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A CANDIDATE IS MIS-REPRESENTED IN PAPER

J. A. Murchison, of the Draper country, was in Spur Wednesday. He stated that The Texas Spur had misrepresented him in stating that he had been coming to Spur campaigning. However, he did not deny being a candidate, he being the only candidate from his precinct for county commissioner. The commissioners office is not only one of the most important offices but the most important office of the county. However, we never hear this office mentioned or considered in a campaign. While all who are offering for commissioner from the various precincts are good men, yet they make sacrifices to accept a place in the Commissioners Court. Such should not be the case. The Commissioners office should be the best paying office in the county, and one to attract attention during the campaign years.

"FAKE" ADVERTISING ORDINANCE FAVORED

Dallas, Texas, July 1.—The proposed ordinance to bar all "fake" advertising in Dallas passed first reading before the Board of City Commissioners yesterday and laid over until Monday, when it probably will be adopted finally. The ordinance was drafted at the request of a joint committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the Dallas Ad League and the Retail Merchants' Association.

It prohibits misrepresentation of goods by billboards, poster and handbill advertising and by outcry on sidewalks.

The penalty fixed for violation is \$200 as the maximum. The emergency clause is attached, on the ground that a number of "fraudulent sales now are being conducted in Dallas."

WM. PEARN KILLED BY HIS BROTHER

Last Tuesday afternoon about 3 o'clock, news reached Paducah that Wm. Pearn, son of Rev. and Mrs. Pearn of this city, had been shot by his brother, and died almost instantly.

The three brothers, accompanied by two other boys, had gone to Tongue River, about seven miles northwest of Paducah plum hunting. It seems that William forced his young brothers to walk some little distance, keeping them from getting into the hack. Arthur and his brother had gotten out of the hack to open a gate, and in fun William drove off, making them run to catch up with him. Then becoming infuriated because of the joke being played upon him, Arthur snatched the rifle from his brother's hand, and taking aim, shot William first in the mouth, stunning him so as to make him fall from the hack. Then running up to him he fired two more shots, both of which took effect.

The deceased was well known and liked by every one in Paducah. He was a bright, manly boy, and would have finished in high school this year. He was industrious, kind and courteous, and his death has caused a feeling of awe to be experienced by every one in the city.—Paducah Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Gray, G. T. Snodgrass and Jim Thompson, of Dickens, passed through Spur Saturday afternoon returning from the Wilson tank where they had spent the day fishing. They reported having caught plenty fish and enjoyed the day's outing.

SOLD INTEREST IN THE FARMERS CASH STORE

E. B. Shaw, of the Croton country, this week sold his interest in the Farmers Cash Store and hereafter will have nothing whatever to do with the conduct and management of the business. He stated to the Texas Spur that on account of his various other interests he could not properly look after any mercantile interests, therefore his interests were disposed of in the Farmers Cash Store.

PICNIC NOW IN PROGRESS AT THE CITY OF GIRARD

The two days picnic at the city of Girard is now in progress and will continue over Saturday.

The people of Girard know how to entertain large crowds and on this occasion they have promised to maintain their established reputation in this respect.

The first day will be a basket picnic and the second day will be barbecue day. At the basket picnic there will be plenty of the best that the land affords for everybody who attends. The barbecue is being prepared by experienced and expert barbecuers and a sufficient number of beeves will be barbecued to supply two or three thousand people expected to attend.

UNION MEETING IN PROGRESS UNDER BIG TENT

The union meeting of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches is now in progress under a large tent on Burlington Avenue, and being conducted by Rev. McLean.

The meetings are being attended by large audiences and much interest is manifested on the part of all in regular attendance.

The meeting will probably continue throughout the week. Everybody is invited to attend.

MERRY WIVES CLUB

Mrs. W. Neilon was hostess to the Merry Wives Club Friday morning, June 16th, from ten to twelve, with progressive forty-two.

Mrs. Ray Dickson won high score and was presented with a lovely piece of lingerie.

Mesdames V. C. Smart and W. S. Campbell assisted in serving a salad course to the following members and guests: Mesdames Clemmons, Davis, Cates, Baker, Andrews, Smart, Jennings, Wilson, Grace, Bates, Putman, Barrett, Richbourg, McClure, Campbell, C. A. Love, C. L. Love, Nearris, McNeill, Ray Dickson.

Mrs. Sam T. Clemmons entertained the Merry Wives Club Friday afternoon, June 23rd, from four to six. Five tables were arranged for progressive "42." At the end of six games an ice course was served to Mesdames T. E. Standifer, J. H. Grace, Ned Hogan, H. P. Bates, W. S. Campbell, C. L. Love, Luther Hindman, L. R. Barrett, N. A. Baker, J. B. Richbourg, V. C. Smart, W. T. Andrews, Sol Davis, J. H. Busby, Walter Samples, J. E. Morris, C. A. Love, Oran McClure, Ray Dickson.

HAIL DOES MUCH DAMAGE IN McADOO COUNTRY

C. D. Pullin and little daughter, of the plains country near McAdoo, were here Friday and hauled out supplies. He reports that the recent hail did much damage on his place but that it did not completely destroy his crops.



AN URGENT CALL

Out of town necessitates the immediate use of a Suit Case or Trunk.

Don't wait until your call comes to buy what you need, but come in while you have plenty of time to look over our splendid assortment of Suitable Things for use in traveling.

You'll want lots of time to see the nice things we have to show you in this line. If you're going out to see 'her' And want to look your best, Just take along a smile or two, Our Suits will do the rest.

Say Ladies, have you seen our latest assortment of waists? A nice assortment has just arrived this week. Come and make your selections while the assortment is unbroken. And say, don't you need a nice kiamona, skirt or anything in the dry goods line. We have it for sale at the right price and want to sell you one.

We have just received a car of Groceries from Galveston, and assure you we have bought them at the right price by buying in large quantities, and can save you money on your groceries. So just call up Sanders Taylor or Uncle Bill Perry who will be sure to smile when you give them your bill.

Say, Mr. Farmer, or Ranchman, we have received this week a car of Windmills, and can save you money on that windmill you need, so come in and let us quote you prices on these mills. If you will we are sure you will buy because we can save you money and that is what we all want to do in the face of the present prospects.

Well, we are still waiting patiently for some young man, or old as the case may be, to come forward and say they are ready for that \$25.00 oil stove that we have promised to give away to the first couple that would marry in our store, so get busy boys and call our hand on this offer, for we can't believe it is the ladies fault that we have not had this wedding long ago.

Now we want to thank all that have visited our store and purchased goods of us for the past thirteen weeks and made an honest effort to secure one of those sets of Dishes which we have given away each Saturday evening to some good lady, but we don't want you to deny us of your presence with us from week to week, but come on and be with the crowds that trade with us.

BRYANT-LINK CO.

LOTTA GRAHAM RELEASED ON BOND AT JAYTON

Lotta Graham, who is charged with the murder of G. A. Pursley at his ranch home in Kent county recently, was released from custody Friday of last week at Jayton, his bond being placed at fifteen hundred dollars. The bond was made by citizens of Jayton and surrounding country.

Lotta Graham has been confined in the Snyder jail since the killing occurred, being removed from Kent county for fear of mob violence. He is only about sixteen years of age and was a brother-in-law of G. A. Pursley.

PROTRACTED MEETING CLOSED SUNDAY NIGHT

The protracted meeting conducted by F. L. Young under the auspices of the Church of Christ closed Sunday night. During the progress of the meeting there were five additions to the church. Mr. Young is an able preacher and his sermons were appreciated by large audiences each night. Throughout the meetings Austin Taylor conducted the song services, he being one of the most noted singers of the whole country.

EASTERN MAN TO RENT AND LATER BUY LAND

Mr. Roper, of near Ranger in Eastland county, was in the city of Spur and surrounding country last week. He came to this country with a view of renting a farm here and later buying land here. He owns two or three fine farms in Eastland county, but on account of boll weevils he desires to acquire land elsewhere, but does not wish to sacrifice his property at a low price at this time. We will be glad to have Mr. Roper with us. He is a good man and a good farmer and will be successful here.

SPUR PEOPLE ENJOY 4TH OF JULY PICNICS

A number of Spur people attended Fourth of July picnics at Post City, Plainview and Roaring Springs. At Plainview they had automobile races which were the main attractions. A Pierce Arrow won in the race of heavy cars while the Maxwell won in the race of lighter cars. At Post there were several fights reported and two deaths by auto accident. At Roaring Springs everything passed off quietly, peaceably and pleasantly.

SHOOTS WIFE AND THEN KILLS SELF

Childress, Texas, June 23.—J. C. Whitten shot and killed his wife this morning about 10 o'clock, then turned the revolver on himself and put two bullets in his own head. The first entering the forehead and glanced off, while the second entered the rear of the right ear and lodged in the brain. Whitten did not lose consciousness, but the physicians state his recovery is doubtful.—Paducah Post.

PARTY MAKES QUICK TRIP TO ROSWELL, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Samples, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Busby and W. K. Perry returned Tuesday from Roswell, New Mexico where they had been on a pleasure trip.

The party left Spur with the intention of driving through to Roswell in one day. They left Roswell early in the morning and drove into Spur that night, the distance being about 265 miles. The trip was made in a Ford and Overland.

WOMAN AND BABY KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Wednesday Mrs. W. C. Wells and little baby were killed instantly and W. C. Wells probably fatally injured when the automobile in which they were driving collided with a railroad train at a crossing in Post City.

The car was being driven by Mr. Wells at a rapid speed, and it is thought he did not see the train in time to stop the car which ran into the baggage coach, completely wrecking the auto, killing the wife and baby and probably fatally injuring the husband. Mr. Wells was cashier of the Tahoka bank. The auto in which they were driving was new, having just been purchased.

ATTEMPTS TO KILL WIFE AND STEPSON

F. E. Bledsoe, age 30 years, beat his wife and stepson, age four years, at Estelline Monday evening and after the deed, attempted to escape but was apprehended by Billie Moore and a number of Estelline citizens, between Estelline and Carey in Childress county.

Bledsoe was a fugitive from justice, having been confined in the jail at Lawton, Okla., and Paducah, Texas, charged with white slavery. His wife knew of the violations and she has stated since he threatened her with death if she attempted to tell officers of his crimes.

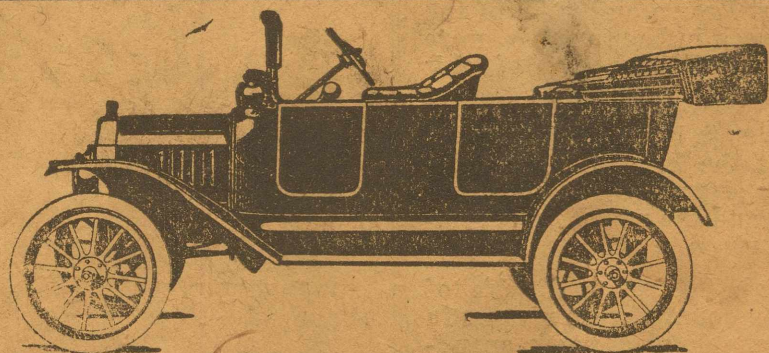
Bledsoe and family resided on the outskirts of Estelline and during the past few days had been receiving aid from church people, as the family was destitute. Monday afternoon, in his rage of madness, he used a pine board and it is said that the eyes of the stepson were beaten from the child's head.

A mob was formed at Estelline and for a while it was thought that Bledsoe would be a victim of the lynch law. Billie Moore a banker and leading citizen of Estelline, also an ex-sheriff, pleaded that the course of the law be followed and Bledsoe was placed in jail at Memphis, guards, however, being provided to protect the prisoner.

It is said that the wife and son will recover, although the child is not entirely past the danger point. The crime is without doubt the coldest ever committed in the Panhandle and little justice is deserving to such a fiend in the guise of a human being.—Childress Index.

Newt Cravey came in Saturday from his home in the Red Mud country. However, he spent only a short time in the city, since he had a pressing engagement elsewhere.

Lum Hobson, of four or five miles north of Spur, was in the city the first of this week. Mr. Hobson lived last year in the Draper country but is this year making a crop on a place about half way between Spur and Dickens. Up to the present time he has fine crop prospects and should nothing happen he will probably make bumper yields this fall.



FORDS AND BUICKS

W. F. GODFREY, Salesman

BEGIN TO-DAY TO SAVE MONEY

WE can help you. Please note the following articles and prices, then compare them with others. We haven't the space to tell it all to you, but have told you enough to put you on the right track and start you in the right direction. **REMEMBER** we sell for CASH, therefore, take no losses, enabling us to **SAVE YOU MONEY**. LET US prove it to you.

Here They Are For A Starter!

25 1-2 inch Carpenters Saw . . . \$.75	Set, Six Water Glasses30	Mens Neck Ties25
No. 2 Lamps, large size45	Large Cold Blast Lanterns85	Brooms, each35
High grade Tablets05	Extra Good Cups and Saucers . .65	Matches, large boxes, 6 for . .25
Copper bottom Wash Boilers . . . 1.00	Same in plates65	Large Granite Dippers15
No. 3 Galvanized Tubs90	Carters Ink05	Frying Pans20
10 qt. Granite Pails40	Toilet Paper05	8 qt. Tin Pails15
Brass Wash Boards40		Fresh Stock Candy per pound .15 and .20

And Hundreds of Other Household Articles With Just As Great Saving

DON'T FORGET

We Carry a full line of Furniture and Undertaking Goods. Just received a Car of Birdsell Farm Wagons, the best on earth for the money.

Burlington and
Fifth Street

THE RACKET STORE

SPUR,
TEXAS

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT BRAZOS VALLEY

On last Saturday night about one o'clock a negro dwelling was fired into. The negro returned the fire, and quite a battle was pulled off. But as fortune would have it, it was a bloodless battle. It wasn't a trench battle like they are having in Europe.

Complaint was made and Jobe Pritchard was arrested and charged with the offense. —Aspermont Star.

SHOT AT NEIGHBOR

A difficulty arose between R. H. Cline and J. W. Jamerson, both of whom live in the Coileyville settlement, this week, in which Mr. Cline shot at Mr. Jamerson twice with a Winchester but did not hit him either shot.

We were unable to learn but little of the cause of the trouble other than that Mr. Cline had been driving his cattle through the field of Mr. Jamerson. Mr. Jamerson had given him orders not to do so any more. They met and the affair was brought up, ending with above result.

Mr. Cline was given bond in the sum of \$1,000 to await the action of the grand jury. —Paducah Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Miss Hill, of Hubbard City, are in Spur the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Johnson.

Bert Brown and wife, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, were in Spur Wednesday of this week.

When in town don't forget to eat at the French Ruby Cafe, where everything is nice and clean and the very best of service is given to all.

Hugh Squires and wife of Motley county, were visitors in Spur one day last week, spending the day here with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clay.

HISTORICAL EXAMPLES

James Galloway of the Mazon (Georgia) Telegraph says: "Women sought the ballot in Rome, and with what result? They sought emancipation from the laws of God and Nature, and the result was not only political but social revolution. The home life was affected. The Roman women demanded not a home constituted on the principle of autocracy, or the social unit, but on the principle of co-equal partnership—the same as American suffragettes now demand. Man and wife were no longer one, but two. Marriage became merely a civil contract, its continuance depending on mutual consent. The bond was dissolved at will. Marriage became a joke. Even Cicero repudiated his wife. Maecenas, the friend of Horace, continually changed his wife. Even Cato sold his wife to his friend Hortensius. The ballot made women brazen. They lost their femininity. They lost their modesty and refinement. Can the dress of today with the diaphanous skirt be a forerunner of the ballot for women? It was so in pagan Rome. The marriage relation became so uncertain, so 'intolerably disagreeable' that men shunned it. Wives quit husbands and husbands quit wives on any flimsy pretext. Some prominent women, leading suffragettes, took unto

themselves 25 husbands in the course of five years. So that men refused to marry.

"Augustus Caesar offered handsome bribes to induce men to marry. But bribes could not save the empire. She who had rocked the cradle and gave Rome strong men became a politician. Men were wanting and Rome fell for the lack of men. The women had ceased to furnish, educate and train men for the defense of the empire. When the women undertook to do man's work, and neglected her sphere, affairs were as a result thrown into confusion.

"The Southern man shudders when he contemplates how these 'strong minded women of the North and West are leading our Southern women to organize suffrage associations and plunge into the arena of politics.

A CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our most sincere thanks to our many friends who were so good and kind to us during the long sickness and death of our dear child. May God's richest blessings rest on every one that assisted us in any way.—Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Yopp.

W. C. Barley was among the large number of visitors to the city of Spur last week.

TEXAS POPULATION FACTS

There is a child born every four minutes in Texas. We build seven homes in Texas every working hour in the day. Fourteen per cent of our population is in the cradle. There are 241,000 young women in Texas between fifteen and twenty-four years of age that are unmarried. We have 466,562 men in Texas that have never braved the matrimonial seas. There are 20,000 old maids in Texas. We have a half million unmarried women in Texas. There are 10,000 grass widows and 117,000 of the sod variety. The average size of a Texas family is 4.9.—"Texas Facts."

TWO PRIMARIES

The Cottle County Democratic Executive Committee met last Saturday and made the necessary assessments to each candidate of the county and also the districts. They think the assessment is sufficient this year to defray all the expenses of the election.

Two primaries were ordered at this meeting in conformity with the State law and the majority rule will be strictly adhered to.—Paducah Post.

J. H. Meadors, a prominent business man of Dickens, was in Spur one day this week on business.

SPRINGER CONFECTION- ERY MOVED LOCATION

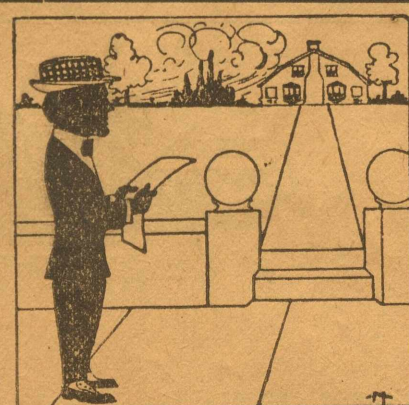
The E. F. Springer Confectionery moved this week from the former location to the former Lyric Theatre building on the east side of the street and next door to the Midway Hotel. The public and patrons will be served at this place until the new brick building is completed, at which time they will move into the new building to be erected on the lot just vacated. Call and see us in our present location for confections of all kinds, cold drinks and ice.—E. F. Springer.

J. P. Koonsman, of the Croton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week trading with the merchants and greeting his friends.

C. E. Kleinecke, of Fort Worth spent several days of this week in Spur with R. L. Collier. Mr. Kleinecke brought a car load of cows and calves from Snyder to Spur where they are now being sold.

J. W. Young, of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent an hour or two here on business and trading with the Spur merchants.

R. L. Overstreet, of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and was a very pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office. Mr. Overstreet brought in a load of feed stuff from his place and which he sold to the Spur buyers at the prevailing prices. However Mr. Overstreet stated that he did not intend to sell any more of his surplus feed until this year's crop was made and gathered. He has been farming in this country several years and is one among the most successful farmers of this whole western country. In fact Mr. Overstreet has become independent and even rich as riches are considered in this country.



YOUR NEW HOME

will have the desired appearance if you purchase your Lumber from our Yard.

HIGH-GRADE BUILDING MATERIALS are the only kind we handle.

Let us furnish you with the very best coal for your heaters and base burners. We also have blacksmith coal.

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

GILPIN GLEANINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hagins made a trip to Jayton last week.

Dick Earnest and family are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brooks this week.

Mrs. John Carlisle and children returned from a week's visit at Spur.

Mrs. Smith and children, of Spur, are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlisle.

Little Aubrey Bennett, who has been sick several days, is now on his way to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bilberry and family attended the Missionary Baptist Rally at Midway Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Donnie McDaniel and children, of near Girard, spent a short time in Gilpin Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee, of Jayton, are spending the week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins.

Mrs. Buster Bural, of the Duck Creek settlement, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

Mr. Brooks, Sr., has bought a new graphophone, and entertains the Gilpin kiddies with the best and latest music by the best artists in America.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins and family have returned from a several days visit at Lubbock. Mrs. Lizzie Hart and baby came home with them and will spend several days as guests in their home.

Rev. W. B. Bennett was elected Farm Overseer while Grandpa was gone, but he did not give satisfaction. The first thing Grandpa did was to put him and P. E. Hagins to work, and fined L. W. Bilberry five dollars and seven days behind the plow. The reason he was harder on him than any one else, he found out that he had not done a day's work since he left. All he did was to go to town and eat ice cream, hence the fine and sentence.

Hon. A. J. Hagins, of near Jayton, was shaking hands in Gilpin Monday. He reports the crops on his land near Jayton and also on Duck Creek were destroyed by the recent storms. "I have no crop at all," he laughed, and seemed to take it as a practical joke played on him by the elements. "What are you going to do?" we asked. "Keep on farming," he smiled. Is it not grand to possess such courage as that? No wonder he has been so successful.

In the language of "Little Bobbie's Pa," We say "How torrid it is," and we suspect the editor is thinking, "How tardy it is," but Squenched Susie is to blame. We made arrangements with her to write up the news, but she went and got married, and now has no time to write. She says she has the milking to do and the hogs to slop and the wood to chop, besides all the housework to do, but he is good to her, and she is happy as a lark. Well we are glad she is happy.

Grandma and Grandpa Carlisle returned several weeks ago from a month's visit in Georgia and Alabama, and we wish all the readers of the Texas Spur could hear them tell about it. "I saw many beautiful sights," said Grandma, "but nothing so beautiful to me as home. No place like home and West Texas," and we heartily agree with her. It does the heart good to see them enjoying their well earned rest and recreation together, and hope that they will live to take many more such trips.

All kinds of things have happened since we last wrote. Miss Mary Bennett and Buster Bural, Miss Lilly Hagins and Reuben Lee, Miss Ruth Tatum and J. T. Bilberry, and last but not least, Miss Dena Davis and Willie Hagins have all married and gone, so you might know that Dan Cupid has been pretty busy around Gilpin for the last year. Cecil Bennett said that

there was no one left for him, so he pulled his freight to Ada, Okla., in search of a wife, but writes that so far he has been unsuccessful. Is it not pitiful that in a whole city full none cares for his hand? Come back to Gilpin, Cecil.

Rambling Bill, the reason Mariah believes that women should suffer, is just because she should, and we are going to have the right to vote pretty soon. The Crochet Club has investigated the Socialist and, while we like them pretty well, they are not quite what we want, so we have decided to organize a new party as soon as we have the right to vote, and our slogan shall be, "Money for the Masses and Autos for the Poor." Can the Socialists beat that?

Sunday was an unlucky day at Gilpin. To begin with, Rev. W. B. Bennett came very near losing his best and finest mare, and did lose his only dog. Some assassin had shot him in the night and he died about nine o'clock Sunday morning, and the neighbors miss his honest bark. Next, Earl Hagins lost a fine colt and a horse belonging to P. E. Hagins, which he valued at \$150, died. Jesse Hagins took him away while eating at the trough, apparently in the best of health, mounted him and trotted away. A few minutes later he fell catching Jessie's foot beneath him, and died almost instantly. Jessie's foot was hurt but not seriously. It was a serious loss to Mr. Hagins, but we are glad it was the horse instead of Jessie. Then a colt belonging to Chas. Brooks was seriously cut on the wire and came very near bleeding to death. Now wasn't it an unlucky day?

While we enjoyed "Old Bills" letter from the Paducah Post, we felt a little ashamed that our editor had to clip news from another paper to fill out his columns. Come on Rambling Bill, Kid-A-Lude and all the rest, with the items. We owe it to the editor and to each other.—School Girl.

SHOULD LEAVE LESS MONEY AND MORE LIBERTY TO POSTERITY.

Good Citizenship Can Build an Empire Upon a Rock.

By J. S. Cullinan
Chairman Texas Economic League.

The business men of this country have been accused of being cowardly, indifferent and selfish in their relations to government, but the average business man has perhaps had less to do with shaping the political policies of the country than any other class of citizens, and therefore very little responsibility for the present state of affairs can be laid at his door. The most serious charge that can be successfully lodged against him is that he accepts slavery in preference to sovereignty in his citizenship, and there is nothing so dreadful or so difficult to overcome as voluntary servitude. But as a whole he is to be pitied rather than condemned. He cannot tell whether he is honest by consulting his conscience. He must ask his lawyer. The right to think has been legislated out of him. Individuality has been torn from him by law. He is but a ghost of the citizen created by the Constitution of the United States. Not only have liberty and freedom become vague and uncertain terms subject to contradictory interpretations of those who hold office, but so complicated has the citizen's relation to government become that human rights is a floating substance moved by the current of legal opinion, and the remedy lies in a more active, patriotic and responsible citizenship.

The business men of this nation need the spirit shown by the business men of '76, when Robert Morris, the nation's wealthiest citizen opened his purse strings and said, "I will give all I have to my country except my integrity," when John Dickinson the wealthy farmer stepped forward and said, "It's my duty to leave liberty to my children, but not my duty to leave wealth to them," and Benjamin Franklin over 70 years of age when called by the Continental Congress said, "I am old and good for nothing, I am but the rag end, take me for what you please."

PRIMARY BALLOT

I am a white democrat and pledge myself to support the nominees of this primary.

"For an amendment to the Constitution providing for State wide Prohibition."

"Against an amendment to the Constitution providing for Statewide Prohibition."

- ELECTORS-AT-LARGE**
MARSHAL HICKS
Bexar County
CULLEN THOMAS
Dallas County
HENRY S. PAULUS
Lavaca County
HAMP ABNEY
Grayson County
- DISTRICT ELECTORS**
1st District
R. P. DORROUGH
Bowie County
2nd District
J. T. ADAMS
Orange County
3rd District
GEORGE B. THOMPSON
Henderson County
4th District
OWEN P. SMITH
Collin County
5th District
FRANK P. WOZENCRAFT
Dallas County
6th District
L. C. KIRGAN
Freestone County
7th District
FRED M. STEPHENS
Liberty County
8th District
A. L. KAYSER
Montgomery County
9th District
J. R. KUBENA
Fayette County
10th District
R. J. ECKHARDT
Williamson County
11th District
EDGAR M. MANN
McLennan County
12th District
T. A. WYTHE
Parker County
13th District
J. O. WOOD
Collinsworth County
14th District
J. T. SLUDER
Bexar County
15th District
GEORGE N. FENLEY
16th District
BEN L. COX
Taylor County
- FOR U. S. SENATOR**
T. M. CAMPBELL
Anderson County
S. P. BROOKS
McLennan County
O. B. COLQUITT
Dallas County
- JOHN DAVIS
Dallas County
R. L. HENRY
McLennan County
- CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT**
CHAS. H. JENKINS
Brown County
NELSON PHILLIPS
Dallas County
- FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT**
J. E. YANTIS
McLennan County
R. W. HALL
Potter County
- FOR GOVERNOR**
JAMES E. FERGUSON
Bell County
C. H. MORRIS
Wood County
H. C. MARSHALL
Wood County
- FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
W. P. HOBBY
Jefferson County
- FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**
JOHN W. WOODS
Fisher County
B. F. LOONEY
Hunt County
CHAS. T. ROWLAND
Tarrant County
- FOR RAILROAD COMMISSIONER**
ALLISON MAYFIELD
Grayson County
JOHN W. ROBBINS
Travis County
RUFUS B. DANIEL
El Paso County
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- J. M. EDWARDS
Runnels County
- FOR JUDGE OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS**
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Hill County
A. J. HARPER
Limestone County
- FOR COMMISSIONER OF GENERAL LAND OFFICE**
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Harrison County
CHARLEY GEERS
Tarrant County
J. T. ROBISON
Morris County
- FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**
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Falls County
- FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**
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Hopkins County
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7th District
B. FRANK BUIE
Wm. M. KNIGHT
W. D. FISHER
WILLIAM BOYCE
Johnson County
- "For the retention without modification or change of the compulsory investment feature of the Robertson Insurance Law."
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JOHN H. STEPHENS
MARVIN JONES
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REUBEN M. ELLERD
- FOR REPRESENTATIVE**
105th District
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- FOR DISTRICT JUDGE**
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FOR TAX ASSESSOR
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- FOR COMMISSIONER**
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Precinct No. 2
W. F. McCARTY

- Precinct No. 3
W. A. JOHNSON
Precinct No. 4
J. A. MURCHISON
FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
Precinct No. 3
F. N. OLIVER
- THREE BRICK HOUSES TO BE CONSTRUCTED NOW**

Last week the Brannen Bros. store building was removed from its former location and the foundation is now being laid for a new brick building on the lot. E. J. Cowan and W. C. Gruben have had their store buildings removed from the lots on the west side of the street and will immediately begin the building of two brick business houses in their places. These buildings were occupied by the Westside Barber Shop of Tidwell & Reeves, and E. F. Springer confectionery and ice, the John McCulloch barber shop, and the Tom Teague cold drinks.

Tidwell & Reeves and Mr. Springer will occupy one of the new buildings and the Spur Drug Company will occupy the new brick buildings on the west side, and Brannen Brothers will remove to the new brick on the east side of the street.

The building progress of Spur is substantial and rapid, and before the end of the year we expect to note the building of other brick business houses.

We understand that bids for the construction of twelve brick houses have been figured by contractors and plate glass supply concerns. Seven of the number have already been built and are now under construction. The others will probably soon follow.

Watch Spur grow!

SPUR BALL TEAM PLAYS THE ASPERMONT TEAM

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week the Spur ball team went down to Aspermont and played that team a series of three games. This week the Aspermont team is in Spur for a series of three games to be played on the Spur ball ground at the fair park.

These are the first games of the season for Spur, and although the players have had little if any practice, they are expected to hold their own with the Aspermont team which is recognized as one of the fastest amateur teams in this part of Western Texas.

Judge Speer was in Spur this week meeting the voters.

John Randall, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur Saturday.

S. B. Scott, of the Watson community, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

Mr. Green, of Girard, was a business visitor in Spur the first of this week.

L. S. Scott of several miles west of Spur was among the many visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

NOTICE

You will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law if caught hunting, fishing, shooting, trapping or trespassing in any way in any of the 24 pastures.—Mrs. Boley Brown & Sons, by Bert N. Brown Manager. 1 26.

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DUMONT

Some little boys in Dumont are going to get into serious trouble with their negro shooters if they keep on shooting at people. Boys, be good and save a \$5.00 fine, every time you shoot.

A. P. Hollar and family visited their daughter, Mrs. John Scott, at Delwin last Sunday.

Collier and Powell of Spur were up here looking at their political fences and hunting the gaps.

Prof. G. W. Cross and family arrived here with their household goods last Friday.

Misses Fannie and Cora Hughes left last week on an extended visit to Quanah, Crowell and other points.

Mrs. C. D. Neeley had some visitors from Paducah last Friday.

R. A. McDuff and wife had an old-time friend to call on them last week, who married them thirty years ago. Uncle Dick came near taking himself down.

A. P. Hollar and family left for Munday last Monday on a visit for several weeks.

A. P. Hollar is having his hay farm looking like a hay stack. He will get a nice chance of hay this spring.

A. L. Reedy and wife are visiting in Mineral Wells.

A. Holmberg and family returned from a visit to Stamford and Hamlin.

A. T. Flippins visited J. H. Shelby last Monday.

J. H. Shelby returned last Monday from Paducah with G. W. Cross' household goods.

Mr. Fambry, of Hamlin, a young man, came home with his

aunt, Mrs. Nettie Holmberg, to attend Prof. G. W. Cross' business course that opens July the 3rd.

There is some talk of R. E. Lasater, A. Holmberg, Dan Carpenter and others attending the five days encampment at Hamlin. Won't they have a time?

A large crowd attended the two days blowout at Guthrie. All reported a rip roaring good time.—Old Bill in The Paducah Post.

Chalk Brown and wife, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, were visitors in Spur the latter part of last week.

W. A. Johnson, of the Dockum Stock Farm three miles northwest of Spur, was in the city the latter part of the past week.

T. S. Lambert, of the Tap section of country, was in Spur the first of this week and spent a short time here on business and shaking hands with friends.

W. J. Elliot, of several miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Saturday, spending a few hours here on business and also greeting his numerous friends and acquaintances.

W. D. Thacker, of the Draper country, was in Spur the first of this week and spent an hour or two here trading with the Spur merchants and also greeting his friends of the city and surrounding country. He was among those who were recently hailed out in that section of country, but the crops replanted are doing nicely.



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and tired and hungry from the excitement of the day, you are looking around for some place to dine, we invite you to come to our restaurant. There you will find quick service, good food, and congenial surroundings. We'll guarantee to say the dinner will taste better than any in a long time.

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M. S. Faver, of several miles east of Afton, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and left two big silver dollars with us to extend his subscription up that amount to this paper, and for which he has our sincere thanks and appreciation. Notwithstanding the fact that we have never gone out to collect subscriptions there are but few who have failed to pay us the amounts due. The people in general in this section are good payers and good citizens.

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A. L. King, of the Cat Fish country, was among the many visitors to Spur last week.

Frank Smith, of the Red Mud country southwest of Spur, was here Saturday.

Mrs. Hattie King came to the city last week and spent an hour or two here shopping with the merchants.

A. C. Hindman, of a mile or two north of Spur, was among the large number of business visitors in the city Saturday of last week.

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WICHITA DOTS.

Rev. Smith filled his regular appointment at Wichita Sunday.

Miss Lottie Rogers spent the day with Miss Eva Thacker Sunday.

Mrs. Nettie Murchison from Abilene, Texas, is visiting her son, J. A. Murchison.

Mr. Brummett is moving to Dry Lake where he will teach school another year.

W. T. Lovell returned home from Dallas where he has been to have his eyes treated.

J. R. Rogers attended the picnic at Roaring Springs. They report that they had a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rogers visited J. R. Rogers Sunday. Ask Bernice Wright and Bob Rogers who can play croquet.

Miss Ila Counts, of Spur, who has been spending a week or two with friends, returned to her home Friday with her sister, Bessie Counts.

A fishing trip was enjoyed by a large crowd Monday and Tuesday. Lots of fish were caught, and all report that they got a good nest of chiggers.

Well, this week has just passed and we haven't had any sand storm. Maybe all the crops will soon be green and pretty again.

—Breezy Bill.

Riley Smith was among the number of visitors in the city Saturday of last week.

Porter McClain, of the Cat Fish country, was among the many visitors to Spur the latter part of the past week.

Hamp Collett came in one day this week from his farm home a few miles southwest of Spur and spent a few hours on business in the city.

C. J. Smith, of seven or eight miles west of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent an hour or two here on business and greeting his many friends.

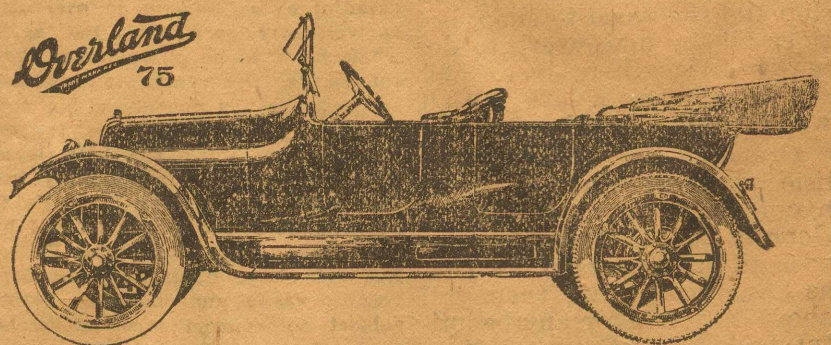
Ed Jackson, of the Draper country, was in Spur Friday of last week. He reports that his section of the country is in good shape at this time since they have had rain and the cotton and feed stuff are growing nicely and now promise big yields this fall.

Buster Bural, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Wednesday. He reports that his father, B. F. Bural, is now improving under the treatment of Mrs. McCarty at Afton. Mr. Bural will probably remain under the care of Mrs. McCarty several weeks before returning to his home.

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

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

Farm loans at eight per cent.—E. J. Cowan. 34 tf.

Tom Dodson, Jr., of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of the past week.

J. H. Jones, of the Tap country, was among the many in Spur the latter part of last week.

J. Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was among the many business visitors in Spur the latter part of last week.

Mr. Cox, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was among the large number of visitors in the city Saturday of the past week.

S. P. Odom, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent the afternoon here trading with the merchants and greeting his many friends.

Miss Erma West, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent the afternoon here shopping with the merchants and visiting her numerous friends.

T. M. Cain called in one day this week and stated that he was looking for a job since his entire crop had been destroyed by hail. There are others in this section in his same condition.

Bill McArthur was among the many business visitors in the city the latter part of the past week.

Chas. Dunn, of near Dickens, was one among the number of business visitors to Spur Saturday of last week.

Joe Burton, a leading citizen of the Steel Hill country, was among the large number of business visitors in Spur the latter part of last week.

S. Ellis and family, of several miles west of Spur, were in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here visiting friends and shopping with the merchants.

T. W. Morgan, of several miles west of Spur, was among the number of candidates in Spur last Saturday circulating among the voters in furthering their interests in the campaign.

W. L. Stephenson returned the latter part of last week from Arkansas where he had been on business and to see relatives. His uncle from that state returned home with him and will make his home here for the benefit of his health.

Money to loan on land, and to take up your notes.—E. J. Cowan. 35 tf.

F. W. West, of four miles northeast of Spur, was among the large number of business visitors here Saturday of the past week.

G. W. Dodson, of the Afton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent an hour or two here trading with the merchants and meeting his friends of the city.

Will Walker, of a few miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent a short time here trading with the merchants and looking after other matters.

Bob Morgan was in Spur Saturday from his farm home west of Spur and spent an hour or two here trading with merchants and shaking hands with his friends.

Mrs. I. G. VanLier, of the Soldier Mound country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week and spent an hour or two here shopping with the merchants and visiting her friends of the city.

Good residence for sale; will take span of good mules as part pay.—E. J. Cowan. 35 tf.

See Dr. Rodgers, Veterinary, Spur, Texas. All work guaranteed. 22tf.

W. J. Clark, of the Wichita community north of Dickens, was among the large number of visitors in Spur the latter part of last week.

R. F. Rogers, of the Dry Lake country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week and spent the day here on business and shaking hands with his friends.

Mrs. Fred O. McFall, of the Soldier Mound country, was in the city the first of the week shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.

Fred O. McFall, a leading citizen of the county, was in the city this week from his farm home in the Soldier Mound section of the country.

R. E. Williams, of the Red Top community west of Spur, was in the city Saturday. He reports everything in good condition in that section of the country.

Tom McArthur, of the Tap country, was in Spur the latter part of last week.

It's the fashion. What's the fashion? Why to eat at the German Kitchen. 28 tf.

The Spur Produce Co. always pays the highest market prices for hides, furs and all produce.

J. R. McArthur was among the number in Spur Saturday from the Tap country. He reports everything moving along nicely in that section.

Judge A. J. McClain, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent an hour or two here with friends and also trading with the merchants of the city.

W. M. Childress, of the Dickens country, was in Spur the first of this week and spent a few hours here on business and conversing with his numerous friends.

W. T. Wilson and family, of several miles east of Spur, were in the city the latter part of the past week trading with the merchants and also visiting friends in the city.

J. G. Currie, of the Archer county settlement several miles southwest of Spur, was among the number here the latter part of last week. He reports everything in good shape in his section of country at this time and is very optimistic concerning the prevailing conditions throughout the country at this time.

J. I. Shields, of Dickens, was in Spur last week and while in the city was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, leaving a check with us for five years subscription to the paper and for which he has our sincere thanks and appreciation. It is just such men as J. I. Shields who make it possible for newspaper men to exist in this land of plenty.

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Table No. 2

On this table we shall place on display everything left in Ladies White and Fancy Wash Waists, including several strong numbers in wash Silk and Fancy Lace effects. Nothing worth less than \$1.50, many worth \$2.00, your pick, only 95c.

Table No. 3

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MAKING STRENUOUS CAMPAIGN IN KENT COUNTY

J. W. Darden, candidate for County Judge of Kent county, was in Spur Thursday evening and Friday morning of this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Darden is making a strenuous campaign for the judgeship of his county. He is a firm believer in publicity and is not neglecting that feature of the campaign. Every voter in Kent county will surely know that Judge Darden has been in the campaign on the 22nd day of July.

TO "COOL COLORADO"

N. Q. Brannen and family and Arnold Attebury left the first of the week for a trip to "Cool Colorado", through the country and where they will spend two or three weeks enjoying the change of climate and viewing the beautiful scenery for which that country is noted. We wish them a very pleasant trip.

W. L. Grubbs was in Spur this week from his home in the Red Mud country.

Luther Jones came in Saturday from his ranch home several miles north of Spur.

J. H. Sparks, of the Tap section of country, was in Spur Saturday.

A. W. Jordan, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur one day this week.

Walter Jordan, of Steel Hill country, was among the business visitors here one day this week.

Roy Butts, of seven or eight miles east of Spur, was among the number in Spur Saturday of last week.

STRAYED—A black and white spotted pig, somewhere in Spur. Please notify Weldon McClure or The Texas Spur office and confer a great favor.

Miss Deliah Johnston left the first of the week to visit relatives and friends in Slaton, Amarillo and Elk City, Oklahoma, during her summer vacation.

HAD RATHER RENT HERE THAN OWN LAND IN MEX.

J. F. Speer, of near Dickens, was in Spur last Saturday and while here called in at the Texas Spur office. He had just returned from a trip to New Mexico and brought back a piece of the lava from a volcano of that country. He was with Frank Speer and George Greenwade. He says Mexico is now a desolate looking country and he would rather rent a hundred acres here than own a half section of land out there.

Arnold Copeland has been spending the week in Spur.

J. A. Kerley, of several miles east of Spur, was among the number of visitors in the city Saturday.

G. S. White returned recently from a business trip to the city of Weatherford and other points in the eastern part of the state.

W. J. Young, of several miles north of Afton, was in Spur recently trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, of several miles west of Spur, were among those in the city Saturday of last week, spending several hours here with friends and trading with the merchants of Spur.

BEAUTIFYING PARKS

Mr. Foster, of the State Forestry department, is now in the city of Spur and will remain here some time looking after the planting and growing of trees in the parks of the city. The growing of shade trees and beautifying the city is of great importance and every individual should have some knowledge of this work.

Tom Dodson, Jr., of the Afton country, was in Spur Friday of this week.

C. D. Copeland and wife and daughter, Miss Mary, were in Spur this week shopping with the merchants.

J. C. Weir, of the Steel Hill country, was among the large number of business visitors in Spur Saturday.

A. A. Fry returned the latter part of last week from a business trip to the eastern part of the state where he had spent several days.

D. H. Sullivan and Wood Williams left the first of the week for Fort Worth and Dallas, making the trip through the country.

Prof. Powell has been spending this and last week in the Afton country and the north part of the county, meeting the voters in furthering his campaign for the county judge's office.

EXTENDING CAMPAIGN TO OTHER COUNTIES

R. L. Collier and Paul Douglass made a business trip last week to Snyder. Douglass reported that Collier was even campaigning for the sheriff's office in that country and had the promise of several votes.

Jim Smith came in one day this week from his farm home west of Spur.

W. M. Stovall, of Dickens, was in Spur Friday of this week on business.

Miss Flora Love returned the latter part of the week from Matador where she has been visiting friends.

Mrs. T. A. Randleman, who has been confined in the Standifer Hospital as the result of an operation, was recently removed to her home.

Miss Adams, a charming young lady of the Red Hill community, was among the number in Spur Saturday shopping with the merchants.

R. M. Hamby dropped in one day this week and handed us a check for four dollars for four yearly subscriptions to the Texas Spur. Mr. Hamby has been sending at least four yearly subscriptions during the past several years, and we appreciate this consideration of The Texas Spur.

WILL MAKE EXTENDED TRIP OVER COUNTRY

Miss Nell Mahon will leave the first of the week for an extended trip over the country. She will visit Niagra Falls, New York, Chicago, Washington and other large cities of the North and East. We know she will enjoy such a trip and we wish her many unexpected pleasures.

Lawson Hyatt returned this week from a visit to Abilene.

Austin Rogers left recently for Arkansas where he will spend his vacation.

Miss Clarabelle Brown, of Clairemont, visited friends in Spur this week.

Mr. Green, of Jayton, came to Spur the first of this week and spent an hour or two here on business.

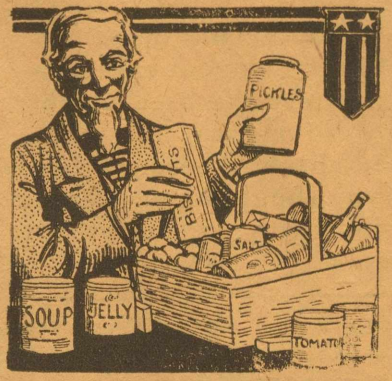
Where did you get the last good meal for less money, Bill? Why, I got it at the French Ruby Cafe.

W. N. Harkey called in this week and had the Texas Spur sent to his father, J. R. Harkey of Katemcy, and for which he has our thanks.

Wren Cross was in Spur the first of this week from his farm and ranch home in Kent county, spending a few hours here trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his many friends.

Ned Bowers, who has been on the Luther Jones ranch the past year, left this week for the Clarendon country where he will be employed on the W. J. Lewis ranch in that section. Ned Bowers is one of the finest young men of the country, and we regret to see him leave this section of the country.

Tidwell & Reeves this week moved their barber shop to a place prepared between the Ritter Hardware Co. and the Love Dry Goods Company and where their customers will be served in that characteristic affable and smooth manner as has here tofore been accorded all patrons at the former place of business. Remember their new location.



THAT JULY PICNIC

will need all the good things to eat that are shown in the picture, and many more besides. They can all be found at our store, and we will pack them right into your basket, all ready for the frolic. Place your order early, for we'll be busy, for people know what good things can be purchased from us.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

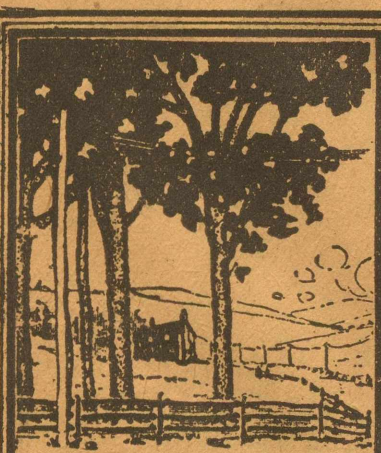
- For County and District Clerk:
LESLIE E. WILLIAMS
J. A. KOON
M. GAY
CRAWFORD COBB
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
R. L. COLLIER
J. H. LATHAM
J. B. CONNER
BUD MILLER
T. W. MORGAN
G. L. BARBER
- For Tax Assessor:
G. B. JOPLING
- For District Attorney, 50th Judicial Dist.
BERT KING
J. ROSS BELL
- For County Treasurer:
J. B. YANTIS
- For County Judge:
BLAINE SPEER
WALTER L. POWELL
- For District Judge, 50th Judicial District
J. H. MILAM
JO A. P. DICKSON
- For Representative, 105th District:
FRITZ R. SMITH
A. J. HAGINS
- For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
W. A. JOHNSON

W. C. Garrett, of the Tap section of country, was a recent business visitor to Spur, spending some time in the city greeting his friends and looking after business matters.

Murray Brothers...

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

H. C. Cravey, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Wednesday. He is one among the old timers of this section and is one of the best citizens of the country.



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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

To the State Constitution Relating to Levying Tax For School Purposes.

H. J. R. No. 30.

House Joint Resolution.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:

Section 3. School Taxes.—

One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of

Federal Inquiry or Railroad Strike?

Faced by demands from the conductors, engineers, firemen and brakemen that would impose on the country an additional burden in transportation costs of \$100,000,000 a year, the railroads propose that this wage problem be settled by reference to an impartial Federal tribunal.

With these employes, whose efficient service is acknowledged, the railroads have no differences that could not be considered fairly and decided justly by such a public body.

Railroads Urge Public Inquiry and Arbitration

The formal proposal of the railroads to the employes for the settlement of the controversy is as follows:

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion and that eventually the matters in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies. Therefore, we propose that your proposals and the proposition of the railways be disposed of by one or the other of the following methods:

1. Preferably by submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the only tribunal which, by reason of its accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenue of the railways, is in a position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue necessary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found by the Commission to be just and reasonable; or, in the event the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot, under existing laws, act in the premises, that we jointly request Congress to take such action as may be necessary to enable the Commission to consider and promptly dispose of the questions involved; or
2. By arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law' (The Newlands Act).

Leaders Refuse Offer and Take Strike Vote

Leaders of the train service brotherhoods, at the joint conference held in New York, June 1-15, refused the offer of the railroads to submit the issue to arbitration or Federal review, and the employes are now voting on the question whether authority shall be given these leaders to declare a nation-wide strike.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is proposed by the railroads as the public body to which this issue ought to be referred for these reasons:

No other body with such an intimate knowledge of railroad conditions has such an unquestioned position in the public confidence.

The rates the railroads may charge the public for transportation are now largely fixed by this Government board.

Out of every dollar received by the railroads from the public nearly one-half is paid directly to the em-

ployes as wages; and the money to pay increased wages can come from no other source than the rates paid by the public.

The Interstate Commerce Commission, with its control over rates, is in a position to make a complete investigation and render such decision as would protect the interests of the railroad employes, the owners of the railroads, and the public.

A Question For the Public to Decide

The railroads feel that they have no right to grant a wage preferment of \$100,000,000 a year to these employes, now highly paid and constituting only one-fifth of all the employes, without a clear mandate from a public tribunal that shall determine the merits of the case after a review of all the facts.

The single issue before the country is whether this controversy is to be settled by an impartial Government inquiry or by industrial warfare.

National Conference Committee of the Railways

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| ELISHA LEE, Chairman | G. H. EMERSON, Gen'l Manager, Great Northern Railway. | N. D. MAHER, Vice-President, Norfolk & Western Railway. |
| P. R. ALBRIGHT, Gen'l Manager, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. | C. H. EWING, Gen'l Manager, Philadelphia & Reading Railway. | JAMES RUSSELL, Gen'l Manager, Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. |
| L. W. BALDWIN, Gen'l Manager, Central of Georgia Railway. | E. W. GRICE, Gen'l Supt. Transp., Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. | A. M. SCHUYER, Resident Vice-Pres., Pennsylvania Lines West. |
| C. L. BARDO, Gen'l Manager, New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. | A. S. GRIGG, Asst. to Receivers, St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad. | W. L. SEDDON, Vice-Pres., Seaboard Air Line Railway. |
| B. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President, Southern Railway. | C. W. KOUNS, Gen'l Manager, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway. | A. J. STONE, Vice-President, Erie Railroad. |
| S. E. COTTER, Gen'l Manager, Wabash Railway. | H. W. McMASTER, Gen'l Manager, Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad. | G. S. WAID, Vice-Pres. & Gen'l Mgr., Sunset Central Lines. |
| P. E. CROWLEY, Asst. Vice-President, New York Central Railway. | | |

the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

Sec. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00 or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

(Note.—H. J. R. No. 30 was adopted by the House March 6, yeas 104, nays 12. Was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, yeas 25, nays 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, yeas 78, nays 19, present and not voting 1.)

Approved April 1, 1915. (A true copy.) JOHN G. MCKAY, Secretary of State.

Mrs. F. W. West and niece, Miss Carter, were in the city Wednesday, spending some time in the city shopping and visiting friends. Miss Carter is here from the eastern part of the state and will probably spend a month or more with Mrs. West.

R. L. Jones, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur Thursday of this week on business.

J. B. Hardin left Sunday for points east where he will spend a vacation of several days.

French Ruby Cafe for good things to eat.

John Willis was among the large number of business visitors to Spur the latter part of last week.

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MRS. FANNIE SULLIVAN

SAXON SIX MAKES 300 MILE NON-STOP TRIP

Saturday of last week Mr. Jordan, local agent at Paducah, and Editor Carlock of the Paducah Post, Editor Douglass of the Roaring Springs Echo, and John Perkins of the Motley County News of Matador, arrived in Spur on schedule time in making a three hundred mile non-stop trip with a Saxon Six automobile. On the trip there were fifteen and a half gallons of gasoline used, one half gallon of lubricating oil, and only one stop was made at Floydada due to the fact that too much lubricating oil was put into the engine, thus causing the spark plugs to become too greasy.

While in Spur Editor Carlock ran into the Texas Spur office and set up a few lines on our new linotype and also gave us a few pointers in saving time in its operation. Editor Douglass was distributing circulars advertising the big two days picnic for July 4th and 5th.

We were glad to meet these gentlemen.

ATTEND FARMERS MEETING IN FORT WORTH

E. B. Shaw, W. H. Taylor, W. T. Lovell and others of this section returned last week from Fort Worth where they have been attending a farmers meeting.

They report a pleasant and profitable trip. Each of these gentlemen are good farmers and influential citizens of their respective communities, and are among the most prosperous and successful farmers and stock-farmers of the whole country.

J. E. Sparks came in Saturday afternoon from his home in the Tap country and while in Spur was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything moving on nicely and smoothly throughout the Tap country at this time.

THE TEXAS SPUR REACHES OUT TO SOUTH AMERICA

Last week Tom McArthur sent the Texas Spur to E. N. McMullan, of Brazil, South America. The McMullans settled in Hill county, Texas, just at the close of the Civil War with the McArthurs. Later the McMullan family moved to South America, bought a large tract of land and devoted their attention to immigration settlement of their lands. Today there is only one member of the family left. He owns thousands upon thousands of acres of land and worth probably millions of dollars. He will hereafter keep informed of the happenings and the conditions of the great Spur country.

DID NOT WITHDRAW IN FAVORING ANY MAN

G. T. Snodgrass, of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday. The report having been circulated possibly by overenthusiastic campaigners that Mr. Snodgrass had been "bought" or persuaded to withdraw from the campaign for sheriff in favor of some one of the other candidates, he stated that he had paid his own campaign expenses, had never seen a dollar of any other man's money, and more than that he had never been asked by a single one of them to get out of the race. G. T. Snodgrass is too well known in Dickens county for the general public to even suspect him of any "political trickery" in this or any other campaign.

GOOD RAIN FELL IN THE COUNTRY SOUTH OF SPUR

T. A. Randleman reported to us Monday that a fine shower of rain fell on his place three miles south of Spur, stating that the water ran freely over his place. We judge by this that that whole section of country is now in good condition, and the crop prospects materially advanced.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH REVIVAL IN PROGRESS

The revival meeting at the Christian Church being held on the lawn, well seated and lighted, is progressing with fine interest, many persons having already taken a stand for Christ.



Nathaniel Jacks and son, evangelists of Dallas, and of wide reputation, are leading the forces and will continue indefinitely from night to night, beginning each evening at 8:30 p. m. We are looking for a great day Sunday, preaching at 11:00 a. m., subject, "The Great Sacrifice." Subject Sunday evening, "What Must I Do to be Saved?" The ordinance of baptism will be attended to on next Monday night, as many candidates are already prepared to obey this commandment.



Ezra Jacks, the music director, has a fine choir and renders splendid music with whistling accompaniments and solos, which are very inspiring to the interest of the services.

Everybody invited to attend these helpful services, especially the singers are invited to the choir.

LETTING PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THE MAXWELL

The Maxwell Auto Company has just closed an extensive advertising campaign throughout the country. Last month the company spent more than half a hundred dollars with The Texas Spur in displaying to the readers of this paper the advantages and inducements offered in the Maxwell automobile. We venture the assertion here and now that the sales of Maxwell cars in this country will be considerably increased in the future. The increased sales will come about from the very fact that they are letting the people know more about the car, and have also reduced the price. Hereafter the Maxwell will be sold for \$595.00.

MARRIED

Wednesday of this week Mr. Jack Stringer and Miss Grace Randleman were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Randleman, there being only a few intimate friends and relatives to witness the ceremony.

The Texas Spur extends to Mr. and Mrs. Stringer our hearty congratulations and very best wishes for many years of happy married life, and may the years be full of prosperity.

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W. J. Conaway, Spur, Tex.

NEW BRIDGE COMPLETED ON CREEK NORTH SPUR

The new bridge over the creek north of Spur and near the Luther Jones ranch home, has been completed and is now being used by the traveling public.

This bridge will be a great convenience to the people of the McAdoo country in coming to Spur to market produce and also to haul out supplies.

During the past the County Commissioners have been active in the construction of roads and bridges. Dickens and Kent counties have spent many dollars in building good roads and are now in a position to boast of as good roads as any other county in this part of Western Texas.

THREE CASES OF TYPHOID FEVER IN CITY OF SPUR

Dr. Grace reports that there are several cases of typhoid fever in Spur at this time. Miss May Blackwell is sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Blackwell. The little child of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Ford, and one of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis, are all sick of this fever. However, we are glad to note that all are reported doing nicely and will soon be well again.

Mr. English, a prominent citizen of Dry Lake, was among the many visitors to Spur Saturday.

Mrs. J. F. Vernon and children left the first of the week for an extended visit to relatives and friends in Haskell and other towns of that section of the country.

TWO DAYS PICNIC AT NOTED ROARING SPRINGS

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week large crowds enjoyed the picnic at the beautiful and noted Roaring Springs. People were there from everywhere and all enjoyed the occasion. Editor Douglass and Mr. Applegate were masters of ceremonies and they saw that everybody was cared for in various ways, and especially was this true of all visiting newspaper men—everything on the grounds was free to them and especial efforts were made to show them a pleasant time, and which we all appreciated to the fullest extent.

In the organization of The Old Settlers Association there were seven or eight members enrolled, only one of the number been living in the country thirty years, while all others had lived here twenty five years or more.

During the day a number of enlightening speeches were made and songs were enjoyed.

Wednesday the speaking was principally on the part of candidates.

The day spent at Roaring Springs, and the courtesies extended to us by the managers, will be long remembered.

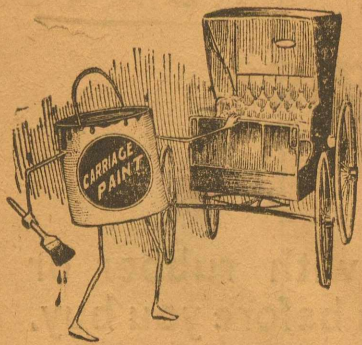
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cairnes, of the Paddle Ranch, were in Spur the first of the week, spending some time in the city the guests of friends.

P. Henson, of the Tap country, was in Spur the latter part of last week. He, too, suffered from the recent sand storm and lost a considerable portion of his big crop of cotton.

Have Your Tires Repaired

Having installed a first class vulcanizing machine I am prepared to repair blowouts, rim-cuts or any affected parts about casings and inner tubes. Bring me your old discarded tires and I will fix them so you will get a many miles more service from them. All work reasonable.

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