

**SPUR COTTON MARKET**

During the week the price of cotton on the Spur market ranged from

13.50 to 14.00

# THE TEXAS SPUR

A Paper For The Homes Of Spur And Dickens County

**SPUR THE BEST MARKET**

We claim that Spur is the best cotton market and trading point in West Texas.

Come to Spur

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## BE ON THE LOOK-OUT

We have decided to give our customers something. We cannot tell you all about it this week, but it will be interesting and if you will watch the paper next week we will tell you all about it. It comes free. Business was good last week. People are finding out the low prices we are making on the very best merchandise. Now there is a reason. We bought heavy for fall, expecting a big cotton crop, and must sell our merchandise and are making exceeding low prices for cash. We do not print many prices. You could not tell what the items were. But when you see the goods and are told the prices, you know what you are doing. We buy in large quantities from the leading markets of the world. We combined the buying for 8 stores, thereby being able to buy in case lots and large quantities, and in so doing get the lowest quantity price. We are giving this advantage to the trade.

Do you know we are handling a great line of stoves, both coal and wood, cooks and heaters, stove pipe and accessories? We are making special prices to move them out. Don't fail to see Higginbotham, the hardware man, if you are cold or hungry, for he wants to sell you a cook or heater—both or either. One of our Darling Lilly cooks will save family trouble. Just add to one Lilly Darling one 50 pound sack of Light Crust and watch your husband smile when he comes to the table. New Queen Quality shoes this week. The latest lasts, newest styles and the shoes that combine style and comfort.

Clothes you can trust. Think of the ease of selecting your winter suit without having to worry about the wear. Find the Style Plus label in the coat, the Style Plus ticket on the sleeve and the guarantee in the pocket and the quality is sure to be there. Remember the price the world over—\$17. Saves you \$3 to \$8 on your suit. See Bennett, the clothing man. If it's cheap suit you want, ask him. If you want a boys suit, we are still giving a real watch with \$5 suits and up. Get your boy a watch. Do you remember how you would have appreciated a watch when you was a boy?

Ladies and childrens coats at prices you can afford. \$15 and up for ladies suits, ready-to-wear dresses and petticoats. The newest in style and color. Special prices on furs this week. Ask about them. La Resistas corsets, the kind that makes the form beautiful and at the same time gives comfort. We will have something good to tell you next week; so look out. Now ladies, come on and do your winter shopping while the stock is good and the prices low. We need the business and you need the goods. We will deal on the square, giving you what you buy and correcting any mistakes we may make. We thank our customers for the good business they have been giving us and take this method to ask you for more.—Bryant-Link Company.

## POOLE RESIDENCE AND CONTENTS BURNED UP.

Wednesday between one and two o'clock the residence and household goods of C. P. Poole in the northwest part of the city was destroyed by fire, the origin of which is unknown. The fire department responded promptly but on account of the high wind nothing could be done except watch the burning and protect the adjoining residence of J. W. Meadows.

Mr. Poole had five hundred dollars insurance on the residence and the household goods only partially covered by insurance. He had just installed a new piano on which he had no insurance, and the many keep-sakes of years makes the loss irreparable.

## BUYING SPUR PROPERTY

Mrs. Mary A. Harvey sold her residence property in the city last week to Jno. O. Wooten of the Plains country. Some time ago Mr. Wooten also purchased the adjoining residence property of S. H. Bruce, and we understand that he will later move to Spur and become identified with the citizenship of the town. Mr. Wooten is one of the most substantial citizens of the country and we extend him a hearty welcome to Spur.

## BOUGHT SPUR FARM LAND

C. F. Cates reports the sale of two tracts of Spur Farm Lands this week in the West Pasture. J. P. Crump, an old timer who has lived in this country a number of years, bought a quarter section, and J. Reeder of Jack county bought a half section and leased another half section. Both of these gentlemen will build homes and improve their purchases, thus contributing materially and substantially to the further development of the great Spur Country.

## DRY LAKE SCHOOL OPENS

Miss Bobo, of Ranger, has been spending several days in Spur with her brother, C. A. Bobo and wife, leaving Sunday for Dry Lake where she has a position as teacher of the school at that place. The school commenced the 1913-14 term Monday and we are informed that a good attendance was present at the beginning.

## A VALUED ASSET

S. B. Scott was in the city last week and hauled out supplies for the West Pasture ranch headquarters. Throughout the year many loads of supplies and building materials have been hauled from Spur to the West Pasture headquarters which is now recognized as among the chief resources and a most valued asset to the commercial interests of the city.

## CHAMPION COTTON PICKERS OF WESTERN TEXAS

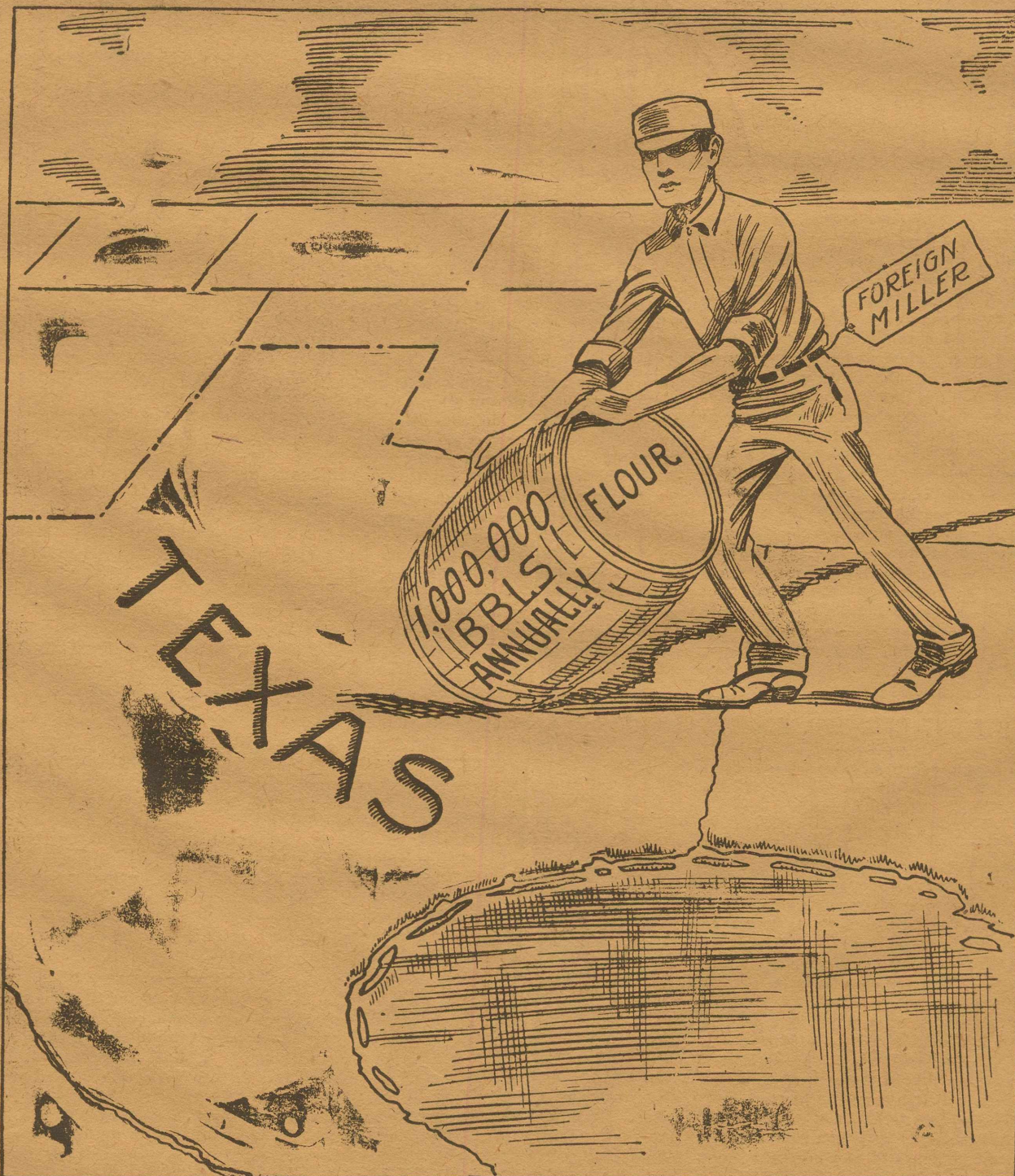
That the Spur country is entitled to the championship with reference to the best cotton pickers in this section of West Texas has recently been demonstrated by four young men of this section. The high figures were reached one day last week on the farm of J. M. Johnson several miles southeast of Spur and together the four picked twenty-four hundred pounds or an average of six hundred pounds each, divided as follows: Lee Cathey of north of Spur, seven hundred pounds; Emmett and Lee Hairgrove of north of Spur, five hundred and fifty pounds each, and Ellis Draper of the Dry Lake community, six hundred pounds.

We believe these young men to be the champion cotton pickers of Western Texas and challenge the entire country to produce a better showing than the figures as above stated.

## GONE TO DALLAS

Jas. F. Williams and Miss Webb left Sunday for Dallas where they spent several days seeing the sights at the fair and also buying holiday goods for the Spur Drug Company. During their absence Earle Senning has been managing the business in Spur.

## OUR HOME INDUSTRIES



III—FLOUR.

"The foreign miller ships into Texas one million barrels of flour per annum, while our Texas millers are compelled to seek a foreign market with four millions barrels of their products per annum."—Commercial Secretaries.

## THINK OF THE TEXAS SPUR WHEN YOU GET A DOLLAR

Do you ever notice the figures following your name on this paper? If it is Marked Oct 12, it indicates that your subscription is due from October, 1912, and that you owe us one dollar which we will be glad for you to pay. We claim to have the cleanest subscription list in the country, and but very few move away and beat us out of a dollar. A majority on our list keep paid up regularly, and a number pay in advance, while a very few pay little attention to the account possibly because it is such a small amount. However, we assure you that a dollar here and a dollar there means much to us—it is our profit, and our profit is our living, since we depend wholly and solely upon what we make out of The Texas Spur for a living. Another thing, the Postal Department of the Government, possibly recognizing the lack of business methods and ability on the part of newspaper men, passed a law supposedly for his protection, to the effect that his paper shall not be sent through the mails at regular newspaper rates to any subscriber who owes for more than one year's subscription. We violate this law when you fail to pay up at the end of the year, and it is done because we want every subscriber to remain on the list and know that you intend to pay and have only neglected to do so. Next time you get a dollar think of The Texas Spur and two souls will be made happy and contented with the world and especially Western Texas.

## A REAL ASSET

W. H. Stephens, formerly of Spur but who is now in the furniture business at Winters, was in Spur several days this week greeting his friends here and looking after business matters. Mr. Stephens says Winters is a fine town and a good business point, but says there is no place like Spur, and we doubt not that he has a longing to return and again become identified with the business interests of Spur. Will Stephens is a business man of ability, one who gets out, stirs up and creates business, and whether in Spur or elsewhere he will become recognized as a factor and real asset to commercial progress.

## SOLD ROARING SPRINGS SHOP

Howard Monteith and his sister passed through Spur recently on their way to Abilene where they will remain on an extended visit with friends. We understand that Mr. Monteith sold his interest in the barber shop at Roaring Springs and is seeking another location.

## COMING OUR WAY

Jeff D. Harkey, one of the most prominent citizens of Dickens, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent several hours here on business. Mr. Harkey gave us a dollar while in the city to be credited to his subscription to the Texas Spur and for which he has our thanks.



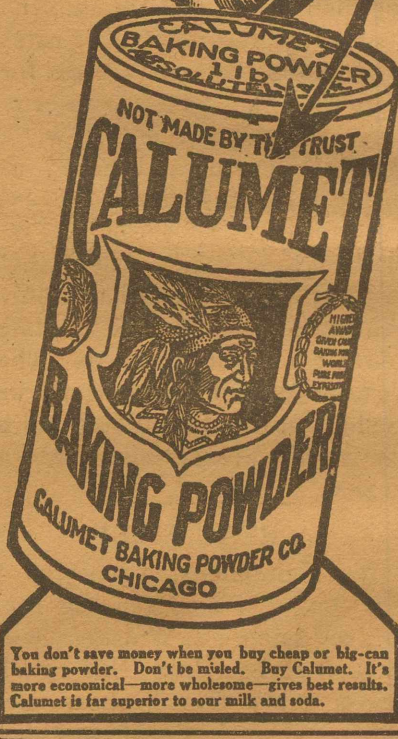
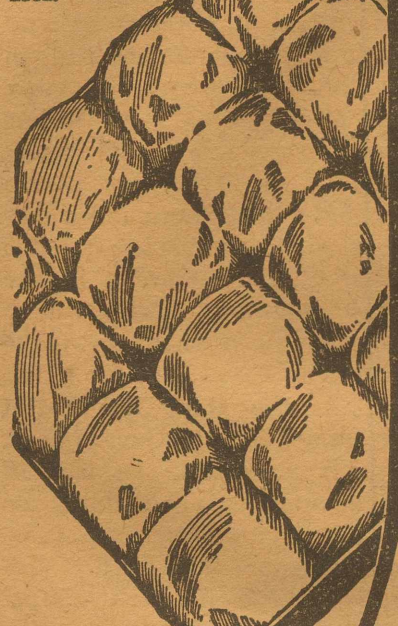
# Better Biscuits Baked With

You never tasted daintier, lighter, fluffier biscuits than those baked with Calumet. They're always good—delicious. For Calumet insures perfect baking.

RECEIVED HIGHEST AWARDS

World's Pure Food Exposition, Chicago, Illinois.

Paris Exposition, France, March, 1912.



You don't save money when you buy cheap or big-can baking powder. Don't be misled. Buy Calumet. It's more economical—more wholesome—gives best results. Calumet is far superior to sour milk and soda.

Sorry for the Chickens.

Dorothy was visiting her grandparents in the country for the first time. Seeing a quantity of feathers scattered about the barnyard, she shook her head in disapproval.

"Grandpa," she told him gravely, "you really ought to do something to keep your chickens from wearing out so."—Everybody's Magazine.

## RINGWORM SPREAD ON HAND

R. F. D. No. 2, Box 67, Ellijay, Ga.—"My son's ringworm began on the back of his hand. A fiery red spot came about as large as a dime and it would itch so badly he would scratch it till it bled. It began to spread till it went all over his hand. He would just scream every time I went to wash it. The nail came off on the middle finger.

"I used \_\_\_\_\_ and it got worse all the time. The trouble lasted two or three months. Then I sent and got some Cuticura Soap and Ointment and began to use them. I would wash his hand with the Cuticura Soap and dry it good and apply the Cuticura Ointment. Relief was found in two or three days and the ringworm was cured in two weeks after using Cuticura Soap and Ointment." (Signed) Josie Parks, Jan. 4, 1913.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

On the Circus Train.

"The elephant is smashing up things in the car and we can't find his trainer."

"Then get the baggage master to check the elephant's trunk."

Berlin is planning a building with 50 sound-proof rooms for the sole use of music teachers and students.

## FORMER JUSTICE M'CALL AND FAMILY



Edward F. McCall, the Democratic candidate for mayor of New York, seen in the midst of his family at his summer home at East Hampton, Long Island. The McCall family, from left to right, are: Mr. McCall, with his hands on the shoulders of his daughter, Miss Alla Gaynor McCall. Seated next to him is his daughter, Miss Constance. Sidney McCall, a nephew, is standing by Mrs. McCall.

## FILL THE CHURCHES

Clergymen, East and West, Tell How It Is Done.

Full Houses Rule in Seattle—Edifice Filled Eleven Years With Audiences Nearly Seventy Per Cent Men.

Chicago.—Every earnest pastor is anxious to know how successful ministers fill their churches. This question was put to several pastors of large churches by the Christian Herald, and the letters were all printed. They are so valuable and illuminating that a few of the replies are given here. The Rev. Dr. W. A. Andrews of Seattle gives the following reasons for his "full house." He says in part: "1. This church has been filled for nearly eleven years. Most of the time it is crowded and scores and hundreds have been turned away. The evening audiences number anywhere from 2,500 to 3,500. We can only seat about 3,000. The rest have to stand or be crowded out. The audience has in it from 55 to 70 per cent of men. 2. The results accomplished are entirely due to the operations of the Holy Spirit. We pray much, expect much and get much. 3. The pure, simple gospel is preached. Sin and Calvary are held up to the people. The vicarious atonement is emphasized; the sacrifice of Christ is presented daily; his deity and his mediatorial work are kept before the people. The whole gospel, and nothing but the gospel, is preach-

ed. 4. We make the gospel apply to every condition, circumstance and point of a man's life. We deal with his social, domestic, commercial, political and civic life, with the gospel, and only the gospel. 5. Every service is an evangelistic service. We never preach the gospel or finish a sermon without making an appeal for immediate decisions and confessions of Christ. At every service we urge men to accept Christ and join the church. 6. We do not have a sermonette after a long musical program of questionable ecclesiastical music. Every member of the choir must be used, but that program is kept in its minor place. The sermons are not dictated by the clock, nor are they closed at the suggestion of some man who would like to hurry through the service. Time enough is taken to present the case of sin, produce conviction in the hearer's mind and ask for the work of the Holy Spirit to produce conversions. 7. Every man, woman and child in this church is supposed to have something to do, and is required to do the thing assigned. If the churches of the country could be lifted from their blight of materialism and could get from under the control of Godless trustees, indifferent and lukewarm church officers, and could be made to understand that it is their business as individual Christians to evangelize the world, the pews would be full and the pulpits would be on fire with the love of God and an undying passion for souls." Rev. J. H. Mellish, rector, Church

## HUNT OUT CANNIBAL SOCIETY

Human Leopard Organization Hunted Down by the Authorities of Sierra Leone.

Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa.—The murderous native organization of Sierra Leone, known all up and down the west coast of Africa as the Human Leopard society, is being relentlessly pursued by the British authorities to its furthest hiding places. The determination is to exterminate it, but the task will be difficult, for this sinister and baneful association has obtained such a strong grip on the superstitions of the natives in its several hundred years of existence that it will fight and die hard.

The society is a secret organization. It has operated with particular atrocity of recent years in the northern Sherbro district, and most if not all of the principal natives of this region belong to it.

Between 20 and 30 murders have been committed by members of the society since 1907. The purpose undoubtedly was to provide human flesh

for their fellow members, but whether this was done merely for the gratification of the taste for cannibalism, or the killings were a part of some secret rite of the organization whereby the natives believe their mental and physical powers are increased has not been conclusively learned. Matters reached such a crisis a few months ago that a special court was appointed and many arrests were made. Among the members placed on trial were several paramount chiefs. Eventually, under a special ordinance passed to suppress the society, seven men were executed for murder, two condemned to life imprisonment and 11 were expelled from the protectorate.

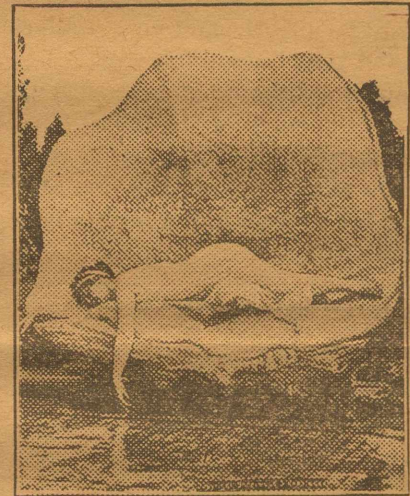
In a report on the society and its recent atrocities the governor of Sierra Leone, Sir Edward M. Merewether, expresses the opinion that while his drastic actions will tend to check the activities of the society, yet the blind belief of the natives in the efficacy of the medicines concocted by the organization; the fact that periodical sacrifices are considered necessary to renew the power of the remedies, and a tendency on the part of some of the

of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, says very wisely in answer to the same question: "Some time ago a student of religious life in London asked himself the question which you have put to me and then he set out to find the answer. He went from church to church, churches of various creeds and different types, some evangelical, some ritualistic, some rationalistic, others engaged in no social activities. And this was his finding, that every type had its failures and its successes. It was no one type as such more than another type which succeeded in interesting men. Men do not go in for evangelistic preaching more than for ritualistic ceremonies, for social service more than rationalistic teaching. In every case it was the man in the pulpit who drew men. Where men were found there was found a real personality in the preacher. In every case among all these varied types the human factor in the ministry either drew or failed to draw men." In this connection it should be stated that Dr. Matthews very modestly says nothing of himself, of his own personality, but those of us who know him realize that he is in many ways an unusual man. He is a natural born actor, very dramatic, a veritable general, and surrounded by a magnificent body of men who uphold his work and carry out his commands.

## NEW DIVERSION FOR NEWPORT

Miss Florence Fleming Noyes as "Sleeping Naiad" in Repose on Her Throne.

Newport.—On the beautiful estate of Commodore James at Newport, in the presence of the best known names of society, Miss Noyes, who is reviving the mythology of ancient Greece, in an effort to demonstrate the beauties of the stories of old, was borne into the presence of the critical audience gathered 'neath the stars in the sunken garden on the estate of the commodore. Countless colored lights turned into the colors of the rainbow as water coming from numer-



Miss Noyes as "Sleeping Naiad."

ous hidden sources fell on them, as Miss Noyes, by request of her consort, Neptune, performed the dance of the goddess of the sea.

## Governors Praise the Tango.

Colorado Springs.—Well, the tango isn't such a naughty dance—if you want to take the opinion of a large number of governors for it. The state executives who were in convention here looked at a tango exhibition. They looked long and critically. At the conclusion of the dance there were encores. Also more encores. When the tangoers were too tired to respond to more encores, the governors gravely announced that "although we had nothing like that in our time, this tango dance looks very, very interesting." Some of them were even more explicit in their verbal praise.

## Bible Sale Proves Disastrous.

Washington.—Alfred H. Grey, who sold a bible for 60 cents, with which he bought whisky, was fined \$20 for the offense.

## Aged Man Makes Long Trip.

Wilmington, Del.—Driving one horse and accompanied only by a dog, Geo. W. Grant, aged eighty, arrived here from Bellaire, Ohio, having completed a drive of 1,250 miles in 46 days. His children live in Wilmington. He will make his home here after being absent 46 years.

## New Excise Law for Boston.

Boston.—A new excise law went in to effect here prohibiting "drinks on the house" in local saloons. "It is against the best interests of the proprietors and may be morally and physically injurious to customers" the license board says in its notice.

## New Policewoman for K. C.

Kansas City.—A policewoman who will be known as "The City's Mother to the Motherless" will be appointed by the commissioners here. She will "walk a beat" composed largely of disorderly resorts and all-night cafes.

## CHILDREN LOVE SYRUP OF FIGS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

## Followed Suit.

It was at a birthday banquet given the other evening by a prominent Paris millionaire banker. The fun was at its height, when a lady cried out:

"My pearl necklace has disappeared!"

Uproar followed, while every one suggested plans for its recovery. Then the banker had a brilliant idea.

"We will place a salver in the middle of the room," he said, "lights will be extinguished, and the perpetrator of this silly joke will have an opportunity of restoring the missing necklace."

This was done.

Then the lights were turned on again and there was more consternation. The salver had disappeared.

## GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HER GRAY HAIR

She Made Up a Mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to Bring Back Color, Gloss, Thickness.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy. Adv.

## Busy.

Gabe—Smith seems to be a busy man.

Steve—Yes, he has hives, prickly heat, hay fever and a favorite team in five different baseball leagues.

## Running Low.

"Why are you in such a hurry for the new currency?" "The little supply I had of the old is nearly exhausted."

## Why Scratch?



"Hunt's Cure" is guaranteed to stop and permanently cure that terrible itching. It is compounded for that purpose and your money will be promptly refunded WITHOUT QUESTION if Hunt's Cure fails to cure Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ring Worm or any other Skin Disease. 50c at your druggist's, or by mail direct if he hasn't it. Manufactured only by A. B. RICHARDS MEDICINE CO., Sherman, Texas

## Tutt's Pills

enable the dyspeptic to eat whatever he wishes. They cause the food to assimilate and nourish the body, give appetite, and DEVELOP FLESH.

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## STRAWBERRY PLANTS

\$2 per 1,000; \$5,000, \$9. List free. J. R. Sterling, Judsonville, Ark.

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Carl Lowery returned Tuesday from Dallas where he had been several days on business and to witness the opening of the great state fair. During the absence of Mr. Lowery, Charley Yates managed the Red Front Drug Store business in the most efficient and pleasing manner to the patrons.

W. P. Sampson, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of the Girard country, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here trading with the merchants and on other business.

George Renfro came up from Jayton one day last week and spent several hours in Spur on business.

Mace Hunter was in the city Tuesday with cotton from his farm several miles east of Spur.

We have opened a first-class garage in the building formerly occupied by the Spur Auto Supply Company. Leave your cars with us and buy your oil, gas and supplies from us. Bring us your repair work, we have a skilled mechanic in charge.—J. L. Gilbert. 35-tf.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hindman were in the city Saturday from their home in the Dry Lake community, Mrs. Hindman remaining in the city over night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

J. C. Bryant, of Stamford, was in Spur Tuesday looking after his interests in the Bryant-Link Company business, of which firm he is a member.

Clear, straight, even fence posts are the kind.—Brazelton-Pryor & Company 47tf.

## RITER HARDWARE CO.

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## CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

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### FROM DICKENS ITEM

A large crowd of Spur people were in Dickens Sunday and went over to the spring to enjoy that beautiful work of nature.

Cal Martin, one of Dickens' cotton buyers and traders, transacted business at Spur and Afton this week.

M. L. Hale, of Afton, was in town yesterday on business. He was en route home from Spur.

Attorney W. D. Wilson and wife, of Spur, were in Dickens Sunday.

H. T. Burgoon, newly appointed Justice of the Peace of the Spur precinct, was in Dickens this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hamby and Miss Olive Meadows autoed to Spur Tuesday where Mrs. Hamby took the train en route to Sweetwater in response to a message stating that her father, D. M. Morrison, was not doing well.

Grandma Nelms, of the Afton country, died last week after a long illness. The remains were laid to rest Sunday in the Afton cemetery. A large number of friends and loved ones were present to pay their last respects to that one who had trod "the straight and narrow way."



### Telephone and Find Out

What was the weather report  
What is the market price of cotton  
Has my team left town  
Is there any freight for me  
Do you want to buy any butter or eggs  
When is the meeting  
Who was elected  
The telephone answers these and many other questions for thousands of farmers every day.  
The cost of a telephone on your farm is small.  
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### FOR SALE OR TRADE

Good residence and wagon yard at Girard for sale at \$2000. Property clear; yard business good. Will consider deal for mules or cattle as part payment.—M. C. Bingham, Girard, Texas. 48-4tp

T. A. Smith and son, Riley, were in the city Tuesday from their farm home several miles southwest of Spur and spent some time here trading with the merchants and on other business.

Robert Campbell was in Spur Saturday from his farm home four miles southwest of Spur and spent some time here buying supplies of the merchants and on other business.

Witt and Jack Springer returned Tuesday from Dallas where they had gone to visit the State Fair. They report a most enjoyable trip.

W. T. Wilson, a prominent citizen of six miles east of Spur, was in the city Monday on business and spent some time here.

No. 9611

## The Spur National Bank

SPUR, TEXAS

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J. J. Rodgers, a prominent citizen of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and hauled out a mowing machine and rake to be used in harvesting the late feed crops on his place.

J. Anderson Davis, one of the most prominent citizens of the Spur country, was a business visitor to Spur the latter part of last week from his farm home northeast of town.

House for sale or rent cheap in Spur.—Address Box 74 A., Rt 1, Wellington, Tex. 49 2p

J. Carlisle, of near Gilpin, was among the number of business visitors in Spur Saturday.

L. N. Riter left Friday for Hamlin where he spent several days looking after his hardware business at that place. Mr. Riter will also visit at Forney and the State Fair at Dallas before returning to Spur.

Lumber direct from mills to consumer at wholesale price. Lumber, shingles, doors and windows. Write for price list.—Kountze Lumber Company, Kountze, Texas. 40-13t

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. VanLeer were in the city Saturday from their farm home in the Dry Lake community.

W. C. Gruben has been on the sick list the past week.

## ..J. P. SIMMONS..

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Heavy and light hauling. All work guaranteed

## T. A. CORBETT

Pianos and Player Pianos

Will Trade Piano for Well Located Lot In Spur

See Me. Will Be In Spur At Intervals Each Month



# THE TEXAS SPUR

Oran McClure, Ed. and Prop.  
SPUR - - - TEXAS

This year has been taking its weather in spasms.

If wishes were autos street railways would go bankrupt.

Woman leads the world when she wears the diaphanous gown.

If you seek sincerity you can find it in the wag of a dog's tail.

Woman leads the human race when she wears a diaphanous gown.

A cubist camera is announced. But aren't they all that way with the beginners?

Another danger of water drinking was observed when a cooler in a hotel exploded.

California recommends dried cantaloupe, but California has not yet lived down the prune.

Norway has its first woman judge. Think how happy she will be when nobody can talk back.

No trouble to get schoolboys interested in mathematics. There are the baseball averages to figure out.

That fight against shingles is becoming serious. Father may have to find something new to use on Johnny.

The whooping cough germ has now been identified, but most persons will continue to pass it without speaking.

It should not be forgotten that the fly is just as dangerous at this season of the year as he is at other times.

San Francisco has fixed thirty-five years as the age limit for its women police. That makes every woman eligible.

Manuel is shown in a photograph with his hat brim turned down in the rear. This is the privilege of a king out of a job.

Apparently all that a thief needs in order to walk away with a load of jewels or a house and lot is a look of assurance.

Until these days of diaphanous gowns, mere man was obliged to confess that he was unable to see through a woman.

Switzerland has just discovered that the aeroplanes have frightened its storks away. Now we know what's the matter with France.

A French company wants to produce moving picture shows on Russian trains. But why add needlessly to the horrors of travel?

A magistrate holds that to invite a stranger into a poker game is common politeness and not a misdemeanor. Which causes much exultation among the "pullers-in."

An Englishman has devised a contrivance for holding a fishing rod. Now, who will come forward with a device for tilting a jug, and thus make fishing an unalloyed delight?

Three inmates of an insane asylum won prizes in a competition conducted by a London magazine. The editor will have some difficulty in denying the silliness of his competitors.

Anyhow, those Parisian "X-Ray shoes" won't be any uglier than those tall, manybuttoned, whitewashed brogans that have been disfiguring the trim ankles of our femininity.

The tango is being so severely criticized that a lot of young women will not be satisfied now unless they can indulge in it secretly.

Some travelers are notoriously careless, but the climax comes with the young man who mislaid his bride in London.

Some women will feel like Eskimos after putting on furs when one considers what (or what not) they have worn all summer.

Maybe after a while science will spell all the months with an R and we can have oysters the year round. Won't that be nice?

It is claimed that owning and running an automobile make a man young again. Some of them, to judge by their driving, have gone back to the twelve-year-old period.

The man who refuses to go to church in the summer because it is too hot and in the winter because it is too cold, should meditate upon the weather of the future.

## DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO

### Pitiful State in Which Mrs. May Found Herself, and How She Escaped.

Opp, Ala.—In a letter from this town, Mrs. Carrie May writes as follows: "About two months after I married, I began to have very bad weak spells, and terrible headaches. I felt miserable all the time, and soon got to where I couldn't hardly stay up. After the third month I got down completely.

I was young, had never been sick before, and I just didn't know what to do. I thought I would die.

My husband, at last, got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and it helped me so, he got another bottle. When I had taken the second bottle I was well.

I wish that every woman, suffering from womanly trouble, would give Cardui a trial. It is the best medicine on earth for womanly weakness."

Are you weak, tired, worn-out? Do you suffer from any of the pains peculiar to weak women? If so, take Cardui.

As a remedy for women's ills, Cardui has been most successful. It is purely vegetable, composed of ingredients which have been found to build up the vitality and strengthen the womanly constitution, as well as prevent or relieve those terrible pains from which weak women suffer.

Cardui is worth trying. Judging from the experience of a million other women who have been benefited by this remedy, it should surely do you good.

N. B.—Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. Adv.

"My auto is smashed again." "Well, hurry and have it fixed. If it isn't ready for the cook on her day off she'll leave us."

### Genuine Sportsman.

Knicker—What sort of deer did you shoot?

Bocker—Holstein.—New York Sun.

### New Use for Carbon.

Carbonic acid snow (solid carbon dioxide) is now being used successfully in the West London hospital by Dr. Reginald Morton in the treatment of many diseases. Moles are eradicated by it, warts removed by two or three applications, and birthmarks—except the so-called "port wine stains"—yield to it. Chronic localized patches of eczema are healed by it; it is useful in many cases of rodent ulcer; in trachoma it is about twice as rapid as any other cure, not nearly so painful, and can be used without risk.

### Able Assistant.

The small son of a clergyman who was noted for his tiresome sermons overheard two friends of his father saying how dry they were, and how hard it was to keep awake during them. The following Sunday, while the minister was preaching, he was astounded to see his son throwing pebbles at the congregation from the gallery. The clergyman frowned angrily at him, when the boy piped out in a clear treble voice: "It's all right, pop. You go on preaching; I'm keeping them awake."

## DIDN'T KNOW That Coffee Was Causing Her Trouble.

So common is the use of coffee as a beverage, many do not know that it is the cause of many obscure ails which are often attributed to other things.

The easiest way to find out for oneself is to quit the coffee for a while, at least, and note results. A Virginia lady found out in this way, and also learned of a new beverage that is wholesome as well as pleasant to drink. She writes:

"I am 40 years old and all my life, up to a year and a half ago, I had been a coffee drinker.

"Dyspepsia, severe headaches and heart weakness made me feel sometimes as though I was about to die. After drinking a cup or two of hot coffee, my heart would go like a clock without a pendulum. At other times it would almost stop and I was so nervous I did not like to be alone.

"If I took a walk for exercise, as soon as I was out of sight of the house I'd feel as if I was sinking, and this would frighten me terribly. My limbs would utterly refuse to support me, and the pity of it all was, I did not know that coffee was causing the trouble.

"Reading in the papers that many persons were relieved of such ailments by leaving off coffee and drinking Postum, I got my husband to bring home a package. We made it according to directions and I liked the first cup. Its rich, snappy flavor was delicious.

"I have been using Postum about eighteen months and to my great joy, digestion is good, my nerves and heart are all right, in fact, I am a well woman once more, thanks to Postum."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Write for copy of the little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Postum comes in two forms:

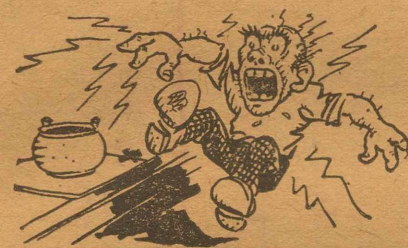
Regular Postum—must be well boiled.

Instant Postum is a soluble powder. A teaspoonful dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. Grocers sell both kinds.

"There's a reason" for Postum.

# NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

## Electricity in a Bowl Protects a Bunch of Coin



WASHINGTON.—"Conscience doth make cowards of us all," remarked Mr. Shakespeare, which only shows that Shakespeare, was hep to humanity and wrote a good many things that other people merely thought. This philosophy on morals may not have been written with a particular view to janitors, but there are several cases in Washington where it would apply. There is one widely discussed at the capitol, where it is well known that Superintendent Elliot Woods can leave jewels and precious stones or anything else he happened to have lying around.

Quite a while ago the senate laboratory was not the commodious struc-

ture it is now, but merely a private laboratory and workshop for Mr. Woods. He was an electrical expert then, as he is now, and was always fooling with anything from wireless to high frequency currents. He noticed at one time that a good many of his small personal possessions disappeared if he did not lock them up, and as he seldom thought to lock anything up, the lost list increased to an annoying extent.

One day he built a large lyden jar out of a big china bowl and a little tin foil. He dropped a lot of pennies and nickels and dimes into it and charged it with enough "juice" to kill an ox.

It was not long before one of the outside laborers slipped in and took a look around. That bowl of small change was an irresistible temptation, and he evidently thought a few would not be missed. He ran his hand into the bowl, but before he could grasp a nickel he felt as though some one had hit him on the funny bone with an ax. He gave a wild yell and landed in the middle of the property yard.

## This Model Shop Was Rather an Eerie Place

WHEN the model shop of the Smithsonian Institution was down by the railroad tracks in South Washington, Harry Handley and the late Mr. Palmer, who were in the shop, had the surrounding population "buffaloe" to the extent that it was never necessary to lock a door. The model shop was rather an eerie place, anyhow, with its atmosphere of plaster of paris, half dismembered bodies and statues and rugs and skins and almost anything else queer that happened to float through the museum.

The thing that made the place sacred, or rather baleful, to illiterate neighbors was a human skeleton that lived in the back of the shop and that by a simple arrangement of overhead cords could be made to get up off a chair and walk into the shop.

There is one of the clerks up in the war department who is an amateur naturalist of some attainment. He is also a smoker and is in the habit of keeping a small reserve supply of tobacco in a jar on his desk, so that he can replenish his pouch if he runs short during the day.

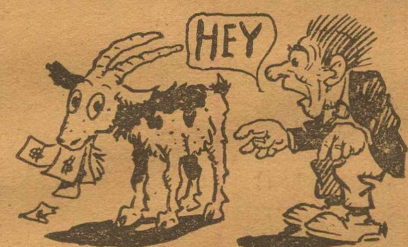
He found, finally, that it was impossible to keep any tobacco on hand and whenever he wanted it in a hurry the



jar was sure to have been emptied. The inhabitants of Ireland have nothing on the sons of Ham when it comes to dreading snakes. All snakes look alike to them and they are all deadly, merely because they are snakes, quite regardless of the species. The clerk knew this quite well and, carefully washing out the tobacco dust from the jar, he one day dropped a perfectly harmless grass snake into it and put on the lid.

That afternoon he stayed late with a draftsman who was working overtime in an adjoining room. About 5:30 there was an agonized yell from the neighborhood of his desk and one of the janitors passed through the room in a blinding cloud of dust and took the stairs three at a time without waiting for the elevator.

## Hidden Wealth Lost; Stove Is Worst Offender



THE United States has made millions of dollars through the efforts of thrifty people to place their surplus wealth beyond the reach of thieves. Goats, calves, dogs and other animals have eaten hundreds of rolls of bills that would have been far safer in banks. Parlor stoves also appear to be a profitable source of loss.

But for the work of the redemption division of the treasury department the loss in many cases would be total. As it is much of the money is redeemed, but to date Uncle Sam is \$14,000,000 richer than he would have been had he never issued paper money.

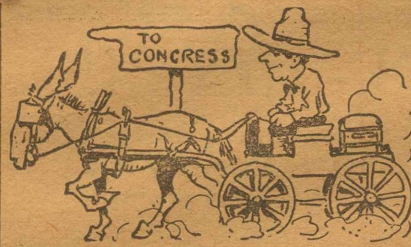
## Congressman Drove a Mule and Was Proud of It

IT IS not often that a mule will help a man to get into congress, but this very thing happened in the case of William N. Baltz, who represents the Twenty-second Illinois district. He is the man who succeeded Representative Rodenberg.

Baltz is a farmer, and he is proud of it. In his youth he was offered an opportunity to obtain a college education, but he declined, saying that he preferred to devote his time to his farm. So he went to work and farmed right up to the minute that it became necessary for him to come to congress. Furthermore, he will farm some more, whenever congress adjourns.

There were those people in his district who were politically opposed to him that thought it would be a fine scheme to expose the fact that he drove a mule around home, and they spread this "scandal" far and wide.

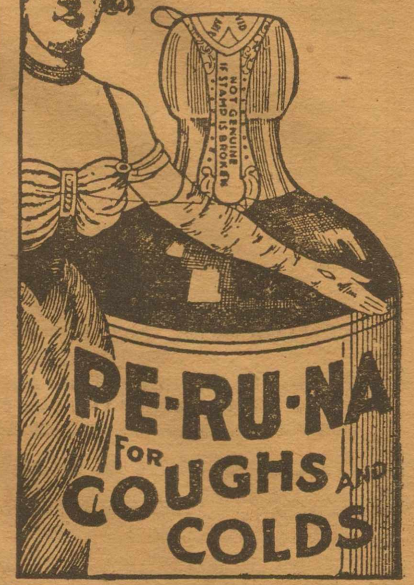
After the story had been going the rounds for two or three weeks Baltz was called on one night down at Belleville to make his first political speech



"Some of my political opponents say that I drive a mule," he said. "You bet I drive a mule! He's a good mule, too. I don't suppose there's a better mule in southern Illinois. I'm not ashamed of that mule, and I'm not ashamed that I'm a farmer, either. Some folks try to belittle me by saying that I wear a hickory shirt. You bet I wear one! I'm not ashamed of that, either. I'm a farmer and I'm an honest one, and if you send me to Washington I'll be an honest congressman, too!"

The speech made a hit with the audience and the newspapers said that it was one of the best that had been delivered during the campaign.

## TRIED REMEDY FOR THE GRIP.



Too Precipitate.  
"Mr. Smith, could you lend me—"  
"No, Mr. Jones, I can't. And I wouldn't if I could. I've been lending you money for months and you don't even offer to return it."  
"But I wanted to know if you wouldn't lend me—"  
"I tell you I won't."  
"Well, don't. I wanted the loan of your fountain pen to make out a check for what I owe you. But if you are in no hurry, I'm not."

## FALLING HAIR MEANS DANDRUFF IS ACTIVE

Save Your Hair! Get a 25 Cent Bottle of Danderine Right Now—Also Stops Itching Scalp.

Thin, brittle, colorless and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp; of dandruff—that awful scurf.

There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its luster, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast. A little Danderine tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, luster and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance; an incomparable gloss and softness, but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp. Adv.

### He Was Needed.

This anecdote is told of a small colored boy who loved to attend funerals, and who one day was directed to move from the doorway of a house wherein a white person lay dead.

"Go on at once, boy," said a member of the family, gently assisting Rastus toward the sidewalk. "You have no reason to be here."

"I has, too," objected Rastus, resisting. "Tse de crape."

## INDIGESTION, GAS OR BAD STOMACH

Time it! Pape's Diapepsin ends all Stomach misery in five minutes.

Do some foods you eat hit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into stubborn lumps and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, jot this down: Pape's Diapepsin digests everything, leaving nothing to sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is disordered you will get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it strengthens and regulates your stomach so you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food. Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or bad stomach. Adv.

### Rashness Rebuked.

"Shall we cut out our names in this tree, love?"

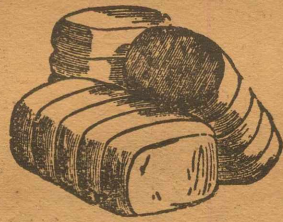
"What, already? Papa wanted first to inquire about you, Robert."



# BALE COTTON GIVEN AWAY!!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

ASK US FOR PARTICULARS



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**B**EGINNING Saturday, October 25, tickets for the Free Bale of Cotton will be given away. Come to see us and learn all about it. It will pay you to trade with us because we save you money every day in the year and will now give free a bale of cotton besides. . . . .

We are making Special Prices on Coffee, and the price on anything in Canned Goods is cut way down. Racket Goods cheaper than you can buy them wholesale

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### NOTICE

Commencing next Monday night, October 27, the Lyric Theatre begins its regular fall run of motion pictures, exhibiting 3 reels each night, 6 nights each week.

Mr. Zinn informs us he has been very fortunate in securing the best picture service ever presented to the western public. Every picture guaranteed to be not over 60 to 90 days old, supplying 3 2 to 3 reel features in each week's service.

We heartily commend Mr. Zinn in handling this high grade service, although it comes at a much greater added expense we feel certain the increase in patronage will make it profitable.

Hurley Sampson, of Red Mud, was in Spur this week.

Dr. Grace has been suffering the past several days of an attack of rheumatism, and the doctor says that medicines and medical skill avail little in relief of the disease in this instance.

Mr. McClure, of Fort Worth and representing Dunn & Bradstreet, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Spur securing the financial ratings of business men.

J. P. Higgins came in Monday from his ranch on Cat Fish and spent several hours here on business and greeting his many friends.

Mayor Geo. S. Link and J. C. Bryant made a business trip to the Plains country Wednesday.

W. M. Randall was in the city one day this week from the Steel Hill community.

### OUR JOBBING INTERESTS

Texans Consume \$300,000,000 Dry Goods Annually.

We can never hope to become a manufacturing country or to acquire power in commerce and trade until we first build up our wholesale and jobbing interests. The jobber is the salesman of industry, the servant of the factory, the standard-bearer of prosperity and the authorized medium of co-operation between the producer and the consumer in economic distribution of merchandise and in empire building.

The people of Texas consume annually approximately \$300,000,000 worth of dry goods and notions, and only a small fraction of the purchases are made through Texas jobbers and manufacturers. No country can advance far in industrial progress until it patronizes home institutions; no community can become powerful in trade and remain indifferent to its local industries. Patronizing home industries is as essential to our commercial success as patriotism is necessary in government, and those who do not do so fail to discharge a debt inherited from civilization and lose an opportunity of making a living contribution to the progress of the country.

The patronizing of our jobbing houses would call for an immediate increase in investments in that industry of approximately \$50,000,000, give direct employment to 100,000 people, bring within our borders ten thousand factories affording employment to a half million people, provide a home market for our farm products, give us control of our own business affairs, make us independent of, instead of dependent upon, our foreign neighbors and multiply the opportunities of every citizen.

There is not a town, village or hamlet in this State that would not become the logical location for one or more of these factories, and yet this natural heritage is withheld from them through lack of co-operation among the buying interests of Texas.

By giving the Lyric Theatre your support you are guaranteed the highest grade motion pictures ever presented to you. Don't forget the date commencing—Monday night, Oct. 27.

Mr. Neighbors, a prominent citizen and a prosperous farmer of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur Wednesday and spent several hours here on business and trading with merchants.

The Odd Fellows of Spur Lodge No. 771 will have an oyster supper in the lodge hall the first Friday night in November. All Odd Fellows are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. J. E. Morris left Tuesday for Haskell where she will remain on an extended visit with mother and other relatives and friends of that city.

W. S. Campbell and wife left Wednesday for Dallas where they will spend several days seeing the sights at the big State Fair.

Joe A. Smith spent several days of this week in Dallas on business and also to attend the fair.

### SUBSTANTIAL REMEMBRANCE

Poet Hagins, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Saturday with cotton which he sold on the Spur market at the prevailing high prices. While here Mr. Hagins remembered the Texas Spur in a substantial way by renewing his subscription to the paper. He reports every thing in fairly good shape in his section of the country.

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Quite a number people of Spur and surrounding country have been to the State Fair, or contemplate going before it closes.

J. P. Gibson was in the city Wednesday from the Steel Hill community.

V. H. Davis made a business trip Tuesday to the Plains country.

Wren Cross, of Kent county, marketed cotton in Spur Friday.

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SPUR, TEXAS**



## TEXAS SPUR

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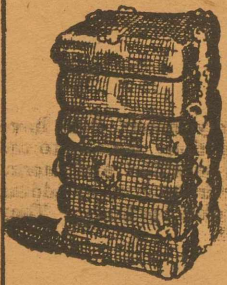
FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

Gov. Sulzer, of New York, was convicted and removed from the governorship of that state by the high court of impeachment. We have little doubt but that Sulzer may have been guilty of the charges of which he was convicted, but we further doubt not that the charges emanated from an unclean source and had not the motive of a cleaner politics and a cleaner administration of state governmental affairs, but rather to impress the Governor and his successors to the office that they must heed the demands and requirements of the self-installed bosses. We have bosses of more or less degree surrounding the public offices from Constable up to the presidency, and the great need in instituting and enforcing good government is the election to all public offices men who know the right and will do it. Although Sulzer may have been guilty of violating the law in following the long established precedents in political manipulations in New York, he has our sympathy because he was knocked out in going against the New York Political Machine, and even the unintentional on the part of the Machine, we believe the conviction will have in the end a purifying effect in politics of that state.

The deep well project in Spur has been abandoned, the derrick will be torn down and the machinery removed. This is the culmination of more than four years of incessant effort and labor on the part of Driller Minnihan and his crew of assistants, and the expenditure of thousands of dollars on the part of S. M. Swenson & Sons in the hope of securing artesian water for Spur. No one is more disappointed in this failure than The Texas Spur. The Swensons are to be commended for their staying qualities against odds on this proposition. The well is 4,489 feet deep, and several hundred feet of piping securely fastened in the hole was the immediate cause of abandoning the proposition.

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President Huerta, of Mexico, has dissolved congress, imprisoned all the government officials who fail or refuse to see things according to his personal views, and established himself as dictator of all Mexican government. And yet for fifty cents a day and provisions he can hire a majority of the peons to fight for him and his cause to oppose any reform looking to a better and more popular government. Verily, at this time Mexico needs great men to relieve the situation and create a government for the best interests of the majority without consideration of the past rulers and powers of that country.

Attorney Dalton, of Plainview and well known in Spur and over this entire section of country, died in Amarillo Monday. His death was unexpected and unnecessary at this time, since we are informed he died of the effects of ether administered for a simple operation for appendicitis. Judge Dalton was an attorney of exceptional ability and had gained a wide reputation in the legal fraternity.

Mrs. Pankhurst, the noted woman suffragette from over the Seas, has been refused admission by the immigration agents. If Mrs. Pankhurst has no contagious disease, we see no reason why, in this land of the free and home of the brave, a lecturing lady should be feared.

It is a great hindrance to agricultural progress and advancement, nevertheless a fact, that at least seventy five out of every hundred farmers do not figure how much it costs them to produce their cotton, nor do they know how to grade the staple after it is prepared for the market. It is a self-evident proposition that without a thorough knowledge of his business and his products the farmer can not attain the height of success, and yet the great majority of farmers in this country know little of the adaptability and possibilities of the varied character of soil, conduct their business in a haphazard, unsystematic manner, dump products on the market and trust speculators and providence to get good prices. Just as long as the farmer neglects to acquire a thorough knowledge of farming and farming operations from beginning to end, just so long will he reap small harvests and secure smaller returns. In the beginning knowledge was power, and it is just as powerful today. Farming is the greatest business in the world, and yet the business is conducted with less study, least thought and knowledge on the part of the proprietors of any other business of the world.

We received this week the first issue of the Stamford Observer, published at Stamford. The Observer makes two separate newspaper publications for that town. Stamford may be large enough to support two papers, but in the past it has poorly supported one. However, after looking over the Stamford Observer we can readily see ear-marks of success, and while we do not know the editor and publishers we do know that they have newspaper ability and skill in the art of printing, and if the business men of Stamford give the publication only half the patronage it deserves the town will have at least one newspaper of which it can be proud and pardonably boastful. We will watch the ascendancy of The Stamford Observer with assurance.

While the cotton crop of the country will be somewhat short, the higher prices being paid for the staple on the Spur market will partially relieve the depression of farmers in this section.

Spur has as nice streets and sidewalks as any town its size in Western Texas, and this fact is more noticeable when the homeman returns from a trip to other towns. However, we note that some merchants are inclined to use the side-walks on which to display their wares, and in some instances keep the walk entirely blockaded indefinitely. This is not only unfair to the public and the town but may become a detriment to another business along the way. The streets and walks are made for the public and business concerns should not infringe on the rights and privileges of the public highways. There are plenty vacant lots on which such wares can be stored and conveniently displayed to prospective purchasers. Let us clean up the side-walks. The campaign is now on.

The Spur country and all of Western Texas now has an abundant season which places the entire country in an ideal condition for all agricultural purposes. It is now up to farmers to take advantage of the prevailing conditions, and it can be observed that successful business men are those who take advantage of the opportunities presented rather than wait for the one hoped for condition. Winter grain can be sown to advantage now, or the moisture can be conserved by scientific methods for use next year. Nature is doing her part in agricultural advancement. Are you?

Come to Spur where the cotton buyers pay long prices and some of the merchants sell goods at short crop prices. Read the advertising pages and you can see who are the merchants. The merchant who fears publicity is to be feared and watched by the general public and especially any patron who incidentally or accidentally happens in to such a place.

In comparison with other towns of this section, Spur and the Spur country are still in the lead in crop production, development progress and commercial advantages and inducements.

The political bee is beginning to buzz among would-be candidates in this section.

## Murray Brothers...

YOU WILL EVENTUALLY  
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**Apple Soup.**—Peel and quarter a quart of cooking apples, carefully removing the cores; put into a kettle with three pints of white stock, pepper, salt, and three cloves; boil until tender, strain and reheat, adding a cup of sweet cream and a dash of nutmeg and a tablespoon of sugar. Serve with toast squares.

**Cucumber Soup.**—Pare, quarter, and remove the seeds from two cucumbers, cut in thick slices, and cover with boiling water to draw out the poison. Let them stand ten minutes, then have ready two quarts of white stock, add the cucumbers, and boil slowly until very tender, adding a bunch of sweet herbs. Strain and season and add a gill of cream, in which two eggs have been well beaten. Serve at once with toast sippets.

**Savory Marrow Bones.**—Have marrow bones cut the desired length and boil them in a linen cloth in fair water long enough to release the marrow. Stuff them with a mixture of sweetbreads, mushrooms, the marrow and savory seasoning, and bake in a moderate oven. When done, they may be fitted with a paper collar and a black ribbon tie, tied in a square bow and a paper fool's cap, and served on lace paper doilies.

**Deviled Salad Balls.**—Take the yolks of four hard-boiled eggs and devil them, with salt, pepper, olive oil, dash of Worcestershire sauce, to form the paste, then form into little balls; roll in powdered nuts and drop into the salad among the leaves. Cover with mayonnaise.

**Layer Cake, Soft Frosting.**—In laying up a cake with soft frosting, each layer may be sprinkled with powdered pistachio nuts. To make it especially pretty for a festival occasion, the top may be decorated with candied mint and rose leaves.

In making the dressing for any salad, remember that only the very best olive oil that can be purchased is allowable, for the delicacy and flavor of a salad may be ruined if a cheap, heavy oil is used. And such oil may also make a salad most indigestible, whereas the pure oil is most healthful and nourishing.

**Single Raspberry Shortcakes.**  
Two cups flour, two teaspoons baking powder, one-third cup butter, one-third teaspoon salt, about two-thirds cup milk, crushed fruit, sugar. Sift together flour, salt and baking powder, rub in the butter lightly and mix to a light dough with the milk. Cut into rounds like biscuits and bake in a quick oven. When done, split, spread lightly with butter and put some of the crushed berries, sweetened to taste, between and on top of the cakes. Serve plain or with whipped cream.

**Savory Onions.**  
After you have boiled peeled young onions until tender, drain them and pour over them a cupful of good stock and simmer in this for ten minutes. Take out the onions with a split spoon and keep them hot while you thicken the gravy with a tablespoon of browned flour rubbed to a paste with the same amount of butter. Stir until smooth and thick, add a teaspoon kitchen bouquet and one of good catsup, with salt and pepper to taste, and pour over the onions.

**Corned Beef Gravy.**  
If your family always want gravy on their potatoes if they can get it, they can have it even with corned beef. Take some of the liquor, not too fat, thicken with flour and season with a little pepper. Do not salt until you taste it and see if necessary. If the corned beef is of good flavor this makes an acceptable gravy.

**Headache Cure.**  
A teaspoonful of lemon juice in a small cup of black coffee is a safe remedy for bilious headache.

**Scotch Quick Cakes.**  
Rub three-quarters of a pound of butter into one pound of sifted flour, mix up into a pound of granulated sugar and a large tablespoonful of powdered cinnamon. Mix to a dough with three well beaten eggs, roll out into a sheet, cut into round cakes and bake in a quick oven. These cakes require but a few minutes to cook.

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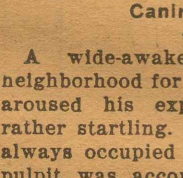
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"Brother, it may be your dog has a call to preach; I do not know about that. But this is my appointment."

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Get a 10-cent box. Sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, coated tongue, foul taste and foul breath—always trace them to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach. Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

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British Statesmen Proud to Acknowledge the Benefits Conferred by Their Better Halves.

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Mr. Gladstone, in old age, said to a friend: "My wife has known every political secret I have ever had, and has never betrayed my confidence," and others have borne tribute to "the tender vigilance which sustained and prolonged his years."

Lady Salisbury, with no aptitude or inclination for public life, was the stay, confidante and social helpmeet of her husband.

At a dinner to Mrs. Lloyd George in London, at which she was presented with a replica of a portrait of her husband, a letter was read from Mr. Lloyd George expressing deep appreciation of the "great kindness which prompts my friends to present to the brave little woman who is my wife a portrait of the troublesome person whom she has stood by through good and evil report."

**Good Guess.**  
The class was discussing animals—how they walked, got up, etc. After she explained the cow's method of rising to her feet, the teacher asked: "Do you know any other animal that gets up like a cow?" Silence reigned for a moment, then one little girl timidly raised her hand.

"What is it?" asked the teacher.

"A calf," was the reply.

**Safety in Speech.**  
"Your speech contains a great many quotations from the classics."  
"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum; "I always feel safe in using Latin and Greek. Not being understood at all, they are sure not to be misunderstood."

**For a Purpose.**  
Briggs—Why did you get such a cheap trunk to go to the seaside with?  
Griggs—I don't expect to bring it back with me.—Puck.

**Something Like.**  
"Did you ever feel the influence of a starlight night?"  
"Humph! All moonshine."

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"And what was it, may I ask?"  
"A dispossession notice."

**She Was One.**  
"Is that Perkins chap who calls on you very intelligent?"  
"Intelligent? Why, he doesn't even know enough to embrace an opportunity."

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There is no guesswork in loading them. Reliability, velocity, pattern and penetration are determined by scientific apparatus and practical experiments. Do you shoot them? If not, better try the W brand. They are the FIRST CHOICE OF THE BEST SHOTS.

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**Lower Class.**  
Bobby—There was a new boy in our school today.  
Bingo—In your class?  
Bobby—I guess not! I licked him with one hand.—Puck.

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**IN** Some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of land not occupied. Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it can be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must and will be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and those who will hereafter buy them, from this wood cutting.

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Dr. Standifer returned the latter part of last week from Elk City, Oklahoma. He was accompanied home by his brother, Dr. J. E. Standifer, wife and son, who will remain in Spur and take treatment at the Standifer hospital. Dr. Standifer has been in ill health for some time, and his son also has threatened attacks of appendicitis, both of whom may undergo operations before returning home.

Leslie Williams and wife returned last week from an extended vacation trip to Colorado, and spending several days in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ellis, before departing for their new home at Goree.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Barnes left Spur the latter part of last week for the Croton country where Prof. Barnes will superintend one of the schools of that section.

Walter Jackson, a prominent stockfarmer and leading citizen of several miles north of Draper, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent several hours in the city.

J. D. Hufstedler, a prominent citizen of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Saturday and reports everything moving along nicely in his section.

Mrs. McDonald, of the Plains country, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office.

J. I. Greer was in the city Saturday from the Tap country and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

The best car in the world for the money is the Ford. See J. L. Gilbert, sub-agent at garage. 35tf

H. H. Hill, of the Dry Lake community, was in Spur Saturday and while here called in and had his name enrolled on the Texas Spur subscription list. Verily, there is great rejoicing at those who enter the list of regular readers as well as for the hundreds already enrolled.

Mr. Walker, of Bryan is in the city visiting at the home of his brother, J. R. Walker and family. Mr. Walker is also here with a view of becoming permanently located in this section, and we will be glad to see him established here with us in business.

During the week Mesdames Green and John Henson, of Jayton, and Elsbv of the Plains country, underwent operations at the Standifer hospital. Each of the patients are reported doing nicely at this time.

R. L. Overstreet, a successful farmer and one of the most prominent citizens of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent some time here on business and trading with Spur merchants.

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Jim Perkins, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent several hours here on business.

Harry Ward, representing the J. M. Radford Grocery Company of Stamford, was in Spur last week in the interest of the trade in his line.

N. B. Fuquay and wife were in Spur Monday from their farm home in the Red Mud country and spent some time here trading.

P. H. Miller returned from Roaring Springs and has been spending several days of this week in Spur.

Howard Gohson, of Ranger, spent several days of last week in Spur visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bobo.

Mrs. W. D. Clay returned recently from an extended visit to relatives at Beaumont and other south Texas points. She reports a most pleasant visit and that she had the pleasure of meeting a number of relatives and friends which she had not seen in years.

Mrs. P. C. Ellis and daughter, Miss Kate, left the latter part of last week for Dallas where they will remain some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. Sanders, and also to attend the fair.

J. C. Davis was in Spur Monday from his ranch home north of Dickens and spent some time in the city on business and visiting his sons, Sol and L. W. Davis and families.

Tom McArthur was in Spur the latter part of last week from his farm and ranch home in the Tap country and spent several hours here on business.

J. R. McArthur, of the Tap country, was among the many business visitors to Spur Saturday from the surrounding country.

E. L. Blakeley, a leading citizen and one of the most successful and prosperous farmers of the Afton country, was in Spur last week and spent some time here greeting his friends and trading with the merchants of Spur.

J. L. Gilbert made a trip to Jayton Tuesday where he spent several hours on business.

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# MOLLY McDONALD

## A TALE OF THE FRONTIER



By **RANDALL PARRISH**  
Author of "Keith of the  
Border," "My Lady of  
Doubt," "My Lady of the  
South," etc., etc.

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### SYNOPSIS.

Major McDonald, commanding an army post near Fort Dodge, seeks a man to intercept his daughter, Molly, who is headed for the post. An Indian outbreak is threatened. Sergeant "Brock" Hamlin meets the stage in which Molly is traveling. They are attacked by Indians, and Hamlin and Molly escape in the darkness. Hamlin tells Molly he was discharged from the Confederate service in disgrace and at the close of the war enlisted in the regular army. He suspects one Captain LeFevre of being responsible for his disgrace. Troops appear and under escort of Lieut. Gaskins Molly starts to join her father. Hamlin leaves to rejoin his regiment. He returns to Fort Dodge after a summer of fighting Indians, and finds Molly there. Lieutenant Gaskins accuses Hamlin of shooting him. The sergeant is proven innocent. He sees Molly in company with Mrs. Dupont, whom he recognizes as a former sweetheart, who threw him over for LeFevre. Later he overhears Dupont and a soldier hatching up a money-making plot. Molly tells Hamlin her father seems to be in the power of Mrs. Dupont, who claims to be a daughter of McDonald's sister. Molly disappears and Hamlin sets out to trace her. McDonald is ordered to Fort Ripley. Hamlin finds McDonald's murdered body. He takes Wasson, a guide, and two troopers and goes in pursuit of the murderers who had robbed McDonald of \$30,000 paymaster's money. He suspects Dupont. Conners, soldier accomplice of Dupont, is found murdered. Hamlin's party is caught in a fierce blizzard while heading for the Cimarron. One man dies from cold and another almost succumbs. Wasson is shot as they come in sight of Cimarron. Hamlin discovers a log cabin hidden under a bluff, occupied by Hughes, a cow thief, who is laying for LeFevre, who cheated him in a cattle deal. His description identifies LeFevre and Dupont as one and the same. Hughes shot Wasson mistaking him for one of LeFevre's party. Hamlin and Hughes take up the trail of LeFevre, who is carrying Molly to the Indian's camp. Two days out they sight the fugitives. A fight ensues in which Hughes is shot by an Indian. Dying, he makes a desperate attempt to shoot LeFevre, but hits Hamlin, while the latter is disarming LeFevre. LeFevre escapes, believing Hamlin and Molly dead.

### CHAPTER XXXI.—Continued.

"Yes, I am Molly; please do not move yet. You have been hurt, but it is all right now."  
"Hurt!" he lifted his head slightly and stared about; then dropped it again with a sigh of content. "Oh, yes, now I know. Hughes shot me from behind." He struggled upright, in spite of her efforts at restraint, feeling beside him for the rifle. "Dupont was there, behind that dead pony. What became of Dupont?"  
She dropped her face in her hands, her form trembling.

"He—he got away. He thought you were dead; to—make sure he came over and kicked you. Then he took your rifle, and the only pony left, and rode off."  
"And left you?"  
"Yes—he—he never thought of me; only—only how he should escape with the money, I never moved, never opened my eyes; perhaps he believed me dead also, and—and I prayed he would. I would rather have died than have him touch me again. And—and I thought you were dead too. O God! It was so horrible!"  
The man's voice was soft and low, thrilling with the love that refused control.

"I know, dear; I know it all, now," he said tenderly, clasping her hands. "But that is all over and gone." He put up one hand to his wound. "Heavens, how my head aches! But that pain won't last long. I am a bit groggy yet, but will be on my feet pretty soon. You are a brave little girl. Tell me how you got free?"  
She went over the short story slowly, not lifting her eyes to his, and he listened in silence, moving his limbs about, confident of the gradual return of strength.

### CHAPTER XXXII.

#### Words of Love.

Hamlin was silent for a moment, not knowing what to say that would comfort or help. He had never suspected this, and yet he could not refrain altogether from experiencing a feeling

of relief. Deeply as he sympathized with her in this trouble, still the man could not be conscious of those barriers formerly existing between them which this discovery had instantly swept away. Now they could meet upon a level, as man and woman. No longer could rank intervene; not even the stain of his own court-martial. Possibly she dreamed of what was passing in his mind, for she suddenly lifted her eyes to his.

"Shall I tell you?"  
"No; not now; both your explanation and mine can wait," he replied quickly. "I can stand alone now—see," and he regained his feet, swaying slightly with dizziness, yet smiling down at her as he held forth a hand. "Now you try it; take hold of me until you test your limbs—that was an ugly fall you got when I shot your pony."

She straightened slowly, her cheeks flushing in the keen air, her eyes striving to smile back in response to his challenge.

"That was nothing," she protested, tramping about. "I only went down into the snow, but my arms were bound, and the pony fell on my foot—it feels quite natural now."

"Good. We shall have to tramp a little way. In which direction did Dupont go?"

"Across the ridge there; see, that is his trail."

"Then he never saw our horses out yonder. That is one piece of good luck, at least. The sooner we get to them the better. I have been guilty of enough foolishness today to be careful hereafter." He looked across at Hughes' body. "I wonder if that fellow meant to hit me? I never trusted him much, but I didn't expect that. Did you see him fire?"

"Yes, but it was so sudden I could not even cry out. He was upon one knee, and his revolver waved like this as he tried to aim. Dupont saw it, and jumped just as he pulled the trigger."

"I thought so. The poor devil got the wrong man."

"Why? Were these two enemies?"  
"They had been partners, stealing and running cattle. Dupont had cheated Hughes out of his share, and there was bad blood between them. I ran across the fellow up on the Cimarron, waiting for Dupont to come back to his old range. Did you ever hear Dupont called by any other name?"  
She shook her head questioningly.

"No; wasn't that his real name? The woman back there—wasn't she his wife?"

"She was his wife, yes; but their name was not Dupont. That was assumed; the correct one was LeFevre."

"LeFevre! Why—why, wasn't that the name of the man you told me about once?—the officer who brought you those orders?"  
"He is the same. I did not know him at Dodge; not until Hughes told me. He had changed greatly in appearance, and I only saw him at night. But it was because I knew that I failed to kill him here; I wanted him alive, so I could compel him to tell the truth."

She gave a little sob, her hands clasped together. The man's voice softened, and he took a step nearer, bending above her.

"And yet now I do not care quite as much as I did."  
She looked up quickly into his face, and as swiftly lowered her lashes.

"You mean you have found other evidence?"

"No, but I have found you, dear. You need not try, for I am not going to let you get away. It is not the officer's daughter and the enlisted man any more. Those barriers are all gone. I do not mean that I am indifferent to the stain on my name, or any less desirous of wringing the truth from Gene LeFevre's lips, but even the memory of that past can keep me silent no longer. You are alone in the world now, alone and in the shadow of disgrace—you need me."

He stopped, amazed at the boldness of his own words, and, in the silence of that hesitation, Molly lifted her eyes to his face.

"I think I have always needed you," she said simply.

He did not touch her, except to clasp the extended hands. The loneliness of the girl, here, helpless, alone with him in that wilderness of snow, bore in upon his consciousness with a suddenness that robbed him of all sense or triumph. He had spoken passionately,

recklessly, inspired by her nearness, her dependence upon him. He had faith that she cared; her eyes, her manner had told him this, yet even now he could not realize all that was meant by that quiet confession. The iron discipline of years would not relax instantly; in spite of the boldness of his utterance, he was still the soldier, feeling the chasm of rank. Her very confession, so simply spoken, tended to confuse, to mystify him.

"Do you mean," he asked eagerly, "that you love me?"

"What else should I mean?" she said slowly. "It is not new to me. I have known it for a long while."

"That I loved you?"  
"Yes," smiling now. "Love is no mystery to a woman. I do not care because you are in the ranks; that is only a temporary condition. I knew you out there, at the very first, as a gentleman. I have never doubted you. Here, in this wilderness, I am not afraid. It is not because my father is dead, or because he has been guilty of a crime, that I say this. I would have said it before, on the balcony there in Dodge, had you asked me. It is not the uniform I love, but the man. Can you understand?"

"Will you marry me—a sergeant of cavalry?"

She was still smiling, her eyes frankly looking into his own.

"I will marry David Hamlin," she answered firmly, "let him be what he may."

The man let out his suppressed breath in a sob of relief, his eyes brightening with triumph.

"Oh, Molly! Molly!" he cried. "I cannot tell you what this all means to me. There is no past now to my life, but all future."

"Am I that to you?"  
"That! Yes, and a thousand times more! I had ambition once, opportunity, even wealth. They were swept away by a man's lie, a woman's perfidy. Out of that wreck, I crawled into the world again a mere thing. I lived simply because I must live, skulking in obscurity, my only inspiration the hope of an honorable death or an opportunity for vengeance. Mine was the life of the ranks in the desert, associating with the lowest scum, in constant contact with savagery. I could not speak to a decent woman, or be a man among men. There was



"And You Thought I Did Not Care?"

nothing left me but to brood over wrongs, and plot revenge. I became morose, savage, a mere creature of discipline, food for powder. It was no more when I first met you. But with that meeting the chains snapped, the old ambitions of life returned. You were a mere girl from the East; you did not understand, nor care about the snobbery of army life. No, it was not that—you were above it. You trusted me, treated me as a friend, almost as an equal. I loved you then, when we parted on the trail, but I went back to New Mexico to fight fate. It was such a hopeless dream, yet all summer long I rode with memory tugging at my heart. I grew to hate myself, but could never forget you."

She drew nearer, her hand upon his arm, her face uplifted.

"And you thought I did not care?"  
"How could I dream you did?" almost bitterly. "You were gracious, kind—but you were a major's daughter, as far away from me as the stars. I never heard from you; not even a rumor of your whereabouts came to me across the plains. I supposed you had returned East; had passed out of my life forever. Then that night when we rode into Dodge I saw you again—saw you in the yellow lamp light, watching us pass, heard you ask what troops those were, and I knew instantly all my fighting out there in the desert had been vain—that you were forever the one, one woman."

"I remained for that," she confessed softly, her lashes wet.

"At Dodge?"  
"Yes, at Dodge. I knew you would come, must come. Some intuition seemed to tell me that we should meet again. Oh, I was so happy the night you came! No one had told me your troop had been ordered in. It was like a dream come true. When I saw you leading your horse across the parade I could hardly refrain from calling out to you before them all. I did not care what they thought—for my sol-

dier had come home from the war." "Sweetheart," the deep voice faltering, "may—I may I kiss you?"  
"Of course you may."

Their lips met, and she clung to him as his arms held her closely. It was like a dream to him, this sudden, unexpected surrender. Perhaps she read this in his eyes.

"Do not misunderstand me," she urged softly. "I do not come to you because of what has happened, because I am alone and helpless. If you had stepped from the ranks that night at Dodge, I would have answered even as I do now."

"You love me—love me?" he repeated.  
"Yes."

Even as he looked down upon her upturned face, there was borne back upon him a realization of their predicament. His eyes swept over the surrounding desolation, the two dead bodies lying motionless in the snow, the stiffening pony, the drear hillside which shut them in. The sight brought him back to consciousness with a shock. Minutes might mean much now. Dupont had disappeared over that ridge to the right, in the direction of Black Kettle's camp. How far away that might be was altogether guess work, yet what would inevitably occur when the fugitive arrived among his friends, and told his story, could be clearly conceived. Even if the man believed Hamlin killed, he would recall to mind the girl, and would return to assure himself as to her fate. Knowing her helplessness, the practical impossibility of her escape alone, a return expedition might not be hurried yet, beyond doubt, this isolated valley would have Indian visitors within a few hours. And when these discovered the truth they would be hot upon a trail where concealment was impossible. The only hope of escape, and that far from brilliant—as he remembered the long desert ride from the distant cow camp on the Cimarron—lay in immediate departure. Every moment of delay served to increase their peril. Even beyond the danger of Dupont's report to Black Kettle, this snow-bound valley was not so far away from that chief's camp as to be safe from invasion by young warriors in search of game. All this flashed upon Hamlin's consciousness instantly, even as his heart thrilled to her frank avowal.

"This is so strange I can hardly realize the truth," he said gravely. "But, dear one, we must talk elsewhere, and not here. Life was never before worth so much as it is now, and every instant we waste here may mean capture and death. Come, there are two ponies at the mouth of the valley."

He snatched up the blanket from the ground, and wrapped it about her in such manner as to enable her to walk; stooped over Hughes, loosened the revolver from his stiffened fingers, and then came back to where she waited.

"You can walk? It is not far."  
"Yes, the numbness is all gone."  
He was all seriousness now, alert and watchful, the plainsman and the soldier.

"Then come; I'll break trail."  
"Where is the Indian village?" she asked, her voice trembling slightly.

"Beyond those bluffs; at least Hughes thought so. We saw their pony herd in the valley below, mere dots against the snow."  
Ten minutes later, plowing through the intervening drifts, they came forth to the broad vista of the valley and the two patient ponies standing motionless.

### (TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### Spain's Pigeonhole Cemeteries.

A rather curious—and to our ideas somewhat unappealing—custom obtains in Spanish cemeteries. All around the burying-ground a building is erected whose design can only be compared to that of a nest of pigeon holes, often seen in post offices and similar institutions. Each pigeonhole is a tomb. When a person dies his relatives hire a pigeonhole for five years, and the remains are placed inside. The end is then sealed up with mortar and a memorial tablet affixed on the outside. The lease of the pigeonhole may be renewed at the end of the five years, but if it is allowed to expire the tomb is unsealed and the bones removed to make way for another tenant. Needless to say, the plan has some good points. The space taken by the pigeonhole cemetery is comparatively small, as is the cost of burial. Picturesqueness is, however, conspicuously absent; nor is sentimental grief catered to, as it would be impossible to go and mourn at the grave of a person buried in a pigeonhole so high up that a ladder was needed to reach it. To such as prefer the old-fashioned graves the central space of the ground is offered, but the pigeonholes are the most popular.—The Wide World.

#### Changing Nature Indirectly.

You are constantly assured that you cannot change human nature; that you cannot make people over by process of law. But if you cannot reform men by reforming the conditions that make men what they are, how is it that you can so easily debauch and degrade them by reversing the process?—Collier's Weekly.

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### During courtship days every girl is a peach no matter if she does develop the characteristics of a lomen later.

People seldom attempt to sit on the man who stands up for himself.

## Backache Is a Warning

Thousands suffer kidney ills unawares—not knowing that the backache, headaches, and dull, nervous, dizzy, all tired condition are often due to kidney weakness alone. Anybody who suffers constantly from backaches should suspect the kidneys. Some irregularity of the secretions may give just the needed proof.



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## The Red Front Drug Store...

### ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. P. H. Miller entertained quite a number of lady friends at her home Friday afternoon, the occasion being in honor of her sister, Mrs. George T. Barnes, on the eve of her departure to a new home in the Croton country. The entertaining features of the occasion were novel, interesting and amusing. The guests were each handed a small sack containing a number of beans, the injunction being that one bean should be forfeited each time a guest replied "yes" or "no" to any question asked by another. This number of the program caused much laughter, and it is reported that Mrs. Bennett was the first to forfeit her stock of beans to the merriment of all. Slips of paper containing a number of questions pertaining to historical names which read backwards or forwards are the same, was handed around for the names to be written. Then a brain storm menagerie was displayed representing a great variety of the animals of the kingdom, the guests being required to name the various animals represented. At the conclusion of the contests the hostess served delicious ice cream and cake in a most inviting manner.

A most striking and pleasant feature of the entertainment was the rose decorations, beautiful bouquets of roses of varied colors being placed in profusion within the guest rooms, and on their departure each guest was presented a rose as a most acceptable and treasured memento of the occasion.

Among those present were Mesdames Broyles, Jessie Jones, Y. L. Jones, Jackson, Bennett, J. P. Simmons, Standifer, Burgoon, Reagan, Koon, Effie Johnson, Edmonds, Williams, Morris, Richburg, Manning, Brandon, Wilson, S. R. Davis, L. W. Davis, Jennings, Stewart, Joe Smith, Dan Hisey, Collier, Campbell, Barnes, McClure and Misses Boyd and Jennie Shields.

At the Lyric Theatre—a very nice program of motion pictures Friday and Saturday nights, this week. Come see.

Read the advertisements in the Texas Spur. They are not only interesting and instructive but will benefit you in that you have more knowledge of the goods and the merchant, and in the end save dollars.

### L. L. KELLEY DEAD.

L. L. Kelley died Tuesday morning at ten o'clock at his home near Afton. The remains were interred in the Afton cemetery Wednesday afternoon with Masonic honors tendered by the members of Spur and Dickens lodges.

Mr. Kelley had been in ill health a number of years and for nearly two years he had been confined to his room and bed. He had been a resident of Dickens county a number of years and was a highly respected and substantial citizen. At the beginning of Spur Mr. Kelley and family moved to Spur and for some time he was cashier of the F. & M. State Bank, resigning the position later on account of his health. The family has many warm friends in Spur who extend to Mrs. Kelley and the family sincere sympathy in this untimely bereavement.

Among the Masons who attended the funeral from Spur were W. A. Wilkenson, W. R. Stafford, Cliff Lovelace, Sam Clemmons, S. R. Davis, L. W. Davis, E. L. Clay, W. S. Taylor and Cephus Hogan.

### PRIZES TO FARMERS.

The Spur Commercial Club is arranging a list of prizes to be given to farmers of the Spur country for the best products brought in from the farm, garden and orchard. Premiums worth the effort on the part of farmers will be offered for every variety of produce and also the best collection of products from one farm. A list of the prizes will be given out later, and in the meantime farmers in every section are urged to begin to secure the best exhibits from their farms, orchards and gardens.



### YOUR NEXT TROUSERS

LET your next trousers be Curlee's. They are superior in style and quality, with prices the same—\$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00. We would also be pleased to show you our values in mens and boys suits. They are head and shoulders above all other makes, and our prices are unusually low.

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### STEEL HILL SCHOOL OPENS

The Steel Hill school commenced the 1913-14 term Monday with a good attendance of pupils and under the most promising conditions for a successful term of school.

Prof. D. T. Tarlton, of the Canon City Normal School, has been employed as Principal and Superintendent, and Miss Addie Mae Wells of Spur as Assistant in the school, and under their management and instructions the Steel Hill School is expected to remain in the front ranks of the progressive rural schools of the Spur country, and the pupils advance rapidly and efficiently.

J. E. Wright was in Spur this week from the Croton country trading with the merchants.

### THE TEXAS STEER

A Record of Progress Made by the Cattle Industry.

Like the Indian, the longhorn steer has been compelled to give way to civilization and he is now used principally in staging moving picture plays, as the star performer in wild west shows and posing before the camera for picture card souvenirs.

Our endless ranges have been cut up into innumerable small stock farms, the cattle barons have given way to farmers and quality has taken the place of quantity in the livestock industry of the state.

The market demands quality and the Texas steer has shown his ability to master the world's markets and his products fill the nation's larder.

Texas cattle have advanced more rapidly in value than those of any other state in the Union during the past twenty years. The federal census reports show that we had 8,011,195 head in 1890 valued at \$75,227,582 or \$9.40 per head, and in 1910 we had 7,139,400 head valued at \$138,957,404 or a value of \$19.46 each. We show a decrease of 871,795 in number and an increase in value of \$10.06 per head. On January 1st, 1913, we had 12,627,000 head of livestock in the state classifying as follows: Cattle 6,056,000, horses 1,181,000, mules 724,000, hogs 2,493,000, sheep and goats 2,073,000. We have four head of livestock per capita. We have more cattle than any other state in the Union and take first rank in the number of mules. The value of our livestock production per annum approximates \$148,000,000 and the value of meat consumed \$150,000,000, leaving a net deficit of \$2,000,000. The principal loss is on hogs. We consume \$24,000,000 more of pork than we produce, and in leather we suffer a loss of \$17,000,000, although we show a gain of \$28,000,000 in cattle.

The cowboy has been pushed back across the plains. Royal blood has entered the veins of the Texas steer and a marvelous transformation has taken place in the cattle industry of the state. We now have the best grade of cattle in the world.

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The Discovery of Subterranean Lakes and Impounding of Rainfall Reclaiming Arid Regions.

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