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with very best wishes for
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A Paper For The Homes Of Spur And Dickens County

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Happiness and Prosperity
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The Texas Spur throughout
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SAFE-BLOWERS OPERATE IN SPUR SUNDAY NIGHT.

Sunday night house-breakers, robbers and safe-blowers operated in Spur, blowing open two safes and working the combination on another and securing money and other valuables to the amount of fifteen hundred dollars.

The safe at the postoffice was blown open, the robbers securing from it about fifty dollars in cash and about nine hundred dollars worth of stamps in denominations of one and two cents.

The safe at the depot was also blown open and from which was taken about eleven dollars in cash.

The combination was worked on the safe at the R. B. Spencer lumber yard and from which was taken ten dollars in cash, a diamond ring and gold watch valued at about six hundred dollars and owned by F. A. Prideaux.

The robbers also unlocked the door and entered the Riter Hardware Company store where they secured a hand-ax and a stilton wrench which were used in their safe-blowing operations.

It is supposed that the robberies occurred between twelve and two o'clock, since the clock at the depot was stopped, supposedly by the explosion, between one and two o'clock during the night.

At the depot and the postoffice near the safes were found paper funnels which were used in pouring nitro-glycerin into the doors of the safes. At the depot the safe door knob was knocked off and into the hole the explosive was poured, the result being that the door was completely blown from the safe. A second explosion was required to remove the inner safe door which was blown across the room and into the wall opposite the safe.

At the Spencer yard, after working the combination on the safe, the inner door was battered in with the hand-ax.

The explosions disturbed no one and the robbery was not discovered until Monday morning. Sheriff Conner was notified and came over from Dickens immediately, and together with City Marshall Fred Hisey, assisted by other citizens of the town, began an investigation and at this time they are hot on the trail of the criminals. One arrest was made Monday morning in Spur, but after further investigation the suspect was released.

This is the first time anything of this character has happened in this part of the country, and the work of the safe-blowers was viewed with curiosity by many who had only heard of the destructive operations of such characters.

Many theories, speculations and opinions concerning the robbery and robbers have been advanced. However, it is very evident that the safe-blowers were experts in that profession, the work being accomplished with accuracy, dispatch and in such a manner as to create no disturbance.

Monday one of the money

boxes from the postoffice safe was found on the Steel Hill road three miles from town where it had been thrown away after being emptied of its contents. The finding of this box indicates that at least some of the number of robbers traveled in that direction after completing their work in Spur. The report came to Spur that a drug store in Sagerton was robbed Tuesday night, the loot at this point being principally of jewelry and a small amount of cash. This Sagerton robbery, of course, may have no bearing on the Spur robbery but it is natural to infer that the same crew is extending its operations down the line.

The officers are doing everything possible to catch the criminals, and since they have good evidence and are working night and day it is very probable that we can report the capture of every one of the criminals at an early date.

PROMINENT PEOPLE ENTER INTO MARRIAGE STATE

Mr. Clarence Young, a prominent young man of the Afton country, was in the County Seat last Saturday and procured marriage license to wed Miss Ola Jackson of the same community.

These young people are prominent in the society circles of Afton and are of highly respected families who have resided in Dickens county for many years.

The Item joins their many friends in extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Young.

Wesley Boling, of the Red Mud country, was in Dickens last Friday to secure license to marry Miss Daisy Dewey.

He was under age and had failed to secure the necessary affidavit as to the young ladies age, but by the assistance of his father who had come with him, he finally secured the much desired papers and went on his way rejoicing.

These young people are well known in the Red Mud country and their many friends will join the Item in wishing them a prosperous life.—Dickens Item.

SAVE TIME RETURNING

John Read and wife, of the Tap country, were in the city Saturday trading and spent several hours here. Mr. Read has decided to not go to New Mexico as heretofore planned, stating that he would just save the time, expense and trouble of making the trip there and back. Ed Fuquay and family, with whom Mr. Read intended to go, left Friday or Saturday with the expectation of making their permanent home in New Mexico.

MOVE TO SPUR.

G. W. Elmore called in this week and had his name entered on our subscription list, and for which he has our thanks. Mr. Elmore formerly lived in Rotan and the Rotan country, moving to the Plains country a little more than one year ago. A few weeks ago he bought the Ham residence in Spur and he and his family are now resident citizens of Spur, and we are glad to welcome them among us.

WE DON'T BLOW SAFES

We are getting in our Spring Shoes, and feel sure we have quality to offer that we have never had before. We have searched the shoe market for shoes of real merit, as you know it has been hard to get a good shoe for several years. The leather market has continually advanced and the shoe people have left out good leather in places and substituted paper or cheap leather. We have studied these conditions and have bought several different lines of shoes; for example, we found that no one manufacturer was good on all lines and we found Mens shoes good from one, Ladies from another, Boys another. Misses and Childrens from yet another. We will have Queen Quality for ladies, and added to them other lines of equal merit, and at popular prices. We want your shoe business, and feel that we are in position to give real values, together with the newest styles.

It is our aim to build our shoe department to double what it has been, since we have secured the strongest lines, we think, that can be had in the U. S., at the price. Remember where to get shoes for men, women and children. Now, if it's price you want, we are offering a nice, soft Ladies shoe at \$1.35, and a few Mens at the same price. Yes, we really want to shoe you, and, if you give us a look at Spring Shoes, we feel confident we will sell you.

We are glad to tell our friends that the safe blowers didn't bother our safe, so we have just as much money as ever, but we won't put the amount down here for lack of space. You know the fellow who went to bed to have his only shirt washed and they came in and told him the calves had chewed it up, and he calmly smiled and said: "Well them that's got must lose." The burglars didn't tackle any merchants, kause there's a reason—no funds.

Tariff—elastic currency, good seasons, and a full supply of John Deere farming tools, ought to make 1914 a bumper. Woodrow must be using John Deere implements the way he's working out his political platform. Now folks, no joking about it, John Deere implements have always been considered the standard of quality. They are made of the best material that goes into implements, and are adapted to the various soils and conditions of the West. Not cheaper, but better, is the Deere motto.

Onion Sets; plant them now while the season is good. We have a big assortment of Texas grown garden seeds this season, which are better for this country than Northern grown seeds. We want your seed business. Don't fail to see the Texas Seed and Floral Co.'s line.

Don't look for anything but good conditions and they will come. 1914 will be a hummer if we all do our best. Confidence is the mainspring of prosperity, and there hasn't been such a promise of general confidence for years.

Ladies, now is the time to se-

lect your ginghams for we have a full line of Everett's Classicks worth 12 12 cents, and we only ask 10c. Read Seals, a full case coming, and some of the newest weaves in Spring Dress Goods, will be in our showing by the time you read this. Winter goods go at a price.

A few horses and mules for sale, cash or good notes.

We don't blow safes but if a fellow don't blow his own horn a little in the mercantile business, it don't get blowed. Your friends,—Bryant-Link Co.

FLATTERING PROSPECTS

E. B. Shaw, a prominent citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers and stock-raisers of the Croton country, was in Spur recently and reports everything in fine shape, farmers all turning the soil in his section with flattering prospects for bumper crops.

291 POLL TAXES PAID UP TO THURSDAY NOON

Up to Thursday noon of this week 291 poll tax receipts had been issued by Tax Collector J. B. Conner. There are about 500 citizens of voting age in Dickens county and only fifteen days remains for the remaining 200 to qualify as voters.

A man disenchants himself if he fails to dig up \$1.75—and that's cheap voting this election year.

More poll taxes were paid during December this year than in the corresponding month in 1911.—Dickens Item.

DIED IN FORT WORTH.

C. F. Cates returned Sunday from Fort Worth where he had been several days with his son, Roy T. Cates, who died Friday in that city. The remains were carried to Decatur and interred Saturday in the cemetery at that place. Roy T. Cates was about 26 years of age and at the time of his death was making his home with his uncle, R. H. Smith of Fort Worth. He had been suffering several years of consumption, but had recovered of the lung troubles, the immediate cause of death being spinal meningitis. The many floral offerings at the funeral attested the high esteem in which Mr. Cates was held by many friends and acquaintances in Fort Worth and other points. We extend C. F. Cates and the bereaved family our heart-felt sympathy in this bereavement.

MARRIED

Frank Goodson and Miss Myrtle Walker drove over to Dickens Wednesday and were married. Frank Goodson is an employee of the Spur Ranch where he has been several years, and is one of the most prominent young men of the country. Miss Walker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker of near Spur. Mr. and Mrs. Goodson have many friends in Spur and the surrounding country, and the Texas Spur joins them in wishing the young couple many years of happiness and prosperity.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

Last Saturday afternoon a very interesting meeting was held in Spur by the Dickens County Agricultural Experiment Station Association. In addition to about twenty members, there were several visitors in attendance.

Subjects of special interest to the farmers at this season of the year, were discussed by various members present.

The most profitable methods of producing tomatoes and potatoes was a subject to which much attention was given. The proper time for planting spring oats was also considered. No set program was held but everyone with any problem presented it to the meeting and views advanced by others as to their success or failure in solving such problems for themselves.

Mr. Reagan, of the Commercial Club, requested the members of the association, and also asks every farmer in Dickens county, to give him a tentative report of the acreage each intends to devote to certain crops. By this method he hopes to give definite information to buyers of the various products as to the volume of the supply to be marketed here and thus attract them to this point.

The meetings are arousing much interest among the members and will doubtless prove more profitable as the organization grows. The cooperation between the business men and the farmers in such an organization should be of great benefit to this section.

The next meeting will be held in Spur, Saturday, January 31, at 2 p. m. in the Dunn building on east side of street. Meeting called promptly at 2 p. m.

GONE TO MEXICO

J. H. McMichael and family left Spur Tuesday morning for Clayton, New Mexico, where they intend to make their home in the future. Before leaving Mr. McMichael called in and requested that the Texas Spur follow him into Mexico.

SELL BUSINESS AT HAMLIN

L. N. Riter made a business trip this week to Hamlin. We understand that the Riter Hardware Company of Hamlin sold their business at that point recently to Day Brothers of Rotan. Day Brothers are leading hardware dealers of Rotan and will conduct the business at both points in the future.

Will Martin, of Lockney, spent several days of last week in Spur with a view of locating here and engaging in the jewelry business.

W. C. Odeneal returned last week to his home in Dallas after spending some time in Spur with his mother, Mrs. A. T. Odeneal.

Attorney B. D. Glasgow made a business trip the latter part of last week to Dickens.

W. F. Markham, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week.

THE 'HO-DO' YEAR GONE!

And Now Dawns Upon Us A 'New Year' The "Most Promising" of The Present Century!

ONLY 12 DAYS

OF GROCERY BARGAINS!

Your Opportunity to Save Money on Groceries of High Grade, Standard Brands and Quality. The prices will be at and less than the wholesale cost.

BEGINNING
Saturday,

JAN. 10 TO 24.

MOST STARTLING LOW PRICES!

IN Order to add to the Prosperity of the "Spur Trade Territory" we are beginning the New Year of "1914" with the "Most Startling Low Prices" you have ever seen or will see again in many days. For only twelve days you will be given an opportunity to

BUY GROCERIES

BELOW THE WHOLESALE PRICE!!

This Never Happened Before and is not Likely to Occur Again

SALE BEGINS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

And continuing only 12 days you are offered groceries at bottom prices. It will pay you to lay in a year's supply at the prices we are now making.

SALE CLOSES
Saturday,

JAN. 24, 1914.

Remember we are not offering only a few "Leaders", but everything in the Grocery line is Reduced alike in Price. Read carefully the cut prices quoted below:

CALIF. CANNED GOODS

25c Peaches for	15c
30c " "	17c
30c Pears	17c
35c " "	21c
30c Apricots	17c
25c Grapes	14c
35c " "	18c
25c Plums	14c
30c Cherries	19c
25c Blackberries	17c
35c Strawberries	21c
Chewing Gum	.3c
Spices, all kinds	.7c
Bulk Red Pepper per lb.	.28c
Bulk Black " "	.19c
Lamp Burner	.7c
" Chimney	.7c
Macaroni per package	.7c
4 pk. Arm & Hammer Soda	.25c
7 pk. M. Yeast	.25c
One-half pound Cocoanut	.15c
One-fourth " "	.8c
One fourth pound G. L. Tea	.13c
35c Durkees S Dressing	.23c
B. Lye 4 for	.25c
G. Lye 4 for	.25c
Quart Blueing	.13c
Chili Powder	.19c
Bakers Cocoa	.9c
VanHoutin	.20c
8 pk. Tooth Picks for	.25c
Faultless Starch 4 for	.25c
Knox Gelatin	.12c
One-fourth pound Chocolate	.6c
One-half lb. Bitter " "	.15c
12 Boxes Matches	.33c
1 pound Cheese	.19c
Pearl Tapioca, per pk.	.6c

CEREALS

Post Toasties, per pk.	.12c
K. C. Flakes " "	.7c
5 lb. Q. Oats " "	.18c
Postum " "	.19c
Cream of Wheat " "	.13c
P. Wheat " "	.8c
P. Rice " "	.12c
Erica Greenville Tob. per lb.	.37c
Brown Mule " "	.34c
Corker " "	.25c
Derby " "	.25c
New South " "	.45c
1 Bottle Garrett Snuff	.22c
1 Glass Honest " "	.22c
100 lbs. No. 1 Salt	.50c
200 lbs. Stock "	.90c
100 lbs. Irish Potatoes	\$2.00
Head Rice, per lb.	.7c
1 Bucket Crusto Lard	.81.10
1 " Snow Drift	.110
1 " Swift Jewel	.105
1 lb. Breakfast Delight Cof.	.27c
3 lb. Bucket Coffee	.75c
3 lb. Marquette Coffee	.85c
3 lb. White Swan Coffee	.105
Fancy Blend Coffee per lb.	.17c
15c Extracts 3 for	.25c
35c Extracts, pure	.19c
Axle Grease per can	.7c
4 oz. Beach Nut Olive Oil	.24c
35c Pipe	.17c
25c Pipe	.11c
15c Pipe	.9c
20c Veal Loaf 2 for	.25c
Vienna Sausage 3 for	.25c
5 gallon Kerosene Oil	.65c
Cabbage per pound	.3c
1 Gallon barrel vinegar	.20c

BAKING POWDERS

80 oz. H. C. Baking Powder	.53c
50 " " " "	.34c
25 " " " "	.17c
80 " K. C. " "	.55c
50 " " " "	.34c
25 " " " "	.16c
15 " " " "	.11c
10 " " " "	.8c
1 can St. Lawrence cut Beans	.10c
1 can Pie Peaches	.9c
1 can, 2 lb. Spinach	.12c
1 can, 2 lb. Hawaiian Pine A.	.17c
1 can, 2 lb. Red Salmons	.15c
1 can, 2 lb. Pink Salmon	.7c
1 can, 2 lb. Early J. Peas	.10c
1 can, 2 lb. Sifted Early Peas	.11c
1 can, 1 lb. Soup	.8c
1 can, 3 lb. Tomatoes	.9c
1 case, 3 lb. Tomatoes	.21.15
1 can, 2 lb. Tomatoes	.7c
1 case, 2 lb. Tomatoes	.17.10
1 can, 1 lb. Petit Pois Peas	.10c
1 can, 3 lb. Sweet Potatoes	.9c
1 can, 3 lb. Beets	.11c
1 can, 1 lb. Oysters	.8c
1 can, 2 lb. A 1 Corn, v. best	.8c
1 can, 2 lb. Worlds Fav. Corn	.8c
1 case, " " " "	.184
1 can, 2 lb. New Wiser Corn	.7c
1 case, " " " "	.168
1 can, 3 lb. Kraut	.8c
1 case, " Kraut	.184
1 can, 3 lb. Lye Hominy	.7c
1 case, 3 lb. Lye Hominy	.168
1 case, 2 lb. String Beans	.150
14 lbs. Lima Beans	.100
17 lbs. Pink Beans	.100
17 lbs. R. K. Beans	.100

PICKLES

15c Bottle Pickles	.8c
30c " " " "	.17c
35c " " " "	.21c
1 Gallon Bot. Pickles	.73c
5 " " " "	.130
30c Chowchow	.17c
1 Gallon Vinegar	.43c
17 lbs. Navy Beans	.100
20 lbs. Blackeyed Peas	.100
14 lbs. Best Head Rice	.100
12 lbs. Dried Peaches	.100
25 lbs. Dried Peaches	.190
12 lbs. Dried Grapes	.100
3 cans, 1 lb. Beach Nut P & B	.25
2 jars Beach Nut Peanut But	.25
1 jar Beach Nut Jelly, pure	.19
Gladiola Flour, the best you can buy, per hundred	.285
Meal, per Sack	.73
7 bars White Soap	.25c
4 bars Tar Soap	.25
3 bars Lava Soap	.20c
6 bars Fairy Soap	.25c
3 bars Wild Rose Soap	.20c
1 gallon Maple Syrup	.11.10
1 gallon Uncle Sam Syrup	.44
1 gallon King Komus Syrup	.65
1 gallon Crytol Corn Syrup	.39
1 gallon Angel Food, white	.46
1 gallon Tennessee Sorghum	.39
12 lb. Bucket Honey Comb	.12.25
6 lb. Bucket Honey Comb	.65
6 bars Clean Easy Soap	.25c
8 boxes Washing Powder	.25c
100 pounds Sugar	.475
25 pounds Sugar	.120
1 gal. Castor Machine Oil	.34c
45c Broom	.25c

Come and Buy Your Grocery Supplies While You Can Save Many Dollars!!

LUCE & BRANNEN BROS. CO.,
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SUMMER FALLOW AIDS

Profitable for Fall Wheat, Potatoes and Garden.

Soil Should Be Worked Only While Moist, Except in Disking—More Agricultural Science Needed in the Growing of Wheat.

Consider summer fallowing profitable only for fall wheat, potatoes and garden. Wheat must be grown here with 18 inches of rainfall, writes Albert Weaver of St. Francis, Kan., in the Farm and Home. Summer tillage or fallow is the best method to meet this condition. By thorough summer tillage four to six inches of the season's rainfall can be stored in the subsoil. This wets down four to six feet. In favorable seasons, the rainfall being above the average, and the harvest an early one, it is possible to store nearly this amount of water in the subsoil by intensive summer tillage working the soil immediately after removing the grain.

The soil should be worked only while moist, except in disk. If not wet by the latter part of July, better give up attempting to store the subsoil with sufficient moisture for fall seeding. In any case, the field should be a small one so that it may be quickly covered while conditions are right.

I had 20 acres of fall wheat under bare summer tillage methods in 1911, that made 11 bushels to the acre. In 1912 I had 65 acres, bare summer tillage, fall wheat that yielded 15 bushels an acre, and another 48 acres summer tilled yield 13 bushels an acre. I do not know of as good yields around here on old ground, either in 1911 or 1912. In 1910 Asa Payne had 180 acres of bare summer tilled fall wheat that made 35 bushels to the acre, and in 1909 J. E. Payne had 180 acres that yielded 37½ bushels an acre. The average yield from these different fields was 24 bushels an acre for the last four years, all on old ground.

Plowing twice is possibly as good as any method for bare summer tillage. I double disk in April, plow in May and again the latter part of July, giving the ground some additional cultivation.

By reason of the subsoil being wet it freezes and loosens it up to take in the spring rains. Besides freezing disintegrates the soil particles.

With a good seedbed stored with moisture at seeding time, 25 to 30 pounds an acre of clean, choice seed is usually enough. Seed wheat should be selected from fields making heavy yields, and ripening early. Some of our Red Turkey wheat seems to have run out and the yields are low even under favorable conditions.

I think deep seeding is best, and should be done between September 15 and October 1. It may be even better to seed earlier than this. Wheat should get well rooted and should fairly cover the ground before winter sets in. Early seeding puts the crop in best condition for growth early in the spring, to get the start of the weeds, and to ripen early. As soon as wheat begins to cover the ground in the spring I think it should be harrowed thoroughly two or more times to kill all weeds and to conserve the moisture. It is best to do this after a shower. I have harrowed wheat the last four years with good results.

There is more agricultural science needed in the growing of wheat than any other crop. I believe wheat growing along the foregoing lines can be made very profitable in our section of the country, and the sooner our farmers adopt similar methods the better off they will be.

Improve by Docking. Docking lambs improves their general appearance and increases their market value, without retarding their growth to any extent.

Breeding Draft Animals. The breeding of heavy draft horses is one of the most profitable branches of live stock farming. Few farmers realize the importance of size in a draft horse, when put on the market, either in public or private sale. A horse that weighs less than 1,500 pounds is not considered a draft horse, in any of the horse markets of the country, yet the mares kept on the ordinary farms are usually lighter than that. This accounts for the small, scrubby lot of horses that are constantly being put on the market at a loss to the breeder.

Plowing at Night. Not all progress is confined to the western hemisphere. On the other side of the globe, in New South Wales, they have made a novel departure by starting plowing at night. Tractors are used to draw the big plows and equipped with powerful acetylene headlights.

The right kind of a sheepman knows every individual in his flock and looks out for the comfort of each one. Such men make money on sheep.

Constipation Vanishes Forever

Prompt Relief—Permanent Cure

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

never fail. Purely vegetable—act surely but gently on the liver. Stop after dinner distress—cure indigestion, improve the complexion, brighten the eyes. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE. Genuine must bear Signature

Brenthwood

MISTAKE OF THE SALESMAN

Appurtenance That Should Have Accompanied Sale of "Dalmatian" Had Been Lost Sight Of.

A man went into a shop in Harrisburg and told the proprietor that he wanted to buy a Dalmatian dog to take abroad with him.

"Certainly, sir," said the assistant. "I've got the very thing."

In a quarter of an hour he brought out the animal; the customer paid the money and departed. Before his train time, however, a heavy shower fell.

The man returned the dog in a state of great indignation.

"Look at him!" he cried. "You told me he was a Dalmatian. Give me my money back. All his spots are washed off in the rain."

The proprietor apologized.

"It's all that stupid fool's mistake." He called his assistant.

"James, did you sell this dog to this gentleman?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, you ought to be ashamed of yourself. Don't you know an umbrella goes with this dog?"

BAD TETTER ON HANDS

R. F. D. No. 1, Critz, Va.—"I had tetter on my hands so badly that I could hardly do anything. It would begin to come in clear white blisters, then they would burst and peel off all over and crack and bleed. My hands were so sore and itched so badly I could not rest day or night. I could not put them in water nor do my regular work.

I tried medicine and several different kinds of cream on them but they got worse instead of better. Nothing did me any good until I tried Cuticura Soap and Ointment. And now my hands are perfectly well and all right." (Signed) Miss Ellen Tudor, Nov. 19, 1912.

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

Pious Advice.

A veteran told a story recently about a very pious chaplain. The chaplain was as brave as he was pious, and was distributing cartridges on the firing line at Gettysburg when he overheard a trooper swearing blasphemously at the enemy. "Blank them to Blank!" he murmured; "the Blankety-blankety-blanks."

"Brother, brother," admonished the chaplain, dealing out more cartridges "don't cuss the poor fellows—kill 'em."

Vanity.

"He says that the person with whom he is in love is very beautiful."

"They all say that."

"But don't you think it is vain for a man to talk like that about himself?"

Important to Mothers

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

Bears the Signature of *Robert Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Triumph of Medical Art.

"And has this famous doctor cured your friend of the hallucination that she was sick?"

"Oh, completely. She's really sick now."—Filegenle Blaetter.

Causes Further Talk.

Because so many people are telling their experience with Hunt's Lightning Oil for Headaches, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, etc., others are led to give it a trial, and are convinced immediately of its merit as a pain killer. Are you yet to be convinced? Ask the druggist. Adv.

Repartee.

Mrs. Wombat—Mah husban' ain't been arrested in twenty-five yeahs.

Mrs. Coopley—Mine's up fo' life, too.—Puck.

Bread is the staff of life and flattery is the butter.

A cornet in a neighbor's flat may be as big a nuisance as the full fledged corn in one's own.

Mean Hint.

"Jack proposed to me last night."

"The poor boy's always doing something desperate."

A cornet in a neighbor's flat may be as big a nuisance as the full fledged corn in one's own.

HOW FLIES CARRY INFECTION

Strong Wind, Blowing Steadily, May Convey Them Many Miles From Afflicted Region.

It seems that the inlet cribs in Lake Erie for the water supply of Cleveland are overrun with flies. The crib farthest out in the lake is six miles from shore. Last summer Professor Hodge, being in Cleveland, was asked to go out to the crib and look the situation over. He went, and as stated found all the cribs supporting a numerous fly population of blue-bottles, stable flies, and Musca domestica. The six-mile inlet was as bad as any of the others. There was nothing on the cribs for the flies to feed upon, and careful inquiry showed that transportation by boat was extremely improbable. The professor was led to the conclusion, therefore, that the flies were blown out over the six-mile stretch of water by the strong south winds.

If they are transported this distance over water, the possible extent of their travel ashore must be very considerable. Assuming a steady and strong wind blowing in the same direction for some time, the chance of flies from an infected region being blown in successive flights ten, fifteen, or even twenty-five miles, deserves at least consideration.—New York Evening Post.

More Sensitive and Kind.

We are much more sensitive than we were. On the other hand, we are more kind. At the present moment the western world is clamoring for physical comfort. The power of endurance is, at any rate, less widespread than it was. Misery in the sense of bitter poverty engenders not resignation but revolt. The very contemplation of it is sickening to us. Burdens which men bore and yet kept a mind at leisure now fill every thought of their bearers. The world has become completely conscious. We know what we suffer. No sense of the inevitable gives us ease. We cover up so far as we can the ugly side of life, or, rather, we look at it only as it is reflected in print. The effect upon the general mind of a public execution would now be too emotional to risk. The fear of ill health takes an immensely much larger place in our thoughts than it did when health was worse.—London Spectator.

Would Share the Leg.

At a recent election a ready answer secured one woman canvasser a vote for her party. She had fluently advanced several reasons in favor of her candidate to a grumpy elector, who told her she could talk the hind leg off a donkey.

"Well," she replied, "it would give me much more pleasure to drive you to the polling place than to the hospital."

The retort so tickled the voter than he promised to support her side.

How Congressmen Swear.

A typical old-time "uncle" of Washington was overheard recently enlightening a colored visitor from the Blue Ridge mountains of Virginia on the way congressmen take office.

"An' dey swears on de book dat dey'll sport de New-nited States, do dey?" the visitor asked.

"Naw, suh!" said uncle. "Dey swears det de New-nited States'll sport dem as long as dey kind mek 'em."—New York Evening Post.

When It Is, It Isn't.

Garrett King, the popular divorce lawyer of Reno, apropos of a wife who, after being a long time deceived, had brought suit for divorce at last against her husband, said:

"People declare that ignorance is bliss. The trouble is that, as soon as we discover ignorance is bliss, it isn't."

The Winner.

"So Miss Biffers is married at last?"

"Yes."

"And who is the happy man?"

"Her dear old dad."

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"I guess that's some acting," said the Thespian, throwing out his chest proudly.

"What d'yez mane, th' handclapin?" inquired the Irishman.

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Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is; therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespassers hereafter without favor.

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MAIL ORDER HOUSES SHOULD PAY TAX

This is a subject in which we have been very much interested of late, and one that every citizen who has the welfare of home industries at heart should be very concerned about. The question so often presents itself to this editor: "Why can't the home merchants sell goods as cheap as the mail order house?" While there are many reasons why, under present conditions, they can not compete with the mail order houses, yet it is only necessary to mention one or two of the most important ones to convince our readers that there is a sound deplorable reason for this.

Let us take, for instance, the fact that our local merchants are continually contributing to the upbuilding of all local enterprises and industries, all of which is of direct benefit to every citizen in our community. We desire to ask anyone who seeks to defend the mail order houses to go out over their community and gather data on every cent contributed by such houses toward the building of school and church houses, clay roads, assisting the desti-

tute in their midst or in any other way, during the last five, ten or fifteen years, and hand it to us as your defense of the mail order houses. We dare say you would have a very, very weak defense, indeed, compared with that of your home merchants.

Now, here is the question which we desire every reader to read and study carefully, as we hope the time soon to come when this proposition will be brought before our law-makers and a law enacted along the line of compelling every mail order house that sells goods in our territory to pay tax on every article they sell here, just as our local merchants have to do. Do you know the present law in regard to this discriminates in favor of the mail order man? Well, it does, just as surely as can be. For the benefit of those who desire to give the home merchant fair dealings, we will herewith reproduce a few excerpts from the Merchants Trade Journal on the subject:

Retail merchants, as well as a great many other people throughout this country, are mightily interested in the Journal's taxation plan looking toward the changing of our Interstate Commerce Laws in order to make it possible to compel mail order houses and others to bear their just share of the burden of taxation in the state and county where they transact business. They are interested in this movement because they are feeling that the welfare of the local community depends so largely upon some movement of this kind.

We find that at the present time the people of England are feeling this same thing to a very much greater degree than we are feeling in this country. England has had a parcel post in

operation for several years, and now the people of that country are feeling the effect of the centralization of business and wealth and are trying to devise some means to counteract the unfair advantage that the large corporations of the cities have over business concerns in the smaller communities.

They are going even further than we have suggested in this country. There has recently been introduced into Parliament, a memorial asking members of that august body to use their influence in bringing to pass laws to tax chain stores, as well as other non-resident corporations or companies transacting business in the local community.

The people of England, just as so many people of this country, felt, before they got the parcel post, that it was going to be the panacea for a great many of their ills, and it has benefited some people. It has benefited the concerns in England that promoted it, just as it is today, and it is going to continue benefiting the interests in this country that have been active in promoting it, because they are using it. But through the use of this system, business and wealth and power are being centered in the great cities of England, London, Manchester, Liverpool, Birmingham, and other large cities are reaching out and taking business from the smaller cities and towns throughout the Empire, and now the people of England are beginning to realize that these great corporate interests are not bearing their share of the burden of taxation in the sections and communities where they are transacting business, and they are seeking for a remedy.

We have often said to our

readers that a business of a community does not necessarily belong to the business men of that community. The business of your town does not belong to you unless you are able to get it. It may belong to your competitor in the city 100 to 500 or 1,000 miles away if they can get it, but it is not just to you, the retail merchant, to have to pay tribute in the form of taxes to that competitor in the city, and thus permit him to come into your community and take business away from you. Neither is it just to your community as a whole, and the Journal is glad indeed to note the way this subject is being taken hold of by the people of the country.

We would suggest that it would not be a bad thing for retail merchants to discuss this subject with the people about them, but the merchant who does discuss it with the people about him will certainly find that people are interested. Farmers throughout this country today feel that their taxes are too heavy. They are being taxed

for public improvements of various kinds and in some instances they feel that they are not, personally, receiving the benefits they should from the tax they are paying, although many have not stopped to consider that business concerns in the large cities are being profited through the taxes they are paying in their own local communities.—Western Enterprise.

G. W. Dodson, one of the most prominent citizens of the north part of the county, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent some time here trading and looking after other business matters. Mr. Dodson reports his section of the country in the very finest shape at this time with respect to crop conditions and crop prospects for this year.

Attorney R. S. Holman returned last week from Seymour where he had been assisting in the defense of several suits heard by the District Court in session at that place.

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And stormy is the weather;
But you and I will heed them not
While we remain together.

Why should we grieve about the past,
In sorrow and repining?
Tho' the day is dark, beyond the clouds,
The sun is brightly shining.

Why should we view the future love,
With apprehensive sorrow?
The darksome day will pass away
And bring a glad to-morrow.

I cannot breathe a happy breath
While you are sad and tearful.
Lift up your eyes and for my sake
Be cheerful love, be cheerful.

—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

J. L. Perry, who moved with his family last week to the Spur country from Knox county, called in at the Texas Spur office and requested that we hereafter mail his paper to him at Spur. Mr. Perry will make a crop this year on the Mat Howell farm a mile or two west of Spur.

LOOK! LOOK!

I will be in Spur to buy furs January 26th and 27th, and will pay top prices. —J. E. Wood.

THE SECRET OF SUCCESS-FUL CROP PRODUCTION

The secret of successful crop raising consists first in proper preparation and fertilization of the soil and then in rapid and proper cultivation. It is true that when one has thoroughly prepared his soil and fertilized it he has done the hardest and most expensive portion of the work, but the cultivation of the soil after the seed are up is still a very important factor in final success. The objects sought in the cultivation of the crop are mainly three-fold. First, the destruction of any foreign growth such as weeds and grass; these are objectionable because they use both moisture and food that should go towards nourishing the plants that are being grown. A second and possibly more important reason for cultivation is the conservation of moisture, while in the necessity of having free access of air to the roots of the plants is found a third important reason. While it is therefore necessary to stir the soil in order to accomplish these results it must at the same time be remembered that this stirring must be done with care in order to avoid any chance of injuring the roots of the plants. Upon these roots the plant is dependent for the gathering of the material that it needs in the building of its structure as well as for the water that is so essential to its growth and development. The depth to which the roots of plants penetrate and consequently the depth to which it is safe to stir the soil, while varying somewhat with the kind of plant, is really controlled more by the conditions of moisture and the store of plant food as well as the ease with which air penetrates. In dry soils the roots will be found deeper than will habitually be the case in sections or soils containing a large amount of moisture. At the same time in seasons of unusual rainfall these same roots will be found much nearer the surface than during dryer seasons.

Again the depth at which roots are formed can to a certain extent be controlled by the frequency with which the soil is stirred. If the surface soil is left undisturbed for any great length of time, especially should there be numerous showers during this time, the roots of such



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Farmer Stout was awakened from a sound sleep by the ringing of his telephone bell. The barn of his neighbor, three miles down the turnpike, had been broken into and a driving horse stolen.

The horse-thieves were headed toward the Stout farm. Calling his hands he armed his forces, lined them upon the turnpike, captured the thieves and held them until the arrival of the Sheriff.

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J. Anderson Davis, one of the most prosperous farmers of the Spur country, was in the city the latter part of last week from his farm home several miles northeast of Spur. He reports everything in the very best of shape, and with others he is expecting this year to be a bumper crop year.

County Commissioner L. G. Crabtree, of the Croton country, was in Spur Saturday to attend a meeting of the Dickens County Agricultural Association and also to look after other business matters.

Mat Howell and family moved recently to the A. J. McClain farm and ranch on Cat Fish where they will make their home throughout this year, he having rented his farm home near Spur.

W. T. Wilson, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city last week to attend Justice Court, he having sued the railroad company for the killing of some of his stock.

For Sale—Lot 15, in Block 12, well located east front business, lot on main street of Spur, Texas. Price \$200. Address C. H. McDonald, Roaring Springs, Texas

John Wooten, one of the most prominent citizens of the Plains country, was in Spur Monday and spent some time here on business.

Jack London, the famous author and writer, came to Spur last week and spent some time here on business.

Jeff D. Harkey came over Monday from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on business.

M. L. Blakeley, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, had business in Spur Monday.

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In these days of amateur photography, photographs have the knack of collecting in such large numbers that it is rather difficult to know what to do with all of them, but one way out of the difficulty is to make a dainty little case for holding some of them.

This little novelty is made in cream-colored satin and lined with white Japanese silk and edged with a pale pink silk cord carried into three little loops at each corner. It is intended for holding cabinet portraits, and when closed measures 8 inches by 5½ inches.

The case should be stiffened with a piece of cardboard sewn in between the satin and lining at the back.

The edge of the pocket is bound with narrow ribbon of a color exactly matching the silk cord, and the word "Photographs" is embroidered across the case in silk of a similar color. The remaining space is filled up with a simple design of two white daisies and leaves worked in various shades of green. Pale pink ribbon strings are provided to secure the case when closed.

This case looks very decorative and pretty upon a table, and the portraits are easily accessible to anyone who desires to inspect them, and at the same time, when placed in the case, they are well protected from dust and dirt, and they will keep in good condition.

WITH THE LINGERIE FROCK

Handkerchief Linen Scarf Completes the Exceptional Daintiness of the Costume.

Of particular daintiness are the handkerchief linen scarfs to be worn with lingerie frocks. To make one of the pretty trifles, procure a strip of linen about two yards in length and a half or three-quarters of a yard wide. Scallop the edges with the aid of a spool or thimble and pencil, pad them sparingly and buttonhole in fine white mercerized twist. Embroider the inside of the scarf with any flower or conventional design desired. Forget-me-nots thickly scattered at the scarf ends and trailing in thinner lines along the sides are most effective. If one hasn't a stamping outfit, any professional stamper will gladly follow instructions. Eyelet work can be used, giving the scarf a less solid and heavy appearance. The work should be finished with more than the usual neatness on the wrong side, as it will, of course, be frequently exposed to view. About the scalloped edge whip valenciennes lace an inch or an inch and a half wide. The flowers may be worked in white or natural colors.

IN CREPE DE CHINE.



The design shows a simple crossover model in crepe de chine. The swathed sash is in white and Egyptian blue satin, while a plating of the blue edges the decolletage.

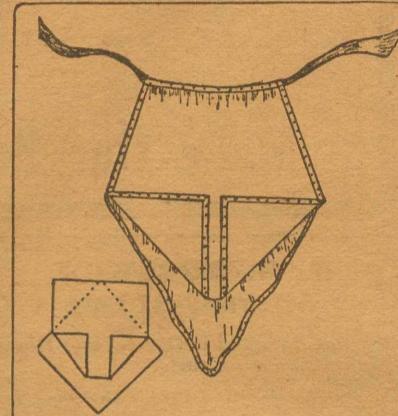
Farewell Gifts for Traveler. Among the cheery little send-offs for the traveler are various dainty toilet conveniences. One of these is a tiny box filled with delightfully scented panafel powder and holding in its lid an infinitesimal powder puff, while on the upper side is a mirror which will at least reflect the tip of the nose and show whether it is aristocratically pale or unbecomingly besmudged with coal dust. Another convenience is a small flat nail brush in white, green or amber composition, fitting into a leather case which also holds a tiny book of nail powder sheets; a third is a straw-covered, very small and very flat flask filled with fine perfumery, and a fourth is a bath sachet which may be dropped into the dressing room or hotel room bath and used like a wash cloth. With the bath sachet no soap is needed.

NEEDS TWO HANDKERCHIEFS

Dainty Apron Requires Only That Material and Would Take But a Short Time to Make.

The sweetest little apron can be made in a very short time with two handkerchiefs; nothing else is needed. The handkerchiefs should be gentlemen's size, and have a pretty border. To make, lay one handkerchief out diagonally with the points at the top and bottom; lay the second handkerchief over it quite square, so that the top point of the under one comes exactly in the center of the top of the second handkerchief, as in the small diagram. Turn up the two corners of top handkerchief, and for the present pin in place. Mark out with a pencil or by tacking that portion of the first handkerchief that hangs below the turned-up corners.

Cut that portion off, and secure it to the top handkerchief, pulling it a little as you sew it on. The turned-up portions must be secured so as to form two little pockets. The remain-



der of the handkerchief that has been cut is utilized in making the band and strings.

The uses of an apron like this are many and varied, they are so dainty that they may be put on a best gown when tea is being served, and thus prevent any accident from spoiling it.

The apron has two pockets; thus it is most useful for work, and could be kept for this purpose alone, leaving the work in the pockets and simply putting the apron on when it is wanted. When helping at a bazaar or tennis teas, it is very becoming, especially if all the helpers wear the same kind, with the same coloring in the border; it is easily washed, and will look like new again if carefully ironed.

Tango Rose a New Color. Tango rose is the new shirtwaist color. This shade is an indescribably brilliant one, between cerise and coral, which is seen sometimes in wonderful old embroidered crepe shawls. One woman who owns such a shawl is having it draped into a stunning evening gown this season. No cutting is necessary, for the clinging crepe may be manipulated into the most graceful lines, one corner of the shawl being caught against one shoulder, and the main portion of the shawl almost covering a foundation skirt of white satin. A specially beautiful shawl of this sort over one hundred years old, according to its possessor's statement, has been made into an evening wrap, a deep burnoose hood at the back taking up the material so that the fringed front edges fall gracefully over shoulders and arms. Tango rose may be had in crepe meteor, crepe de chine, chiffon crepe, silk and wool lansdowne, and other fabrics of similar quality, suitable for handsome blouses and frocks.

For the Artistic Woman. To the woman with blonde tresses, or better still, hair in which there is a glint of auburn, nothing would be more acceptable than a hope chest kimono of aqua marine green. When enveloped in its flowing folds she will look like a water nymph lately come from her quiet pool.

Make the kimono of silk crepe or crepe de chine. Have it rather long, slightly trailing all around, and smock it back and front to give it a graceful fulness. To further emphasize the nymph effect, embroider upon it water lines in white floss silk. The centers should be yellow, and may be in French knots, and the foliage should be a darker green. Trail the lillies down the two fronts and about the bottom of the kimono.

Long Gloves With Cuffs. Long white gloves are made with wide, turnback cuffs at the elbow or slightly above it. These cuffs, which flare out and away from the arm, are made of black velvet, mounted on kid, and embroidered with gold or silver beads, applied in straight lines. The stitching on the backs of these gloves is also marked with beads, to match those used on the cuffs.

Embroidered Blouse. A charming new blouse of white chiffon is embroidered with dragon flies. There are two on each side of the front closing. They are worked with beads of silver, pale blue, mauve and iridescent green. The dragon flies are in graceful poses, and form a decorative touch to the blouse.

PRIMA DONNA IN LION'S CAGE FOR "MOVIES"



Mme. Emmy Destinn, the world-famous prima donna, recently played the most sensational part of her life. She is shown here with "Hercules," one of the six Hagenbeck lions, in whose cage she appeared during the performance of "Lowenbraut" (the Lion's Bride). "Lowenbraut" is a photo drama for the moving pictures and was played in Berlin, Germany. Mme. Destinn says the lion acted just like an angora kitten.

PLANTS OF SIBERIA

Explorer Hunts New Seeds in Siberian Weeds.

Finds Forages That May Be Grown in Northwest—Discovery of Hardy Red Clover and New Mongolian Wheat.

Brookings, S. D.—Another advance toward the conquest of its prairie uplands has been made by South Dakota. Prof. N. E. Hansen of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanics Arts has just returned from a fourth trip to the wilds of Siberia, bringing with him one and five-eighths tons of hardy alfalfa seed, an amount in excess of his own and his friends' fondest hopes when he set out on his expedition last May.

The seed is of the hardy, upright, yellow flowered Siberian alfalfa, *Medicago falcata*, which has already proved its worth in the western parts of South Dakota, and even far up into Canada, and it was to get additional supplies of such seed that his state sent him abroad.

On previous trips to Siberia for the department of agriculture at Washington, D. C., Professor Hansen discovered the yellow flowered alfalfas, and brought home quantities of the seed to be tested in this country. The seed was distributed and tried under varying conditions. In the high and dry regions of South Dakota, after long and painstaking trials to develop seeds and plants, it was seen that these alfalfas were a discovery of first importance and that, used largely, they would add immensely to the value of South Dakota lands.

'HOW I TANGOED WITH TEDDY'

Chicago Girl Tells of Good Time on Steamer That Bore Roosevelt to South America.

Chicago.—Here are a few facts about Colonel Roosevelt which the public might never have known had not a pretty Chicago girl divulged them:

The colonel is an expert dancer, and a ready pupil in the mystic mazes of the tango.

He is really a handsome man, if you view him from the proper angle.

He is supreme in the gentle art of small talk.

He is "just simply the greatest man that ever lived."

Miss Mabel Shaw is authority for these statements concerning the colonel's attributes. Miss Shaw arrived at Rio Janeiro after a trip on the steamer Van Dyke, which carried Roosevelt and his party on their South American voyage. In a letter to her mother, Mrs. Helen Shaw of 1133 Granville avenue, North Edgewa-

ter, Miss Shaw waxed enthusiastic over the virtues and graces of the former president.

"I'm just wild to meet him, mother," she wrote before the Van Dyke sailed. "We're so lucky to be on the same boat with him. Do you think he will notice me?"

And then later:

"Well, mother, dear, it's happened, and he's just wonderful. The other night we were all dancing in the salon and Colonel Roosevelt, just like a high school boy, came up and bowed to me, and asked if he mightn't have the next dance. Of course, I was flushed to death, but I tried my best not to let him see it."

"Mr. Roosevelt is a dandy dancer. He told me lots of things about his adventures while we were gliding over the floor, and really, mother, it was too marvelous for words. Then he asked me to tell him about myself, and I told him of my ambitions to become an opera singer, and he was so kind. Said he was sure there was no one who deserved success more than I did, and encouraged me so much. He's a perfect dear."

Afalfa seed was by no means all that Professor Hansen obtained, however. A find of exceptional value, in his estimation, is that of a hardy red clover, from a region where the rainfall is about eight inches and where there is little snow for protection, and the mercury frequently freezes. Of this seed Professor Hansen brought back 142 pounds. With this experiments will be made with a view to adding a new clover to the crops of South Dakota.

A new species of sweet clover was another discovery of importance. This is large seeded and red stemmed, grows tall and erect and is more palatable than other sweet clovers. With the increasing interest there is just now in sweet clovers as a forage the development of this importation will be watched with great interest.

A new wheat has also been added to the list as a result of this trip of Professor Hansen's. It is a Mongolian wheat and has a very large kernel. And along with this comes a large, white seeded millet, which gives generous yields with only an eight-inch rainfall. This is the "corner stone" of dry land agriculture in Siberia, and is used as a food for both men and beasts.

Among Professor Hansen's horticultural discoveries on this trip is one of special note. It is a new hardy cherry. With this to work upon by crossing and selection a hardy cherry for cold western states may within a reasonable time be developed.

MITCHEL GOT NATIVE VOTE

New York Clergyman Tabulates the Fusion and Tammany District Returns of Election.

New York.—Rev. Walter Loidlaw of the population research bureau of the New York Federation of Churches has prepared a table showing the results of an analysis of the mayoralty campaign by assembly districts in terms of nationality.

The parentage of the leading elements in the 16 assembly districts carried by Mr. McCall is shown to be



John Purroy Mitchel,

Irish in eight districts, Russian in three districts and Italian in five districts.

In the 48 assembly districts carried by John Purroy Mitchel it is shown that in 30 the majority of voters are native whites of native parentage, in three districts the leading element are of Austrian parentage, in five districts of German parentage, in eight districts of Russian parentage and in two districts of Italian parentage.

"Later in the evening I sang before the whole ship's company at Colonel Roosevelt's request, and the men got together and gave me a lovely bouquet of flowers."

Ship Tree by Parcel Post.
Franklin, Pa.—A tree eight feet long, with a radius of four inches, was shipped via parcel post by Albert Bunnell, a farmer, to a friend in Ohio. The branches were bound closely to the trunk.

Snubbed, Father Commits Suicide.
Chicago.—The son of Thomas Nuhn, a plumber, failed to invite the father to his wedding. Nuhn, Sr., believing that he had been snubbed, committed suicide by gas.

Letter Seven Years in Transit.
Peekskill, N. Y.—A letter mailed by Mrs. Hugh Wilson 11 years ago to a friend in Syracuse has just reached here.

Montville, N. J.—John Van Riper is getting wealthy by charging New York "sportsmen" 50 cents each to shoot rabbits in his 15-acre preserve.

THE TEXAS SPUR

TAP TELLINGS

The farmers are busy turning the soil. Prospects are good for a bumper crop this year.

L. S. Scott has his large tank completed.

J. H. Sparks and John Hinson are repairing the A. W. Manning residence this week.

T. L. Dozier is now located with us and has began farming. We see that Mr. Dozier means business, and we wish for them a pleasant year with us and a good crop as well.

Mrs. H. Perry and children, of Spur, visited Mrs. J. H. Sparks and family the latter part of last week, returning home Saturday.

Craig Parsons left this week for Garza county, where he has secured a position with B. S. Manning for awhile. Butler will have things quite inviting at his new home "pretty soon."

The work on the Spur, Tap and Post City road is progressing nicely.

C. J. Smith and son, Will, of Docum Flat, were in our community Sunday the guests of J. E. Sparks and family.

D. C. Abney reports his wife getting along nicely, she having recently undergone an operation at the Standifer Hospital.—Kid-a-lude.

J. C. Stephens, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday and spent some time here on business and greeting his friends. Mr. Stephens is one of the very best citizens and most prosperous farmers of the country.

W. G. Sherrod, Miss Hardin, John Hardin and Misses Doyle and Germany autoed to the Pitchfork Ranch Sunday where they spent a most pleasant day with Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Bryant.

Chas. A. Jones returned this week from Freeport where he has been several weeks looking after the Swenson interests at that point.

I will be in Spur the fourth Saturday in each month to do veterinary work. Bring your horses to the Harkey Wagon Yard.—J. F. Speer. 12tf

Will Mahon and wife, of Cisco, spent several days of this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Mahon at the Mahon Hotel.

J. H. McCamant was in the city Tuesday from his farm and ranch twelve miles southwest of Spur and spent several hours here trading and on other business.

Mr. Cowser and family, of the Steel Hill community, were in the city this week on business and trading with the merchants.

Ed Hulse and wife, of several miles west of Spur, were in the city Tuesday.

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MERRY WIVES CLUB MEET

On last Friday afternoon Mrs. N. A. Baker entertained the Merry Wives Club, and a number of other guests.

Forty-two was the diversion of the afternoon, and a number of interesting games were played. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Y. L. Jones, Misses Robbie Standifer and Irma Baker, served a delicious plate consisting of hot biscuits and butter, celery, olives and coffee. Those enjoying this hospitality were: Mesdames Brandon, Burgoon, Mace, Williams, Jennings, Reagan, Standifer, Edwards, Campbell, Morris, McNeill, Davis, Wilson, Love, Grace, Jones, Higginbotham and Miss Lillian Grace. The Club meets this Friday afternoon with Mrs. G. T. Brandon.

R. D. Bell, a prominent citizen of Benjamin and owner of the Benjamin Post, passed through Spur Monday on his way to Dickens. Mr. Bell is also interested in the Dickens Item plant. He is a newspaper man of recognized ability and long years of activity, having been associated with prominent and leading newspapers of the country during the past twenty-five years.

Tom Owen, son of Sam Owen of Canada, who has been in Dallas the past two years, returned last week to Spur and will remain here some time with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison.

WILL CLOSE OUT BUSINESS

A. S. Jackson, a prominent citizen and business man of Dickens, was in Spur last week and spent some time here on business. Mr. Jackson owns some valuable business property in Spur and we have been expecting him to become identified with the business interests of Spur. However, we are informed that he will close out his hardware business in Dickens and engage in the ranch and stock-raising business in the near future.

J. H. Dodson, of north of Dickens, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business. Mr. Dodson moved last year to Dickens county from Tennessee. He is a brother to G. W. Dodson, an old timer of Dickens county, and we are glad to number he and his family among our citizenship.

MOVES TO FARM

Hamp Collett called in one day last week and requested that we hereafter mail him the Texas Spur to Roaring Springs. Mr. Collett and family moved last week to the Roaring Springs country where he will make a crop this year. We hope Mr. Collett will make a bale of cotton to the acre and have enough feed to sell to at least a dozen new comers to this section another year.

SINGING CONVENTION.

The Dickens County Singing Convention met at the school auditorium in Dickens last Sunday with a good attendance.

Visitors from all over the county were present and spent an enjoyable day.

The usual program was carried out, consisting of songs by the entire audience and quartetts and special songs.

The Dickens people spread a dinner that was enjoyed by all. Plenty of everything good to eat was there.

The next convention will meet at Midway in four months.—Dickens Item.

SELLING PRODUCE

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith were in the city Saturday from their home eight or nine miles west, selling produce to Spur merchants and also buying supplies. Mrs. Smith informed us that last year she sold more than seventy dollars worth of chickens and eggs in Spur, the family had the table well supplied and for some time they were on a trip over the country while the chickens and eggs looked after themselves.

\$2.50 REWARD

For one Collie dog, light yellow color, sharp nose, not quite grown. She got loose at Spur Tuesday, the 13th of January, and had chain on four feet long. Finder will return to Bryant-Link Co's.—J. C. Stephens. 12-1t.

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

Duck Creek is still alive and looking well, and the little town is as lively as ever.

Rev. George Rucker delivered an able sermon at Duck Creek Sunday to a large crowd. There were people from Steel Hill and Girard, together with the Gilpin people made a good sized audience.

A large crowd attended prayer meeting at Rev. W. B. Bennett's last Wednesday night.

The small son of B. J. Hagins fell from the lot fence Sunday and crushed his shoulder very badly. The poor little fellow seemed to be suffering very much.

B. J. Hagins has returned from Fort Worth where he had been on a business trip of the F. E. & C. U. of Texas.

Miss Mary Bennett spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hagins.

Luther Hawkins, of Gilpin, is in Jayton. He had an operation performed from which we hope he will soon recover.

Several from Gilpin visited Girard Sunday.

P. E. Hagins made a business trip to Jayton Saturday.

Rev. W. B. Bennett went to Midway Sunday to fill his regular appointment.

O. C. Henry and family have moved away. We wish them success wherever they may go.

We hear that Mr. Page, of Spur, will soon become a citizen of Duck Creek.

R. S. Boothe, of Girard, is sowing grain on J. Carlisle's place. We are sorry to say that Mr. Boothe could not find any good land near Girard and has to come to Gilpin to farm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carlisle have been staying at home of late. Mr. C. M.'s wife says she is afraid for him to get out of the house for fear of the wind blowing off his new mustache. Be careful C. M.

Cecil Bennett is slaying the grubs. The sound of one tree does not get clear before another falls.

The Duck Creek Society has organized and elected a good looking president—Will Hagins. He says for everybody to come and take part in the society work and all will enjoy themselves.

Mrs. J. A. Swarengin, of Roaring Springs, is visiting the Gilpin folks.

Prof. Walden and Willie Hagins made a trip to Girard Saturday evening.

The program for Friday night, January 23, 1914, is as follows:

Song.

Opening Address—Teacher.

Response—W. B. Bennett.

Recitation—Lucy Lee Hagins.

A debate between Duck Creek and Girard on Compulsory Education. Girard has the affirmative and Duck Creek negative.

Recitation—Sallie Taylor.

Quartette—C. Bennett, W. B. Bennett, Bilberry and Walden.

Recitation—Mattie Hagins.

Pin Picture—Ollie Adams.

Recitation—C. Bennett.

Song.

We will meet every other Friday night. Come.—A School Chap.

T. A. Smith was in the city Friday of last week from his farm home several miles south of Spur.

Mrs. R. L. Collier and Miss Ella Pierce spent several days of last week in Dickens with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hamby.

Good Results

THE FIRST STATE BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

E. C. EDMONDS Cashier
C. HOGAN, Asst Cashier

G. H. CONNELL, President

S. R. DAVIS, Vice-Pres.
J. D. HARKEY, Vice-Pres.

J. W. Peters, who recently moved to the J. P. Higgins ranch from near Guthrie where he had made a crop the past year, was in the city the latter part of last week.

Robt. Nichols was in Spur last week from his farm in the Lee County Settlement on the Plains and reports everything in fine shape for farming in that section.

Judge F. C. Gipson, of Dickens, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and greeting his friends here.

For Sale—A Royal Typewriter, good repair, price \$20, \$5 cash and \$5 per month.—Mrs. A. T. Odeneal, Spur, Texas.

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W. D. Eldredge, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer and stockman of the Plains country, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and trading with the Spur merchants.

C. E. Brannen bought a house and lot last week in the west part of the city. He is having the house moved to another lot where he will make some additions and other improvements for a home.

T. S. Lambert was in the city Saturday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything in fine shape.

J. A. Nichols was in the city the latter part of last week from his home in the Lee County Settlement on the Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Richburg spent several days of this week in Hico with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Harrington is on a two weeks visit to her parents and other relatives and friends at Vernon.

Roy Zinn left last week for Corpus Christi where he is spending some time on business.

J. O. YOPP

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SPUR, TEXAS

GRAFTING MAY REVOLUTIONIZE COTTON BUSINESS

A remarkable discovery or invention has been made in the art of grafting. It is now being tested by the promological society with regard to apples and pears in Germany; but the great hope is that it may revolutionize cotton growing. Trials are to be made in all cotton growing countries along the lines already attempted with success in Portuguese, East Africa, where the crop has been converted from an annual crop into a perennial.

The discovery is as follows: In ordinary grafting the "scion" of a cultivated variety is grafted on to a wild "stock." The stock gives vigor but does not affect the nature of the graft. You can, for example, graft if you wish a dozen sorts of apple on to a crab stock. But it is found that the nearer the stock and scion are in relationship the better are the results.

Mr. Schute, who was a scientific gardener in Germany, was the first to carry out this principle to its logical end and graft the parent on the child. First of all he grafts after the usual fashion, inserting a cultivated "scion" on a wild stock. Next, growing a seedling from the fruit of this tree, he uses this seedling for his stock, and grafts on to it a scion of the parent. By this means it is asserted that he can produce disease-resisting cotton bushes which do not degenerate, and have other advantageous qualities.

Many noted botanists have spoken very highly of the prospects opened by the method, especially with regard to cotton, and it is strongly urged that our government should make a trial. Perennial cotton might open vast areas to cotton growing which are now useless because of the impossibility of getting sufficient labor. —Boston Transcript.

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NO. 9611

Report of the condition of the Spur National Bank at Spur in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan. 13th, 1914.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$178,423.63
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	750.01
U.S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	518.20
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	32,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	6,920.32
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Co's, and Savings Banks	
Due from approved Reserve Agents	32,211.31
Checks and Other cash Items	346.48
Notes of other National Banks	2,320.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickles, and Cents	177.45
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, Viz:	
Specie	9,681.45
Legal tender notes	1,500.00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	1,250.00
Total	\$291,098.85

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	16,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	12,838.42
National bank notes outstanding	24,600.00
Due to other National Banks	
Individual deposits subject to check	137,535.43
Cashier's checks outstanding	125.00
Bills payable, including certificates for money borrowed	
Total	\$291,098.85

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss:
I, W. G. Sherrod, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. G. SHERROD, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of Jan., 1914.
Oscar Jackson, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:

W. J. Lewis
Geo. S. Link,
C. A. Jones,
Directors.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.
To the people of the 105th Representative District:

Having been solicited by a number of citizens of my home county and other counties of the 105th Representative District, I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Representative of said District. I do not deem it necessary for me to declare a platform of great length at this time. However, I favor every law or act that will benefit West Texas and the State at large, and believe that a representative should represent the majority, and if within his power, should accomplish their will in all matters pending before the Legislature. He should promptly and strictly attend to the duties of his office and endeavor to accomplish the greatest good to the greatest number.

My record in the last Legislature is the best evidence of my adherence to above principles and I trust every voter will investigate it before casting their ballot in the next Democratic Primary election.

I am grateful to the people for their support in the past and for assistance rendered me through words, letters and messages which enabled me to ascertain the will of the majority upon certain matters pending before the last Legislature.

If re-elected to the second term as representative of this district, I believe that by reason of my experience I can better accomplish the will of the majority, which will be my chief ambition.—Respectfully, A. J. Hagins.

J. L. Hearne came up Monday from Jayton to attend Justice Court, spending Monday and Tuesday in Spur.

Subscribe for the Texas Spur.

BANKS

Official statement of the financial condition of the First State Bank at Spur, Texas, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 13th day of Jan., 1914, published in the Texas Spur, a newspaper printed and published at Spur, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of Jan., 1914.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	71,888.23
Loans, Real Estate	2,424.00
Overdrafts	6,793.65
Bonds and Stocks	
Real Estate (banking house)	7,750.00
Other Real Estate	2,250.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,150.00
Due from Approved reserve Agents net	\$7,714.90
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	202.67—7,917.57
Cash Items	41.76
Currency	3,831.00
Specie	1,647.38—5,520.14
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	497.89
Assessment for Guar. Fund	132.10
Other Resources as follows:	
Warrants, Etc.	2,433.02
Total	\$109,756.60

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus Fund	4,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	646.67
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	
Individual Deposits sub. to check	49,181.28
Time certificates of deposit	800.00
Cashier's Checks	45.33
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	
Other Liabilities as follows:	
Suspense	83.32
Total	\$109,756.60

State of Texas, County of Dickens:

We, S. R. Davis as president, and E. C. Edmonds as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

S. R. DAVIS, President.
E. C. EDMONDS Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 21st day of January, A. D. 1914.

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

R. S. HOLMAN, Notary Public.

P. H. Miller,
J. D. Harkey,
T. E. Standifer,
Directors.

J. L. Karr, a prominent citizen and farmer of several miles north of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here trading and on other business.

BANKS

Official statement of the financial condition of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank at Spur, Texas, at the close of business on the 13th day of Jan., 1914, published in the Texas Spur, a newspaper printed and published at Spur, State of Texas, on the 23rd day of Jan., 1914.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$15,335.87
Loans, real estate	1,643.75
Overdrafts	460.90
Live Stock	300.00
Real estate (banking house)	2,897.41
Other real estate	4,651.75
Furniture and Fixtures	1,908.00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	950.33
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	
Cash Items	9.69
Currency	2,567.00
Specie	393.20—2,969.89
Int. in Depositors' Guar. Fund	283.83
Other resources as follows:	
Assessment of Guaranty Fund	42.33
Total	\$31,444.06

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	300.00
Undivided profits, net	111.93
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, net	119.96
Individual deposits, subject to check	13,902.12
Cashier's Checks	10.05
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	2,000.00
Total	\$31,444.06

State of Texas, County of Dickens:

We, G. S. Greenwade as president, and H. P. Cole as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. S. Greenwade, President.

H. P. COLE, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 19th day of Jan., A. D. 1914.

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

B. D. GLASGOW, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

H. P. Cole,
W. S. Dunn,
F. A. Prudeaux,
Directors.

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REMEMBER THAT SATURDAY IS THE LAST DAY

H. A. BOOTHE, Photographer