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WILL EXHIBIT FINE STOCK AT THE FAIR

W. J. Elliot came in Monday from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home and spent some time in the city on business and greeting his friends. Mr. Elliot is one among the many farmers and ranchmen of the surrounding country who are taking a great interest in the organization and progress of the Dickens County Fair Association. Mr. Elliot will probably have some fine stock on exhibition at the fair to be held September 23rd, 24th and 25th.

ATTORNEY HOLMAN SICK.

The report came to Spur the latter part of last week that R. S. Holman was quite sick at his home in Lubbock and little hopes were entertained for his recovery. Judge Holman and family had been visiting friends and relatives in Spur, Afton and farmer of the Lee County settle-Roaring Springs, and in returning home he became ill. Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Luther Rucker left Spur for nicely at this time a good shower Lubbock to be with the Judge of rain would be appreciated and during his illness. The many would do feed crops much good. friends of the family throughout The Lee County settlement is Dickens county are anxious con- this year making record breakcerning Judge Holman's illness ing crops of wheat, oats and

H. C. Allen, a leading citizen of the Dry Lake community, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Allen reports everything doing well in his section, but says a good rain at this time would help corn and feed News, and for which he has our

W. H. Stephens, wife and son, and Mrs. Neely and little daughter, of Hamlin, passed through county where he will spend some on their return home from a trip old time friends and acquaintto Roswell, New Mexico, and ances. other points in that part of the

citizen of the Cat Fish country, in Spur visiting friends and shopwas among the large number of ping. visitors to Spur Saturday.

ber of business visitors in Spur with her sister and family. Saturday.

north of Spur, was among the where she will visit Mrs. Granumber here Saturday.

BIG FRUIT CROP.

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was among the number of business visitors to Spur Saturday. He reports that his crops are doing fine and that his orchard is producing an abundant fruit crop this year. Spur is furnishing a ready market for all kinds of fruit, the price being about one dollar per bushel for peaches and

Dock Edwards, one of the IN ACCENTS MILD WE most extensive and successful farmers of the Croton country. was in Spur Tuesday. He was prevailing weather conditions and no doubt expects to harvest bumper crops again this fall.

MAKING RECORD BREAK-ING CROPS THIS YEAR

S. M. Bailey, a prosperous ment on the plains, was in Spur Tuesday. He says that while crops in his section are growing and wish him a speedy recovery. other grain and feed crops and prospects are that a bale of cot- thing." ton to the acre will be picked this fall.

> Hamp Collett came in recently and gave us a check for one dollar and six bits to renew his subscription to the Texas Spur in combination with the Dallas

T. G. Harkey left the latter part of last week for San Saba Spur the latter part of last week time on business and visiting his

Misses Edna Shields and Willie Ballard came over from Dickens W. J. Peevler, a prominent Friday and spent several hours

Miss Ruth Attebury left Spur J. C. Stephens, Jr., of near Monday for Amarillo where she Tap, was among the large num- will remain on an extended visit

Miss Creola Richbourg left the W. F. Cathey, of several miles first of this week for Plainview ham and other friends.



MODESTLY PROCLAIM

smiling and contented at the that we are positively headquarters for new fall shoes. New shoes arriving every day. To make room for new goods we are offering reduced prices on slippers. Come early while they last. Closing out reductions in Lawns and Crepes,25c values for 15c. 15c values to go at 10c.

Big shipment of duck for cotton sacks. Good quality, prices

Our Mr. Link is now in eastern markets and we can assure you we are to soon have the nicest stock of Fall and Winter dry goods in Western Texas.

Aviator (after carefully explaining the principle of his biplane) Now you understand it don't you?

Young Lady-"All but one

Aviator-"And that is." Young Lady-"What makes it stay up."

Now folks don't miss these clean up bargains and watch for the new goods. We will soon have lots on new stuff. Come in and see us.

Bryant-Link Company.



RECRUITS WANTED

Every able-dodied man beyears is wanted at our store.

We want 10,000 men to review our line of wagons and farm providing an easy income on trucks. We have for your ap- the farm. proval, the John Deere Iron Clad wagon and a dandy low wheel truck. But Say! We have a solid car load of the "old reliable several days on account of being Saturday from his farm home Peter Schuttler" wagons on the

SHOOTING SCRAPE NEAR LUBBOCK WEDNESDAY

call to come over to the Estacado back seat against the back of community Wednesday morning the front seats, thus injuring his as the result of a fight between already crippled leg. We are Congressman R. L. Henry from J C. Erwin and Baker Martin in glad to note that he is able to be which it is alleged that Mr. Er- at his duties in his boot and shoe Matador Tuesday afternoon. win shot Mr. Martin with a shop. pistol. The bullet entered the mouth and lodged in the throat. number in Spur Saturday, coming interest of his campaign for A physician removed the bullet in from his farm home a mile or United States Senator. and says there will likely be no two east of town. Will is an exbad results unless complications tensive and most successful and prospesous farmer of several Erwin's bond was placed at \$2,- among our most prosperous citi 500. - Avalanche.

road. We have the Texas long bed standard wagon, the new low wood-wheel wide-tire wagon and some big ones for you big three-hundred-acre farmers. If you want a wagon see us. Join the army of Peter Schuttler's satisfied customers. Not just as good but Better.

"When you didn't have your fare did the conductor put you off to walk?

Only get off. He didn't care whether I walked or not." Come in and see us.

Bryant-Link Company.



A FOOL TRICK

In times of High Prices, when we are all puzzling over the high cost of living, it's a fool trick to new car of Light Crust flour, get the best don't cost any more. PRAIRIE FIRE BURNS Come in and bring your eggs and butter, turn in your bills. Make our store your store. Plenty of ice water and a cordial reception.

"Why do you want to get a divorce."

Because I'm married." Come on with the crowds. Bryant-Link Company.

HOG RAISING PROFITABLE

W. F. Walker was here Saturday from his farm home two miles southeast of Spur. Mr. Walker is also one among the large number of farmers of the a single careless act with fire. country who are now raising hogs as a side-line on the farm. Up to the present time this year he has already sold about one hundred dollars worth of hogs and has twenty five or thirty now tween the ages of 21 and 75 running in his pasture. There is no further question but that a few hogs will go a long ways in

A. C. Lewis has been confined number of years. to his bed and room the past injured in an auto accident on northeast of Spur and spent the the streets of Spur. He was in afternoon here trading with the a Ford on his way home, and in merchants and shaking hands turning around on the street the with his friends. Mr. Davis is driver lost control of the steering one among the most successful wheel, running the car into a tel- farmers of the country and reephone post with the result that ports the very finest prospects Sheriff Flynn received a phone Mr. Lewis was thrown from the for bumper crops this year.

BUILDING TWO NEW BRICK BUSINESS HOUSES IN SPUR

A force of workmen commenced the construction work Thursday morning on two brick business houses, on the lots between the Riter Hardware Company and Springer's Confectionery, on Burlington Avenue.

The buildings are being constructed for a Mr. Moore of Houston, by a contractor named Irving, also of Houston.

These buildings are each to be twenty-five by eighty feet, one story high. They are to be occupied when finished, we are told, by the Love Dry Goods Company and Stafford's Phar-

It is expected that these buildings will be completed and ready for occupancy by the first day of September.

Watch Spur grow! She is now putting on the steady and substantial growth that makes for permanent development and continued prosperity. When investments in Spur look better to a Houston man than property in buy blindly and without compari- his home town, it speaks much son of our prices and values. A of men's confidence in the city.

15 SECTIONS OF GRASS

Tuesday a prairie fire was started at the northeast corner of the E. J. Cairns ranch, and swept over the Spur Ranch to the White-Swearingen headquarters, destroying about fifteen sections of grass lands. There were about fifty men engaged in fighting the fire several hours before getting it under control.

Again in this instance the country is forcibly impressed with the importance of being careful with fire. One man can cause thousands of dollars' damage, destroy homes and crops by

W. J. Young and wife, of near Afton, were in Spur Saturday trading with the merchants and visiting their friends. Mr. Young had just returned from Oklahoma where he spent a month under the treatment of a "rubbing doctor" and says that the treatment had wonderful results and that he is now in as good health as he has enjoyed for a

J. Anderson Davis came in

Jas. F. Williams, E. J. Cowan and Cliff Lovelace accompanied Spur to Roaring Springs and Mr. Henry will address the peo-Will Walker was among the ple at the Matador picnic in the

J. H. Farmer, a leading citizen set in. We understand that Mr. farmer and as a result is one miles north and east of Spur, was here on business and greeting his many friends Saturday.

What's the Use to Try to do Without Ice? You've Got to Have it, or the Heat Will Get Your Goat

The hotness of the weather at this season is one of the most disagreeable things that most of us have to contend with. For good old solid comfort there is nothing quite so nice as the goodies that may be prepared with ICE. F'rinstance—

One of the nicest things that tickle mortals' palates in July is Ice Cream. Buy a piece of ice, take it home with you, and get right down to solid comfort and delicious ice cream.

WITT SPRINGER, Spur, Texas

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

> 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 cuttiug.

> 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 tresspassers hereafter without favor.

Swenson And

CHAS. A. JONES, Manager,

Spur, Dickens Co., Texas

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ORAN McCLURE, Editor & Prop.

When not specified, all Ads will be continued until ordered out and charged for accordingly.

FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

A fishing party composed of C. W. Lowery, M. E. Manning and family, E. C. Edmonds and family, Dr. Morris and family; Oran Mc-Clure and family, Misses Kate and Nell Mahon and Mr. Dortch went out to Wilson tank Tuesday night and spent several hours very pleas-

Spur this week to be with her sis- Love, E. C. Edmonds and Oran fall. ter, Mrs. Frank Goff, during her McClure were entertained by Jas. illness and confinement in the F. Williams at the Spur Inn. Standifer Hospital as the result of an operation last week. We are glad to note that Mrs. Goff is reported doing nicely.

C. D. Copeland came in Tuesday from his farm home six miles east of Spur and spent some time here on business. He reports his crops doing nicely and growing rapidly since the recent shower on his place.

Jno. Shaw, a prominent young farmer of near Afton, was in Spur Thursday of this week, spending several hours in the city on business and shaking hands with his many friends.

B. F. Bural, a successful farmer and prominent citizen of the Spur country, was among the number of business visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

MARRIED

W. A. Taylor and wife passed through Spur Tuesday of this Entered as second-class matter week enroute to their home near November 12, 1909, at the post McAdoo. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor office at Spur, Texas, under the were married in Shreveport, La., on the eighth day of July. Mr. Taylor is one of the oldest settlers northeast of Girard. Mr. Pursley and most highly respected citizens will add this property to his present Subscription Price \$1.00 a Year. of the country and the Texas Spur extensive holdings of farm and joins his friends in extending congratulations and very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, and may they live long and prosper.

member of Congress during the itor at the Texas Spur office, where past twenty years and is now mak- he depoisted a dollar and seventy ing a campaign for election to the five cents for the Texas Spur and United States Senate, was in Spur Dallas News another year. We Tuesday and spent several hours thank Mr. Blakeley most heartily here meeting the citizens of the and will do the same for others if town and country. While here he they will only follow his example. with a party composed of Prof. W. Mr. Blakeley will make several en-L. Powell, Oscar Jackson, E. J. tries in the various fruit and agri-Mrs. Wolcott, of Midland, is in Cowan, Dr. J. H. Grace, C. L. cultural exhibitions at the fair this

Dickens, were in Spur Thursday. Taylor.

BERRY PURSLEY BUYS SECTION OF SPUR LAND

Last week the Spur Farm Lands management sold to Berry Pursley a section of land located a few miles ranch lands in that section.

M. L. Blakeley, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of near Afton, was in Spur Thursday and Robt. L. Henry, who has been a while here was a very pleasant vis-

J. K. Simpson and family were in Spur this week visiting the fam-J. F. Speer and son, Frank, of ilies of Messrs Starks and Sanders

Editor Inglish, of the Stamford Leader, was in Spur between trains Sunday of last week. He was impressed with the substantial and rapid progress of the city. ably impresses all who visit this section and investigate the possibilities in both agriculture and commerce.

W. Dunn, manager of the German Kitchen, has been sick and confined to his room a considerable portion of the time during the past several weeks.

Mrs. Chas. Jaye, of Dickens, took the train here Thursday for Tankersley where she will spend some time visiting relatives.

W. M. Randall, of the Steel Hill country, was in the city Tuesday and spent several hours here on

Tom Owens was here Tuesday from his farm and ranch home twelve miles southwest of Spur.

For Sale—Span four year old mules, broke. Consideration \$235. L. L. Williamson, Afton Tex. 38.2

NOTICE

You will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law if caught hunting, fishing, shooting, trapping or tresspassing in any way Spur and the Spur country favor- in any of the pastures controlled by me. - Sam White.

> W. D. Thacker, of Draper, was in Spur this week on business. He orought in two large clusters of apples taken from his orchard and will have them exhibited at the fair in September. The fruit produced here each year demonstrates that the soil of the Spur country is specially adapted to fruit growing and in the years to come this section will be generally recognized among the leading fruit growing belts of

Mrs. Lowery, who has been spending some time with her son, C. W. Lowery at the Mahone Hotel, returned the latter part of last week to her home in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Brvant and little son, of the Pitchfork Ranch, were in Spur Monday trading with the merchants and visiting friends in the city.

G. J. Stearns, a leading citizen and prosperous farmer of the Steel Hill community, was among he number of visitors in Spur Saturday.

W. H. Stephens was in Spur Saturday from the Tap country. He says that his crops are doing fine and promise big harvests this fall.

Messrs Ensey, R. L. Collier and R. M. Hamby attended the installation of officers in the I. O. O. F. Lodge at Dickens Tuesday

Miss Jessie Steele, of Madisonville, is in the city visiting her uncle, Sanders Taylor, and family.

LOOKING FORWARD

to the success you hope to attain, do you realize how much better your plans will work out if you have the help of

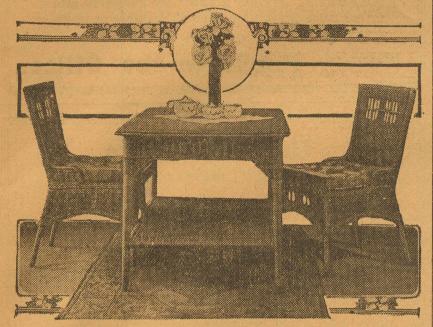
THE CITY NATIONAL BANK?

A safe place to keep your money, checking it out in a business-like way, conferring with our officers when you need business advice and securing financial assistance when you require it—these are the helps to succees which you will find at

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR. TEXAS

Fashions and the Household

Willow Furniture Is Used For Summer **Furnishings**



The furniture illustrated would make a good beginning toward a summer sitting room, and willow is fancied this season as it never has been before. Either in the natural colors, which in the better willow is a beautiful satiny cream color, or the stained variety to match the color scheme of a room, this furniture is being used.

It might be interesting to gnow where the willow comes from of which this furniture is built and how it is grown. It does not grow on the "weeping willow" tree, as is often supposed. In fact, it does not grow on any tree at all, but rather as upright sprouts shooting up from a tough "holt" that is close to the ground. These slender, cylindrical rods reach as high as five to eight feet and are covered with a brown bark. As many as sixty rods sometimes sprout from a single holt, and a field of close grown willow, with these graceful rods rising to their great height, their bright colored flowers and silky catkins waving in the breeze, is a sight that would inspire any lover of nature with a desire to have willow furniture somewhere in the home.

UTILIZING THE USELESS.

How to Make Attractive Articles Out of Discarded Things.

If you have an empty half pound candy box you can make excellent use of the cover and the box for pin trays. Line both of them inside and out and finish the outer rim with braid. The cover should then be divided off into compartments. To do this cut two litthe box cover is wide and just the same height, probably about two inches. Cover these two slips with chintz the length, of the box lid far enough apart to make three separate compartments. This is to be used for different sized hairpins, while the other larger one is for combs, hair nets and all the always the child who suffers and not usual things that collect on a bureau.

Attractive jars for smelling salts can fars covered with chintz up to the very edge, which is surrounded by braid. Beneath the glass cover to the jar paste a piece to fit, and you will find it a very dainty jar. Similar boxes or jars can be made for almost any purpose.

Cedar Chest.

sired size. Hinge on the cover neatly, pine and retain the odor for years.

RESPECT A CHILD'S MIND.

Hard on Youngster to Be Discussed In His Presence.

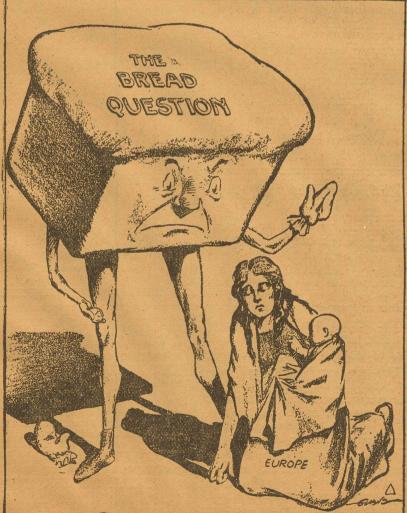
It is very often an agonizing experience to a child to be discussed in his presence, as if he were not there at all and not to be considered—at any rate, as a person to be considered about what is said in his presence. Then there is the stranger who will ask tle slips of cardboard just as long as questions and make comments to a child about his appearance that a grownup would resent with indignation. Not all children like openly exand place them across the width, not pressed admiration; rather do they resent it.

Another type of child is made pert, forward and unattractive by the same treatment. The pity of it is that it is the older people, who cause it all. Does it not seem to you as if we might be made from small, square preserving treat all children with the courtesy and consideration that we show to equals? There have been many examples of children to prove that the secret of good training and decent upbringing lies in being decent to the

Pineapple Salad.

and if there are any cracks or holes teaspoonful cornstarch. Cook to a putty them up; paint the outside of the | thick custard, and add a little cream | chest; get some oil of cedar of the drug- before serving. Put two slices of pinegist and paint the inside with it, using apple on lettuce leaves and cover with plenty of oil. This will soak into the dressing, then put a little grated cheese and chopped walnuts on top.

The Master of the Situation



-From the Baltimore American.

THIS IS A SILK SEASON.

Several Reasons Why This Lovely Fabric Is Popular.

The immense vogue of silk this season is said to be due to the fact that war has closed the woolen mills of northern France, while the more southerly silk factories are still turning out materials, and the production of the Italian mills is uninterrupted.

Whatever the reason, the fact is undisputed and indisputable-silk is triumphant. Though for a time it seemed as if the French supply were threatened, the makers have rallied their forces, and huge shipments are being exported to the American markets. Domestic silks are so much improved of late years that our choice is a wide

To start, in pedagogic fashion, from the general and proceed to the particular, it may be said that the crisper silken fabrics are in the lead and that the patterned is trying hard to supersede the plain. All the designs and colorings are discreet. The Poiret colors and Martini patterns are now only found in the occasional lining of a neutral colored topcoat. Black and white combinations are simply legion, and stripes have imposed themselves upon everything.

TO MAKE A BRIGHT SPOT. ֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍֍

If your living room or your bedroom is in need of a bright spot get to work and make a cushion of bright colored material. It is surprising how one solitary cushion will change the whole atmosphere of a room. A cushion made just sing with joy and happiness if you would place it amid your surroundings. Through the center of the cushion sew a strip of white poplin on which large old rose flowers are printed. Around the edge of the cushion sew a strip of find that old rose will not harmonize with your wallpaper or your hangings, old rose.

Her Resear F Her Reason For Never Marrying & CARLO A. ROMBLON

UNTIE, why were you never mar- | him. Edgar looked an appeal to me. ried? I have heard that in your youth you were a great

"My dear," replied the old lady, "why I was not married is a painful story to me. It has been constantly with me ever since I was nineteen years old, but I have never talked about it. There is a lesson in it for young girls like you, and on that account I will tell it to you.'

Then the old lady told me the following story:

You know that I was born and raised in the south on one of those plantations that represented typical high life there before the war destroyed the institution which was its foundation. I came of age shortly before the struggle opened. I suppose it is true that I was a belle. Would that I had not been such, for the attention I received turned my head and caused what embittered my life.

Among my suitors were Alfred Beale and Edgar Turnlee. Turnlee was my favorite-indeed, I was very much in love with him-but I wished to be striven for and alternately encouraged him and his rival, Alfred Beale. One day I was sitting in the drawing room of the plantation house with Edgar. My back as well as his was toward the door opening into the great hall, while my face was toward a large mirror resting on the mantel over the fireplace. I caught a glimpse of the reflection of Alfred Beale in the hall.

He saw both Edgar and me sitting together. He paused and looked at us. making no sound to indicate to us that he was there. Indeed, he was eavesof old rose poplin, denim or silk would | dropping, but I thought little of that. I was wrapt in the idea of being an object of strife between two young men and was tempted to see what would happen between them should I purposely increase their antagonism.

I had been expecting a proposal from narrow old rose silk fringe. Should you | Edgar and now gave him every encouragement. He was placing an arm around my waist and his face was select a color that will blend with near mine when I gave a little shriek them-bright green, blue or yellow will and drew away from him, assuming to have the same cheerful effect as the be indignant. Beale stepped into the by some young men and women when room and, glaring at Edgar, upbraided left to their own caprices.

It is impossible to give reasons for the freaks that enter the heads of young persons, especially young girls, in the matter of coquetry. Instead of taking the blame of Edgar's act upon myself, I walked out of the room, leaving my admirers to settle the controversy in their own way. I had no sooner left them than it occurred to me that I had acted abominably. If I had gone directly back and confessed the situation might have been saved. I was about to do so when I remembered that such an acknowledgment would bring down upon me the contempt of both men-that is, if it were believed, which I doubted.

While I was deliberating I heard both men go out of the house. started to call them back, but hesitated, and before I had made up my mind what to do they were out of

I wondered what would come to pass between them. Suddenly it flashed upon me that they would fight. I trembled. l lay turning the matter over in my brain, which was like a boiling caldron. With the first light of dawn I arose, dressed myself, stole down the great staircase and out on to the veranda. Looking out from behind a vine, saw Edgar and two other young men riding by the plantation. Going to the barn, I saddled my horse, mounted and followed them.

I cannot dwell on the rest. It is too painful. I was some time in finding where they had gone. When I reached them they had fought a duel with pistols, and Alfred Beale was lying on the ground, while a surgeon was bending over him. I hurried to him to see if he were dead and was assured that his wound would not be fatal. I turned to Edgar. He gave me a look that has haunted me ever since. I saw in it that I had lost him forever.

You have heard my story. May it be a lesson to you that love is not a game for passing the time that young persons regard it. Love is a serious matter and should be treated seriously. Better the European method of matches made by parents than the follies committed

A Place For the Boys and Girls

BLOWING SOAP BUBBLES.

Children usually prefer to blow the bubbles into the open air and watch them sail into space. However, many interesting tricks can be done with soap bubbles. If blown on to a piece of felt or woolen cloth spread on a table the bubbles will bounce lightly and will not break at once. With a little practice bubbles can be hitched Make a dressing of one-half cupful to each other, the first one being at-Get or make a large pine box of de- of pineapple juice, juice of one-half a tached to a piece of worsted suspended lemon, yolks of two eggs and one-half in the air, and a pretty little chain teaspoonful cornstarch. Cook to a of bubbles is the result. A bubble can be made to "walk" a tight rope. Hold a piece of worsted yarn in a slanting position, blow the bubble on to the upper end, and it will dance and bounce down the string to the lower end, thence making a flying leap to the floor. There are many other tricks that may be done with soap bubbles. some comparatively simple, while others require a great deal of practice first. Try some of the simple tricks suggested above and when proficiency is attained in executing them you will be ready to try more elaborate ones.

Rapid Count.

For this game the hostess should write on morsels of paper all the numbers from one to twenty, writing each several times.

Jumble the numbers several times in a basket and place the basket on a table or stand around which the company sit.

Each person in turn takes one of the papers and, upon seeing what number it contains, must name some celebrated thing connected with this number. For example, a person drawing the number seven could name the seven sleepers the seven wonders of the world, "We Are Seven" and seventh son of a seventh son.

The papers are retained to count to their credit by all those who succeed in answering.

Those who fail must pass their papers to those seated next to them, who in turn try to name something appro-

The Cotton Flies.

An amusing outdoor game is the cotton flies. One of the players takes a flake of cotton or bit of down, which she casts into the air in the midst of a circle formed by the guests. She at once puffs with her breath to keep it floating in the air, and the one toward whom the flake takes its course must puff in the same way to keep it from falling. This flake can be kept up a long time if the players are quick.

Saved From the Lusitania

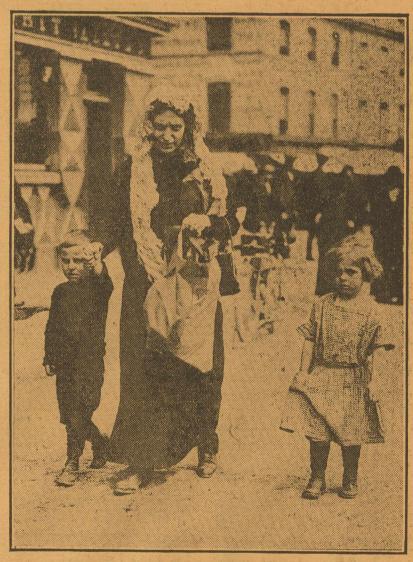


Photo by American Press Association.

After the big ocean liner, the Lusitania, was torpedoed with the aid of a submarine boat and sank the few who were rescued landed in different places along the Irish coast. Get out your geography and look for Queenstown. It was there that this family of three landed after being many hours in a lifeboat. Most of the clothes the mother and her children have on were borrowed after they got ashore. Nearly everything they had brought with them when leaving this side of the Atlantic went down with the Lusitania, and they just barely escaped going down themselves.

- I Love Little Robin.
- I love little Robin, His breast is so red;
- He sings me a song When I wake in bed.
- He sings me a song
 When it's time for goodnight,
 And that's when I hurry
 My candle to light.

 —Philadelphia Record.

Conundrums.

Why is a defeated army like wool?

Because it is worsted. When is a bee like a criminal? When

in his cell. What kind of money is found in all parts of the world? Matri-mony. Why are clouds like coachmen? Be-

cause they hold the rains (reins).

EVIDENCE OF PROSPERITY.

A. Fry was here Tuesday from his ranch home on Cat Fish and hauled out material with which to make improvements on his place. The fact that improvements are being made in every section of this country is substantial evidence of prosperity.

J. W. Thompson, a business man and leading citizen of Afton, was in Spur Monday and spent some time in the city greeting friends.

Invest in permanent roofing

Get Genasco, made of Nature's everlasting waterproofer-Trinidad Lake asphalt.

Renasco Ready Roofing

is a sure and lasting protection against sun, rain, snow, heat and cold. It is wonderfully economical, too.

Come let us show you how attractive it is.

P. H. Miller Spur, Texas

SNAKE BITES PREACHER.

Rev. I. A. Smith, of Roaring Springs, was bitten Saturday by a Rattle snake. Rev. Smith was gathering plums in a pasture near Dickens when the snake struck him. He returned immediately to Dickens for medical treatment and at this time we are glad to note that he is doing well.

Rev. Smith was conducting a protracted meeting at Dickens. the meeting being closed on account of the preacher's condi-

was formerly City Marshal of tory of this market." Spur and his many friends here again as a citizen with us. He derstood, there will be a demand gins in Spur this fall.

Homer Steen, editor of the Floyd County Hesperian of Floydada, and Mr. Featherston. a real estate dealer of that place. were in Spur the latter part of last week and while here were pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. They report the very best crop conditions in Floyd county.

Howard Campbell was here Saturday from his farm home three miles southwest and spent some time in the city trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends.

Wren Cross was in Spur Tuesday from his home twelve or fifteen miles southwest of the city. He reports everything in good shape in his section.

E. J. Cairns and wife were in the city Tuesday visiting friends from their home in Kent county.

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KAFFIR AND MAIZE ON EASTERN MARKET

Kaffir corn and milo maize were curiosities east of the Missouri River ten years ago. Today both are recognized staples on the great markets. The following from the Chicago Herald of the 8th is therefore of interest.

"Chicago is doing considerable business in kaffir corn and milo maize. No. 4 and sample grade kaffir sold in the sample market yesterday at \$1.20, No, 3 milo at B. G. Ford and family moved \$1.23, No. 4 mixed at \$1.20 per back to Spur last week from an- 100 lbs. A sale of 25,000 bushels other section of the country of milo was made yesterday to go where they have been for the east by lake, the first bulk shippast several months. Mr. Ford ment of mile by lake in the his-

As the value of kaffir and other will be glad to welcome him sorgum grains become better unhas a position with one of the for them in all markets. Even the growers have not fully comprehended the food value of the grains. But it is being clearly demonstrated in this section that kaffir and milo are making market topping pork, beef and mut-

A meeting of bankers, merchants, and farmers was held at Amarillo on July 28th at 2 p. m. to discuss ways and means of lauching an advertising and educational campaign on kaffir and maize in sections of the state where their feeding value is not

BOND GRANTED.

Bob Morris, his daughter, Winnie, and son, Ewell, charged with each. We understand they had than George M. Slaughter. no trouble making the bonds,

W. D. Eldredge, one of the higgest farmers of the Lee County settlement on the plains, was in Spur Monday of this week and spent several hours here on busi-

number of visitors in Spur this co cattleman.

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.

Southplains Railroad Company:

Vou 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 Crosby-

W. R. LOTSPEICH, (SEAL) 34-2mo.

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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 or your money will be returned. \$1,250.00, part down, balance in good For sale here in 50c and \$1 size notes.—J. E. Day, Grants, N. M. 27-6mo bottles at Spur Drug. Co.

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DEATH ENDS CAREER OF WESTERN CATTLEMAN

George M. Slaughter, a pioneer Texas cattleman, died at his ranch near Littlefield last week. Appoplexy or heart trouble, it has not been determined which, was the cause of the death. Mr. Slaughter had been at the ranch for only a day or two.

The body was prepared for killing Garland Radford at burial at Littlefield and taken to Quanah one day last week, have Roswell on a special train. A been allowed bond at their ex- son of Col. C. C. Slaughter of amining trial. The father's Dallas, and himself of a strong bond was placed at \$10,000, the personality, few men in Texas or daughter's and son's at \$7,500 New Mexico were better known

He ranched in the panhandle and will have considerable help 20 years ago. A few years ago in fighting the cases. - Clarendon he moved to Roswell. He was a director in the City National Bank there. Mr. Slaughter was in the neighborhood of 50 years

He was a brother of William B. Slaughter, formerly Pueblo and Dalhart banker; John Slaughter, South Plains cattle-Lige Cooper was among the man and Bob Slaughter, a Mexi-

> At one time Mr. Slaughter was president of the Panhandle Stockmen's Association.—Ex.

NOTICE

You will be prosecuted to the tullest extent of the law if caught hunting, fishing, shooting, trap-To the Stockholders of the Crosbyton- ping or tresspassing in any way in any of the 24 pastures. - Mrs. Boley Brown & Sons. By Bert N. Brown, manager.

> Bill McArthur was here a few hours Saturday from his home

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WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

the cotton, let the surplus be regular passenger train. consumed, then gradually market as the demand is created." Department. "Let's not get excited as we did last season.

J. D. Hufstedler and family, of the Dry Lake country, spent Sunday in Spur with Prof. Walter L. Powell and family.



LITTLE RED DEVIL GONE

We understand that the Q. A. SAYS HOLD COTTON & P. people have run the little red motor car for the last time, or at least for awhile. They Austin, July 23.—"Warehouse have taken it off and put on a

We have been informed by some of the railroad officials that This is the advice given Texas they have done this on account farmers by D. M. Cameron, chief of the traffic having increased in clerk of the State Warehouse the passenger line for the past few months, and that they have been unable to handle it successfully. They expect to run this train as long as the passenger traffic holds up like it has

> This is another indication that this country is coming into its own at a rapid rate. Only a few

you. We need you and you need move. us. Why not satisfy a common cause?—Paducah Post.

Mr. Squyres and family, of Angelina county, near the line of Lousiana, are in Spur this week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Squyres. Mr. Squyres has been traveling over the country the past three months and says he appreciates the fine breezes of this Western country.



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Jim Gibbs, Manager SPUR, TEXAS

"I do not of a man who is not than he was yesterday." -Abe Lincola

think much wiser to-day

You Will be Wiser

tomorrow if, in the meantime, you will visit Our Yard.

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LIKE A BATH TUB?

An editor is supposed to be years ago an old mail hack from pretty good on riddles, conund-Childress could successfully rums and other matters where handle the passenger traffic by lots of gray matter is needed, but making one trip each day. Later a fellow townsman propounded on came the railroad and the old us one this week that took the mixed train for several months. wind out of our sails. "Why is Then the business got so heavy a Ford like a bath tub," he asks. that they had to do away with We looked wise and wrinkled our the mixed train and put on the forehead, and informed him that little red "devil" as above refer- we would have to take it under red to. Now the little motor car advisement, as that is what all has become non-sufficient, and a good diplomats must do. "No sure enough passenger train is to bother," says he, "I'll put you hep to it. A Ford is like a bath Come to Cottle county while tub in that it is a durn good the coming is good and while thing to have, but a fellow hates there are opportunities left for to be caught in it." Its your

> L. C. Arrington was in Spur Saturday from the Afton country and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Arrington is one of the biggest farmers of the country and says that the indications are that bumper crops will be grown again this year on his several places.

He was also surprised at the and stockraiser of the Cat Fish ly attended and successful occawonderful developement pro- country, was recently in Spur sions of this kind occuring in gress of this section in agricul- buying supplies and greeting his the West this year. The occafriends and acquaintances. He sion is being extensively adverreports everything in good con- tised throughout the country, and dition in his section of the coun-arrangements to entertain 5,000 try with respect to both crop visitors are being made. The and cattle interests.

> Denton County but who is now Camping grounds, water, etc., employed by J. D. Martin in the for campers, and plenty of farming business, was in Spur water, shade, seats and other Monday and while here was a conveniences free to everybody. very pleasant caller at the Texas | Don't forget the date-August Spur office.

Miss Deliah Johnson, of the Love Dry Goods Company, spent Sunday and Monday in Stamford with her mother and other relatives and friends, returning to Spur on Tuesday's train.

Geneive Bowman, of Hill county, and will make their permanent are here on an extended visit to home here in the future. Mr. S. R. Bowman and family at Donald will be Section Foreman their home several miles north on this Division of the Stamford of Spur.

C. E. Brannen came up Saturday from Swenson and spent signed. Mr. Mecom and family Sunday in Spur with relatives and friends. He reports the crops good in the Swenson coun-

Mace Hunter came in Saturday from his farm home five to attend the regular meeting of miles east of Spur and spent the Jno. A. Green Camp of exseveral hours in the city on busi- Confederate Soldiers. At this ness and greeting friends.

J. I. Greer came in Saturday from his home in the Cat Fish country. He says everything is in the very best condition in his

S. P. Odam, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Saturday on business.

J. E. Sparks and wife, of Tap, were in the city the latter part of last week.

S. R. Bowman was among the number in Spur Saturday.

All Contestants Listen!

A Game that is Won will Never be Marked in the "Lost" Column

When the ballot box has been closed it will be too late to say "If I had known I was in the race I would have worked harder." The thing to do is to work hard now, then Smile when the work is over.

Your friends want to see you win; they are willing to help you. You must show them that you are making an effort to be a Winner.

The merchants whose names appear in this ad are paying for these Valuable Prizes. They are to be awarded to the Winners in this campaign.

Be a Winner.

TRADE WITH US

Spur Hardware Company Lyric Theatre Red Front Drug Store German Kitchen Hogan & Patton Midway Hotel Texas Spur

5,000 EXPECTED.

The W. O. W. Picnic and Barbecue to be held at Girard on Friday and Saturday, August 20-A. Fry, an extensive farmer 21, will be one of the most large-Farmers Union will co-operate in A. F. Krange, formerly of the program for the two days. 20 21, and begin to arrange to come. Attractions wanted and concession privileges granted. For further information address M. A. Darden, Girard, Texas.

MOVING TO SPUR.

L. S. Donald and family moved Mrs. Twaddell and Miss to Spur this week from Goree & Northwestern Railway, taking the place of J. I. Mecom who rewill continue to make Spur their home provided he can secure a residence in the city in which to

> J. H. Sparks came in Saturday meeting there were only five or six of the members present.

> Tom McArthur came in Saturfrom his farm and ranch home near Tap and spent the afternoon here greeting his many friends.

> Mrs. C. L. Love and daughter, Miss Flora, returned the first of the week from a visit of several days to friends in Stamford.

Genuine Paprika is NOT a Kind of Cayenne Pepper

Because they look alike, most of us have a sort of general impression that Cayenne (Red) Pepper and Paprika are made of pretty much the same thing, only that one is hotter than the other. And that the difference in the "burn" of them comes from the way of them comes from the way they're made or by putting some-thing into the Paprika to sweeten

The best Cayenne is ground from pods that come all the way from the East Indies. Of course, some of the lower grades of Cayenne come from Jamaica, South America, Mexico and our own South, but when we speak of Cayenne we refer to the choicest, most pungent and finest flavored, such as White Swan Red Pepper.

The real Paprika though comes from Spain or Hungary and has no Cayenne mixed with it. It is an entirely different pod than Cayenne and is used to flavor with its own delightful and distinctive taste, mild and sweet, while Cayenne is used primarily to make things hot. And yet though so different it belongs to the red pepper family. Therefore, it is possible to use ordinary red peppers in making a so-called Paprika and to call it by a name similar to this and be within the letter of the law. It is more hot than tasty— The real Paprika though comes law. It is more hot than tasty—yet it might pass for Paprika.

Here again you must buy your Paprika under the brand of a com-pany whose standing and integrity are both beyond question, if you are to be certain of getting a Paprika that has the real and delicious flavor that only the best can have. We guarantee to you that White Swan Paprika is genuine and unadulterated—packed to preserve all flavor and goodness.

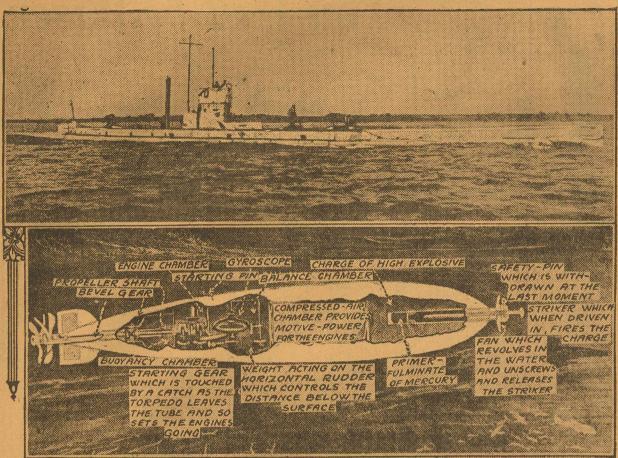
Your grocer sells White Swan Red Pepper and White Swan Paprika —both of distinguished quality, purity and strength.



Waples-Platter Grocer Co. Vholesale Grocers TEXAS

S. W. Rather came in the latter part of last week from his farm and ranch home on Cat Fish. Mr. Rather is one among the old time settlers of this section and is one of the most pros-Mrs. A. J. McClain, of the Cat perous citizens. He says that Fish country, was among the crop conditions are as good now visitors in Spur the latter part of as has ever been known in this country.

Shall the Torpedo Rule the Waves?



Deadly Instrument of Naval Warfare, Costing Around \$5,000, Which Has Threatened England's Supremacy of the Seas and Has Also Involved the United States In Serious Friction With Germany - Latest Can Run 11,000 Yards and Speed at 45 Knots.

HE German torpedo or torpedoes that destroyed the Lusitania were fired at a range of not more than a thousand yards, and the torpedoes themselves probably traveled at a speed in excess of forty knots. The submarine or submarines from which the weap ons were discharged were submerged not more than fifteen feet, and they had plenty of time to get the exact range before the torpedoes were discharged. Furthermore, the torpedoes were of the most modern and powerful type and of the highest possible

That is the opinion of many of the American officers, all of whom have closely followed the German submarine activities since the underwater war was started by the Germans several months ago.

The extreme range of a torpedo, it was explained by these officers, is about 11,000 yards, but the evidence to be had indicates that all the German submarine work is being done at short At the lesser range the speed of the torpedo is greater and the aim correspondingly more accurate.

One of the American officers stated that in Charles W. Domville-Fife's book, entitled "Submarine Engineering of Today," there is a chapter on "The Life of a Torpedo," which describes in understandable language and in a correct way these terrible missiles of

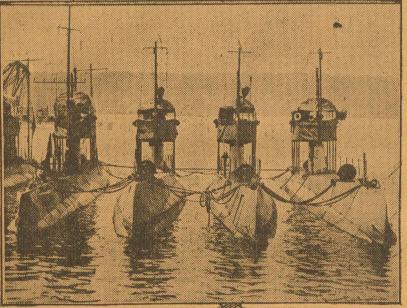
"A first class battleship takes the best part of three years to build and may cost anything from \$5,000,000 upward," the author writes, "This ponderous ship of war can be sent to the bottom of the sea in but a few minutes if struck by a torpedo.

The Business End.

"The modern torpedo varies in length from fourteen to nineteen feet and weighs up to half a ton. It has an extreme range of, say, 11,000 yards. The blunt nose, or 'war head,' as it is called, is the business end of the torpedo and has the dry and wet guncotton and the fulminate of mercury necessary for the explosion. Behind the explosive head is the air chamber to hold the compressed air by which motive power is furnished. Then we come to the search chamber or 'brain' of the weapon, which contains most marvelous mechanism for directing and controlling the machine. Next comes the engine room and, at the tail of the torpedo, the buoyancy chamber.

"Every one of these little peculiarities indulged in by the torpedo is noted in the history sheet and referred to before the weapon is again fired. By this means all the slight defects can be allowed for and a much more accurate aim obtained. It is the duty of the torpedo lieutenant to make up all the 'history sheets' on a vessel, and he may be almost looked upon as a schoolmaster with a lot of small children to understand and manage. Sometimes. but not often during trials, a torpedo is lost. Perhaps days afterward the truant turns up, either washed ashore or towed in by some fishermen after having torn their nets to pieces.

"A small chamber in the torpedo carries compressed air. This helps to sink tubes on board the ship discharging of sixty horsepower.



Photos by American Press Association Top picture is a new German submarine. Center is description of a torpedo. Bottom shows a line of U. S. submarines.

from the chamber by means of a regulating valve, drives the engine at a high rate of speed, which is almost uniform throughout the trip from the tube to the target. The engines turn two screw propellers at the tail of the torpedo. These revolve on the same axis, but in opposite direction, the object being to give stability to the weapon.

depth in the water—usually from ten to fourteen feet—is maintained by horizontal rudders. The torpedo is kept submerged by means of the balance chamber and is controlled in its steering by the wonderful instrument known as the gyroscope.

"So marvelous is its mechanism that in favorable circumstances a torpedo well aimed may be depended upon to strike within a yard or two of the spot aimed at. Briefly described, the gyroscope is a rotating wheel which automatically controls the torpedo's course "The method of firing a torpedo is very much like that of discharging a gun. It is expelled from a torpedo tube by compressed air. Upon reaching the water the torpedo is driven by its screws in the required direction. The missile is guided by a very ingenious invention called a 'torpedo director. This is a little brass instrument fitted with 'sights' like a gun. When the sights are aligned on the enemy the officer in charge presses a key, and electricity causes the discharge.'

Forty-five Knots For 7,000 Yards.

The latest torpedoes of the British navy have a diameter of twenty-one inches, have an extreme range of 11, 000 yards, and the claim is made that they can cover 7,000 yards at a speed of forty-five knots. This is the maximum of torpedo efficiency and power today, most of the torpedoes used by the American and other navies, including the British, not having so great a range or high a speed as that men-

The details of the latest German torpedo as obtained just prior to the war -the torpedo with which it was intended to equip the latest battleships then under construction and the torpedo which, it is believed, is now being used in considerable numbers by the Germans-show that it has a diameter of twenty-two inches, carries in its war head 300 pounds of gun cotton, the explosive with which the torpedo damage is done, and is capable of covering 4,000 yards at the rate of thirty-five knots, while it has an extreme range of about 10,000 yards.

Torpedoes are fired from torpedo

it to the required depth after it has | them by a small quantity of gunpow entered the water. This air, escaping | der or by compressed air, the latter method being now in general use. In the case of the modern armored vessels-for pre-Dreadnoughts, Dreadnoughts, super-Dreadnoughts and cruis ers all carry torpedoes-the torpedo tubes are under the water; in surface torpedo craft the tubes are placed on deck. Formerly battleships and armor ed cruisers carried torpedo tubes "The steering is effected by vertical above the water, but these were abanrudders, which keep the torpedo in the doned on account of the danger required direction, while the proper through premature explosion of a torpedo by an enemy's shot.

Gyroscope Principle Used.

As soon as the torpedo reaches the water the propelling engines start, the gyroscopic steering gear points it for the target, and when it attains its speed and proper depth below the sur face of the water nothing indicates its whereabouts but a small ripple on the surface of the water and the escaping air bubbles. The weapon can be set to travel at varying depths below the surface, but nine feet is a common distance, this taking them below the nether edge of a battleship's armor. Sometimes the torpedo goes on its course at a depth as great as fourteen feet. If the torpedo travels close to the surface it will, of course, cause more agitation on the surface than would otherwise be the case.

The modern torpedo varies in length from fourteen to nineteen feet, although few fourteen footers are now in use, and weigh up to half a ton. The cost of a torpedo is from \$3,000 to over \$5,000. Lieutenant Taprell Dorling of the British navy in describing the various parts of a torpedo explains that the extreme front of the weapon consists of the war head, containing the explosive charge of guncotton, composed of from 200 to 300 pounds. This guncotton explodes on impact by means of an appliance fitted in the nose of the torpedo, consisting of a pistol, detonator and primer.

The next compartment to the head is the air chamber. This is a cylinder about one-third of an inch thick, bored out of an ingot of the finest quality high tensile steel.

Balance Chamber.

The third compartment is the balance chamber. Inside this is contained the mechanism which actuates the horizontal rudders at the tail and so keeps the torpedo at its correct depth, which is set before the weapon is fired. Behind the balance chamber is the engine room, containing the propelling machinery, enormously powerful in proportion to the size of the weapon, the latest torpedoes with an eighteen inch diameter having engines

McGraw's Castoffs Make Good. It begins to look as if the most certain way for a ball player to become a star is for John McGraw to can him.

Cincinnati became famous as a place for fellows to get their real start by being fired, but Jawn has been giving Garry Herrmann's outfit a close battle

Jawn had George Chalmers on his roster this spring, but after watching George throughout the spring season McGraw decided George wouldn't do.

George hung around the Polo grounds when the Phillies made their visit recently and looked so sorrowful that Pat Moran, manager of the J. Baker town crowd, offered him a job. George accepted.

'McGraw says you ain't any good," said Pat to George. "I think you are. Now you go ahead and show me. The first job you get is against the Giants." George faced his one time Giant teammates, beat them 6 to 1 and allowed them only two hits.

Al Demaree might be called exhibit B in this case. McGraw thought so little of Demaree that he traded him to the Phillies along with Milton Stock for Hans Lobert. Demaree's first appearance was against the Giants, and he shut them out.

The story concerning Dick Rudolph was printed from one end of the land to the other last year. John once owned Dick, but didn't think much of him. So he turned him loose, and Dick eventually landed with the Braves and materially assisted in pitching them into the world's championship.

Hankerinus Gowdy could have been a Giant regular, but McGraw couldn't see him. Stallings could, and Gowdy today ranks as one of the best fielding backstops in the game and as the greatest slugging catcher.

Chicago Gets Fastest Runner.

A new star has shot athwart the Chicago baseball horizon in the personage of Outfielder Fred Cy Williams. This young man is a graduate of Notre Dame university, and is said by many competent judges to be the fastest

runner in the national game. He could have gone to Stockholm, Sweden, and taken part in the Olympic games when Jim Thorpe won so many honors, but declined on account of his studies. Williams holds the record for

Heinie Wagner, the veteran infielder, is being touted by his fellow Boston Red Sox players as a coming big league

The Bostonians aver that Heinie shows coming managerial qualifications in most every game and says he has just the proper sort of a disposition to lead a big league club.

Red Sox gossip also has it that a couple of big league owners are giving



Photo by American Press Association. Heinie Wagner of the Boston Red Sox Mentioned as Possible Manager.

Wagner the once over with a view to making him a leader some time.

In 1912, when the Red Sox won the American league pennant, Jake Stahl used to sit up until the late hours of the night planning out with Wagner the plays of the next day.

Wagner's cunning and quick thinking, together with his knowledge of every phase of baseball, is counted on to win many a game for the Red Sox

The Sunday School Lesson

Text of the lesson, I Kings i, 28-40. Golden Text, I Chron. xxviii.

man named Sheba, the son of Bichri, but he was overthrown and slain, and a city was saved through the influence of a wise woman who may be ranked with the wise woman of Tekoa and with Jael, the wife of Heber (II Sam. xx, 1, 16, 22). In II Sam, xxii we have one of David's great songs of deliverance, which is repeated in full in Ps. xviii. In II Sam. xxiii we have some of David's last words, which we may perhaps find space to consider in connection with the record of his death in today's lesson.

But there are some things which we must notice in II Sam. xxiv, such as the story of the thrashing floor of Araunah, the Jebusite, over which the Lord stayed the hand of the destroying angel, saying, "It is enough," and which David bought for fifty shekels of silver and the whole place or hill for 600 shekels of gold (II Sam. xxiv, 16, 24; I Chron. xxi, 22-25). This hill was the identical mount Moriah on which Abraham offered up Isaac and received him back from the dead in a figure, and on this hill Solomon built the temple which David desired to build, but was not permitted to, but God gave him the plans of it and allowed him to prepare abundantly for it. See carefully these passages, I Chron. xxviii, 11, 12, 19; II Chron. iii, 1. In I Kings ii, 1-4, we have some of the last words of David, with a few of his words to Solomon, but much more fully in I Chron. xxviii and xxix, with his wonderful prayer in xxix, 10-19, which we found great pleasure in memorizing in the Bible classes not long ago. Oh for a lesson on some of these portions teeming with the riches of his grace and glory instead of the less restful portions, such as the lesson of today! But let us notice before looking at

this lesson that Moriah and the threshing floor of Araunah or Ornan, the same hill, are strongly suggestive of the great atonement of the Lord Jesus, so that the foundation of the temple was really the atonement. So also in the tabernacle of Moses every board stood on the silver which was paid as a ransom for their souls. The only foundation for an individual or for the | 14, 17).

, church is the finished work of the Lord Jesus. In our lesson today David is said to be old, though he was only sev-To get the connection let us look at enty (II Sam. v, 4; I Kings ii, 10, 11). the important events since last lesson. He is said to have died in a good old After David's return to his throne age, full of days, riches and honor (I there was a rebellion under a wicked Chron. xxix, 28). Trouble seems to have followed him all the way, and now, at the very end, Adonijah, his fourth son, whom he had never displeased by even saying "Why hast thou done so?" (II Sam. iii. 2-5; I Kings i. 6). seeks the throne and has himself proclaimed king. This stirred Nathan the prophet, and he and Bathsheba, the mother of Solomon, appealed to David, with the result that Solomon was caused to ride upon King David's mule and was anointed king instead of his father. This caused great rejoicing, so that the earth rent with sound thereof and David himself said. "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who hath given one to sit on my throne this day. mine eyes even seeing it" (verses 38, 40, 48). "Then Solomon sat on the throne of the Lord as king instead of David, his father, and prospered, and all Israel obeyed him" (I Chron. xxix, 23).

No throne on earth was ever called the throne of the Lord except the throne at Jerusalem, and we are fast approaching the time when Jerusalem shall again be the throne of the Lord and all nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem (Jer. iii, 17). The Lord had told David before Solomon was born that he should be his successor and sit on his throne (I Chron. xxii, 7-9), and so it came to pass, for in some way or other every purpose of the Lord shall be performed (Jer. li, 29). I have in mind always in this connection Ps. xxxiii, 10, 11; Isa. xiv, 24, and find great rest in such assurances. If the affections of all true believers were as fully set upon the building of the church and the bringing back of the king to set up his kingdom and we were as ready to prepare with all our might, as was David, for the temple (I Chron. xxix, 2, 3), how the mission treasuries would overflow with funds to help give the gospel to every creature, and what a great company would be heard saying, "Here am I; send me!" (Isa. vi, 8.) We need to remember that God tries the heart and has pleasure in uprightness and that in his hand are power and might and that all things come of him (I Chron. xxix, 12,

Items Over Dickens County BY CORRESPONDENTS

AFTON

The Messrs McCormick have a there. sister visiting them.

Claud Loyd is busy delivering his aluminum goods.

Mrs. Aubrey Loyd is visiting her parents near Spur.

Annie May Haile has been quite sick, but is much better.

Elder Holden's protracted meeting closed Sunday night.

Canning plums is the order of the day in our community. Mr. and Mrs. Legg from Cro-

ton visited at Mr. Coker's Mon-Miss Alline Cowsert, of near Spur, is visiting Miss Minnie

Harvey. plums to Roaring Springs Friday, on account of so much mud.

and found ready sale for them

Frank Kitchens' sister, Mrs. Bradshaw, of Luzon, is visiting him this week.

About twenty South Dakota Indians passed through Afton Monday, going south.

Afton is still on a boom. Mr. Loyd is having a barn built as well as a new house.

Miss Kate Mitchell, who has been visiting in Afton, left this week for Roaring Springs.

Henry Stokes and wife have returned to their home at Paducah, after visiting here for several days.

Will Austin and family have returned from a trip to New Mexico, and report a good time, but they L. B. Haile hauled peaches and could not go where they wanted to

PROTRACTED MEETING IN PROGRESS IN SPUR

A protracted meeting is now in progress in Spur, being conducted by Evangelist Holton, of Ballinger, under the auspices of the Church of Christ. Up to the present time two conversions have been made, both of whom were baptized by W. S. Taylor Monday afternoon.

Much interest is manifest in the meeting, and great good will be the result.

Geo. S. Link left the first of this week for Stamford and other points to visit various stores of Bryant-Link Company, after which he will moral: Mr. Hogan had spent go to Saint Louis and other markets to purchase goods for the fall money hunting the mule while a trade. He will probably be gone two or three weeks.

Walter Connell, of near Post City, spent several days of this week in Spur with his sister, Mrs. E. C. Edmonds and family.



from the M. D.

To accurately compound a prescription is as essential as to properly prescribe.

The relation of the doctor to the patient is Vital.

doctor on the druggist is Vital.

doctor about Us.

Spur Drug Co. The Rexall Store

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Dan Hogan was in town Monday and spent several hours here greeting his many friends. Mr. Hogan has become a noted painter and paper hanger, having been engaged in that occupation several years throughout Western Texas. He has lately become thoroughly convinced that newspaper advertising brings results. He had lost one of his mules, and after driving over the country for two weeks without success he placed a thirty-cent advertisement in the Texas Spur. The paper was mailed Friday and the next day we received a notice that the mule was being held at Girard and was immediately returned to the owner. Here is the thirty or forty dollars in time and thirty-cent advertisement in the newspaper found the mule within twenty four hours. It pays to advertise.

F. A. Prideaux was in Spur this week looking after his business interests here. Mr. Prideaux is at present making his home at Farmer, Texas. At the beginning of Spur and until the Spencer Lumber Company closed out its business Mr. Prideaux was local manager of that business and at the present time is one of the stockholders of the Love Dry Goods Company.

Carl Douglass, wife and child, of three miles southwest of Spur, were in the city Saturday trading with the merchants and visiting friends. Mr. Douglass reports his crops doing nicely and prospects most promising at this time for bumper yields this fall.

If you can't say anything good of the fair, 'cuss' it. The knocker is unintentionally a great advertiser. Sensible people usually locate good things by the bad things pessimists say about them.

Mrs. Ned Hogan and children Eastern part of the state.

T. L. Cowsert, a leading citizen and prosperous farmer of the Gi-The dependence of the rard country, was in Spur Monday. He reports the crops in his section in good condition.

B. A. Crego came over Wednes-Think it over. Ask your day from Dickens and spent some within the state. This riding confriends here.

> in the city Wednesday of this week will be given on the fair grounds. from her home southwest of Spur.

in Dickens Sunday.

Shoe Week at Love's

We Shall Offer for the Week Ending Saturday, August 7th, Some Very Interesting Prices on Shoes. These Prices are Lowest ever Offered Before, to Close these Lines.

Brown's gun metal oxfords for men \$2.65 Brown's work shoes for men at only \$2.00 Misses' Roman Sandals . \$1.15 Ladies' Roman Sandals . \$1.65

Children's pat. baby dolls. 75c

Buster Brown baby dolls \$2.50 Ladies' patent two-strap sandals for \$1.69

Ladies' patent Colonial pump goes at \$1.69

All ladies' white shoes, worth up to \$4.00; choice . . \$1.50

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OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Ben B. Cain On Advantage of Slow Marketing



The most important problem which confronts Texas and other cotton states is that of handling the crop now growing. The crop is beginning to come upon the market and the growers are confronted with a surplus of approximately one million bales in Great Britain, and a surplus as large or larger in other European countries, so that the aggregate surplus is between two and three million bales. There is a shortage of ships which in any event would retard the market. Cotton is contraband. Insurance rates are necessarily high, making the transportation most expensive, if not actually prohibitive. It needs no prophetic ken to see that the cotton of 1915 will bring less than that of 1914 unless we make sufficient

preparation to hold it until conditions change. The banks of the cotton growing states, with the aid of our regional reserve system, are abundantly able to finance the crop. They have promised to do so. But the aid of the banks is absolutely dependent on the co-operation of the grower, the landlord and the merchant—in fact—all who have a pecuniary interest in the crop. These combined interests own the cotton. If they fail to command a fair price the falure must be charged to lack of

intelligent co-operation. The essential instrumentality for successfully marketing our cotton crop, at all times, is an adequate and efficient system of warehouses. Through the activities of the Texas Cotton Conference the banks of Texas were induced through their association, to undertake a campaign for the construction of sufficient warehouses to meet our needs. The work is being pushed with energy and intelligence. It looks as though sufficient warehouses may be provided. But unless these warehouses are utilized the plan will fail and it is probable they will not be utilized without organization and a general campaign of education as to the importance of holding the crop by using

The people should know that the banks cannot loan on cotton except upon receipts issued by warehouses organized and operated under our permanent warehouse and marketing law. This law has been fully criticised and there are many warehouses not yet organized under it.

In my humble opinion it is a wise piece of constructive legislation. As we proceed to put it into practice some defects may develop. But the salient features are not only good but absolutely necessary if cotton is to take its place in our financial system as gilt-edge collateral.

In order to intelligently and safely lend on cotton the lender must be

assured of these facts: that the cotton is safe from fire and weather waste, and will be forthcoming if the debtor fails. That it has not been false packed, and that the receipt states with approximate correctness the grade, weight and condition of cotton. The law meets all these conditions.

County Judge Blaine Speer,

Sheriff J. B. Conner came over

Monday from Dickens and spent

some time in Spur on business and

W. M. Childress came in Satur-

day from his farm home several

miles northeast of Spur and spent

some time in the city on business

R. L. Collier made a trip to the

and greeting his many friends.

interest of his livestock business.

greeting friends here.

Ira Gabel, manager of the Texas R. D. Shields passed through Boys' Riding Concert, was in Spur Spur Wednesday on his way to returned the latter part of last this week and made arrangements Dallas to be with his daughter, week to their home in Spur after an to give concerts throughout the Miss Edna, who is visiting in that extended visit to relatives in the three days of the Dickens County city and is reported quite sick. Fair to be held in Spur September We hope that her illness is not 23rd, 24th and 25th. He will have serious. a large number of pitching horses for this occasion and will also have Connty Clerk Crawford Cobb and a noted "pitching ox" which has been exhibited at the Dallas Fair and other places, which has never yet been conqured by any rider time in Spur greeting his many test within itself will be an attraction to those who attend the fair. Mrs. W. J. Elliot was a visitor Each day a free riding exhibition

A big fine boy baby was born Wesley Wilson and wife visited Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mc-Waters at their home in the city.

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M. L. Blakley of the Afton country was in Spur Thursday. He says he has some fine grapes and apples which he will exhibit at the fair this fall. While here Mr. Blakley called at the Texas Spur office and favored us with a renewal of subscription. Thanks.

Mrs. Marchman, of Denton county, is in Spur this week visitplains country Wednesday in the ing her sister, Mrs. G. B. Joplin and family.

FORD CARS ARE SELLING IN THE SPUR COUNTRY

the past several months Mr. God- yourself. frey has been selling Fords faster than they could be secured from the factory, and no doubt on this trip he will insist that Mr. Ford increase his output of cars at least enough to supply the Spur country with the number required in this territory. is visiting her mother, Mrs. W There is no longer any question G Potts, this week. but that the Ford car will run as long with as little expense as any PEACHES CRATED AND other car of its size and price.

SYSTEMATIC METHOD OF ADVERTISING THE COUNTRY

O. L. Williams, secretary of the Bowie Chamber of Commerce and also advertising agent for the Denver Railway system, was in Spur last week looking over peaches were readily sold at the country and securing data to be used in advertisements for the railroad company. These advertisements will be placed with the various newspapers throughout the country and booklets describing the various sections of the country will also be year peaches, without being lar farm. distributed among homeseekers specially prepared and just as and immigrants to this country. He has a broad field in which to work and there is no question one dollar per bushel, while those but that his efforts to inform the homeseeker will bring results.

ONE CAR OF WHEAT SHIPPED FROM SPUR

The Spur Grain & Coal Company shipped out of Spur this week the first car of wheat ever dred bushels and the wheat was will envy him. purchased of the farmers of the surrounding country at a price of has no oats to feel proceeds to the business is growing. one dollar per bushel basis.

Wheat in the Spur country is good the biggest crop averaging forty two and a half bushels to the acre, this crop being grown by H. C. Eldredge of the Lee county settlement on the plains. Other crops made an average of thirty five bushels to the acre.

C. H. Senning returned the latter part of last week from an and run through? extended trip over the Eastern country anywhere is in better on its last legs. shape than the Spur country and this whole section of Western your place grow you a grove Texas.

Geo. W. Dodson, a prominent citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers of the Afton less, ratless, catless and dogless in Spur Tuesday. He says that the crops of his section are doing

last week from his ranch home twelve miles southwest of Spur.

J. Carlisle was here Saturday from the Gilpin country to attend the regular meeting of the old ex-Confederate Soldiers and also trading with the merchants.

Mrs. P. H. Miller is in Dallas this week with her sister-in law. Mrs. J. R. Rich, who has underwent a very serious operation at the Baptist Sanitarium.

A booster-The Texas Spur. Floydada road.

"Boost" is the watchword of the Dickens County Fair. Don't wait until the Fair is a big success to feel patriotic and proud of your Dickens county citizen-W. F. Godfrey made a busi- ship; be a booster; speak a good ness trip this week to Dallas word for the Fair and every where he spent several days in good enterprise of the country an effort to secure more Ford and you will not suffer from the cars for this territory. During heat, and will think more of

> When you buy bread insist on getting Spur Baked Bread. We bake every day. The German Kitchen. We are for Spur and Spur Institutions.

Mrs. Oliver Gray, of Dickens,

PREPARED FOR MARKET

This week E. J. Cairns, of Kent county, brought to Spur about one car load of peaches and sold them to Sol Davis. These peaches were polished and crated with four baskets to the crate. and being thus prepared the twelve and one-half cents per basket on the Spur market.

In this instance it is demonstrated that to secure the best prices on the market the prohis produce. Throughout the of town and known as the Pressthey were gathered from the polished and crated were readily sold for possibly more than three dollars per bushel. Producers as well as manufactures and merchants must keep in the progressive procession to secure the best results and returns for their labor and products.

SNAP SHOTS

A considerate young man is shipped from this place. The one who marries a poor and ugly tling works are better money car was made up of eight hun- girl, so that none of his friends

try some rye.

The question is, whether the world is going to work or fight for a living.

The foxy fellow who boasts about getting ahead of the hounds seems to consider other people dogs.

How can a brave man triumph without enemies to triumph over

About all the children of some part of Texas and Oklahoma. fine-looking couples are going to He reports that no section of the inherit will probably be a jitney six amendments carried by a

If you would have birds on with berries in it.

In time every city may be fly less, mosquitoless, flealess, bugcountry, was among the visitors But we shall always have a few goats.—Dallas News.

Work was begun this week Sam Owens was in the city placing improvements on the fair grounds. A fence is being built on the south and east. As He brought in some fine peaches soon as plans can be finished grown this year in his orchard, suitable buildings will be constructed to house all the stock and agricultural exhibits of the country, a track will be construct ed, and everything prepared for a general good time for every-

> Pasturage-I will take about 75 head of stock, cattle preferred, at 35c per head. Good grass and plenty of water. See Fred W. Nickels 17 miles west of Spur on spent several hours here shaking 39tf.

WILL HAVE EXHIBITS AT THE COUNTY FAIR

Paul Douglass, of near Spur, brought in some fine Mamie Ross peaches Monday to place on exhibit at the fair. He said that his peach trees were loaded down with fruit, this being the first year for his orchard to bear fruit. He said he would have a colt and possibly some fine Jerseys to ex hibit at the fair. Although this is the first year of the fair it promises now to be a grand success in every particular. Many exhibits are now being brought in and others are being prepared for the occasion; The amusement and concessions committees are securing various attractions and arrangements are being made for some fast horse races, automobile races, ball games and band contests. The fact of the business is that there will be something doing every minute of the three days of the fair.

A FINE PROPOSITION

We have a farm, dairy, ice cream and bottling works and it makes more work than we can do, therefore we offer for sale. FIRST

The farm of eight hundred and ducer should properly prepare thirty one acres, nine miles west

SECOND

Our twenty acre improved orchards, have been selling at home one mile north of town, dairy of twenty or more young Jersey cows, ice cream factory and bottling works. Will sell all together or any one or more you may want. The twenty acres of land with improvements, well, etc., is a fine proposition to any one desiring to move to Spur for any purpose, especially school, as it combines all advantages of town with country.

The dairy, ice cream and botmakers than any farm of several times the investment. They are The discouraged fellow who money makers all the year and ports his crops in good shape and afternoon in the Duncan tank.

THE SIX AMENDMENTS DEFEATED IN ELECTION

In the election held Saturday throughout the state each of the six proposed amendments to the Constitution were defeated by a big majority of votes.

In the election in the Spur voting precinct each one of the good majority, there being only seventy votes polled, the average for each amendment being about forty votes for the amendments and thirty against them.

In the selection of a representative H. M. Boyd received fiftynine votes, E. C. Edmonds three votes and A. J. Hagins one vote.

Again in this election it is un questionably demonstrated that the people of Texas do not favor any proposition to change our Constitution, and hereafter unless the people make a great demand it will be a further waste of money for legislators and politicians to offer proposed changes in the present organic laws. It is estimated that the election held Saturday over the state cost the people no less than fifty thousand dollars.

H, T. Garner came in Saturday from his farm home a mile or two northeast of Spur and hands with his numerous friends.



Yes, and we have it RIGHT. This community knows that you can DEPEND upon anything that comes from our drug store. Those who deal with us have always found what we gave them was reliable; they have FAITH in us.

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Red Front Drug Store

FOR SALE.

Mv 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.

tors to town Satrduay. He re- vice being performed Sunday most promising prospects for The meeting was largely at-

M. S. Favor and wife, of several miles east of Afton, were among the visitors in Spur Tuesday, spending several hours here with the merchants and greeting friends.

PROTRACTED MEETING **CLOSES AT CROTON**

The Baptist meeting conducted during the past week at Croton 36-tf. school house by Rev. McMahen closed Sunday night. During W. C. Weir, a leading farmer the meeting there were sixteen and one of the most prominent conversions and ten additions to citizens of the Steel Hill country, the church, seven of which were was among the number of visi- received by baptism, this ser-

bumper yields again this fall. tended and was a success in every respect, Rev. McMahen stimulating a revival of religion which will be felt throughout the community.

Bill McArthur was here Saturday from the Tap country and J. E Johnson was in town Sat- spent several hours here trading urday from his farm home two with the merchants and shaking miles east of Spur. He reports hands with his friends. He recrops in good shape in his com- ports crops doing nicely in the Tap country.



If you are looking for a farm, city properly, or investment of any kind, the officers of this bank are the logical people from whom to get important information.

If we can assist you in any way do not hesitate to call and

see us. We freely and willingly extend the courtesies of our institution to all classes.

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