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# THE TEXAS SPUR

## AND DICKENS ITEM

**A NEWSPAPER**

For the Homes of Dickens County, and the best advertising medium of this section of West Texas

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### YOUNG LADY DROWNS IN BLANCO CANYON

Miss Grace Clark, daughter of W. Clark of the Amity community north of Dickens, was drowned Tuesday afternoon while bathing in Blanco Canyon and her remains were buried Wednesday in the Dickens cemetery.

Miss Clark and Miss Wilson, daughter of Minor Wilson, accompanied by Mr. Clark, had gone to Blanco to fish. The young ladies were bathing at the time of the accident, Miss Clark getting into deep water where she drowned before assistance could be rendered. Miss Clark was about twenty five years of age and had lived in Dickens county the greater part of her life. She had taught school a number of years in both the Liberty and Amity schools and was a lady of intelligence, lovable character and high accomplishments and numbered her friends by her acquaintances.

The Texas Spur joins the whole country in extending sincere sympathy to the family in this sad bereavement.

### NOTICE TO EVERY READER OF THE TEXAS SPUR

Intelligent Friend: The state of Lusitania is no more. Instead of her streaming banner which gladdened many a heroic heart, long strings of slimy seaweed hang from her gloomy masts like burial robes and the denizens of the deep look in upon the gruesome spectacle of her mortified dead! But the matter does not end here. "Down the pages of time will echo the explosion of the torpedo which sent death to her innocents." The echo has already gone unto the uttermost parts of the earth and our sympathy is very great. No class of people are more responsive to the cries of the oppressed than Americans. But the details have been meager. We want to know more fully of the deeds of bravery of the last terrible moments and how the tender mother tried to hush the cries of her darling babe as the lapping water closed over all so that we can appreciate American heroism the more.

"These details are fully given in 'The Tragedy of the Lusitania' a great book just out which will be read by Americans throughout the coming years." You, too, may read it and many other things about the great war if you will only drop me a card stating your wish. You could not possibly regret buying this book, for it is full of valuable information and is in every way worthwhile. Handsomely bound and profusely illustrated. Mailed C. O. D. or delivered promptly for \$1.00. Here is what an authority says of it: "Every true American wants and should have a copy of this book. They want it because of the great interest in the subject, and they want reliable information regarding the crime. They should have a copy so as to become fully posted about the subject and be correctly informed."—L. L. Williamson, Afton, Texas. 37-2tp.

**MARRIED.**

Wednesday afternoon of last week A. C. Hindman, of one mile north of Spur, and Mrs. Bolton, of Spur, were married in the city. Mr. Hindman is one of the very best citizens and most substantial farmers of the country and The Texas Spur joins his friends in extending congratulations to he and his bride, and wish for them a happy and prosperous married life.

### ORGANIZING TO MARKET MAIZE AND KAFFIR CORN

A meeting has been called to be held in Amarillo Wednesday, July 28th, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of forming an organization of kaffir corn and maize growers of Western Texas. The object of the organization will be to put on a general educational and advertising campaign throughout the county in order to bring to the attention of consumers the value of kaffir and maize, and the following facts are given to show why this movement should be pushed: Texas imports over forty million dollars worth of feed every year. Much of this is corn.

The Panhandle and South Plains country raises many millions of the kaffir grains annually.

While the feeding value of these grains is nearly equal to corn, yet the market price is approximately one-half that of corn.

Feeders who have made thorough tests, state they prefer the kaffirs for all kinds of stock.

Why then this difference in price and why is the market limited?

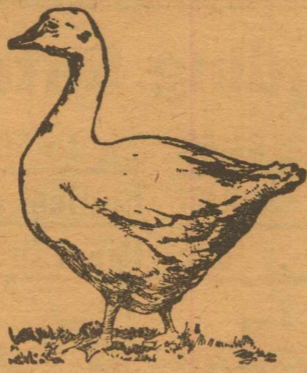
Because the feeding value of these grains is not generally known over a considerable part of Texas and other states.

Therefore, after some deliberation, the above committee have decided to make an effort to get together a body of representative men to formulate plans to advertise these grains, for the purpose of enlarging the market and placing the kaffirs where they belong before the world. Every community in West Texas should be represented.

### EDITOR-FARMER NOW HARVESTING BUMPER CROP

A. C. Hyatt came over Monday from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on business. Editor Hyatt is farming this year and reports his various crops growing nicely and promising big yields. He has just finished harvesting his crop of sudan grass and from which he expects to secure two more cuttings this year. This crop makes fine hay and produces abundantly. We have always contended that editors would make good farmers and Hyatt's farming operations demonstrates this to be a fact.

Lee Payne came in Wednesday from his home in the Croton community and spent several hours in the city greeting his many friends and trading with the merchants.



### CACKLING GEESE

once saved Rome. It's the little things after all that count. We believe we can save you money on your purchases—at least give you equal service.

At the close of the forenoon session of a ministerial conference in Philadelphia, in announcing the opening subject for the afternoon the presiding officer said, "Elder Jones will present a paper on 'The Devil.'" Then he added earnestly, "Please be prompt in attendance, for Brother Jones has a carefully prepared paper, and is FULL of his subject."

Now, our store is full of things you need, and we are trying hard to serve you. We are honest when we say we are doing our best to please our customers. We believe you are our friends; we are interested in your prosperity and you likewise in ours.

Mr. Lincoln said: "I don't know much about the tariff, but I do know that if my wife buys her cloak in America we get the money and the cloak, and that American labor is paid for producing it; if she buys her cloak abroad we get the cloak, the other country gets the money and foreign labor receives the benefit. Let us all stand together in this great Western country and help one another as far as God gives us power to do.

**STRICTLY MODERN**

The kind stranger.—"How old is your baby brother, little girl?" The little girl.—"He's a this year's model."

Lots of new things coming into our dry goods department. Keep watch. And we have some items to close out at a price. See the \$1.00 hat counter. They must go. Now is the quiet season and we know we have to offer some special inducements to get you to buy, so we are cutting down the price on some items. Summer weight suits can be had for less than regular. See Ensey, the clothing man.

Lots of hog fence and barbed wire on hand now. A big car of fresh Light Crust coming this week, and the price is lower than it has been. We try to keep the best in Groceries, and our grocery trade has grown this year. Anyone who hasn't tried our Groceries, order a sack of Light Crust this week, and the other items you need. We really want as much of your business as you can possibly give us. As we write this ad the country needs a shower, and we believe it will come. God is going to bless us if we trust him and are appreciative of the blessings. And let us all ever be grateful. "When the going is hard, the only thing to do is go harder." BYRANT-LINK COMPANY.

**RETURN FROM OKLAHOMA**

Mrs. J. B. Conner returned Monday from Oklahoma where she has been on an extended visit to relatives. She was called home on account of the illness of her daughter, Miss Willie, who has been at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harkey. We are glad to note that Miss Willie is now convalescent and was removed this week to her home at Dickens.

### BUMPER WHEAT CROP IN DICKENS COUNTY

While in McAadoo Tuesday we met H. C. Eldredge, who had just threshed his wheat crop, and he informed us that he measured up forty two and one half bushels to each acre on ten acres of ground. Mr. Eldredge sowed this crop of wheat on which to graze his stock during the winter and after pasturing his stock they were removed with the above result. On his farm Mr. Eldredge had fifteen acres more of wheat which averaged thirty five bushels to the acre.

In the Lee County settlement this year there were more than two hundred acres of wheat, the majority of which has not yet been threshed. There were also about one hundred acres of oats harvested in that section.

Mr. Eldredge informed us that before settling in Dickens county he farmed land in Eastern Texas valued at one hundred dollars an acre and on which land fifteen bushels of wheat to the acre was considered a big crop. He has farmed in Dickens county a number of years and says the twelve and fifteen dollar farm lands of Dickens county will produce bigger crops than the one hundred dollar farm lands of Eastern Texas.

**SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.**

Mrs. E. L. Caraway was taken to the Spur Sanitarium last Saturday for the purpose of undergoing an operation for appendicitis. The operation was successfully performed and the last report we have is that she is speedily recovering. Her many friends will be glad to see her up and in her natural health again.—Stonewall Citizen.

Lee Carpenter came in Monday from his home west of Spur.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The Honorable Commissioners' Court met Monday in Dickens, each member being present and County Judge Blaine Speer presiding and the following proceedings were had:

A tax refund of \$278 was granted to A. J. Richey.

An account of \$650 was allowed as house rent for Mrs. Gresham.

A petition was granted opening a road from Afton north to the Matador gate.

A petition by Dr. Standifer and others was granted to open a road west of Spur along the lines of sections 219, 220, 221, 222 and 223. This road will be of the second class and forty feet wide.

Commissioner W. A. Johnson placed a motion before the court to divide the road money of Dickens county so that each commissioner's precinct would get its pro rata share of the road funds in accord with the taxable value of property within each district. This motion was killed by a vote of three to one.

The court paid out a total bounty of \$133.80 for scalps as follows: 65 wolves, 1 wild cat, and 56 rabbits.

### KEEP EASTERN PEOPLE INFORMED OF CONDITIONS

Jeff Smith, of eight or nine miles west of Spur, was in the city Saturday and called around and had the Texas Spur sent to a friend in East Texas. If you have a friend or relative back East and whom you would like to keep informed of the conditions in the great Spur country, call in and have the paper sent to them. It costs very little and may be the means of bringing some of them out to this section. We know that the Texas Spur has been the means of bringing several people to this section in the past.

W. C. McArthur was among the number of visitors in the city Saturday. He reports that crops on his place are looking fine and prospects are that bumper harvests will be made this fall.

## A CHUNK of ICE

is Worth its Weight in Gold

---when it is real hot and food stuff is spoiling in the ice box

Phone us or flag the wagon.

Special attention given people who live in the country.

Don't forget to carry a chunk home every time you have an opportunity.

Pure Ice

Witt Springer

Spur, Texas

Ev'ry Day

# CORKING GOOD VALUES!

For the Week Ending Saturday, July 24th

Ladies' White Shoes, Value \$2.50 to \$4.00, now . . . \$1.50	35c to 50c Fancy Ribbons, only . . . . . 35c
Ladies' Dresses, Worth up to \$3.50, now . . . \$1.95	Ladies' and Misses' White Middy, now . . . . . 75c
Clean-up of White Waists, only . . . . . 50c	Big Line Children's Wash Dresses, now . . . . . 45c

## Love Dry Goods Co. - Spur, Texas

### BUYING HOGS TO FAT-TEN FOR THE MARKET

C. C. Haile, of Draper, was in Spur the first of the week and bought a number of hogs and hauled out to his place to fatten for the market at a later date. Mr. Haile is already feeding a number of hogs on his place, but since he will have a surplus of feed he is now increasing the number with the expectation of thus deriving a better price for his feed.

In view of the fact that in this section of the country the diseases common to hogs in other sections is unknown, and the further fact that from one and a half to two tons of feed is being produced here to the acre, the great Spur country is second to no country as a profitable hog raising section, and this fact is each year becoming more generally recognized in that nearly every farmer of the country has a few hogs fattening on his place and many are engaging in the hog business on a more extensive and considerable scale, and those thus engaged in the hog business report a satisfactory profit in the business.

### SOCIALIST ENCAMPMENT TO BE HELD AT LUEDERS

The 10th annual Socialist Encampment will be held at Lueders Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 21, 22, 23 and 24th. A series of speeches by noted orators will be the feature of this encampment. Geo. C. Hamilton, Mrs. Dorathy Merts and Hon. Ben F. Wilson will be among the noted orators to address the people on this occasion.

Base ball games, various shows and other entertainments will be afforded each day. Camping grounds, cafes, cold drink stands and other conveniences will be furnished those who attend, and everybody is invited.

### PICNIC AT MATADOR

A big two days' picnic will be had at Matador July 28th and 29th, this being the second annual celebration incident to the building of a railroad to that point. Many people of Spur and the surrounding country are now making preparation to attend this celebration since many attractions, together with plenty to eat and drink, are promised. Among the prominent speakers for this occasion are Governor James E. Ferguson, H. B. Terrell, Jno. H. Stephens, Marvin Jones, R. L. Henry and S. B. Brooks.

### RECORD BREAKING CROPS IN SPUR COUNTRY

L. J. Elsby, a prominent citizen and one of the most successful farmers of the Plains country, was in Spur Monday trading and on business. He reports crops in the very finest shape in the Lee County settlement and expects that section to break all former records in bumper crop production. While here Mr. Elsby called at the Texas Spur office and exchanged a dollar for a year's subscription. Thanks Mr. Elsby, and who'll be the next.

### FIRE ALARMS.

The City Council has divided the city into four fire wards for the purpose of aiding the location of fires by signal.

The Electric Light Plant will hereafter convey by whistle the ward in which fire is discovered, and the people of Spur are urged to familiarize themselves with the boundaries of the four wards.

Upon discovery of a fire, it is requested that the alarm be telephoned to the operator of either telephone company, giving her the number of the ward. She will convey it at once to the light plant.

Upon receipt of the alarm, the usual number of short whistles will be sounded, following which, after a pause, will come the long blasts—1, 2, 3 or 4—indicating the ward. The signal will be repeated several times.

It is requested that the central operator at one of the telephone companies be notified as soon as the fire is out. This signal will be conveyed by a repetition of long and short whistles, alternating.

Following are listed the boundary lines of the wards:

- WARD NO. 1  
West of Burlington Avenue and south of Harris Street.
- WARD NO. 2  
West of Burlington Avenue and north of Harris Street.
- WARD NO. 3  
East of Burlington Avenue and north of Harris Street.
- WARD NO. 4  
East of Burlington Avenue and south of Harris Street.

The Fire signals will conform to the number of the ward in which fire is discovered—1 long whistle preceded by a number of short ones indicating ward no. 1, three long whistles, preceded by a number of short ones indicating ward no. 3, etc.

Please cut out this notice and paste in a convenient place.

### A TEXAN HONORED

Lee J. Rountree of the Georgetown Commercial was honored by his fellow craftsmen at the recent convention of the National Editorial association in the city of San Francisco. They elected him president of their association. Editor Rountree is one of the best known publishers in the Southwest. The Georgetown Commercial is an ably edited and progressive weekly newspaper. This honor was well bestowed. The new president of the national association is widely known and very popular. A year ago he induced the national association to hold its convention in Texas. The convention was a success and the visitors were delighted with this section of the United States. For weeks after the adjournment the press of the country devoted thousands of columns of space to the advertising of Texas, her people and her resources. — Ft. Worth Record.

Mrs. Lowery, of Cisco, is in Spur this week visiting her son, C. W. Lowery of the Red Front Drug Store.

### BANKERS URGED TO GO-OPERATE WITH FARMERS

SOUL MATERIAL HAS ENTERED THE BANK VAULTS OF THE NATION.

The Bank a Financial Power House to the Community.

By Peter Radford.

One of the greatest opportunities in the business life of the nation lies in practical co-operation of the country banks with the farmer in building agriculture and the adventure is laden with greater possibilities than any forward movement now before the American public.

A few bankers have loaned money to farmers at a low rate of interest, and oftentimes without compensation, to buy blooded livestock, build silos, fertilize the land, secure better seed, hold their products for a better market price, etc. The banker in contributing toward improving the grade of livestock; the quality of the seed and the fertility of the soil, plants in the agricultural life of the community a fountain of profit, that, like Tennyson's brook, runs on and on forever. Community Progress a Bank Asset.

The time was when money loaned on such a basis would severely test the sanity of the banker; such transactions would pain the directors like a blow in the face. A cashier who would dare to cast bread upon waters that did not return buttered side up in time for annual dividends would have to give way to a more capable man. This does not necessarily mean that the bankers are getting any better or that the milk of human kindness is

being imbibed more freely by our financiers. It indicates that the bankers are getting wiser, becoming more able financiers and the banking industry more competent. The vision of the builder is crowding out the spirit of the pawnbroker. A light has been turned on a new world of investment and no usurer ever received as large returns on the investment as these progressive bankers, who made loans to uplift industry. The bankers have always been liberal city builders, but they are now building agriculture.

### A Dollar With a Soul.

It is refreshing in this strenuous commercial life to find so many dollars with souls. When a dollar is approached to perform a task that does not directly yield the highest rate of interest, we usually hear the rustle of the eagle's wings as it soars upward; when a dollar is requested to return at the option of the borrower, it usually appeals to the Goddess of Liberty for its contractual rights; when a dollar is asked to expand in volume to suit the requirements of industry, it usually talks solemnly of its redeemer, but soul material has entered into the vaults of our banks and rate, time and volume have a new basis of reckoning in so far as the ability of some of the bankers permit them to co-operate in promoting the business of farming.

### God Almighty's Noblemen.

These bankers are God Almighty's noblemen. Heaven lent earth the spirit of these men and the angels will help them roll in place the cornerstones of empires. They are not philanthropists; they are wise bankers. The spirit of the builder has given them a new vision, and wisdom has visited upon them business foresight.

The cackle of the hen, the low of kine and the rustle of growing crops echo in every bank vault in the nation and the shrewd banker knows that he can more effectively increase his deposits by putting blue blood in the veins of livestock; quality in the yield of the soil and value into agricultural products, than by business handshakes, overdrafts and gaudy calendars.

Taking the community into partnership with the bank, opening up a ledger account with progress, making thrift and enterprise stockholders and the prosperity of the country an asset to the bank, put behind it stability far more desirable than a letterhead bearing the names of all the distinguished citizens of the community. The bank is the financial power house of the community and blessed is the locality that has an up-to-date banker.

### POLITICAL PRAYER MEETINGS

It is a sad day for Christianity when the church bells call the communicants together for a political prayer meeting. Such gatherings mark the high tide of religious political fanaticism, put bitterness into the lives of men; fan the flames of class hatred and destroy Christian influence in the community. The spirit actuating such meetings is anarchistic, un-Christlike and dangerous to both church and state.

The success of the nation is in the hands of the farmer.

Work for the best and the best will rise up and reward you.

Tenant farming is just one thing after another without a pay day.

Of course, those who dance should pay the fiddler, but as a general thing he is willing to play a few tunes for nothing.—Snap Shots.



## Ask the Children

They will tell you the difference between Our Ice Cream and others.

You can't fool the little folks; they appreciate a generous dish of Delicious Ice Cream, filled to the brim with their favorite fruit.

Spur Drug Co.  
The Rexall Store

## Murray Brothers...

YOU WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE US DO That Work Why Not Now?

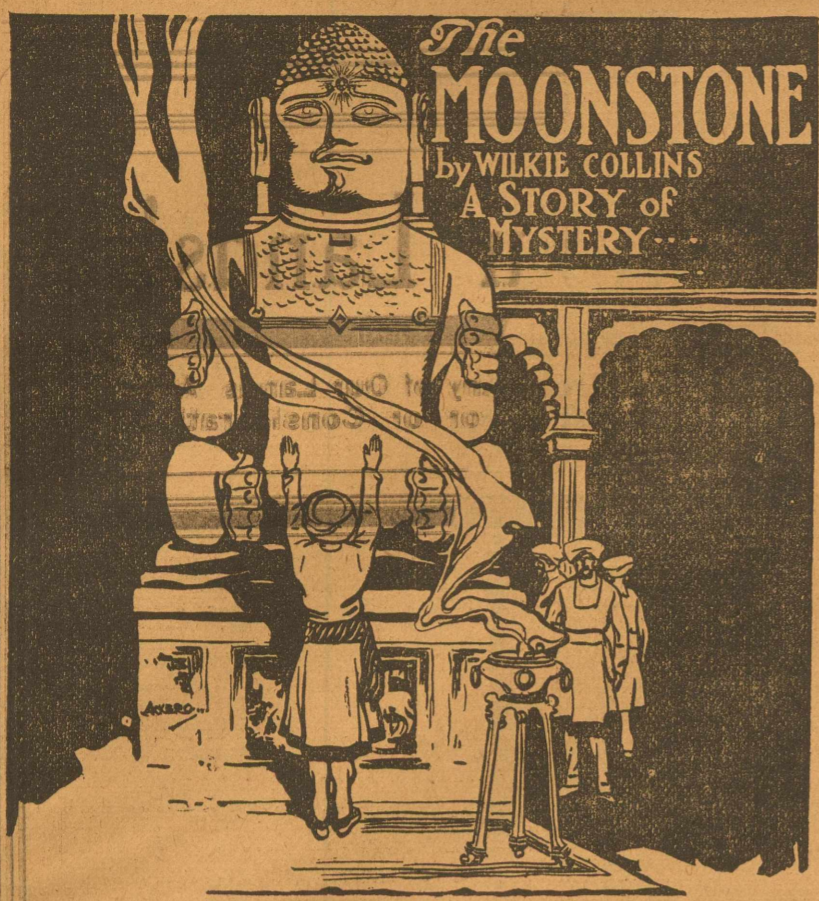
### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

For Representative, 105th District, subject to the special election July 24th:

HARDY M. BOYD

Congressman R. L. Henry will pass through Spur Monday, July 26th, on his way to Matador to address the people on the occasion of a picnic at that place on the 27th and 28th. While in Spur Mr. Henry will be the guest of friends and admirers.

Texas Spur does job printing.



### PROLOGUE.

The moonstone had first reposed in the forehead of an Indian idol. As centuries went by, ill luck following it, it passed into Mohammedan hands, but always through the ages three Brahman priests kept secret watch over it. John Hernecastle, an English officer, during the storming of Seringapatam, stole the stone, killing its guardians. Gabriel Betteredge, house steward for Julia, Lady Verinder, explains how the stone came into the house in which he serves. Master Franklin Blake, a nephew of Lady Verinder, had been sent abroad to be educated. On the day he was expected home Penelope, Betteredge's daughter, observes three Indian jugglers acting suspiciously. Franklin arrives earlier than expected, having eluded a dark stranger following him in London. Franklin has the diamond, which has been willed to his cousin Rachel as a birthday gift by Colonel Hernecastle. He puts the stone in a bank. The jugglers make a secret visit to the house. Rachel receives the moonstone on her birthday. Among the guests is Mr. Mouthwhite, an Indian traveler. The next morning the diamond is missing. Superintendent of Police Seegrave is called in to investigate, and the three Indians are imprisoned. Suspicion also falls on Rosanna Spearman, a servant, and others. Sergeant Cuff, a London detective, is retained and begins his work. He is checked, however, when Rosanna, who Lady Verinder admits has had a prison record, refuses to have her room searched.

### Queer Proceedings.

"ABOUT that young person, Rosanna Spearman?" said Sergeant Cuff. "It isn't very likely with her personal appearance that she has got a lover, but for the girl's own sake I must ask you at once whether she has provided herself with a sweetheart, poor wretch, like the rest of them."

What on earth did he mean under present circumstances by putting such a question to me as that? I stared at him instead of answering him.

"I saw Rosanna Spearman hiding in the shrubbery as we went by," said the sergeant.

"When you said 'Halloo?'"

"Yes, when I said 'Halloo.' If there's a sweetheart in the case the hiding doesn't much matter. If there isn't, as things are in this house, the hiding is a highly suspicious circumstance, and it will be my painful duty to act on it accordingly."

I gave the sergeant the necessary explanations and told him that Rosanna had been mad enough to set her heart on Mr. Franklin Blake.

"Haden't you better say she's mad enough to be an ugly girl and only a servant?" he asked. "Yes, I'll keep it a secret, Mr. Betteredge. I like to be tender to human infirmity, though I don't get many chances of exercising that virtue in my line of life. You think Mr. Franklin Blake hasn't got a suspicion of the girl's fancy for him? Ah, he would have found it out fast enough if she had been nice looking! The ugly women have a bad time of it in this world. Let's hope it will be made up to them in another. Did you notice anything you couldn't account for in any of the servants when the loss of the diamond was first found out?"

"I noticed nothing," I said, "except that we all lost our heads together, myself included."

"Oh," says the sergeant, "that's all you have to tell me, is it?"

We went back to the house, the sergeant requesting that I would give him a room to himself and then send in the servants, the indoor servants only, one after another in the order of their rank from first to last.

I showed Sergeant Cuff into my own room and then called the servants together in the hall. Rosanna Spearman appeared among them much as usual.

Going into the court of justice when it was all over to hear if there were any further commands for me, I found the sergeant at his old trick—looking out of the window and whistling "The Last Rose of Summer" to himself.

"Any discoveries, sir?" I inquired.

"If Rosanna Spearman asks leave to go out," said the sergeant, "let the poor thing go, but let me know first."

I might as well have held my tongue about Rosanna and Mr. Franklin! It was plain enough; the unfortunate girl had fallen under Sergeant Cuff's suspicions in spite of all I could do to prevent it.

"I hope you don't think Rosanna is concerned in the loss of the diamond," I ventured to say.

The corners of the sergeant's melancholy mouth curled up, and he looked hard in my face—just as he had looked in the garden.

"I think I had better not tell you, Mr. Betteredge," he said. "You might lose your head, you know, for the second time."

I began to doubt whether I had been one too many for the celebrated Cuff, after all! It was rather a relief to me that we were interrupted here by a knock at the door and a message from the cook. Rosanna Spearman had asked to go out, for the usual reason, that her head was bad and she wanted a breath of fresh air. At a sign from the sergeant I said, "Yes." "Which is the servants' way out?" he asked when the messenger had gone. I showed him the servants' way out. "Look the door of your room," says the sergeant, "and if anybody asks for me say I'm in there composing my mind." He curled up again at the corners of the lips and disappeared.

I walked out in the fine summer evening, very sorry for the poor girl and very uneasy in my mind generally at the turn things had taken. Shortly I again found myself face to face with Sergeant Cuff.

"I want a little information about the country round here," said the sergeant.

I couldn't well object to improve Sergeant Cuff in his geography.

"Is there any path in that direction leading from the sea beach to this house?" asked the sergeant. He pointed as he spoke to the fir plantation which led to the Shivering Sand.

"Yes," I said; "there is a path."

"Show it to me."

Side by side in the gray of the summer evening Sergeant Cuff and I set forth for the Shivering Sand.

The sergeant remained silent, thinking his own thoughts, till we entered the plantation of firs which led to the quicksand. There he roused himself like a man whose mind was made up and spoke to me again.

"Mr. Betteredge," he said, "you are determined to give me no information to the prejudice of Rosanna Spearman because she has been a good girl to you and because you pity her heartily. Rosanna Spearman is not in the slightest danger of getting into trouble—no. Rosanna Spearman is simply an instrument in the hands of another person, and Rosanna Spearman will be held harmless for that other person's sake."

He spoke like a man in earnest. There was no denying that. Still, I felt something stirring uneasily against him in my mind. "Can't you give that other person a name?" I said.

"Can't you, Mr. Betteredge?"

"No."

Sergeant Cuff stood stock still and surveyed me with a look of melancholy interest.

"It's always a pleasure to me to be tender toward human infirmity," he said. "I feel particularly tender at the present moment, Mr. Betteredge, toward you. And you, with the same excellent motive, feel particularly tender toward Rosanna Spearman, don't you? Do you happen to know whether she has had a new outfit of linen lately?"

What he meant by slipping in this extraordinary question unawares I was at a total loss to imagine. Seeing no possible injury to Rosanna if I owned the truth, I answered that the girl had come to us rather sparsely provided with linen and that my lady in recompense for her good conduct—I laid a stress on her good conduct—had given her a new outfit not a fortnight since.

"This is a miserable world," says the sergeant. "But for that outfit we should have discovered a new nightgown or petticoat among Rosanna's things and have nailed her in that way. Surely you know what the girl was about yesterday after she was taken ill? At 11 on Thursday morning Superintendent Seegrave points out to all the women servants the smear on the door. Rosanna has her own reasons for suspecting her own things. She takes the first opportunity of getting to her room, finds the paint stain on her nightgown, or petticoat, or what not, shams ill and slips away to the town, gets the materials for making a new petticoat or nightgown, makes it alone in her room on the Thursday night, lights a fire—not to destroy it; two of her fellow servants are prying outside her door, and she knows better than to make a smell of burning and to have a lot of tinder to get rid of—lights a fire, I say, to dry and iron the substitute dress after wringing it out, keeps the stained dress hidden, probably on her, and is at this moment occupied in making away with it in some convenient place on that lonely bit of beach ahead of us. I have traced her this evening to your fishing village and to one particular cottage, which we may possibly have to visit before we go back. If we don't meet with Rosanna Spearman by coming round on her this way the sand may tell us what she has been at if the light only lasts long enough. Here is the sand."

I saw the sergeant start as the shiver of the sand caught his eye. After looking at it for a minute or so he turned and came back to me.

"A treacherous place, Mr. Betteredge," he said, "and no signs of Rosanna Spearman anywhere on the beach, look where you may."

He took me down lower on the shore, and I saw for myself that his footsteps and mine were the only footsteps printed off on the sand.

"How does the fishing village bear, standing where we are now?" asked Sergeant Cuff.

"Cobb's Hole," I answered, that being the name of the place, "bears as near as may be due south."

"I saw the girl this evening walking northward along the shore from Cobb's Hole," said the sergeant. "Consequently she must have been walking toward this place. Is Cobb's Hole on the other side of that point of land there? And can we get to it—now it's low water—by the beach?"

I answered "Yes" to both those questions.

"If you'll excuse my suggesting it we'll step out briskly," says the sergeant. "I want to find the place where she left the shore before it gets dark."

We had walked, I should say, a couple of hundred yards toward Cobb's Hole, when Sergeant Cuff suddenly went down on his knees on the beach, to all appearance seized with a sudden frenzy for saying his prayers.

"There's something to be said for your marine landscape here, after all," remarked the sergeant. "Here are a woman's footsteps, Mr. Betteredge! Let us call them Rosanna's footsteps until we find evidence to the contrary that we can't resist. Here's one footstep going from Cobb's Hole, and here is another going back to it. Isn't that the toe of her shoe pointing straight to the water's edge? And don't I see two heel marks farther down the beach, close at the water's edge also? It looks as if she had determined to get to that place you and I have just come from, without leaving any marks on the sand to trace her by. Shall we say that she walked through the water from this point till she got to that ledge of rocks behind us and came back the same way and then took to the beach again where those two heel marks are still left? Yes, we'll say that. It seems to fit in with my notion that she had something under her cloak when she left the cottage. No, not something to destroy—for, in that case, where would have been the need of all these precautions to prevent my tracing the place at which her walk ended? Something to hide it, I think, the better guess of the two. Perhaps, if we go on to the cottage, we may find out what that something is!"

On the sergeant describing the place, I recognized it as a cottage inhabited by a fisherman named Yolland, with his wife and two grownup children, a son and a daughter. Rosanna Spearman occasionally varied her walk to the Shivering Sand by a visit to some friends of hers at Cobb's Hole. Those friends were the Yollands—respectable, worthy people, a credit to the neighborhood. Rosanna's acquaintance with them had begun by means of the daughter, who was afflicted with a misshapen foot and who was known in our parts by the name of Limping Lucy. The two deformed girls had, I suppose, a kind of fellow feeling for each other.

We went on to Cobb's Hole, seeing the footsteps on the sand as long as the light lasted.

On reaching the cottage the fisherman and his son proved to be out in the boat, and Limping Lucy, always weak and weary, was resting on her bed upstairs. Good Mrs. Yolland received us alone in her kitchen. When she heard that Sergeant Cuff was a celebrated character in London, she clapped a bottle of Dutch gin and a couple of clean pipes on the table and stared as if she could never see enough of him.

The great Cuff showed a wonderful patience, trying his luck dreadingly this way and that way and firing shot after shot, as it were, at random, on the chance of hitting the mark. Everything to Rosanna's credit, nothing to Rosanna's prejudice—that was how it ended, try as he might, with Mrs. Yolland talking nineteen to the dozen and placing the most entire confidence in him. His last effort was made when we had looked at our watches and had got on our legs previous to taking leave.

"I shall now wish you good night, ma'am," says the sergeant. "And I shall only say at parting that Rosanna Spearman has a sincere well wisher in myself, your obedient servant. But, oh, dear me, she will never get on in her present place, and my advice to her is—leave it!"

"Bless your heart alive, she is going to leave it!" cries Mrs. Yolland.

Rosanna Spearman going to leave us! I pricked up my ears at that.

Sergeant Cuff sat down again instantly and asked for a last little drop of comfort out of the Dutch bottle. Mrs. Yolland sat down opposite to him and gave him his nip.

"So she means to leave?" says the sergeant. "What is she to do when she does leave? Sad, sad! The poor creature has got no friends in the world except you and me."

"Ah, but she has, though!" says Mrs. Yolland. "She came in here, as I told you, this evening, and after sitting and talking a little with my girl Lucy and me she asked to go upstairs by herself into Lucy's room. 'I want to write a letter to a friend,' she says, 'and I can't do it for the prying and the peeping of the servants up at the house.' I offered her a postage stamp when she came down. She hadn't got the letter in her hand, and she didn't accept the stamp. A little close, poor soul (as you know), about herself and her doings. But a friend she has got somewhere, I can tell you, and to that friend, you may depend upon it, she will go."

"Soon?" asked the sergeant.

"As soon as she can," says Mrs. Yolland.

"You must be mistaken about Rosanna Spearman," I said. "If she had been going to leave her present situation she would have mentioned it in the first place to me."

"Mistaken?" cries Mrs. Yolland.

"Why, only an hour ago she bought some things she wanted for travelling—of my own self, Mr. Betteredge, in this very room. And that reminds me," says the wearisome woman, suddenly beginning to feel in her pocket, "of something I've got it on my mind to say about Rosanna and her money. Are you either of you likely to see her when you go back to the house?"

"I'll take a message to the poor thing with the greatest pleasure," answered Sergeant Cuff before I could put in a word edgewise.

Mrs. Yolland produced out of her pocket a few shillings and sixpences and counted them out with a most particular and exasperating carefulness in the palm of her hand. She offered the money to the sergeant, looking mighty loath to part with it all the while.

"Might I ask you to give this back to Rosanna with my love and respects?" says Mrs. Yolland. "She insisted on paying me for the one or two things she took a fancy to this evening, and money's welcome enough in our house, I don't deny it. Still, I'm not easy in my mind about taking the poor thing's little savings. And, to tell you the truth, I don't think my man would like to hear that I had taken Rosanna Spearman's money when he comes back tomorrow morning from his work. Please say she's heartily welcome to the things she bought of me—as a gift."

"It's a delicate matter, ma'am," I heard the sergeant say, "giving money back. You charged her cheap for the things, I'm sure."

"Cheap!" said Mrs. Yolland. "Come and judge for yourself."

She took up the candle and led the sergeant to a corner of the kitchen. For the life of me I couldn't help following them. Shaken down in the corner was a heap of odds and ends, mostly old metal, which the fisherman had picked up at different times from wrecked ships and which he hadn't found a market for yet to his own mind. Mrs. Yolland dived into this rubbish and brought up an old japanned tin case with a cover to it and a hasp to hang it up by, the sort of thing they use on board ship for keeping their maps and charts and such like from the wet.

"There," says she, "when Rosanna came in this evening she bought the fellow to that. 'It will just do,' she says, 'to put my cuffs and collars in and keep them from being crumpled in

my box.' One and ninepence, Mr. Cuff. As I live by bread, not a half penny more!"

"Dirt cheap," says the sergeant, with a heavy sigh.

He weighed the case in his hand. Mrs. Yolland took another dive into the rubbish and came up out of it, this time with a dog chain.

"Weigh it in your hand, sir," she said to the sergeant. "We had three of these, and Rosanna has taken two of them. 'What can you want, my dear, with a couple of dog's chains?' says I. 'If I join them together they'll go round my box nicely,' says she. 'Rope's cheapest,' says I. 'Chain's surest,' says she. 'Who ever heard of a box corded with chain?' says I. 'Oh, Mrs. Yolland, don't make objections,' says she. 'Let me have my chains! A strange girl, Mr. Cuff, good as gold and kinder than a sister to my Lucy, but always a little strange. There I humored her. Three and sixpence. On the word of an honest woman, three and sixpence, Mr. Cuff!'"

"Each?" says the sergeant.

"Both together," says Mrs. Yolland.

"Three and sixpence for the two."

"Given away, ma'am," says the sergeant, shaking his head.

"I can't find it in my conscience, ma'am, to give the money back. You have as good as made her a present of the things—you have indeed."

"Is that your sincere opinion, sir?" says Mrs. Yolland, brightening up wonderfully.

"There can't be a doubt about it," answered the sergeant. "Ask Mr. Betteredge."

It was no use asking me. All they got out of me was "Good night!"

"Bother the money!" says Mrs. Yolland. With those words she appeared to lose all command over herself, and, making a sudden snatch at the heap of silver, put it back, holus-bolus, in her pocket.

This time I not only went to the door, but went fairly out on the road back. Explain it how you may, I felt as if one or both of them had mortally offended me. Before I had taken three steps down the village I heard the sergeant behind me.

"Yes," says the sergeant, as if he was actually reading my thoughts in the dark. "Instead of putting me on the scent it may console you to know, Mr. Betteredge (with your interest in Rosanna) that you have been the means of throwing me off. What the girl has done tonight is clear enough, of course. She has joined the two chains and has fastened them to the hasp in the tin case. She has sunk the case in the water or in the quicksand. But," says the sergeant, with the first tone of impatience in his voice that I had heard yet, "the mystery is—what the devil has she hidden in the tin case? It's not the diamond. The whole experience of my life is at fault if Rosanna Spearman has got the diamond."

I said rashly, "The stained dress!"

Sergeant Cuff stopped short in the dark and laid his hand on my arm.

"Is anything thrown into that quicksand of yours ever thrown up on the surface again?" he asked.

"Never," I answered. "Light or heavy, whatever goes into the shivering sand is sucked down and seen no more."

"Does Rosanna Spearman know that?"

"She knows it as well as I do."

"Then," says the sergeant, "what on earth has she got to do but to tie up a bit of stone in the stained dress and throw it into the quicksand? There isn't the shadow of a reason why she should have hidden it—and yet she must have hidden it. Query," says the sergeant, walking on again, "is the paint stained dress a petticoat or a nightgown, or is it something else which there is a reason for preserving at any risk? Mr. Betteredge, if nothing occurs to prevent it I must go to Frizinghall tomorrow and discover what she bought in the town."

When we got back the servants were at supper. The first person we saw in the outer yard was the policeman whom Superintendent Seegrave had left at the sergeant's disposal. The sergeant asked if Rosanna Spearman had returned. Yes. When? Nearly an hour since. What had she done? She had gone upstairs to take off her bonnet and cloak, and she was now at supper quietly with the rest.

Without making any remark Sergeant Cuff walked on.

Samuel, the footman, was the first person I met in the passage.

"Her ladyship is waiting to see you and Sergeant Cuff," he said.

We found my lady with no light in the room but the reading lamp. The shade was screwed down so as to overshadow her face. Instead of looking up at us in her usual straightforward way, she sat close at the table and kept her eyes fixed obstinately on an open book.

"Officer," she said, "is it important to the inquiry you are conducting to know beforehand if any person now in this house wishes to leave it?"

"Most important, my lady."

"I have to tell you, then, that Miss Verinder proposes going to stay with her aunt, Mrs. Ablewhite of Frizinghall. She has arranged to leave us the first thing tomorrow morning."

[To be continued.]

# Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

Notice is Hereby Given That Any Person Who Cuts Wood of Any Kind Whatever From Any of Our Lands Any Where Now or Hereafter will Be Prosecuted to the Fullest Extent of the Law Without Favor or Consideration

**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.

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

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

C. C. Haile recently sold his stock of merchandise at Draper to Aubrey Loyd of Afton. The Draper postoffice was moved to the residence of W. D. Thacker where it will be located in the future. The stock of merchandise was moved to Afton, thus leaving the old town of Draper abandoned as a townsite.

H. P. Cole came in Saturday from his farm and ranch home near Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on business and shaking hands with his many friends.

Bert N. Brown, manager of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, spent several hours in Spur Saturday looking after business interests and shaking hands with friends.

Mrs. Brantley and Miss Ruby Pool returned last week from Post City where they have been spending several weeks with relatives.

R. Jones was here Saturday from the Tap country. He reports his crops in the very finest shape.

J. B. Morrison made a business trip the first of the week to the Draper country.

### FOR SALE.

My 2068 1-2 acre ranch, 12 miles southwest of Spur, on Cat Fish River, at a bargain, on good terms. Will lease temporarily, also separate section near ranch for sale.—C. C. Higgins, Snyder, Texas. 36-tf.

Perry Fite is reported very spotted with small pox at his home in the west part of the city. In view of the fact that Mr. Fite has the small pox it is very probable that his trial, set for the 19th day of July in Seymour, will be continued and all witnesses summoned for that date will be excused.

N. N. Rogers and wife, of Garza county, were here last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, at their home north of Spur.

W. A. Jordan was here Saturday from his home in the Steel Hill country.

W. M. Randall was here Saturday from the Steel Hill community.

### NOTICE.

Dr. W. G. Jarvis O. D., of Stamford, will be at the Red Front Drug Store in Spur Friday, July 23rd and Saturday morning, July 24th, and once each month in the future prepared to fit and repair glasses and do optical work of all kinds. Dr. Jarvis is a Graduate Optometrist and is thoroughly competent to handle any case entrusted to him. Stopping head aches and fitting the "hard to fit" a specialty. If you have head aches or are bothered by your eyes see him. Prices reasonable. Work guaranteed. Examination free. 35-3

Miss Mona Rice, of Stamford, returned the first of the week to her home at Stamford after a visit of several days with Miss Flora Love.

Mr. Campbell, of Munday, is in Spur visiting his brother and family. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell.

J. P. Gibson was among the number in Spur Saturday from the Steel Hill country.

R. L. Stewart and little daughter, of the Afton country, were in Spur the latter part of last week and while here were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office and watched the new Texas Spur printing press in operation. Mr. Stewart is one among the most substantial citizens and prosperous farmers of the country, and says that his crops this year promise big yields in feed as well as cotton.

Mr. Smith, of near Afton, was in Spur last week on business and trading with the merchants. Mr. Smith has the reputation of being not only a good farmer but one of the most successful and prosperous farmers of the whole country.

Tack Kennedy, of near Spur, was among the many visitors in the city Saturday. He reports everything moving along nicely and prospects ideal for bumper crop harvests.

Mrs. Potts and children spent several days of last week visiting friends in the Afton country.

### GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

Austin, Texas, June 25, 1915.

To the Editor:  
Permit me, through your columns, to advise those of your readers who have not paid their last year's interest due on their school land that it will be necessary for them to pay by about the middle of August if they desire to prevent a forfeiture of their land. This is necessary on account of the importance of getting the money into the State's Treasury before the close of the present school year on August 31st in order to help prevent a deficit in the school fund apportionment. No one should wait for a personal notice before sending in his payment.

Yours truly,  
J. T. Robison,  
Commissioner.

L. C. Arrington, of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent several days here on business and greeting friends. Mr. Arrington is an extensive farmer and reports the crops on his places near Afton and Spur all in fine shape and promising big yields this fall.

Mrs. J. C. Martin and daughter, Miss Lula, left Spur this week for Georgia where they will enjoy an extended visit with another daughter and family of that state. We wish Mrs. Martin and Miss Lula a very pleasant trip and an enjoyable visit.

Bill Presley, an old time citizen and ranchman of this section, spent several days of last week in Spur greeting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Gray, of Dickens, spent Sunday in Spur with friends and also looking after telephone interests.

## A BUSINESS PROPOSITION

IF YOU have a business proposition to which a conservatively managed bank can lend its support, come to the CITY NATIONAL BANK with it. ¶ While this bank does not contribute fixed capital to business enterprises, there are various ways in which it can aid in their wholesome and sound expansion. ¶ An interview with our officers will determine how far this bank can go in developing a good business proposition.

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C. HOGAN, Asst. Cashier J. D. HARKEY, Vice-Pres.

## Items Over Dickens County BY CORRESPONDENTS

Owing to the crowded condition of this paper's columns, it was necessary to leave out these correspondences, and we are printing them this week.

### • PRAIRIE CHAPEL.

Afton give us a long letter next time.

B. F. Whitaker had business in Spur Monday.

W. M. Stovall recently bought a choice cow pony for \$75.00 cash.

Mrs. B. F. Whitaker is in Geary, Oklahoma, for medical treatment.

Mr. Wren, who is living on the B. F. Whitaker farm, visited Ollie Scott Sunday.

Elsworth Ham, postmaster at Dickens, is mingling with friends here this week.

G. W. Dodson and family are visiting at the home of his brother, Jno. H. Dodson.

Misses Glen of Matador are visiting F. F. Henry. One of them is to teach this school next year.

Claude Loyd is back from Simmons College at Abilene. We understand that he didn't enter the oratorical contest on account of home duties calling him.

### GILPIN

P. E. Hagins made a trip to Spur Saturday.

Mrs. P. E. Hagins and children went plumbing Monday.

Jerome Hagins, of near Jayton, was here on business Saturday.

Cecil Bennett and Willie Hagins attended the ball game at Girard Saturday.

Hon. A. J. Hagins, of near Jayton, was here on business Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Samantha Smith and children, of Spur, are spending the week with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlisle.

Rev. Vincent Billberry and family visited at the home of his brother, L. W. Bilberry Saturday. He filled his regular appointment at Steel Hill Sunday.

W. A. Hawkins and son, Luther, and D. D. Hagins, have gone to Hamlin on business. Mr. Hawkins is thinking of making Hamlin his home in the future.

What is the matter with Spur, that it doesn't give us a barbecue, picnic or something? We are hoping for an invitation to something of the kind pretty soon.

The ice cream supper given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hagins was a pleasant occasion. Everybody got all the ice cream

## Cloves Are Dried Buds

The buds of an East Indian tree are picked, dried and then graded according to the percentage of oil they contain—this oil is the source of the clove flavor.

But unless care is taken in grinding, even oily cloves lose much of their flavor. After grinding, the cloves must be protected from evaporation by most careful packing.

You see then that it is not only pure cloves you must insist on, but selected cloves which have been handled throughout the best way to keep them full of the oil which flavors.

That's why we suggest that you insist on White Swan Cloves. Selected from the best grade, ground by our "cool" process to retain flavor and strength and packed in air-tight tins. Your grocer sells White Swan Cloves—the cost is a little more, but the economy is greater because a tin lasts longer.



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they could eat, and all report a nice time. Who will be the next to entertain the young folks?

Rev. W. B. Bennett went fishing Saturday. He said if his hooks had been sharp enough, no telling how many he would have caught. He dropped lots of great big ones back into the water, but the ones he brought home were little bitsy things.

This cool weather has injured the cotton, but corn and maize is looking fine.—A School Girl.

### DRAPER.

Oh! for a coat to keep out this cold.

J. E. Wright is able to be up again.

Mrs. Clarence Horton is on the sick list.

Crops are fine, and farmers are smiling at each other.

Chas. Perrin's little boy is on the sick list this week.

Rev. Smith filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Ed Lisenby, formerly of Matador, has moved to Draper and will reside here several months.

To all living east of the postoffice: Marion Thannisch will bring your mail to you with pleasure and no charges.

C. C. Haile has sudan grass ready for the binder. He says it will make eight or ten thousand binds to the acre.

C. C. Haile has sold his store. The postoffice has been moved to W. D. Thacker's home, with Miss Eva Thacker postmistress.

J. W. Anderton, of Spur, is visiting in our neighborhood, eating peaches and making eyes at the girls. Wonder if that does him any good.

Monday—J. W. Anderton, of Spur, got a very serious fall yesterday, he fell in love with Miss Edie Wright, but it wont do him any good tho.

### AFTON

Mrs. Nellie Bucher is a little improved.

Mrs. Emily Ballard has moved to Matador.

Rupert Harvey is quite sick at this writing.

John Parker visited at L. B. Haile's Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson are visiting at Crowell.

The little child of I. N. Stovall is very sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Haile are visiting his mother at Afton.

Claud Loyd is at Roaring Springs selling aluminum ware.

Aubrey Loyd has bought C. C. Haile's stock of goods and fixtures at Draper.

Will Martin and family visited at the home of Knox Lawson Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. E. E. Box of Cumby visited her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Robertson, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Dobbs have returned from an extended visit to their kinspeople in Parker county.

We have no shoe shop, or art gallery either, at Afton, as Mr. Lawrence has moved to Roaring Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. Hyde of Sulphur Springs are visiting at the home of Mrs. Hyde's brother, James Robertson.

Grandpa Stovall died last Friday

at the home of his son, Munson Stovall, and was buried in the Afton cemetery Saturday.

This has been the coolest Fourth the writer has ever seen. Many Afton people found it necessary to get out their overcoats and heavy wraps.

The Mothers' Club has been prevented from showing their play three times by rain and sickness. They will try again in the near future.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Dickens }  
To the Sheriff or any constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Emmett Jackson, by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Fiftieth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Fiftieth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice's Court of Precinct Number 1 of Dickens County, Texas, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in the town of Dickens, on the fourth Monday of June A. D. 1915, the same being the 28th day of June A. D. 1915, and there to appear and answer a suit filed in said court on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1915, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 104, wherein the Hale Hardware Company, a firm composed of O. L. Hale and Fred I. Hale, are plaintiffs and Emmett Jackson is defendant, the nature of plaintiffs' demand being as follows; to wit: Suit upon a promissory note, dated May 30th 1914, for the sum of \$129.00, due November 1st 1914, executed by the said Emmett Jackson, delivered and payable to the Hale Hardware Company at Afton, Texas, and bearing ten percent interest per annum from date until paid, and providing that if said note is not paid when due to pay all costs necessary for collection, including ten per cent for Attorney's fees.

Herein fail not but, have before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand, in the town of Dickens, this 17th day of May A. D. 1915.

A. C. Hyatt,  
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Dickens County, Texas. 34-4t.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Dickens }  
To the Sheriff or any constable of Dickens County, Texas, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon John Allen, W. D. Allen and W. D. Gary, by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Fiftieth Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said Fiftieth Judicial District, to appear at a regular term of the Justice Court of Precinct Number 1 of Dickens County, Texas, to be holden on the fourth Monday of June, A. D. 1915, the same being the 28th day of June, A. D. 1915, at the Court House of said County, in the town of Dickens, and then and there to appear and answer the suit of J. D. Harkey, Plaintiff, against John Allen, W. D. Allen and W. D. Gary, being numbered 107 on the docket of said court, and filed on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1915, the nature of plaintiff's demand being in substance as follows:

Being for the sum of \$18.00, being the value of rent cotton, converted to the use and benefit of and by the said defendants and belonging to the said plaintiff, without the consent of the said plaintiff.

Hearin fail not, but have before said court on the first day of next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand, in the town of Dickens, this 24th day of May, 1915

A. C. Hyatt  
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1 Dickens County, Texas. 34-4t

A protracted meeting being conducted by G. F. Mickey of Floydada is now in progress at Tap, and we are informed that the services are being largely attended.

### A FIRE MARSHAL ORDINANCE.

An ordinance creating the office of Fire Marshal, prescribing the duties thereof, providing for its maintenance, and prescribing penalties for violations.

Be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Spur, Texas.

SECTION 1. The office of Fire Marshal is hereby created. Such office shall be independent of other city departments, the Fire Marshal reporting directly to the Mayor and City Commission. Such office shall be filled by appointment by the Mayor, by and with the consent of the City Commission immediately after this ordinance shall take effect. The said Fire Marshal shall be properly qualified for the duties of his office, and shall be removed only for cause. He shall receive an annual salary of \$240.00 (two hundred forty dollars) payable in monthly installments, as full compensation for his services.

SEC. 2. The Fire Marshal shall investigate the cause, origin and circumstances of every fire occurring within this city by which property has been destroyed or damaged, and shall especially make investigation as to whether such fire was the result of carelessness or design. Such investigation shall be begun within twenty-four hours, not including Sunday, of the occurrence of such fire. The Fire Marshal shall keep in his office a record of all fires, together with all facts, statistics and circumstances, including the origin of the fires and the amount of the loss, which may be determined by the investigation required by this ordinance.

SEC. 3. The Fire Marshal, when in his opinion further investigation is necessary, shall take or cause to be taken the testimony, on oath, of all persons supposed to be cognizant of any facts or to have means of knowledge in relation to the matter under investigation, and shall cause the same to be reduced to writing; and if he shall be of the opinion that there is evidence sufficient to charge any person with the crime of arson, or with the attempt to commit the crime of arson, or of conspiracy to defraud, or criminal conduct in connection with such fire, he shall cause such person to be lawfully arrested and charged with such offense or either of them, and shall furnish to the proper prosecuting attorney all such evidence, together with the names of witnesses and all of the information obtained by him, including a copy of all pertinent and material testimony taken in the case.

SEC. 4. The Fire Marshal shall have the power to summon witnesses before him to testify in relation to any matter which is by the provisions of this ordinance a subject of inquiry and investigation, and may require the production of any book, paper or document deemed pertinent thereto. The said Fire Marshal is hereby authorized and empowered to administer oaths and affirmations to any persons appearing as witnesses before him.

SEC. 5. Any witness who refuses to be sworn, or who refuses to appear or testify, or who disobeys any lawful order of said Fire Marshal, or who fails or refuses to produce any book, paper or document touching any matter under examination, or who is guilty of any contemptuous conduct during any of the proceedings of the Fire Marshal in the matter of said investigation or inquiry, after being summoned to give testimony in relation to any matter under investigation as aforesaid, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; and it shall be the duty of the Fire Marshal to cause all such offenders to be prosecuted. Any person being convicted of any such misdemeanor shall be fined in a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Provided, however, that any person so convicted shall have the right of appeal.

SEC. 6. All investigations held by or under the direction of the Fire Marshal may, in his discretion, be private, and persons other than those required to be present may be excluded from the place where such investigation is held, and witnesses may be kept separate and apart from each other and not allowed to communicate with each other until they have been examined.

SEC. 7. The Fire Marshal shall have the authority at all times of day or night, when necessary, in the performance of the duties imposed upon him by the provisions of this ordinance, to enter upon and examine any building or premises where any fire has occurred, and other buildings or premises adjoining or near the same, which authority shall be exercised only with reason and good discretion.

SEC. 8. The Fire Marshal, upon complaint of any person having an interest in any building or property adjacent, and without any complaint, shall have a right at all reasonable hours, for the purpose of examination, to enter into and upon all buildings and premises within the city, and it shall be his duty, quarterly or more often, to enter upon and make, or cause to be entered upon and made, a thorough examination of all mercantile, manufacturing and public buildings, together with the premises belonging thereto. Whenever he shall find any building or other

structure which, for want of repair, or by reason of age or dilapidated condition, or for any cause, is especially liable to fire, and which is so situated as to endanger other buildings or property, or so occupied that fire would endanger persons or property therein, and whenever he shall find an improper or dangerous arrangement of stoves, ranges, furnaces or other heating appliances of any kind whatsoever, including chimneys, flues and pipes with which the same may be connected, or a dangerous arrangement of lighting devices or systems, or a dangerous or unlawful storage of explosives, compounds, petroleum, gasoline, kerosene, dangerous chemicals, vegetable products, ashes, combustible, inflammable and refuse materials or other conditions which may be dangerous in character or liable to cause or promote fire or create conditions dangerous to the firemen or occupants, he shall order the same to be removed or remedied, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by the owner or occupant of said building or premises. Provided, however, that if the said owner or occupant deems himself aggrieved by such order, he may, within five (5) days, appeal to the Mayor, who shall investigate the cause of the complaint and unless by his authority the order is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith complied with by said owner or occupant.

SEC. 9. Any owner or occupant of a building or other structure or premises, who shall keep or maintain the same when, for want of repair, or by reason of age or dilapidated condition, or for any cause, it is especially liable to fire, and which is so situated as to endanger buildings or property of others, or is especially liable to fire and which is so occupied that fire would endanger other persons or their property therein, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).

SEC. 10. Any owner or occupant of any building or other structure or premises, who shall keep or maintain the same with an improper arrangement of a stove, range, furnace, or other heating appliance of any kind whatever, including chimneys, flues, and pipes with which the same may be connected, so as to be dangerous in the matter of fire, or health, or safety of persons or property of others; or shall keep or maintain any building, other structure or premises with an improper arrangement of a lighting device or system, or with a storage of explosives, petroleum, gasoline, kerosene, chemicals, vegetable products, ashes, combustibles, inflammable materials, refuse, or with any other condition which shall be dangerous in character to the persons, health or property of others; or which shall be dangerous in the matter of promoting, augmenting or causing fires; or which shall create conditions dangerous to firemen, or occupants of such building, structure or premises other than the maintainer thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).

SEC. 11. No prosecution shall be brought under Sections 9 and 10 of this ordinance until the order provided for in Section 8 be given, and the party notified shall fail or refuse to comply with the same.

SEC. 12. The penalties provided for herein shall be recovered by the city in the same manner as provided by law for the enforcement of fines, forfeitures, and punishments for offenses against the city.

SEC. 13. Every day's maintenance of any of the conditions prohibited in any of the foregoing sections shall be a distinct and separate offense.

SEC. 14. All misdemeanors herein provided for shall be prosecuted, and all fines and forfeitures herein provided for shall be recovered and enforced, in the same manner as provided by law for the enforcement of fines, forfeitures, penalties and punishments for offenses generally against the city.

SEC. 15. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 16. Whereas, public safety demands the immediate passage of this ordinance, creating the office of Fire Marshal and empowering the said officer to discharge the duties herein set out, therefore an emergency exists demanding a suspension of the rules requiring ordinances to be read three several days, said rule is hereby suspended, and this ordinance is placed on its first reading and final passage, and shall be effective and in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved this 28th day of June 1915.

F. W. Jennings,  
Mayor.

Attest:  
Oscar Jackson,  
City Secretary. 35-3t.

### FOR SALE.

A 5 room bungalow, good well, cistern, sheds, lots and 6 acres fenced and in cultivation, 7 acres in all, also small orchard, 1 mile west of Spur. Consideration \$1,250.00, part down, balance in good notes.—J. E. Day, Grants, N. M. 27-6mo

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Name of Owner	LAND				TOWN OR CITY LOTS		STATE TAXES					COUNTY TAXES					TOTAL TAXES			
	Abst. No.	Certificate No.	Survey Number	Original Grantee	No. Acres Delinquent	City or Town	Lot	Block	Revenue	School	Pension	Poll	Penalty	Ad Valorem	Special	Poll		No. Dist.	School	Penalty
Burges, T. M.	10	325	N 1/2 1	A B & M	211 1/2				1.68	2.70	.67	1.50	.66	3.37	3.90	25	8	6.74	1.42	22.89
Beard, W. L.		Sub	84	Lee Co. School Land	161				2.85	4.55	1.14		.85	5.69	6.60	15	11.38	2.37	35.43	
do			85	do	161	Dickens			1.85	2.95	.74	1.50	.70	3.69	4.28	25	1	7.38	1.56	24.90
Blair, Sam J.						Spur	4	117	.75	1.20	.30		.23	1.50	1.74				.32	6.04
Blackshear, P.						do	1,2,3	53	.75	1.19	.30	1.50	.37	1.49	1.73	25			.35	7.93
Davis, Tom						do	5	47	.65	1.05	.26	1.50	.35	1.31	1.51	25			.31	7.19
Douglass, P. A.	727	10-2008	226	B. Reynolds	20 1/2	do	3	18	.19	.30	.07	1.50	.21	.37	.44	25			.11	3.44
Estes, H.						Dickens	1,2,3,4	114	1.09	1.74	.43		.33	2.18	2.52		1	4.35	.90	13.54
Glasgow, B. D.						do	1	113	1.88	3.00	.75		.56	3.75	4.35		7	20.20	4.20	15.10
Glasgow & Hogan						Spur	8,9	60	5.05	8.08	2.02		1.52	10.10	11.72		7	20.20	4.20	62.89
Johns, R. R.	156	10-2045	S 1/2 299	H & G N	330				1.10	1.77	.44	1.50	.48	2.20	2.56	25	1	4.41	.94	15.65
Langford, J. E.	173	10-2062	NW 1/4 333	Lee Co. School Land	167.9															
Nickels, J. A.		Sub	19	do	160															
do			20	do	160															
do			40	do	160															
do			46	do	162															
do			33	do	160															
do			45	do	162															
do	299	1124	1	A B & M	630				16.30	26.08	6.52	1.50	5.04	32.60	37.82	25	15	48.25	13.59	204.90
Swearingen, Mrs. M. E.						Dickens	1,2	63	.48	.78	.19		.15	.96	1.12		1	16.95	.40	6.01
Bauldin, T. T.						Spur	5	22	.75	1.20	.30		.23	1.50	1.74				.32	6.04
do						do	10,11	51	.10	.16	.04		.03	.20	.23				.04	.80
Baum, O. D.				H & G N	4															
Honeycutt, J. G.		Sub	71	Lee Co. School Land	161															
do			74	do	165															
do			83	do	160															
do			87	do	160															
Mimms, M. B.	1130	0-27	N 1/2 of S 1/2 6	Goff White	160	Spur	7	23	4.82	7.71	1.93		1.45	9.69	11.25	15	19.38	4.03	60.26	
Turnage, Kate						do	4,5	21	.73	1.16	.29		.22	1.45	1.69	11	2.91	.60	9.05	
Wild, J. E.						do			.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
Unknown	3	19	225	Wm. Ahrenbeck	320	do			.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
do	70	10-1959	127	H & G N	5				1.60	2.56	.64		.48	3.20	3.71	11	6.40	1.33	19.92	
do	75	10-1964	137	do	11				.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09	3	.15	.03	.46	
do	129	10-2018	245	Tract No 21, H & G N	20				.08	.14	.03		.03	.07	.19	14	.33	.07	1.04	
do	129	10-2018	245	" 23, do	16.22				.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
do	129	10-2018	245	" 27, do	13				.40	.65	.16		.12	.81	.94			.18	3.26	
do	129	10-2018	245	" 29, do	20				.33	.52	.13		.10	.65	.75			.14	2.62	
do	129	10-2018	245	" 29, do	20				.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
do	152	10-2041	291	L E Jones	20				.05	.08	.02		.02	.10	.12	18	.20	.04	.63	
do	175	10-2064	NW 1/4 337	H & G N	168				.42	.67	.17		.13	.84	.97	1	1.68	.35	5.23	
do	333	9-1860	Tract of NE 1/4 73	do	86				.22	.34	.09		.07	.43	.50	4	.34	.13	2.12	
do	638	10-2093	W 1/2 of NW 1/4 263	John Fritz	83				.62	1.00	.25		.19	1.25	1.44	7	2.49	.51	7.75	
do	656	10-2071	SW 1/4 352	Frank Junkerman	166				.83	1.33	.33		.25	1.66	1.93	1	3.32	.69	10.34	
do	727	10-2008	226	Tr. No 121, B Reynolds	20				.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
do	854		W 1/2 20	W C Garrett	80				.60	.96	.24		.18	1.20	1.39	4	.96	.36	5.89	
do	1087	525	16	Bee Hardin	160				.40	.64	.16		.12	.80	.93	1	1.60	.33	4.98	
do	1154	803	2	G E Lisenby	6				.05	.07	.02		.01	.09	.11	15	.18	.04	.57	
do	1265	1270	N 1/4 of N 1/2 2	K H Kennedy	240				1.84	3.03	.76		.56	3.75	4.35	2	7.50	1.56	23.35	
do	1321	7148		A G Rush	81				.33	.52	.13		.10	.65	.76	1	1.31	.27	4.07	
do	1335	1270	E 1/4 of N 1/2 2	C I Martin	80				.60	.96	.24		.18	1.20	1.39	2	2.40	.50	7.47	
do	1361	blk.	2	Hale, Hale & Loyd	74				.37	.59	.15		.11	.74	.86	8	1.48	.31	4.61	
do		F.H.L.																		
do	1368	103	SE part 272	W A Vaughn	80				.85	1.36	.34		.26	1.70	1.97	5	1.02	.47	7.97	
do	305	Sub	51	Lee Co. School Land	160				1.20	1.92	.48		.36	2.40	2.78	15	4.80	1.00	14.94	
do	306	"	57	do	160				1.20	1.92	.48		.36	2.40	2.78	15	4.80	1.00	14.94	
do	306	"	66	do	160				1.20	1.92	.48		.36	2.40	2.78	15	4.80	1.00	14.94	
do						Spur	1	1	.11	.18	.04		.03	.22	.26			.05	.89	
do						do	5	1	.11	.18	.04		.03	.22	.26			.05	.89	
do						do	21	6	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	22	6	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	23	6	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	24	6	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	10	7	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29			.05	1.01	
do						do	13	9	.03	.05	.01		.01	.06	.08			.01	.25	
do						do	3	11	.25	.40	.10		.08	.50	.58			.11	2.02	
do						do	26	11	.14	.22	.06		.04	.28	.33			.06	1.13	
do						do	14	12	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	16	12	.87	1.40	.35		.26	1.75	2.02			.38	7.03	
do						do	10	14	.09	.15	.04		.03	.19	.22			.04	.76	
do						do	8	15	.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16			.22	4.03	
do						do	10	15	.09	.15	.04		.03	.19	.22			.04	.76	
do						do	11	15	.36	.57	.14		.11	.71	.83			.15	2.87	
do						do	12	15	.36	.58	.14		.11	.72	.83			.16	2.90	
do						do	4	19	.07	.11	.03		.02	.14	.16			.03	.56	
do						do	7	19	.07	.11	.03		.02	.14	.16			.03	.56	
do						do	17	22	.31	.50	.13		.09	.63	.72			.14	2.52	
do						do	6	23	.47	.75	.19		.14	.9						

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	Abst. No.	Certificate No.	Survey Number	Original Grantee	No. Acres Delinquent	City or Town	Lot	Block	Revenue	School	Pension	Poll	Penalty	Ad Valorem	Special	Poll		No. Dist.	Dist. School	Penalty
Unknown						Spur	17	39	.09	.15	.04		.03	.19	.22				.04	.76
do						do	18	39	.09	.15	.04		.03	.19	.22				.04	.76
do						do	1	42	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29				.05	1.01
do						do	2	42	.06	.10	.03		.02	.13	.14				.03	.51
do						do	13	42	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29				.05	1.01
do						do	13	43	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29				.05	1.01
do						do	14	43	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29				.05	1.01
do						do	1	45	.19	.30	.07		.06	.38	.43				.08	1.51
do						do	2	45	.19	.30	.07		.06	.38	.43				.08	1.51
do						do	3	45	.19	.30	.07		.06	.38	.43				.08	1.51
do						do	7	49	.06	.10	.03		.02	.13	.14				.03	.51
do						do	8	49	.13	.20	.05		.04	.25	.29				.05	1.01
do						do	9	49	.06	.10	.03		.02	.13	.14				.03	.51
do						do	4	52	.50	.80	.20		.15	1.00	1.16				.22	4.03
do						do	5	52	.63	1.00	.25		.19	1.25	1.45				.27	5.04
do						do	5	58	.19	.30	.07		.06	.38	.43				.08	1.51
do						do	6	58	.25	.40	.10		.08	.50	.58				.11	2.02
do						do	19	58	.75	1.20	.30		.23	1.50	1.74				.32	6.04
do						do	3	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
do						do	4	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
do						do	15	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
do						do	16	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
do						do	17	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
do						do	18	64	.04	.06	.01		.01	.07	.09				.02	.30
Robinson & Pool						Dickens	4	12												
do						do	1,2	14												
do						do	3	15												
do						do	1,4	17												
do						do	2	18												
do						do	3,4	19												
do						do	3	21												
do						do	1,3	26												
do						do	2	28												
do						do	16	32												
do						do	8 9 10 11 12	37												
do						do	2, 3, 4, 5	38												
do						do	6, 7, 10	38												
do						do	1,2,2,4,5	39												
do						do	6,7,8,9,13	39												
do						do	14,15,16,17	39												
do						do	18,20	39												
do						do	13,15,17	40												
do						do	13,15,16,17	41												
do						do	24,27,28	41												
do						do	8 9 10 11 12	42												
do						do	17,19,20,21	42												
do						do	22,25	42												
do						do	1,2	43												
do						do	4,5,6,10,15	43												
do						do	18,19,20,21	43												
do						do	1	45												
do						do	2,3,8,20,22	48												
do						do	21,22	51												
do						do	13,14,16,17	52												
do						do	19,20,22	52												
do						do	13,16,17,18	53												
do						do	19,20,21,22	53												
do						do	23,24	53												
do						do	17	54												
do						do	1,4	75												
do						do	3,4	109												
do						do	1,3,7,17,18	49	2.00	3.19	.80		.69	3.99	4.63	1	7.98	1.66	24.85	
Unknown						Dickens	4	49	.09	.15	.04		.03	.19	.22	1	.38	.08	1.18	
do						do	1	55	.38	.60	.15		.11	.75	.87	1	1.50	.31	4.67	
do						do	15	84	.25	.40	.10		.08	.50	.58	1	1.00	.21	3.12	
do	971		A I Gates		75				.56	.90	.23		.17	1.13	1.30	5	.68	.31	5.28	
do	982		J F Dowdy		80½				1.04	1.66	.41		.31	2.07	2.41	11	4.15	.87	12.92	

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
 COUNTY OF DICKENS } I, J. B. Conner, Tax Collector of said County do hereby certify that the within lands and town lots assessed on the Tax Rolls of said County for the year 1914, are delinquent for the taxes of the year 1914 only, and that I am entitled to credit for the taxes as shown thereon.  
 J. B. CONNER, Tax Collector.  
 Sworn and subscribed to before me this 11th day of May 1915.  
 CRAWEORD COBB, County Clerk Dickens County.  
 By M. Gay, Deputy.

## A Bargain in a Spur Country Farm

640 acres of the best farm land in this section of West Texas is offered at a low price for quick sale. Two sets good houses, lots, sheds, etc. For full information write or call on J. E. Counts, or

THE TEXAS SPUR - - - - Spur, Texas

**FINE LOCATION OFFERED FOR NEW GIN**

E. N. Brown and S. M. Bailey, two prominent citizens of the plains country, were in Spur last week and while here were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Both gentlemen requested that the Texas Spur be sent to them hereafter at McAdoo instead of Dickens. The new postoffice of McAdoo has just recently been established in the Lee County settlement and will greatly convenience the people of that section. Two other things are greatly needed in that section now to afford the people necessary conveniences—a gin and a blacksmith shop. Probably six or seven hundred bales of cotton will be grown within this territory this year and the farmers are forced to make a haul of from twenty to thirty miles to have their cotton ginned. The farmers would be willing to pay at least one dollar a bale more for ginning in that community rather than make this long haul. They would also pay a bonus to have a gin built there this fall. Some good gin man should take notice to this opportunity.

**TEXAS IN THE SENATE.**

Sam Houston was a senator at Washington from Texas from 1846 to 1857 and Thomas J. Rusk from 1845 to 1857. Rusk died during his incumbency and J. Pickney Henderson was elected to fill the unexpired term but died before taking his seat. Matt Ward filled out the term and was succeeded by Lewis T. Wigfall. John Hemphill was elected to succeed Houston. Wigfall and Hemphill resigned when the State seceded. Wigfall and W. S. Oldman were the senators from Texas in the Confederate States Congress.

The Civil War being over, Texas at once took her place in the Union, sending Oran M. Roberts and David G. Burnett to the

Senate at Washington. But they were not allowed to take their places because the radicals in charge of the government insisted on having a reconstruction era. This brought Republican ascendancy in Texas and the two senators were M. C. Hamilton and J. W. Flanagan.

In 1874 the Democrats were again in possession of the State government and Sam Bell Maxey was elected by the legislature to the Senate, succeeding Mr. Flanagan. It is no reflection on either Maxey or Coke to say that each owed his election to a legislative deadlock.

Mr. Maxey was succeeded at the end of his second term by John H. Reagan. Judge Reagan resigned his place in the Senate to take the Chairmanship of the State railroad commission, and Horace Chilton was defeated by Roger Q. Mills and Mills, after serving some seven years, was set out and the place given to Charles A. Culberson, who is just now completing his third term, a period of eighteen years.

In 1895 Richard Coke voluntarily retired from the Senate and was succeeded by Horace Chilton. Thus it was that Chilton played the double role, so to speak, of successor to Reagan and Coke. When the time for re-election came on, defeat was again his portion, this time surrendering the toga to Joseph Weldon Bailey.

Mr. Bailey served from March 4, 1901 to the early part of 1913, when he tendered his resignation and Governor Colquit appointed as his successor Rienzi M. Johnston, who was succeeded by Morris Sheppard, the present incumbent.

The contest now on in Texas is for the place held by Mr. Culberson, whose present term ends on March 4, 1917. It is not yet known if Mr. Culberson will be a candidate to succeed himself.—Waco Times Herald.

"The wise man appoints himself chairman of the advisory board of his own affairs."

**ANNUAL CAMP MEETING TO BE HELD AT BENJAMIN**

The 15th annual camp meeting of the Church of Christ in Northwest Texas will be held at Benjamin in Knox county, Texas, beginning Thursday, August 12, 1915, at 8:30 p. m., and continuing for eighteen days. There will be the usual markets on the ground where camp supplies can be secured at reasonable cost. Telephone and postoffice accommodations, transfers, etc., for the convenience of the guests of the meeting. Pasture for the horses and fuel for the camp fires will be furnished free to all to attend the meeting. Tents can be rented at the following rates: 12x14 at \$2.75; 14x16 at \$3.25; 10x14 2-room at \$3.25; 12x14 2-room at \$3.50 for the meeting. Those who wish to rent tents will please write the secretary at once, who will make the reservation for you.

The preaching will be done by Bros. Haddock and Parker. The former having served the meeting in several former meetings very acceptably, as is evidenced by his call to be with us again. Bro. Parker of Waxahatchie will be with us this year and those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance will appreciate this opportunity of meeting him again and listening to his forceful sermons. Singers of ability will be with us and music will be made a strong feature of the meeting. Begin now to prepare to come to the meeting. The outing at 1,800 feet altitude will do you good. The preaching will be highly instructive, elevating you to a higher plane of Christian thought. The music will be inspiring, and the association of the assembled saints, the renewing of Christian friendships, will live as a sweet remembrance down to the end of your life.

Talk the meetings to your friends. Pray for the success of the meeting. Prepare to come. Address the secretary for any information you desire. Be with us and we will do you good.

Respectfully,  
J. W. BERRY, Secretary.

**THE SACKETT RESOLUTION**

The Sackett resolution or amendment to the State constitution which will be voted on July 24th, along with five other amendments will, if carried, forever separate the University of Texas from A. & M. College. The reporter is in favor of the resolution and hopes that the people will take enough interest in the election to go to the polls and vote. It is the rule to kill constitutional amendments but whether it is a good rule or not is the question. No man ought to vote for or against any measure until he understands it, and just here is where trouble begins. Many people refuse to take time and trouble enough to study matters of a general interest, choosing rather to vote against such measures or to remain at home. The people of Texas owe it to themselves to study the six amendments to be decided on July 24, go to the polls and to cast their ballots as they feel will advance the interests of Texas. It is not fair to Texas nor to the legislature for the voters to refuse to take a real interest in questions which are submitted for approval or disapproval.—Abilene Reporter.

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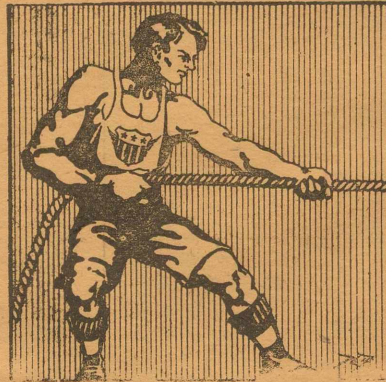
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Mace Hunter was among the number in Spur Saturday. Mace reported that he recently had his wheat crop threshed with the result that he secured about seventeen and a half bushels to the acre after wasting a considerable portion of the harvest. He had ten acres from which he saved one hundred and seventy five bushels of wheat. We note that in every section of this western country this year there is being harvested more wheat and oats than at any other time within the history of farming in this section. As you travel down through Kent, Fisher, Nolan, Scurry, Taylor and Callahan counties acre after acre and field after field of wheat and and oats will be seen and on many places new graneries are in evidence to house the surplus grain crop. Farmers along the way tell us they averaged about forty bushels of oats to the acre and from twenty to thirty bushels of wheat to the acre. This is a great country and this year is making a record breaker with respect to bumper crops of all kinds, including wheat and oats.

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A. R. Floyd, of Sweetwater, was in Spur last week greeting old time friends. Mr. Floyd was County Judge of Kent county many years ago. He says he had the honor of performing the marriage ceremonies for a number of the old settlers of Dickens and Kent counties and he is glad to know that they are all living happy and prospering.

W. D. Thacker was here last week from his home in the Draper country. The Draper post-office was recently moved to the home of Mr. Thacker which is now the most popular place in that whole country.

Y. C. Carpenter, of the Roaring Springs country, was in Spur, last week trading with the merchants and greeting friends. He reports everything in good shape in that section.

W. J. Elliot came in Saturday from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home and spent some time here on business and shaking hands with his many friends.

Fresh bread is baked every day at the German Kitchen, there is none better. Try one loaf and you will always prefer the bread made in your home town. 32-tf.

John Self, a prominent citizen of the Red Mud country, was among the many visitors in the city Saturday.

Dan Hogan, the painter, was in Spur last week hunting one of his mules which he thinks has been stolen.

T. A. Ham and wife, of the Croton country, were visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

Mrs. I. G. VanLeer was a visitor in the city Saturday from her home several miles north of Spur.

Tom McArthur came in Saturday from his farm and ranch home in the Tap country.

County Attorney B. G. Worswick returned Monday from California where he spent several weeks attending the San Francisco Exposition and also visiting relatives and friends. He reports an interesting trip and sights worth seeing at the exposition.

J. E. Wright, W. L. Thanisch, W. T. Lovell and J. A. Murchison were among the number in Spur the latter part of last week from the Draper country. It is said all these gentlemen were required to act as a body guard for Lovell.

E. E. Kutch, former proprietor of the Lyric Theater in Spur, was here Saturday shaking hands with his friends. He is now making his home at the 24-Ranch headquarters in Kent county.

Jim Smith was among the number in Spur Saturday, coming in from his home eight or nine miles west of town.

I. G. VanLeer was among the number in Spur Saturday trading with the merchants and on other business.

John Weathers and family were in the city Saturday visiting friends and on other business.

### NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

of the Crosbyton-Southplains Railroad Company, to be held Wednesday, September 1st, 1915, for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to issue bonds, etc.

To the Stockholders of the Crosbyton-Southplains Railroad Company:

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 16th day of June, 1915, at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company a resolution was unanimously adopted calling a meeting of the Stockholders of said Company to be held on Wednesday, September 1, 1915, at offices of the Company at Crosbyton, Texas, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of authorizing the directors thereof to execute a mortgage upon the property of the Company to issue bonds thereunder to an amount and for a period to be fixed by the Stockholders at said meeting; and to authorize the directors to apply to the Railroad Commission of Texas for authority to issue such bonds; and to take such further and other steps as may be necessary under the laws of Texas for the final approval by said Commission of said bonds; and to obtain the authority of said Commission to register said bonds when issued in the office of the Secretary of the State of Texas.

Dated this June 16th, 1915, at Crosbyton, Texas.  
(SEAL) W. R. LOTSPRICH, Secretary.

Jeff Smith, a prosperous farmer-stockman of the Dry Lake community was in the city Saturday, and while here called on the Texas Spur and had us send the paper to a friend in New Mexico. Mr. Smith reports crops in his community in a flourishing condition, and seemed very optimistic as to the outlook.

Prof. H. A. C. Brummett was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Saturday, and favored us with a renewal to his subscription. The professor is a fine fellow, and knows how to do the right thing at an appropriate time.

Chalk Brown was here Saturday from the 24-Ranch headquarters in Kent county, spending several hours here looking after business matters and greeting friends.

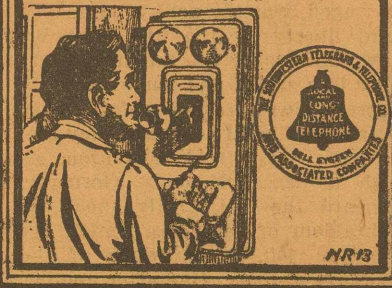
Wayne Van Leer and wife were visitors in Spur Saturday from their home several miles north.



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## FEEDING OF EWES

Rye and Blue Grass Form the Best Pasturage.

### USE GRAIN WHEN MARKETING.

This Helps to Fatten, but For the Animals Suckling Lambs It Was Found by Experts Unprofitable if the Ewes Were to Be Kept.

The feeding of ewes suckling lambs is a factor which materially affects the profit derived from the production of spring lambs. A circular just issued by the agricultural experiment station at the University of Missouri reports the work done with ewes suckling lambs fed on rye and blue grass pastures.

Ewes were placed in four lots. In one lot ewes received grain on rye pasture. Those in another lot received only rye pasture. In a third lot the ewes were fed grain on blue grass pasture, while those in lot 4 received only blue grass pasture. The grain for both ewes and lambs consisted of equal parts of crushed corn, oats, bran and rape.

The results show that the feeding of grain to ewes on rye and blue grass pasture was not profitable if the ewes were to be kept. If the ewes were to be marketed with the lambs the feeding of grain would have been profitable, because the ewes which did not receive grain became very thin and were not in condition to sell on the market, while those receiving grain maintained about the same condition of flesh throughout the experiment.

There was little difference in the efficiency of rye and blue grass pasture for ewes suckling lambs. In cases where grain was fed the ewes on blue grass had decidedly the advantage, while in the other two lots in which no grain was fed the rye had the advantage. The difference in each case was small. Rye will come a little earlier in the spring than blue grass, but will not afford as good a pasture in June as blue grass, because the rye heads, and the sheep do not like coarse, woody stems.

## CARE OF HORSES' HOOFS.

Directions For Keeping Them in a Healthy Condition.

Hoof dressing often is merely a black varnish, drying quickly and doing harm, says Dr. A. S. Alexander in Farm Journal. Commonly such things are put on to cover up the marks of the coarse rasp which has been used to make the foot fit the shoe. If it is necessary to blacken the hoofs on going to town or church, apply a mixture of neatfoot oil and lampblack or mixture of tallow, lard and yellow beeswax colored with lampblack.

To learn how a healthy hoof should look, examine the feet of an unshod two-year-old colt and then try to keep the work horses' feet as nearly as possible in that shape. If this can be done, the horse will wear longer and escape the discomfort or actual pain of contracted hoofs, mutilated and abused in the shoeing shop or stable.

Another thing that contributes materially to the welfare of the foot in after years of hard work is the admirable practice of bringing the colts up once a month, standing them upon a level floor, studying the hoof and then rasping the walls slightly to keep the foot trim and level. Train the feet in the way they should grow and they will not be so likely to depart from proper shape in adult years.

## Declaration of Independence Has Influenced Whole World

WHILE we celebrate on the 4th of each July the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, we perhaps do not reflect on the stupendous influence of that document of the world as a whole. It is safe to say that no political paper in all history has had so universal or radical an effect. Not only did its promulgation mark the beginning of the life of our own nation and not only was it the mother of the emancipation proclamation, but its advent started the wave of democracy and liberty now seen in every nation on the earth. Surely Americans have a right to be proud of a document that has literally inaugurated a new era of humanity.

Although it would hardly be within the truth to say that the Declaration of Independence had wrought all the marvelous political changes that have swept the world since July 4, 1776, it would be entirely within the truth to state that it has been the greatest single influence and therefore has the

## THE POULTRY YARD.

Few hens would ever steal their nests if they had a good, clean, well-ventilated place to lay in the house.

Sour milk and buttermilk are well sold when given to the hens to be worked up into eggs.

Always remember that a warm, sunny morning is the best time to apply the grease remedy to a lot of fousy chicks.

Gapes develop in chicks between the ages of six and eight weeks and rarely ever in a bird after it is four months old.

Turkey eggs set in May should, with proper care, be turned into profitable carcasses for the holidays next winter.

A yearling hen with bright yellow legs may be put down as an ordinary layer. It is a noteworthy fact that with all the heavy layers the color of the leg becomes lighter as the hen grows older.

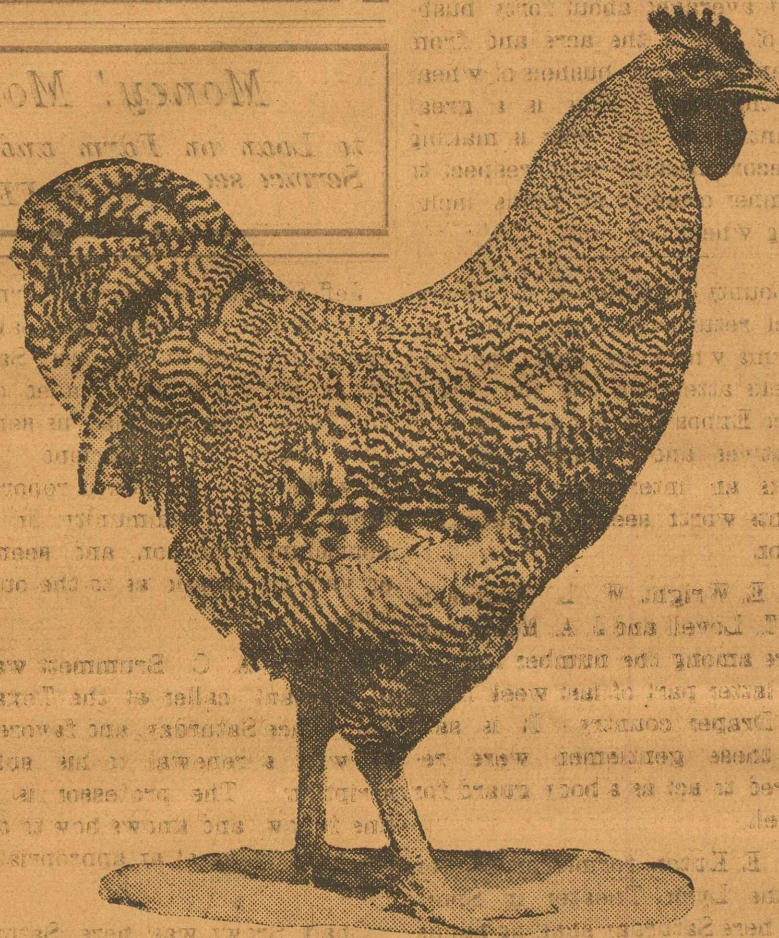
## TIMELY BEE HINTS.

If you have not done so already, by all means go over every colony and clip the wings of every laying queen, as this will enable you to hive automatically every swarm that may come out, and if properly done it in no sense injures the queen. Bent manicure scissors are the best instrument for this purpose.

If the tops of the combs of the brood nests are capped with white wax, indicating that new honey has been gathered, then place the surplus supers on without further delay. And where extracted honey is to be secured don't forget to put the queen's excluding boards between the brood nest and the extracting body, for the presence of unsealed brood in the extracting frames is annoying, to say the least.

Keep the grass and weeds away from the hives so that the returning heavily laden bees may not have to wend their way through a mass of weeds in order to reach their hives and store their hard earned sweets.

## Hints For Poultry Beginners



BARRED PLYMOUTH MALE BIRD, HEAD OF GOVERNMENT FLOCK.

[Prepared by the United States department of agriculture.]

Be sure that the male at the head of the flock is pure bred.

The Mediterranean or egg breeds are Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Blue Andalusians and Anconas.

The American or general purpose breeds are Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Javas, Dominiques, Rhode Island Reds and Buckeyes.

The Asiatic or meat breeds are Brahmas, Cochins and Langshans.

The English breeds are Dorkings, Orpingtons and Redcaps.

Given the same care and feed, pure bred fowls will make a greater profit than mongrels.

### The Horse's Shoulders.

A collar which fits when the horse first starts to work may not fit in a few weeks. The shoulders almost invariably shrink as the horse hardens.

This makes it necessary to readjust the harness and the collar, or they will become so loose as to rub up and down and gail the shoulder. Working horses with one tug a little shorter than the other will often result in a sore shoulder. It is a splendid plan to wash the shoulders each evening in cold salt water. This not only cleanses the skin, but seems to harden it.

### Apparatus For Spraying.

For all sprays, when used on any considerable number of trees, some form of spraying apparatus will be necessary. A bucket pump or a knapsack pump, however, will be sufficient for low trees, ornamental hedges, etc. For orchards of some size a barrel pump will do more effective work, and for large commercial orchards a gasoline outfit may be desirable. Where only a tree or two are to be treated it is perfectly practicable to apply the wash on the limbs and branches with a brush. In such cases fish oil soap employed at the rate of two pounds to a gallon of water is an excellent insecticide.

the states of Europe either became republics or constitutional monarchies. Even Russia could not escape the universal wave of democracy. Last of all Turkey faces toward the sunrise and steps into the ranks of freedom. Poor Spain has tried several times to adopt republicanism, but the reactionary forces have been too strong and have held her till all of her colonies and most of her ancient glory have been swept away. Portugal is now a republic.

Following the example of the United States, all the Americas threw off the foreign yoke and became republics. Japan felt the new impulse, which has awakened China, which threw off the bonds which held her for centuries and became a republic. South Africa experienced it, as she showed in her stubborn fight for freedom. And Australasia, touched by it, has the most enlightened and progressive governments in the world. Truly the Declaration of Independence has done its work, and the story is only half told. It will not be completed until there is a world republic and liberty comes to dwell among men forever.

# A Glance at Current Topics

## Machines to Fight Typhus.

New York, June 27.—The personal belongings of every man, woman and child in Serbia are to be disinfected in the effort to stamp out typhus, the disease that is at present killing more persons in that country than are the bullets of the enemy. This plan was announced by Dr. Leon L. Watters of this city, city chemist, under Mayor Low and a former instructor in Columbia university and the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Watters is the inventor of an apparatus for combating typhus, and the European governments have just appropriated \$150,000 for the purchase of his machines. An appropriation of \$25,000 by Serbia is available for immediate use.

The apparatus consists of a sterilizing chamber, a steam box, coal box and water reservoir. Each apparatus can disinfect the effects of fifty men at one charge, the work being done in less than thirty minutes. After sterilization the clothing comes out completely dry and can be worn at once. Each machine weighs 8,000 pounds and in a working day of ten hours can disinfect the effects of 1,000 persons. Seventy of these machines are going to Serbia.

## \$50,000 if He Becomes a Naval Cadet.

New York, June 29.—Frederick Martin Davies, member of the Stock Exchange firm of Davies, Thompson & Co., who died recently at 20 East Eighty-second street, left an estate of more than \$500,000. In a codicil to his will he provided that if his son, Frederick M. Davies, Jr., now eight years old, decided when he is old enough to go to college that he will take a course of training at the United States Naval academy, a trust fund of \$50,000 is to be set aside for him, the principal of which is to be paid over on his graduation or when he reaches twenty-five years of age. If he withdraws from the Naval academy before graduation his interest in the fund ceases.

## Protector of Our Interests in France.

Washington, June 28.—Although he has been in Paris since last September, William G. Sharp, American ambassador to France, has only recently secured a house in which to reside. The lease to the residence so long occupied by American ambassadors was given up before Mr. Sharp's arrival in Paris.

As representative of Uncle Sam to one of the belligerent nations Ambassador Sharp is called upon to solve many difficult and important problems. Matters of international import are constantly arising that call for the most careful consideration and adjustment.

When Mr. Sharp was appointed on June 12 to succeed Myron T. Herrick as ambassador to France, he was ranking member of the house committee on foreign affairs and had a general knowledge of international political affairs.

Like his predecessor, Ambassador Sharp is a native of Ohio. He was born in 1859 and has lived in Elyria

since boyhood. He was educated in the common schools and was graduated in law from the University of Michigan in 1881. He practiced law for a time and was made prosecuting attorney for his county. Soon the future ambassador gave up the practice of law and engaged in the manufacture of pig iron and chemicals, in which business he acquired a large fortune.

## Midshipmen Going to Pacific.

Washington, June 28.—The annual cruise of the midshipmen of the Naval academy at Annapolis is being made to the Pacific coast of the United States instead of to European waters, as is customary.

## Wants Federal Volunteers.

New York, June 28.—Adjutant General Louis W. Stotesbury advocates the formation of a new body of citizen soldiery to be known as the Federal volunteers. These men, he says, could be under direct federal control and still retain their regular occupations.

"These men would be paid for the time they actually serve," he suggests. "They would be in the United States service and could be ordered around just like regulars, but they would not have to give up enough of their time to interfere with their occupations. They would be drilled at night as guardsmen and officered by men from the regular army."

"A quick trained force of 300,000 men would be possible under these conditions. No matter how vigorous and enthusiastic American volunteers may be they are not soldiers unless they have passed through the guard or the regular enlistment. You cannot make trained soldiers inside of six months."

Under command of Rear Admiral Fuller, superintendent of the academy, the reserve battalions Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin left Annapolis June 6,

passed through the Panama canal and will spend July on the Pacific coast of the United States. The squadron will arrive at Annapolis on its return on Aug. 30.

## Stone Strong For Neutrality.

Washington, June 29.—As chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations Senator Stone of Missouri holds a position of great power in these troublous times of almost worldwide war. He is himself a pacifist and believes with most other citizens of the United States that there is little to be gained for a nation in subjecting international questions to the arbitration



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## Senator William J. Stone Holds Important Foreign Relations Committee.

of arms. In a recent statement about the sinking of the Lusitania Senator Stone said, "We all want to avoid doing anything that would bring the country even to the verge of war."

## Nation to Sing Hymn July 4.

Philadelphia, June 28.—"The Star Spangled Banner" will be sung throughout the United States at noon on the Fourth of July as a result of the movement started by the committee which has arranged a national celebration of Independence day.

Governors of all states and mayors of cities throughout the country have been requested to issue proclamations asking the people to join in the observance of this feature.

The executives of many states, Governor Goethals of the Panama canal zone and Governor Stone of Alaska already have approved the suggestion.

## Our Valuable Aid to Belgium.

London, June 29.—The American commission for relief in Belgium will have provided foodstuffs to the value of about \$65,000,000 for the Belgians by the middle of August. Charitable contributions from America will have amounted to about \$5,000,000 and from other quarters of the world approximately the same total. The great bulk of the food supplies, representing the remaining \$65,000,000, is being provided indirectly by the Belgian people themselves.

This is made possible by the elaborate financial machinery set up by the commission, enabling the Belgians to utilize their own energies and resources. Fully 75 per cent of the Belgian people are being supplied with food by the commission without recourse to charity. One result of the commission's operations is that bread is now cheaper in Belgium than in London.

When the commission was formed last October, under the chairmanship of Herbert Clark Hoover, it was estimated that the total imports required to keep the population of Belgium alive would amount in value to about \$50,000,000 before the next harvest. The rise in the price of foodstuffs increased the necessary amount to \$65,000,000.

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Bowman Lumber Co.	10
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Manning, Hardin & Andrews	5
Osborne & Richbourg	5
E. J. Cairns	5
R. C. Forbis	5
W. R. Stafford	5
W. F. Godfrey	5
Brannen Brothers	5
Red Front Drug Store	5
J. B. Morrison	5
Hogan & Patton	5
Jas. F. Williams	5
J. H. Grace	5
Spur Hardware Co.	5
G. A. Howsley	5
T. G. Harkey	5
Witt Springer	5
M. L. Pierce and Dr. Morris	5
G. L. Barber	5
Perry Fite	5
W. A. Johnson	5
W. V. Keith	5
B. D. Glasgow	5
Tom Owens	5
W. L. Hyatt & Harkev	5
J. B. Conner	5
W. H. Putman	5
Tom McArthur	5
S. T. Johnson	3
R. R. Johns	3
Oran McClure	3
R. L. Collier	3
Chas. Windham	3
J. P. Simmons	3
Tidwell & Reeves	3
J. C. Keller	3
Jas. R. Stafford	2
Wm. J. Elliot	2
W. C. Gruben	2
J. M. Foster	2
C. H. Senning	2
A. S. Jackson	2
H. F. Murray	2
K. H. Kennedy	2 1/2
John Weathers	2 1/2
C. F. Cates	1
W. S. Campbell	1
Geo. T. Barnes	1
Frank Goff	1
J. L. Moore	1
S. R. Bowman	1
G. Brown	1
Sam T. Clemmons	1
Doc Ellis	1
J. W. Ross	1
R. E. Dickson	1
W. F. Shugart	1
J. F. Goodwin	1
Lem Lewis	1
T. A. Ham	1

The total number of shares subscribed to date is 359, mak-

ing a total amount of \$3,590 00 in money. In connection with this amount S. M. Swenson & Sons have contributed the necessary amount of land in Spur on which to place all improvements in the conduct and management of the fair.

**CASE CONTINUED.**

We have been requested to announce through the columns of the Texas Spur that the cases of Perry Fite, which were to be tried in Seymour next week, have been continued and will not be called until in January 1916.

**PROMINENT CITIZEN AND BREEDER OF FINE HOGS**

G. W. Jackson, of the Highland community, was in Spur Monday and called in at the Texas Spur office and left a dollar with which to extend his subscription up another year. Mr. Jackson is not only one of the most prosperous farmers and stockmen of the country but one of the most prominent citizens of the whole community, his popularity and prominence being evidenced by his selection as mayor of the town of Highland, and being a successful breeder of thorough bred hogs and producer of many acres of peanuts and other feed stuff his continued prosperity is assured. We are glad to number G. W. Jackson among the friends and readers of the Texas Spur.

**CAUGHT THE FISH.**

W. K. Perry, Dr. Morris and T. A. Tidwell returned Monday from the Clear Fork where they have been spending the past week fishing. They report having caught the fish, interspersing the report with glowing details of the number and size of the fish and the manner and methods of their successful angling.

Ed Lisenby, of the Draper country, was in Spur Saturday and spent some time here on business. While here we understand that Mr. Lisenby purchased the J. D. Powell residence property in Dickens.

J. R. Rogers, a leading citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers of the Draper country, was in Spur Monday and spent several hours here greeting his friends and looking after business matters.

J. M. Roland, of Dickens, returned Monday from California where he has been some time attending the San Francisco Exposition.

Delmon Harris, manager of the Lone Star Drug Company at Roaring Springs, was in Spur this week.

K. H. Kennedy, a prominent citizen of Dickens, was among the many visitors in Spur Tuesday.

C. D. Copeland was in Spur Tuesday from his home several miles east of Spur.

**ELECTION TO BE HELD  
SATURDAY, JULY 24**

An election has been ordered to be held in every voting box in every county in the State of Texas, Saturday, July 24th, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the six constitutional amendments presented to voters by recent legislators. Every reader of The Texas Spur is familiar with the provisions of each of the six constitutional amendments, since they were published for that special purpose in three consecutive issues of this paper.

The election is ordered to be held at the school house in each of the voting precincts throughout the country, therefore each voter will know where to find the polling place on that day when he is ready to cast his ballot.

In Dickens, Kent, King, Stonewall and Scurry counties, which comprise the 105th Representative District, the voters will also ballot on the selection of a Representative to serve out in the Legislature the unexpired term of Representative T. F. Baker, who recently resigned that place. There is only one candidate offered for the place, H. M. Boyd of Scurry county, and whose name will be printed on the ballot to be voted.

This is an important election and every voter should vote, since the amendments propose important changes in the management of governmental affairs.

J. B. Conner has been in Spur the past week with his little daughter who is quite sick at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harkey. Mrs. Conner, who has been visiting relatives in Oklahoma, returned the first of this week in response to a telegram informing her of the illness of their little daughter.

Cecil Bennett, of Gilpin, was in Spur Saturday on business and greeting his many friends. While here Mr. Bennett was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and reported everything in the very best condition in and around that city.

C. J. Smith was among the recent visitors in Spur, coming in from his home nine miles west of Spur. He reports his crops in fine shape but somewhat injured by the recent hails over the country.

Miss Clarabelle Brown, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, is in the city the guest of Misses Robbie and Donnalita Standifer.

J. H. Sparks was among the number here Saturday from the Tap country. He reports everything in good shape.

Miss Winnie Holman, now of Lubbock, has been spending some time visiting at the home of R. R. Johns near Spur.

B. T. Duncan, Horace Arledge, of Dickens, were in the city Saturday on business.

*If you will bring us your prescriptions we'll fill them right*



To fill a prescription right a drug store must first have the RIGHT KIND of preparations. Ours are pure and TESTED. Then knowledge and care must be used. Strychnine and Quinine LOOK alike but don't ACT alike. Our registered pharmacists KNOW HOW to fill prescriptions and we VERIFY every one before we send it out.

This is why we DESERVE your drug business.

**Red Front Drug Store**

We give you what you ASK for.

**PROHIBITION ELECTION**

A prohibition election has been ordered held in Wichita county the latter part of July for the purpose of determining whether or not saloons will be permitted to continue to operate in that county.

Wichita is one of the last counties of Western Texas to come into the "dry" column, and the result of this election will be watched and noted with interest by the whole country.

J. M. Jones was in Spur Monday from his home in the Afton country. He reports crops doing nicely but says a little rain within the next ten days would contribute somewhat in further promoting bumper crop yields. Uncle Jimmy Jones is one of the best citizens and best farmers of the country.

A baby girl was born July 9th to Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Mecom at their home in the city. We wish young Miss Mecom a long, happy life and in the years to come may she become the recognized belle of the great Spur country.

J. P. Simmons and wife returned the first of this week from Tulia where they accompanied his sister who will spend some time there with relatives.

Misses Beulah Echols and Jessie Lisenby, of Matador, were guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stafford.

W. F. Shugart came in last week from his place east of Spur and spent a short time in town on business.

Lost—A coat with deed in pocket, on Dickens-Spur road near bridge. Return to Dan Hogan. 37-ltp.

Vie Dennington, of several miles north of Dickens, was in Spur Monday on business.

Mrs. B. B. Gainor was among the many visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

J. R. McArthur was in the city Saturday from the Tap country.

**W. R. STAFFORD BUYS  
SPUR RANCH LANDS**

A deal was consummated whereby W. R. Stafford purchased of the Spur Farm Lands management five and three quarter sections of ranch lands located two miles north of the old Spur Rancho headquarters, and known as the Burleson county school land.

Mr. Stafford, we understand, will improve the property immediately, build a fine ranch home and make his permanent residence on this property. Mr. Stafford owns several sections of farm and ranch lands in the Afton country and which, we are informed, he will probably cut up into small tracts and sell for farming purposes.

We are glad to know that such men as W. R. Stafford are buying lands and becoming resident citizens of the immediate Spur country.

**STATEMENT.**

I notice in the Texas Spur my name on the delinquent Tax list and wish to make this statement—I paid my taxes to the City National Bank or gave them a check for J. B. Conner Tax Collector January 30, 1915 and have the voucher to show this is paid. — R. R. Johns. 37 ltp.

Chas. Windham was in Spur Tuesday on business and hauled out supplies to his farm and ranch home on Croton. He reports everything in that section in the very finest shape with respect to crop conditions and cattle interests.

J. E. Berry, who has been in Jayton some time selling cold drinks and looking after the interests of the Spur Bottling Works, returned this week to Spur to spend some time here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland were among the visitors in Spur Saturday.

**WAKE UP!**



*to the fact that we can supply you with everything you may need in the Building Line and Your Dream of that New Home will come true. -- We buy in Large Quantities, and can make it to Your Advantage to trade at Our Yard.*

**P. H. MILLER, Spur, Texas**  
Dealer in High Grade Hard and Soft Coal

**Items Over Dickens County**  
BY CORRESPONDENTS

**AFTON**

Grandpa Robertson is on the sick list this week.

Work on the new school house is progressing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton visited at Mrs. Haile's Sunday.

Mr. Kitchings says he will leave soon for New Mexico.

Bro. Stokes preached here Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. Gray and family visited at Aubrey Loyd's Monday.

Mrs. Lee and children are visiting Rev. Stokes and family.

Aubrey Loyd is having a fine home built west of his store.

Mrs. Stovall's baby, who has been right ill, is improving rapidly.

Mr. Hext and family took dinner with Mr. Poole and family Sunday.

Ira Ellis and family from Parker county are visiting his sister, Mrs. Geo. Dobbs.

Mr. Finn Whitaker plans to

start on a prospecting tour of New Mexico soon.

Mrs. L. B. Haile has been visiting her parents at Roaring Springs for a few days past.

Our singing class meets and sings two Sundays in each month. Come over and help us?

Mr. Dobbs and I've Arthur are quite busy these days hauling freight for the Afton merchants, and others.

Mrs. Gresham is reported as being very sick. We trust that we shall be able to report her much improved next week.

Quite a good number of the Afton people went to the two days' picnic at Roaring Springs, and report a good time.

Mrs. Stokes is expecting her son Henry and wife, of Paducah, to visit them and hear the debate, which is to take place soon.

The Afton farmers find themselves in need of a nice gentle shower of rain. However, the crops are not suffering much.

**MUCH INTEREST IS EV-  
IDENCED IN MEETING**

The protracted meeting now in progress at the Methodist tabernacle and conducted by Revs. Bloodworth and Mrs. Bloodworth is being largely attended and at each service much interest is manifested. Services are being held each morning from ten to eleven o'clock; prayer meeting is held in the afternoon at five o'clock, the men meeting at the various business places in the city and the women meeting at the various homes; and beginning at eight thirty another service is held each evening.

Up to the present time there have been twelve conversions made during the meeting. Revs. Bloodworth are able and effective preachers and revivalists and their work will live long after they have gone.

The meeting will continue throughout Sunday and everybody is invited and urged to attend the services.

**A RUNAWAY HORSE.**

Saturday afternoon a horse hitched to a new single buggy and belonging to Oscar Henry broke from the hitching post along the side of Bryant-Link's store and left town for home in a high run. The horse ran down the street, crossed the railroad track, followed the road over the Spade tank dam and on down the lane towards Steel Hill where he was headed off by Arnold Attebury who had followed on horseback the runaway horse and buggy. Nothing was broken and no damage whatever was done.

Mrs. Chas. Jaye, who has been spending the past week in Spur with her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Wilson, returned Monday to her home in Dickens.

W. A. Craddock, Jr., went down to Jayton this week, where he will spend some time looking after the interests of the Spur Bottling Works.

Miss Goldie Kennedy, who has been visiting friends in Spur, returned to her home in Dickens Wednesday.

Miss Kitty Powell is spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland six miles east of Spur.

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**BRIDGE NEEDED.**

In view of the fact that the marketing and harvesting season will soon be here and much travel over the roads leading to Spur will be necessary, it would be wise to begin now to get the roads in good shape. We understand that the road leading from Spur to the Lee County settlement is considerably washed and is almost in an impassable condition. Where this road crosses Cottonwood Creek near the Luther Jones farm and ranch home a bridge will have to be put in to permit loaded wagons to cross. A concrete bridge over this creek could be put in at a comparatively small cost and it should be done at once. Many of the people of the Lee County settlement are now going to other points to trade and market produce on account of better roads, and if we expect to secure this trade and maintain a market better roads and bridges will have to be built.

**WOODMEN PICNIC.**

Members of the Woodmen of the World of the Dickens Lodge and their families enjoyed a picnic Thursday on Duck Creek west of Dickens.

Ice and cold drinks in abundance was on the grounds and a sumptuous picnic dinner was served to the entire satisfaction of the large number present.

Ed Cairns, of the Paddle Ranch in Kent county, was in Spur Wednesday and spent a few hours here greeting his many friends and looking after business interests.

W. O. Smith, who has been in the Standifer Hospital the past two weeks as the result of an operation, we are glad to note is now able to get about the streets.

R. G. Rogers spent several days of this week in Jayton and Peacock looking after the business interests of the Miller Lumber Company.

Dock Edwards, of the Croton country, was in the city recently trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill, of the Alamo Stock Farm, west of Spur, were in the city this week on business and visiting friends.

J. E. Counts is spending several days of this week at his place in the Draper country, looking after his crop interests.

**H. M. BOYD OF SNYDER  
FOR REPRESENTATIVE**

Notice of the announcement of Hardy M. Boyd as a candidate for representative to succeed T. F. Baker, resigned. Mr. Boyd is a splendid gentleman, a successful lawyer, a good democrat, a loyal citizen, interested in the progress and development of West Texas. He understands the need of this part of the state, and is well qualified to make a safe, reliable representative. Remember the date, July 24.—Snyder Signal.

**Letter From P. Brady**

To My Friends:

Mr. H. M. Boyd of Snyder, who is a candidate for representative to succeed Mr. T. F. Baker, will, I believe, make this district a good representative if elected. Although we usually disagree on public questions that come up for discussion, he is a special friend of mine, and anything my friends can do to assist him in his candidacy will be appreciated by myself.

Yours truly,  
P. BRADY.

**Letter From Judge Higgins**

To the Voters of the 105th District:

I have known Mr. H. M. Boyd, candidate for representative from this district, for a good many years, and it is my judgement that he will make the district a first-class representative. I am confident that he will give to all matters that may come before him an unbiased study, and that he will vote for the best interests of the state and his constituents to the very best of his judgement. I can assure my friends throughout this district that they will make no mistake in voting for him.

Respectfully,  
CULLEN C. HIGGINS.

Uncle Tom Gilmore came in one day this week from the old Spur Ranch headquarters and spent several hours in the city on business. While here he was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and reports everything moving along nicely in his section. Uncle Tom Gilmore has been making his home at the Spur Ranch headquarters many years and is now one of the oldest employees on the ranch.

T. S. Lambert, of the Tap country, came in Thursday to trade with the merchants and to sell some country produce to the townspeople. He is one farmer who always has something to sell, therefore it goes without saying that he is prospering.

J. I. Greer was in Spur Wednesday from his farm home in the Tap country. He reports everything in his section now in the most promising condition and prospects never better for bumper crops again this year.

Jake Scott, one of the most prominent citizens and ranchmen of the Afton country, was in Spur Wednesday and spent some time in the city on business and greeting his friends here.

J. W. Johnson, a prominent citizen and one of the oldest settlers of this section of the country, was in Spur one day this week from his farm home two miles east of town.

Sam White came in from his ranch headquarters southeast of Spur one day this week and spent several hours in the city on business and greeting his friends.

Jake Raines, one among the old settlers of Dickens county, was among the number of business visitors in the city this week.

**INSECTS IN STORED GRAIN.**

Carbon bisulphide is the best and least expensive substance to use for killing insects in stored grain. If the building, bin or box in which the grain is kept is reasonably tight, one pound of the liquid is sufficient for seven hundred cubic feet of space, or one pound for every hundred bushels of grain. If granary or bin is not sufficiently tight to allow of thorough fumigation the amount of liquid can be doubled or even trebled. If the insects are very abundant the liquid should in every case be doubled. The building or bin must be made as nearly airtight as possible, so the vapor will remain in all parts of the space in full strength and for the required time. Take care to have everything ready and in its place, so that after the first vessel has received its liquid it will be unnecessary to adjust anything or to breathe before stepping outside and closing the door. The liquid should be placed in shallow pans as high as may be in the building or bin since the vapor is heavier than air and sinks to the lower part. Not more than half a pound should be placed in any one pound, and less is better. Pans should be distributed in different parts. Where the quality of grain is very large a piece of gaspipe, loosely plugged, may be shoved down in the center of piles, allowing the liquid to escape. This will not injure grain for milling, feed or seed. Leave the building or bin tightly closed twenty-four to thirty six hours then open doors and windows wide and allow to air out two or three hours before entering. Do not breathe the vapor. The vapor of this carbon bisulphide is highly inflammable and explosive. No fire or light of any kind whatever should be allowed anywhere near the building while the fumigation is in progress. Apply the remedy in daylight, as artificial light of any sort is very dangerous. Electric lights must not be used, because a spark might be produced. Neither must the liquid be used in any building where there is artificial heat. Keep smokers at a distance. An ounce of the liquid will treat a few bushels of grain or seeds in a tight box or barrel. Empty bins can be fumigated in the same manner if infested. To prevent infestation of grain in stack, thresh as soon as grain is in condition.—Panhandle Weekly.

**MARRIED.**

Miss Oma Williams and W. I. Greer, of the Tap country, were married recently in Spur, W. S. Taylor performing the ceremony at his home in the northwest part of the city. The Texas Spur extends to this young couple its very best wishes for continued happiness and prosperity through many years of married life. Mr. and Mrs. Greer will make their home in the Tap country.

**MOONLIGHT PICNIC.**

Quite a number of the young people of the city enjoyed a moonlight picnic over the hill one night last week, the occasion being in honor of Miss Mona Rice and given by Misses Donalita Standifer and Flora Love.

J. H. Edwards was here Wednesday from the Dumont country to see his daughter, Miss Ida, who has been at the Standifer Hospital the past eight or ten days as the result of an operation. We are glad to note that Miss Ida has sufficiently recovered to be removed the latter part of the week to her home.

Mrs. T. G. Harkey and Miss Thelma visited friends and relatives Tuesday in Dickens.

**UNEARTHING THE BONES  
OF HUGE ANIMALS**

W. D. Thacker and W. T. Lovell, of Draper, were in Spur Thursday on business and spent several hours in the city. While here they exhibited what appeared to be a bone of some large animal which roamed this country in early days or pre-historic times. The bone was round and would measure some six or eight inches in diameter, being evidently a portion of the bone of the lower part of the leg of some huge animal, probably a mastodon—at least that is what Lovell says and he ought to know since he is now and has been for many years familiar with this country.

The bone was found by Mr. Lovell in the Pitchfork pastures, and is conclusive evidence that in times past the mastodon or other huge animals roamed this section of the country.

**DIED.**

Mrs. E. B. McLaughlin died Tuesday at her home in the Lee County settlement on the plains and her remains were interred in the Plainview cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin formerly lived in Spur. She leaves a husband and several sons, all prominent citizens of the plains country. The Texas Spur joins the many friends throughout the country in extending sympathy to the family in this bereavement.

Miss Flora Love entertained with a six o'clock dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love, Friday afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Mona Rice of Stamford. Those present were Misses Deliah Johnson, Donalita Standifer, Clarabelle Brown, Minnie Lee Springer, Ann Maria Love and Messrs. Charley Yates, W. C. Gruben, Sherrod Williams and Virgil Barrett.

Tom McArthur was in town Wednesday from his home in the Tap country. He is making further improvements on his new farm and ranch home in that he is now building a brick chimney to his house and having a concrete storm cellar built in a convenient place.

Chas. Brewington and family, of Stamford, passed through Spur this week on their return home from a trip to Amarillo. Mr. Brewington says that throughout the country over which he traveled bumper crop prospects are in evidence.

Jeff D. Harkey, Sheriff Conner, County Clerk Crawford Cobb and County Judge Blaine Speer came over Wednesday morning from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on business and greeting friends.

C. M. Buchanan, a leading citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers of the Dickens country, was in Spur Wednesday shaking hands with friends and trading with the merchants.

B. A. Crego passed through Spur Wednesday on his return to Dickens after spending several weeks with his daughter, Mrs. Geo. M. Parker, of Dallas.

Fred O. McFall, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and spent several hours here on business and shaking hands with his friends.

O. C. Henry, a prominent citizen and farmer of a mile or two south of Spur, was in the city Wednesday and spent several hours here on business.

T. S. Lambert was among the many visitors in Spur the latter part of last week from the Tap country.