs" are fixed upon mules. Each animal carries two of them, one on each side. They are furnished with bedding. Men, women and children sit in them cross-legged, a painful and irksome position for Europeans, who usually prefer to ride a horse or donkey rather than screw themselves up in these boxes.

The only difference between the kajavah and the palaki is that the lat-



Persian City Gate.

ter is open, while the former is covered with a light water proof roof and is curtained against bad weather.

The most comfortable means of travel, sacred to the use of the wealthiest class, is the takhtiravan, a kind of palanquin, consisting of a box about seven feet long and five feet high, fitted with doors and windows and furnished inside with a soft mattress and luxurious cushions.

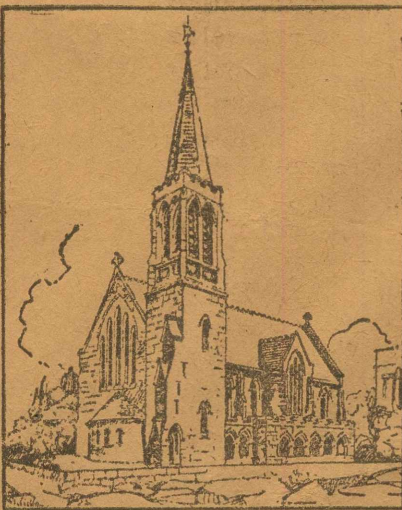
The vehicle is built on the sedan chair principle, the poles resting on a sort of saddle on the backs of the mules, which are harnessed tandem. Their area of usefulness is restricted to the plains and the sensation experienced while riding in them is like being tossed in an old-time liner on the stormy Atlantic.

DEAN EXPLORES RELIGIONS

Dr. Frederick J. Bliss Tells How He Went to Work on It in Syria.

Rochester, N. Y.—Dr. Frederick J. Bliss gathered the material for his "The Religions of Modern Syria and Palestine" as nearly as possible at first hand. His sources were the priests and elders of the five Christian churches that exist in modern Syria and Palestine and of the Mohammedan church, whom he interviewed at first hand.

Doctor Bliss was appointed to deliver the Bross lectures at Lake Forest university, Lake Forest, Ill., in 1908. He instantly went to Syria, which by the way was his birthplace, to gather material. He knew the Arabic language thoroughly, was able to converse with the leaders of the various sects of the country and the following



Episcopal Church, Beirut, Syria.

December delivered a series of lectures in which nobody could recognize an idea or illustration they recalled reading in any book.

"I had interviews," says Doctor Bliss, "with the orthodox patriarchs of Antioch, Jerusalem—Greek, Catholic, Syrian, Maronite—who imparted valuable information. Missionaries, Roman Catholic and Protestant, gave of their knowledge and experience.

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NOTICE

J. F. Speer will be at the Conner Wagon Yard the first Saturday in each month prepared to do all veterinary and surgical work.

Spur, Texas, Sept. 25, 1912.—Editor, Texas Spur—Spur Tex.—Mr. Fred Proctor of Dallas with the Mo., Valley Bridge and Iron Co., is stopping in Spur for the purpose of building a bridge across Duck Creek near this place. Mr. Proctor is a man that travels quite a deal, says he is carried away with our little city of Spur and the Spur people. Mr. Proctor says it will possibly take six weeks to complete the bridge.—A Subscriber.

J. E. Shelton returned the first of this week from the Roaring Springs country, where he has been spending several days prospecting with a view of locating in the new town of Roaring Springs.

Herman Morrison and wife, of Rotan, came up the latter part of last week and spent some time in Spur with R. R. Morrison and family. Mr. Morrison returned Saturday, while Mrs. Morrison will remain in the city on a more extended visit with relatives.

George Bennett sold the Spur Tailoring Co. business this week to Paul Draper who will continue the business at the same stand. Mr. Bennett now has charge of the clothing department of the Bryant-Link Company.

Episcopal Church Services, Sunday, Sept. 29th, by Bishop Temple and Rev. Seaman, at the Presbyterian church. The public is very cordially invited to attend.

The latest creations in this season's millinery will be found at Mrs. W. H. Stephen's Millinery Parlors, next door to the Central Rooming House.

Little Willie's View

WHEN Ma spanked little Willie it may have hurt her as bad as it did Willie, but Willie insisted that it wasn't in the same place.

When we carry a customer along and tide him over the rough places and then he transfers his account to some other bank just as soon as he gets on his feet, it may hurt him to make the change as bad as it does us—but not in the same place. It jolts our faith in human nature. We stand by our friends and we like to have them stand by us. It is the confidence of our friends that has made our bank strong and substantial.

Farmers
& Merchants State
Bank
Spur, Texas

W. A. Hamilton sold his residence in Spur this week to Sol Davis. Mr. Hamilton and family will move soon to Houston where he has secured a position as freight agent for a railway company.

Joe T. Heath, a prominent citizen and business man of Rotan, passed through Spur Monday on his way to Roaring Springs where he goes on business in connection with his real estate business.

Mrs. J. B. Richburg was called to Lubbock this week to be with her sister who is reported quite sick of Typhoid fever. Mrs. Richburg will remain indefinitely with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brvant, of Stamford, were in Spur the latter part of last week on business and visiting their son, R. B. Bryant and family.

We have a nice line of ladies and childrens union suits, come and see them at the Wonder.

I will buy your maize and pay the highest market price.—Central Meat Market.

Just received a line of boys' hats, caps and trousers at the Wonder.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

People of this section are very busy picking cotton.

Rev. Geo. Berryman will fill his regular appointment at the Dry Lake School House the first Sunday in October at three o'clock.

John Welch, wife and little daughter, Marv Lena, and Mrs. Melton, all of Spur, spent Sunday at the home of W. C. Cartwright and family.

Mrs. W. F. Markham and little daughter, Miss Audie, will leave Sunday for Haskell where they will spend some time visiting relatives.

A large crowd enjoyed the singing Sunday evening at the school house.

H. C. Allen spent Saturday in Spur trading.

Mrs. A. H. Smoot is still reported quite sick.—Maiden Vine.

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