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Volume Seven

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 22, 1916.

Number 47

SPUR HARDWARE WILL SOON BUILD A BRICK

The Spur Hardware Company is now making arrangements to construct a brick business house on the two lots on which their present business house stands, and the construction work will be commenced just as soon as preliminary arrangements are concluded.

The company contemplates a building to cover the entire two lots, and should this be done the Spur Hardware building will be fifty feet wide by one hundred and sixty feet in length, being one among the largest buildings of the city

CROPS HAILED OUT MORE THAN ONE TIME

Earl Wright, one of the most popular young men of the Draper country, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent an hour or two here on business and greeting his many friends. He reports everything in good shape in his section at this time, farmers all picking cotton and preparing to reap some of the benefits of the prevailing high prices now being paid for the staple crop of the country. In the Draper country the crops were hailed out, some of them more than one time, and for this reason the crops will be not only late but probably will be cut short. However, should the country be favored with a late frost good crops will be produced and the good prices will make up for any shortage in the production.

MARRIED.

The report came to Spur Wednesday that W. F. Godfrey and Miss Kate Boykin, of Polytchnic, were married at that place. We do not know whether or not this report is true, but if it is we extend our very heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey and wish them all the happiness there is in married life. Miss Boykin formerly taught in the Spur Public Schools, and is a beautiful and accomplished young lady.

FARMERS HERE EXPECTED TO BECOME RICH

W. L. Thannisch, of the Draper country, was in Spur recently greeting friends and also trading with the Spur merchants. Mr. Thannisch is one among the big farmers of this country and each year has a large number of bales of cotton ginned in Spur and at other places in the county. With the price of cotton ranging from fifteen to twenty cents a pound we expect Thannisch and a number of other farmers of Dickens county to become rich men this year.

BUILDING RENT HOUSES A GOOD INVESTMENT

Mrs. Evans is having a neat cottage erected in the west part of Spur. She contemplates building other cottages for rent provided such an investment proves profitable. We believe a number of rent houses in Spur would be a good investment. During the past several months a number of people have come to Spur and departed for the simple reason that they could not get houses in which to live. At the present time there are a number of families living in tents and two families are living in a number of houses because they can not get houses. Building rent houses will be a good investment.

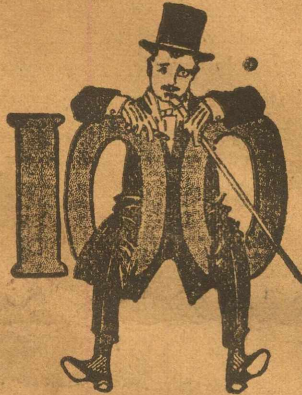
MARRIED.

Rev. E. E. White, pastor of the Methodist Church of Spur, and Miss Louise Rich, were married Tuesday in Waco. After a short wedding tour Mr. and Mrs. White will be at home to their friends in Spur. Miss Rich is a niece of Mrs. P. H. Miler of Spur, and possesses the highest accomplishments of young womanhood. The Texas Spur joins the many friends of Rev. White in extending congratulations, and may he and his bride enjoy the richest and fullest blessings of married life.

Oliver Gray had business at Afton Monday.



Millinery season is now in full blast and Miss Roberts has our Millinery Department filled with the newest Creations from the great fashion centers. Ladies from neighboring towns have bought hats from us—there must be a reason for this. We think it is because we have the merchandise in our Millinery and Ready-to-Wear Department that the Ladies want and that is seldom found in towns the size of Spur. We have decided there is nothing too good for the people of Spur and Spur country.



Only one man in a hundred will fail to take advantage of our unheard of offers in Winter Suits and Overcoats. All we ask is for you to look at our stock. Style Plus Suits at the same old price—\$17, and the quality, all wool and guaranteed to satisfy. A good Overcoat for \$5.00—there's no place like Bryant-Link Co.'s when it comes to cheap Overcoats.



EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!

Shoes, Extra Special—100 pairs Ladies Shoes for \$2.00. We don't care where you go you won't find such values for \$2.00. They are worth \$3.00, the way the leather market is today, and our entire Shoe stock is full of real values, and is the biggest stock by far we have ever had in Spur—we want to SHOW YOU.

Cotton—15c, seed—more than \$40, hogs 10c, cows high, feed a good price—makes farm life in Dickens county look good. If you remember reading one of our ads about August 1st, when it looked like the Lord had forgotten us, we then prophesied we would be eating roasting ears and water melons this fall and make enough feed and cotton to get

A LATE FROST WILL MEAN BIGGER CROPS

C. J. Smith, of eight or nine miles west of Spur, was in the city the first of this week. He said that on account of the hail his cotton will not be ready to pick before the first of October but that the indications are now that he will have a good crop to pick at that date. If we have a late frost in this country there is no question but that big crops of cotton will be made, the greatest drawback being the hail storms in the early part of the season.

A DEMONSTRATION OF ORIOLE FLOUR

Wednesday afternoon the Spot Cash Grocery was crowded with ladies who had entered the contest in demonstrating the qualities of Oriole Flour. Mr. Samples had offered five dollars for the best biscuits baked out of Oriole flour, and there were thirty six ladies of the town and surrounding country who entered the contest, the five dollar premium being awarded by the judges to Mrs. Jess Jones, Mesdames Grace, Barrett and Lewis acting as judges.

The ladies were in accord in pronouncing Oriole Flour of the highest grade, and no doubt as a result of this contest many more sacks of this flour will be used in the future.

Mrs. Jones, the winner in this contest stated that she had never cooked biscuits with better flour.

A small two pound sack of Oriole flour was furnished free of charge to each contestant for the purpose of baking the biscuits.

Mr. Samples is a live merchant and is making the Spot Cash Grocery a popular place.

FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Wednesday night the regular local freight train was wrecked on the Stamford & Northwestern railroad about four or five miles west of Jayton. The wreck was caused by a bridge over the creek giving way, the train falling through into the bed of the creek.

The passenger train was delayed in its regular schedule and did not arrive in Spur until Thursday night.

by on, so it has come that way. Let us all stop and think and be thankful to God for these temporal blessings.

BRYANT-LINK CO.

BUILDING NEW RESIDENCE IN WEST PART OF SPUR

John Luce is having a four or five room residence built in the west part of Spur, and which is now nearing completion. The new residence will be occupied by W. S. Taylor and family, he having recently sold his home in the city.

The building progress in the residence as well as business section of Spur continues uninterruptedly.

At the present time there are four or five new residences going up, and five new brick business houses nearing completion in Spur.

WORKING ON AUTO HIGHWAY IN KENT COUNTY

Kent county is now working on the roadway, making the connecting link with Dickens county in the construction of the Fort Worth-Roswell Highway. Near Girard a bridge on the roadway has just been completed and grading work is now in progress on the road. From Spur to Girard the road which has already been graded is now in good shape, and after the split-log has gone over it a time or two it will be second to no other graded highway in the country. Kent and Dickens counties are becoming recognized as leaders in the construction of first-class roads.



FALL IS HERE

So are we, with a most complete line of MEN'S CLOTHES. Everything new and UP-TO-THE-MINUTE—Walk-Over and Edwin Clapp Shoes; Kirschbaum and Globe Clothes.

Cleaning, Pressing, Altering

This department is given our personal attention. Our sanitary process is applied to each garment. Telephone your clothes troubles to "THE MAN'S STORE"

HOGAN & PATTON
SPUR

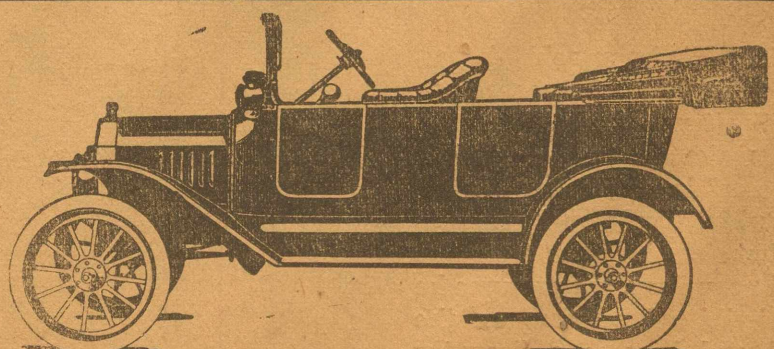
You Are Not Taking

Any Risk When You Purchase a

Bridge Beach

For 78 years of successful experience in manufacturing is behind every Cook Stove. Our stock is complete and we invite you to call and see them.

Spur Hardware Co.



FORDS—F. O. B. Detroit
Touring Car, 360; Roadster, \$345

W. F. GODFREY, Salesman
Spur Texas

FARMERS:-

WE will appreciate a share of your ginning and will give you as good service as the best. Come to see us. We will be glad to see you. Respectfully,

THE SWENSON GIN

R. R. JOHNS, Manager

AN ORDINANCE.

Be it remembered that the City Commissioners of the City of Spur hereby order that Sixth Street from Burlington Avenue to Cowan Avenue and Cowan Avenue from Sixth Street to Seventh Street being streets & highways within the incorporated limits of said City of Spur, be improved by graveling the same, and said Commissioners have ordered that the sum of Two Hundred Ninety Six & No-100 (\$296.00) Dollars be expended in said improvement, one-fourth (1/4) of which sum is to be paid by the City of Spur and three-fourths (3/4) of said sum the said Commissioners have determined should be assessed in accordance with the provision of Chapter Eleven (11) Title Twenty-two (22) of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, against the abutting property on lots on said Sixth Street and said Cowan Avenue as follows:

The following lots to be assessed on the basis of 8.3c per foot frontage on said Streets:
 Lots Nos. 12 & 13, Blk. No. 6.
 " " 7 and 8, Blk. No. 7.
 " " 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 " 8.
 " " 1 and 14 " 9.
 " " 1 and 14 " 10.
 " " 1, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26 " 11.

It is further ordered by said Commissioners that a meeting of said Commissioners be held in the City of Spur at the office of the City Recorder on the 30th day of September, A. D., 1916, for the purpose of hearing any contest or contests of the owner or owners of said property to be so assessed as provided by Article 1013 of said Title and Chapter afore-said, and that a true copy of this ordinance be published in the Texas Spur for three successive issues of said paper as a notice to the owners of said property of said proposed assessment, and of the time and place of said meeting for the hearing of contests.

F. W. JENNINGS, Mayor.
 OSCAR JACKSON, City Clerk.

S. W. Rather, of the Cat Fish country, was among the recent visitors in Spur.

L. J. Elsby, of the plains section of country near McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week. Mr. Elsby is one among the best men and citizens of the whole country.

L. A. Hindman sold his residence in the city last week to Mr. Scott who with his family will make his home at this place. We have not heard what Mr. Hindman intends to do, but since he owns some fine land near Spur, we presume he will build a fine home on the land and become a "country gentleman" in the true sense of the word.

DICKENS COUNTY FAIR

The Dickens County Fair came to a close last Saturday. The fair continued five days, and was attended by large crowds each day. Considering the season, the exhibits were most creditable, and demonstrated the claims made for this country that the climate and soil are such that very little rainfall is essential to the production of good crops.

J. L. Pierce, of Jayton, had his Buff and White Orpington chickens on exhibition, and the premiums he received shows beyond a doubt that Kent is the banner county of this section in raising chickens as well as in most everything else. Mr. Pearce's chickens were awarded premiums as follows:

Buff Orpington—First cock, second cock, first hen, first pullet, second pullet, first pen.

White Orpington—First pen, first hen, second hen, first cockerel, best display any breed combined.

There were many fine birds on exhibition, and the fact that Mr. Pearce's chickens were awarded first premium in everything should be a source of much gratification to him.—Jayton Herald.

J. J. Cloud, of the Soldier Mound country, had business in Spur this week. He brought in a load of big water melons from his place and sold them to the Spur merchants. J. J. Cloud has become a full-fledged and successful farmer.

MARRIED

Dick Sampson and Miss Norma Smith surprised their many friends by getting married Monday of this week. Miss Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith of the Red Mud country, and is a young lady of accomplishments and possessing those traits of character, modesty and lovable disposition which make beautiful and true womanhood. Dick Sampson is a young man of integrity and worth, and we join their friends in congratulations to this young couple in embarking on the matrimonial seas, and feel confident that their voyage will be favored with many pleasures and hope that few adverse winds will be encountered.

AN ORDINANCE.

Be it remembered that the City Commissioners of the City of Spur, hereby order that Harris Street from Willard Avenue west to the City limits, a street and highway within the incorporated limits of said City of Spur, be improved by graveling the same, and said Commissioners have ordered that the sum of \$420.00 be expended in said improvement, one-fourth (1/4) of which sum is to be paid by the City of Spur and three-fourths (3/4) of said sum the said Commissioners have determined should be assessed in accordance with the provision of Chapter Eleven (11) Title Twenty-two (22) of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, against the abutting property on lots on said Harris Street as follows:

The following lots to be assessed on the basis of 9 cents per foot frontage on said Harris Street:
 Lots Nos. 8 to 14 both in. Blk 17
 " " 8 to 14 " " 18
 " " 8 to 14 " " 19
 " " 8 to 14 " " 20
 " " 1 to 7 " " 29
 " " 1 to 7 " " 30
 " " 1 to 7 " " 31
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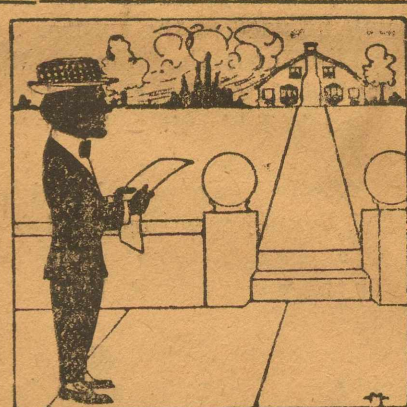
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F. W. JENNINGS, Mayor.
 OSCAR JACKSON, City Clerk.

Howard Campbell was here one day this week from his farm home southwest of Spur.

G. J. Stearns, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

F. A. Prideaux, of Farmer, Texas, is in Spur this week meeting friends and looking after his business interests in Spur. Mr. Prideaux is connected with the Love Dry Goods Company. Mr. Prideaux is an expert bookkeeper and accountant and a shrewd business man. However, during the past year he has put aside the cares and worries of this line of business and has devoted his time and attention to farming and ranching.



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

J. P. Koonsman, of the Croton country, was a recent business visitor in Spur, spending several hours here trading and looking after other business affairs.

H. A. C. Brummett was in the city Tuesday from the Dry Lake country where he is now making his home. Prof. Brummett will teach the Dry Lake school this year. He is one of the best teachers of this country and the Dry Lake people are to be congratulated in securing his services.

Mrs. Chas. Jaye, of Dickens, left this week for Coryell county where she will spend some time visiting her son and family.

Luther Jones called in Saturday of last week and had his subscription to the paper extended up ahead of time. Mr. Jones has moved from his farm and ranch north of Spur to a ranch about forty miles southwest of Spur and in Garza county. He made this move for the purpose of securing more grass land for his cattle.

J. E. Counts returned last week from his farm in the Draper country where he spent several days looking after his farming interests.

H. C. Allen, of the Dry Lake community, was in Spur Tuesday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. It is a pleasure to know and be associated with such men as H. C. Allen. He is a man who does what he thinks is right, says what he thinks and is level headed on every occasion.

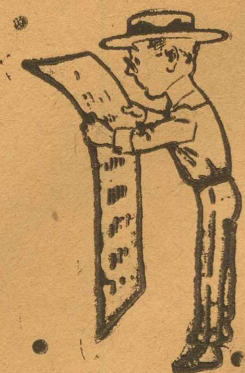
LOOK OVER



OUR GROCERIES

Do You Keep Close Watch of the groceries you buy to see that they are fresh, full weight and of good quality? People do not have to take this precaution when they buy from us, for we have the reputation for straight forward and honest dealings, and our goods are always of the best quality. Deal with us and get the best.

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The Spur National Bank

R. V. COLBERT, PRESIDENT M. E. MANNING, CASHIER
C. A. JONES, VICE PRESIDENT JNO. B. HARDIN, ASST. CASHIER

FLOYD COUNTY VOTES DRY OVERWHELMINGLY

Practically one hundred and fifty less than one-half of the voters of Floyd county voted in the prohibition election Saturday, Floydada box returning a larger percentage of votes than any other.

The totals as shown by the returns in the county clerk's office indicate that 519 votes were cast, 441 for prohibition and 78 against. Four boxes out of the fifteen voted solidly for prohibition.

When the returns of this election have been canvassed by the Commissioners Court the county will come under the law which makes it a felony to sell liquor within its confines.—Hesperian.

Mrs. O. B. Bragg has moved to Spur from Dublin and will be here throughout the fall season as milliner for Sol Davis.

S. M. Bailey, of the plains country near McAdoo, was in Spur recently trading with the merchants and greeting his friends.

L. C. Arrington and wife, of the Afton country, were in the city Tuesday shopping with the Spur merchants and visiting friends. Mr. Arrington reports everything moving along nicely at this time in his part of the country.

R. L. Collier made a business trip Monday to Dickens, Afton and Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Jas. Mahone is spending the week with relatives and friends in Fort Worth and other cities of the eastern part of the state.

J. L. Moore, of six miles west of Spur, was among the number of business visitors here Saturday of last week. He reports everything in fine shape now on the ranch, grass good and cattle fat.

Frank Smith returned Tuesday from Vera where he has been the past two weeks. He says that Knox county has us bested on crops this year, since the people of that county are now harvesting fine crops of all kinds.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith came in last week from their farm home seven or eight miles west of Spur and marketed eggs, butter and other farm produce to the buyers of Spur. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are successful and prosperous in the farming business.

W. W. Waggoner, of near the city, was here the latter part of last week with cotton which he sold to Spur buyers at the prevailing high prices. The price of cotton is now "soaring" and it is possible that it will go as high as eighteen or twenty cents a pound before the end of the season.

Wesley Wilson, who with his wife has been in Dickens during the illness and death of Mrs. Wilson's father, Chas. Jaye, returned Sunday to Ralls to resume his duties as an employe of the Ralls Banner.

B. G. WORSWICK
Attorney-at-Law
Practice in District and Higher courts is solicited.
Co. Attorney's Office, Dickens.

B. D. GLASGOW
Attorney-at-Law
Office over Spur National Bank

W. D. WILSON
Lawyer
General Practice
Spur Nat'l Bk Bldg. Spur, Texas

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Phone Southwestern No. 78
Leave Spur 8:00 Arrive Roaring Springs 11:20
Leave Roaring Springs 12:30 Arrive Spur 5:20

E. CHRISTENSEN
Cowboy Boot-Maker
The Leading Cowboy Boot-Maker in West Texas.
Matador, Texas.

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. 126.

Al Sullivan came in the latter part of last week and marketed a bale of cotton from his place in the Gilpin settlement.

W. C. BOWMAN Lumber Com'y.

LUMBER, SASH DOORS, AND...

All Kinds of Building Material

Money! Money!! Money!!!

to Loan on Farm and Ranch Land. For Quick Service see **EDMONDS & HOGAN, Spur, Texas**

Walter Smith sold his residence in the northwest part of the city last week to A. A. Fry.

I. G. Van Lier, of the Soldier Mound country, was a business visitor in the city one day this week.

J. M. Foster was in Spur the first of this week from his farm and ranch in the Croton country.

Miss Zada Stafford has secured a position as expression teacher in the Roaring Springs school for the 1916-17 term.

Crawford Cobb, wife and children, of Dickens, were in Spur the latter part of last week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.

J. C. Davis came in one day this week from his ranch home and spent some time here with friends and visiting at the homes of Sol Davis and R. C. Forbis.

J. A. Kerley, of several miles east of Spur, was here Saturday trading with the merchants of Spur and also greeting his numerous friends and acquaintances.

Rev. Hunt, president of the Stamford College, will preach Sunday, September 24th, at Spur at eleven o'clock in the morning, and at Dry Lake Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. A part of the program of the morning service will be a solo by Miss Erma Baker.

NO NEGROES IN THE COUNTY OF BAYLOR

Seymour, Texas, Sept. 6.—Negroes will not be allowed to return to Baylor county. This was decided by a mass meeting of citizens from all parts of the county held at the Court House in Seymour. The vote against permitting their return was overwhelming.

Negro residents fled from Baylor county following the killing of Sheriff W. L. Ellis by Steve Brown, a negro, on Aug. 6th. Since then there has been some discussion as to whether they would be permitted to return and a mass meeting was called to determine the question. The meeting was called by some who favored their return. Those against the plan used campaign methods to get a crowd to the mass meeting. Handbills were printed and distributed throughout the county, messengers on horseback were sent to remote parts of the county and rural telephones used to summon voters from the more densely populated sections.

Mr. Williams has again resumed his work in the moving picture show business, having opened his show last week under the name of "The Gem." The people of Spur appreciate a good moving picture show, and we predict a liberal patronage for the Gem in the future.

Westside Barber Shop

TIDWELL & REEVES, Props.

First Class Tonsorial Work. Hot and Cold Baths and Up-To-Date Service in Every Respect. Call and see us

Ford Garage

South & Bay, Props.

Best Mechanic in the West. If you want your car butchered take it to the butcher shop; if you want it fixed right bring it to

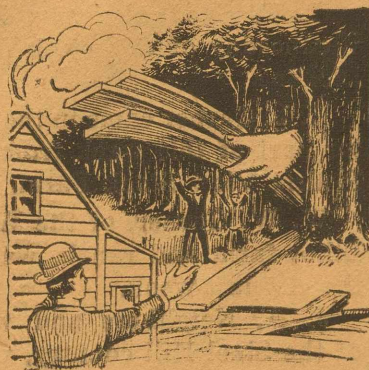
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High Grade Vulcanizing

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Drayman and Agent for Pierce-Fordice Oil Ass'n. Heavy and light hauling. All work guaranteed. Residence Telephone 80 Business Telephone 120

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BRAZELTON-PRYOR & CO.

No. 11703
Report of the condition of The City National Bank of Spur, at Spur, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Sept. 12th, 1916.

RESOURCES

1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b) \$134,031.83	
Total	134,031.83
2. Overdrafts, unsecured	2,306.25
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) \$10,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds	10,000.00
4. e Securities other than U. S. Bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged \$353.19	\$353.19
6. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	1,500.00
7. Banking house (if unencumbered) 7,750.00	7,750.00
8. Furniture and fixtures	2,150.00
10. Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	2,577.82
11. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis 4,525.21	
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities 6,068.80	10,594.01
12. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)	487.94
14. Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	1,679.60
15. a Outside checks and other cash items 1,701.40	
b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents 164.50	1,865.90
16. Notes of other National Banks	850.00
19. Coin and certificates	6,313.25
21. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	500.00
23. Customers' liability account of "Acceptances" by this bank based on imports and exports only	1,486.12
Total	\$184,445.91

LIABILITIES

25. Capital stock paid in	\$40,000.00
26. Surplus fund	10,000.00
27. Undivided profits \$7,965.74	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 1,294.61	6,671.13
28. Amount reserved for taxes accrued	600.00
30. Circulating notes outstanding	10,000.00
35. Individual deposits subject to check	92,193.29
36. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	600.00
38. Cashier's checks outstanding	1,520.87
43. Certificates of deposit	2,731.35
49. Bills payable, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than redcounts	20,000.00
Liabilities other than those above stated	129.27
Total	\$184,445.91

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss: I. E. C. Edmonds, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. C. EDMONDS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of Sept., 1916.
JENNIE SHIELDS, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
T. E. Standifer
Sol Davis
P. H. Miller,
Directors
E. C. Edmonds

No. 9611
Report of the condition of The Spur National Bank, at Spur, in the State of Texas at the close of business on Sept. 12th, 1916.

RESOURCES

1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b) \$214,422.62	
Total loans	\$214,422.62
2. Overdrafts, secured, \$1,023.89	1,023.89
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) 25,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds	25,000.00
6. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank \$3,600.00	3,600.00
7. Banking house, (if unencumbered) \$25,000.00	25,000.00
8. Furniture and fixtures	5,000.00
9. Other real estate owned	500.00
10. Due from Federal Reserve Bank	4,699.78
11. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis 9,980.05	
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities 4,202.62	14,182.67
12. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)	10,419.01
14. Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	209.17
15. a Outside checks and other cash items \$ 92.29	
b Fractional currency, nickels and cents 50.75	143.04
18. Notes of other national banks	1,675.00
16. Federal Reserve notes	1,500.00
19. Coin and certificates	7,888.50
20. Legal-tender notes	
21. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Total	\$316,513.68

LIABILITIES

25. Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
26. Surplus fund	20,000.00
27. Undivided profits 14,891.27	
b Less current expenses, int. and taxes paid 2,038.97	12,852.30
28. Circulating notes outstanding	24,500.00
Demand deposits:	
33. Individual deposits	109,034.47
36. Cashier's checks outstanding	126.91
Total deposits, items 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41 and 42 109,161.38	
48. Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	50,000.00
Total	\$316,513.68

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss: I. M. E. Manning, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
M. E. MANNING, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of Sept., 1916.
S. T. CLEMMONS, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
F. S. Hastings
Geo. S. Link
O. H. Jones,
Directors

Martin Gay, of Dickens, was in Spur last week greeting his friends and on business.

Cotton sold in Spur during the week for as high as 15.55. Cotton seed prices run around forty to forty five dollars a ton. Cotton is coming in now more rapidly and the gins are running more regularly.

We have several houses and lots in Spur listed with us for sale. One house and lot can be bought at a low price, small cash payment and balance in monthly payments of twelve or fifteen dollars each. Another residence, well located, two lots, good improvements and in the best residence section of the city, price \$1200. We have other property listed for sale. If you want to buy town property or farms, see us. We may have just what you want.

Buster Bural, of the Gilpin country, was in town Thursday marketing cotton.

See our new Tailor-Made Ladies Fall Suits, \$7.95 up.—Love Dry Goods Co.

G. T. Snodgrass was here Wednesday of this week from Dickens.

H. T. Garner came in the latter part of this week from his Prairie View Stock Farm.

W. W. Garner, of the W. J. Elliot farm and ranch, was in the city last week.

J. A. Neighbors and wife, of the Steel Hill country, were in Spur Tuesday shopping and visiting friends.

W. W. Waggoner, of near Spur, was among the large number of farmers here this week ginning and marketing cotton on this market.

50,000 ACCIDENT CLAIMS SETTLED WITHOUT LAWSUIT

GENERAL MANAGER OF TEXAS EMPLOYERS' INSURANCE ASSOCIATION GIVES FIGURES.

Basis for Workmen's Compensation Law Discussed.

FORT WORTH, Texas.—The Texas Economic League has given out for publication the following article by Homer R. Mitchell, general manager of the Texas Employers' Insurance Association, concerning workmen's compensation laws:

"The economic basis for workmen's compensation insurance laws is much more easily established than the legal basis. It does not need the support of the facts and figures developed by investigation into the subject. Practically all men are ready to agree that the economic insecurity of workmen and their dependents justifies the fundamental principle involved in such laws, namely, that industry should be taxed to provide definite, fixed and certain benefits for injured workmen and their dependents, rather than that the recovery, if any, of an injured workman should be determined by juries on mixed questions of law and fact as to who may have been at fault for the injury and economic loss resulting from it. The legal basis for such laws is of interest, principally to the legal profession.

"The paramount questions with employers subject to the law now is: How has its administration turned out in Texas? The answer is that more than fifty thousand accidents have been reported, and that the number of law suits resulting has been absolutely negligible. More than one hundred thousand working men are protected by insurance, providing statutory benefits. More than five thousand employers have become subscribers, notwithstanding the very material increase in premiums for compensation insurance over the cost of old-fashioned employers' liability insurance. Employers to whom the act is not applicable have individually and through their organizations, expressed a desire to be included, rather than excluded as soon as the law can be so amended.

"Whatever dissatisfaction may be found among employers is due to the fact that the cost to the employer is out of all proportion to the benefits to the employe. The companies reporting to the Insurance Department of Texas under oath disclose the collection of more than two million dollars in premiums, and the payment of only about one-third that amount in losses. It is essential to the success of the plan that the funds be accumulated and disbursed through an insurance organization, but it is not necessary that it cost \$2.00, or even \$1.00 to provide, adjust and pay \$1.00 to an injured employe. Economic waste was the outstanding objection to the operation of the old law. Economic waste must be eliminated from the law before it can receive the approval of all those who are subject to it.

"If the insurance companies exploiting the field of workmen's compensation insurance were for a moment regarded by the public as the public now regards public service corporations, an investigation into their books would hardly be necessary preliminary to vigorous restrictive statutes, limiting their operating expenses and profits to such a figure that they would not be permitted to collect \$2.00 from employers in order that \$1.00 might be paid to employes.

"The Texas Employers' Insurance Association, created by the Act as an agency of the State to enable employers to discharge their obligations toward injured employes at the least possible cost, has, after reducing stock company rates approximately one-third, and writing only a portion of the entire business of the State in less than two years time accumulated undivided profits of \$85,000. The total business of the State would have enabled them to accumulate over half a million dollars. Had they

collected the premiums which many of the commercial companies have charged their policy holders, its profits would have considerably exceeded one million dollars.

"It is time that those affected adversely by these uneconomic methods should be looking into available statistics and co-operating with those who have recognized and adopted plans to escape the excessive cost reflected by insurance rates paid to the regular companies." 51

SOME FIXED POLICY AS TO PETROLEUM URGENT

By J. S. Cullinan.

All nations depend largely upon the United States for petroleum supplies in the form of fuel oil, lubricants or gasoline. Petroleum is going to be as much a factor in determining naval battles as vessels and armament, and this point should not be overlooked by the opponents of preparedness in giving off-hand opinions about this Nation enforcing the Monroe Doctrine, or maintaining other relations with the Central and South American Republics, which are now recognized as the source of future petroleum supplies after the oil pools of the United States have been exhausted. The Nation that controls the oil fields will have a superior navy, if indeed it does not render obsolete the battleships of other nations, for fuels is as necessary as steel in fighting battles at sea.

There would seem to be no possible solution except by Federal control. Congress has the power, but there may be some hesitancy in exercising it in the face of legal, business, political and other obstacles. The objects sought to be accomplished by such legislation should be: Conserving supplies of petroleum for future use of the army and navy, minimizing waste, insuring fair value for petroleum and its products exported in exchange for products imported, and establishing a reasonable price between consumers, royalty owners, producers, transporters, manufacturers and distributors for domestic consumption.

To my mind, there are only two plans by which these results can be accomplished:

First, the National Government securing congressional approval to exercise the right of eminent domain covering all petroleum deposits within the United States, to be leased in whole or in part to present owners, or others, under uniform regulations covering development, production, transportation and sale, or, second, the National Government to condemn and acquire all pipe lines doing an interstate business, obtaining authority to fix and regulate pipe line, rail and water rates on all petroleum or petroleum products intended for use between the States and foreign countries. 33-c

JUDICIAL VETO OPPOSED

By Chief Justice Clark.

Whence comes it that the court has been exercising the supreme power in our government, i. e., the last word in legislation? There is certainly no express authority for 'judicial supremacy' or the 'judicial veto,' by which that department assumes the irrevocable and therefore the absolute supremacy over the two departments. There is not a line in the Constitution of any State or in the Federal Constitution to authorize it. If there were, it would only be necessary to point to the words and end all debate.

The doctrine that the courts can set aside an act of the legislature has never obtained in England, which has no written Constitution, nor in France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Austria, Norway, and Sweden, nor in any other country that has a written Constitution. Its assertion in this country has not therefore even the tyrant's plea of necessity. The rest of the world have gotten along very well without it. The courts have attempted only once in England to assert a right to set aside an act of Parliament, and then Chief Justice Tressilian was hanged and his associates exiled to France, and hence subsequent courts have not relied upon it as a precedent.

Joe Ericson, of the West Pasture, was in Spur last week after ranch supplies and also on other business.

FOR SALE

"Sunlawn," my 20-acre place for sale or trade for place in town. Also one good mare and mare colt and one good work mule. Also 2 good cows and near yearling calves.—F. N. Oliver. 47-2t.

New line Childrens School Dresses, 50c up, just in by express.—Love Dry Goods Co.

Mat Howell was here Thursday with cotton from the Cat Fish country.

Faust Collier will leave next week for Georgetown where he will re-enter the Southwestern University.

Jim Thompson, formerly editor of the Dickens Courier, has accepted a position with the Post City Post and will leave the latter part of the week for Post.

T. A. Randleman and family moved to their town home last week from their farm south of Spur, coming in for the benefit of the school.

Some fine Barred Rock cockers for sale for breeding. See M. E. Manning or Tidwell's Barber Shop.—J. W. McCloud.

P. Hinson was in the city the first of the week marketing melons and other products from his farm in the Tap country.

G. W. Dodson, of the Afton country, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Cargile, a successful farmer of near Spur, has been hauling cotton to town nearly every day this week.

W. H. Crouse, of Stephenville, was in Spur several days the latter part of this week on business in connection with his new brick buildings just completed in Spur.

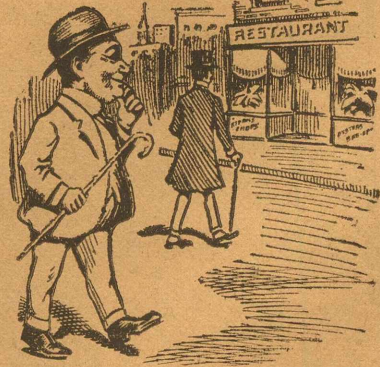
Will Smith, of near Spur, was in the city Thursday and handed us a big silver dollar to be credited to his subscription account, and for which he has our sincere thanks.

Miss Creola Richbourg left Wednesday for Dublin, Carlton, Fort Worth and other points where she will visit relatives before entering college at the Southwestern University of Georgetown.

John Ligon, while working on the Keller brick building Friday of last week fell from the scaffolding near the top and was severely injured. He has been confined to his bed as a result of the fall until the latter part of this week.

Fred Danforth and family returned last week from Red Land, New Mexico, where they have been making their home the past several years. Mr. Danforth has purchased a half interest in the Turner blacksmith shop and will make Spur their permanent home in the future.

A prohibition election will be held in Fort Worth and Tarrant county on the 25th day of this month. From the best we can hear from people who are familiar with the conditions at this time, the city and county will go dry. While we are not effected by this election, yet we would like to see the county go pro. We do not believe that whiskey ever benefitted any town, any country or any people, but on the other hand has been a curse to many. It is not a necessity, but an expensive luxury, therefore let it be wiped out of the country.



GERMAN KITCHEN & BAKERY, Spur, Texas

PLEASED PATRONS are one of our best advertisements. Our menus are models of variety and substantiality. Our prices is a protest against high cost of living. Roasts, entrees, soups, steaks, chops, oysters, lobsters and clams as well as fish in bountiful plenty for your stomach's sake. Eat at the place where you get enough and where everything is above board.

PROGRAM.

Following is the program for the State Wide Go to Sunday School Day at the Baptist Church in Spur, for September 24th.

Sunday School opens promptly at 9:45.

Closes promptly at 10:30.

1st. Song, "Loyalty to Christ" by choir and congregation.

2nd. Address of Welcome—Guy Brannen.

4th. Why Should Not an Old Person Attend Sunday School—P. H. Miller.

5th. Male quartett—Selected.

6th. Why a Young Lady is Late for Sunday School—Bessie Wayne Jackson.

7th. Tired Mothers—Mrs. P. H. Miller.

8th. Song Dying Millions—Mrs. Rogers' class.

9th. Hinderances to Sunday School Work—E. C. Edmonds.

10th. Business Men and Sunday School—Oscar Jackson.

Sermon by the Pastor, A. T. Douglass.

Dinner served on the ground.

Afternoon.

1st. Obligation of the Church to the Pastor—Miss Jennie Shields and Miss Kittie Powell.

2nd. Relation of Music to Religion—R. G. Rogers.

3rd. Why Study the Bible—Mrs. P. H. Miller, Miss Lucy Roberts.

4th. How Can Individual Members Hinder the Church—Rupert Brannen.

5th. How Can Individual Members Help the Church—W. C. Barrett, Mrs. Effie Johnson.

The Misses Smith, of the Red Mud country, were visitors in Spur Saturday of last week.

Just received a shipment of **JUSTIN Shop made boots at Hogan & Patton's.**

Elder Mike M. Young, of near Matador, was in Spur the latter part of this week.

Sheriff J. B. Connor was over Wednesday from Dickens and spent the afternoon here on business.

Our assortment of **Ladies Dress Skirts** excell any showing in Dickens county.—**Love Dry Goods Co.**

Paul Douglass and family returned Wednesday from New Mexico where they spent several days with relatives. Paul reports a very pleasant trip.

48 pairs Tailor-Made Misfit Trousers, get yours now at Hogan & Patton's.

See the late **Fall Shoes, new numbers, all shades.—Love Dry Goods Co.**

County Commissioner W. A. Johnson, of the Dockum Stock Farm, was in Spur the latter part of last week.

Tom Dodson, Jr., of the Afton country, was in Spur last week buying supplies and meeting his friends.

A. A. Allen of the Croton country, was among the many visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

Mr. Hobson, of four or five miles north of Spur, was in the city Wednesday marketing cotton at the prevailing high prices.

Roy Butts, of seven or eight miles east, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Chas. A. Jones handed us two big silver dollars while in Spur last week, requesting that his subscription to the Texas Spur be marked up a couple of years.

Elder J. D. Bureson, of Lockney, will preach at the Church of Christ Saturday night, Sunday at eleven o'clock and at eight-thirty p. m. Mr. Bureson is an able speaker, and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

J. H. Johnson, of several miles north of the city, was one of the business visitors here Wednesday of this week. Mr. Johnson is one of the diversified farmers of the country and is one of the most successful and prosperous as a result of his farming methods.

Mrs. E. C. Edmonds entertained the Merry Wives Club and other lady friends of the city Friday afternoon of last week at her home in the city. Progressive forty two was the entertaining feature of the occasion, and delightful refreshments were served to a large number of guests.

C. C. Sheppard, of seven or eight miles east of Spur, was in Spur the last of last week with his fifth bale of cotton to sell on the Spur market. While here he called in and had his subscription to the Texas Spur marked up a fraction and which was very pleasing to us. Mr. Sheppard reports that his crop is very good notwithstanding the disadvantages encountered throughout the whole country this year.

DICKENS DOINGS

Cotton pickers are wanted in the vicinity of Dickens.

Mrs. J. M. Foster is teaching in the Dickens school, in the absence of Prof. Gray.

Miss Irene Harkey has accepted a position as operator at the telephone office.

Crawford Cobb and family left Saturday for Eastland in the "jitney" to visit relatives.

Miss Jessie Lisenby left Sunday for Nashville, Tenn., where she will enter Belmont College.

Mrs. Bernice Harkey, of Red Lake, is in the city to spend the winter and to keep their children in school.

C. C. Haile and Earle Wright, of the Draper country, went to Spur Monday to market two loads of hogs.

Prof. R. G. Gray, superintendent of the Dickens school, was called to Abilene Saturday to the bedside of his brother, who was reported seriously ill.

Lonnie Harkey has caught the enterprising spirit, having painted his tailor shop and put up a neat sign. He is now ready for the fall business.

W. A. Hicks happened to the misfortune of getting his left arm broken Monday. He fell from his wagon when it ran into a chug hole which caused the injury.

The little babe of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson was accidentally hit on the head with a ball bat Monday by one of the children, and while the injury is quite painful, no serious results are reported.

Mr. Dick Sampson and Miss Norma Smith, of the Red Mud community, came over to Dickens Monday and were united in marriage, Justice of the Peace J. W. Thompson performing the ceremony. They are popular young people of the community in which they live and have many friends who wish for them a successful and happy married life.

W. J. Clark, Commissioner of this precinct, who lives north of town, claims to be the champion hog raiser of Dickens county. He sold fifty three head of hogs the other day and received \$834.00 for them. He says he could not have sold the feed they consumed for \$400. That is pretty good receipts from the hog business, and only verifies the fact that Dickens county is a hog country, as well as stock farming and cotton raising country.

J. H. Meadors and family, Prof. C. C. Crawford and J. W. Thompson made a trip out to the Croton country last Sunday afternoon in the Overland. All were impressed with the good crops they saw and big water melons that were given them. Cotton all looks good and opening fast. We stopped at the home of Walter Jackson in the Highland neighborhood but found that progressive and substantial citizen and his family away from home. From there we went to the ranch of Ed Lisenby and found that he was making some extensive improvements to the place, and among which was a fine car road from his ranch place to the Guthrie road which was as straight as a railroad track, and no gates to open.

Read The Texas Spur—\$1.00

FRY Co.
URNITURE
Furniture & Undertaking

Great line Ladies fancy Hose, all the new shades, special 75c.—Love Dry Goods Co.

W. W. Franklin, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Friday of last week.

M. C. West and H. F. West, of several miles south of Spur, were in the city last week.

W. M. Randall, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur the latter part of this week.

J. A. Neighbors, of the Steel Hill country, was among the number of business visitors in Spur this week.

Bring your Fall Suit and O'Coat to Hogan & Patton for cleaning, pressing and repairing.

W. L. Huddleston was here this week circulating among friends and also attending to business affairs.

Mrs. Boley Brown moved recently from Clairemont to Snyder where she is now making her home.

Sport Jackets, Fall Cloaks, Exclusive style, new things, priced right.—Love Dry Goods Co.

Mrs. Newton Johnson and infant daughter returned last week from east Texas where she has been spending some time with her parents and other friends and relatives.

Mrs. Z. V. Smith and children left Spur Saturday of last week for New Mexico where they will spend some time for the benefit of her little daughter's health. Little Miss Smith has been in delicate health for some time, and it is hoped by the many friends of the family that the trip will effect a complete cure.

R. R. Johns closed down his gin a day or two last week for the purpose of putting in some new brushes. The work has been completed and the gin is now in full operation. Mr. Johns says that he is now in position to do better ginning than at any time since the establishment of this gin in Spur.

T. B. Cross, of Kent county, was in Spur Thursday buying supplies of the merchants and also greeting his friends of the town and surrounding country. Mr. Cross is one of the old timers of this country. He is one of the straightest men we ever knew. He will walk five miles to pay a five cents indebtedness and his word is as good as any man's bond.

Geo. M. Williams returned last week from Freeport where he has been the past several months doing surveying work for the Swenson interests. He said that he was glad to get back from that lower country and to once more enjoy the exhilarating breezes of the great west. When one once gets acclimated to the western breezes and the western spirit, he never forgets.

TAP TELLINGS

Frank Mayo made a flying trip Sunday to Watson.

Mr. Groseen and family, of Sweetwater, were visiting their friends here the past week.

Mr. Jones and daughters, of West End, were guests in the Hinson home Sunday.

Elder Taylor, a Christian preacher of Spur, preached here Sunday to a full house.

S. W. Rather and wife, of Cat Fish worshiped with the people here Sunday.

The fair weather is favorable to our work and we farmers are busy gathering our crops.

P. Hinson, of Valley View Farm, is still making trips to town with his truck wagon.

W. A. Volentine has picked one bale and says he thinks now he will get the "twoth" bale.

Mr. Tyler, who has been residing here for the past three or four years, moved to Spur the first of the week.

Uncle Dan Thomas, of Spur, passed through our town the first of the week en route to Watson to visit his mother.

J. E. Sparks is planning to dispose of his farm here and will purchase a much larger acreage and will engage in stock farming on a much larger scale.

L. S. Scott has been sowing wheat the past week. Some others have sown grain for winter grazing, and no doubt will thresh a good crop of wheat from this same crop.

—Gadabout.

W. A. Smith, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Wednesday.

20 dozen new Fall Waists just in; see our Silk Waist, \$1.75.—Love Dry Goods Co.

Crawford Cobb, wife and children, of Dickens, were in Spur the latter part of last week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.

D. H. Sullivan handed us two dollars last week for two yearly subscriptions to the Texas Spur, having the paper sent to relatives in Oklamoma. The Texas Spur subscription list continues to grow every week.

Money to Loan on Farms and Ranches

5, 7 or 10 years time, 8 per cent interest, liberal payment privileges. Can make loans on business or residence property, 9 per cent interest, 5 years time.

OSCAR JACKSON, Real Estate & Insurance

Murray Brothers...

YOU WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE US DO That Work

Why Not Now?

Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

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

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

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

S. M. Swenson And Sons

CHAS. A. JONES, Manager.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

Clarence Love, of Matador, was a visitor in Spur Sunday

Misses Loyd, of Afton, were guests of friends in Spur Sunday.

R. F. Keene, of near Spur, was here recently trading with the merchants.

Mrs. Neilon's sister-in-law, of Abilene, is in the city for a week's visit.

A. W. King, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur the first of this week.

C. D. Copeland was among the number of business visitors in Spur this week.

Lee Payne, of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday meeting his many friends and also on business.

Norman Rogers and Frank Johnson, of Post City, were in Spur Monday of this week on business.

Chas. Gunn and wife, of near Dickens, were visitors and shoppers in Spur Tuesday of this week.

Oliver Gray, manager of the Afton Telephone Company, was here last week looking after company business.

Willis Smith came in Tuesday of this week after supplies for the ranch.

Robt. T. Dobson was among the business visitors here Saturday from the Dry Lake section of country.

N. B. Fuqua, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Monday of this week and while here paid the Texas Spur office a short but pleasant call.

Chas. A. Jones left Spur Tuesday for Lubbock, and from Lubbock he will return to Freeport where he is also general manager of the Swenson interests.

Walter Greer, who is here from New Mexico visiting his brother, Tom Greer and other relatives, was in the city Tuesday of this week meeting old time friends.

Mrs. T. E. Standifer returned the first of the week from Missouri where she accompanied her daughters, Misses Robbie and Donnalita, to enter college at Columbia.

W. M. Childress, of several miles north of Spur, was here Monday of this week.

J. E. Brown, of the Dry Lake country, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday of the past week.

Miss Lillian Whiteside, who has been spending the past two weeks with Miss Flora Love, returned this week to her home in Matador.

Luke Attebury, who is now employed at Aspermont, spent Sunday in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Attebury at the Midway Hotel.

W. F. Shugart came in Tuesday from his farm home eight miles east of Spur, and spent a short time here buying supplies and looking after other matters.

W. W. Watkins, a traveling salesman, spent several days of this week with his wife who is on an extended visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lollar, four or five miles east of Spur.

D. E. Thomas, of near Spur, was among the visitors here Tuesday of this week.

J. F. Speer, of Dickens, was among the number of business visitors in Spur Saturday of the past week.

Harry and Dudley Ellis, sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ellis of Kent county, returned the first of the week from a visit to relatives at Miami.

Mrs. J. S. Gose and son, Tony, came in Tuesday from their ranch home and spent several hours in Spur shopping with the merchants and visiting her friends.

A. W. Jordan, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur the latter part of last week buying supplies of the Spur merchants and looking after other business affairs.

Tack Kennedy was here the first of the week with a bale of cotton which he sold to the high buyers of Spur. A bale of cotton these days amounts to a small fortune.

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

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

For Sale—Good work horses for sale at attractive prices.—White & Swearingen, Spur.

Am now in the market for the new maize crop. Must be dry. See S. W. Lane.

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

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

Rev. W. B. Bennett was in Spur Monday of this week selling several bales of cotton to Spur buyers at the prevailing high prices.

Newt Cravy, of the Red Mud settlement, came in Monday. He is now employed in road work in his section of Kent county, and he says it is a "hot job."

W. S. Taylor recently sold his residence in the northwest part of the city to Mr. Morgan who with his family has moved into the home, Mr. Taylor and family having moved elsewhere to reside temporarily.

A. A. Fry sold his residence in the west part of Spur last week to J. H. Hodges who recently moved here from the Croton country. We understand that Mr. Hodges will engage in some kind of business in the city in the future.

NO FISHING AND CAMPING
All parties are hereby warned that no fishing and camping will be permitted in any of the pastures controlled by us.
WHITE & SWEARINGEN.



THE STRONG ARM
which raises any business to the heights of success is the bank account. You never heard of any man who succeeded in business who didn't have a commercial bank account. We invite you, Mr. Business Man, without an account, to open one with our bank. Don't delay another day; it will pay you.

CAPITAL STOCK \$40,000

SURPLUS FUND \$10,000

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

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

G. H. CONNELL, President

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

B. F. BURAL DIED SUNDAY AT HIS HOME.

Sunday afternoon at two o'clock B. F. Bural died at his home in the Gilpin country and his remains were interred Monday afternoon with Woodmen honors in the Girard Cemetery, a large number of sorrowing friends from every section of the country being present to pay their last tribute to a departed friend and neighbor.

B. F. Bural had been sick for some time, and everything known to the local medical and surgical fraternity had been done to relieve his condition. He spent several weeks at Marlin Wells, was treated by a specialist, and finally underwent an operation, but all without avail.

B. F. Bural numbered his friends by his acquaintances. He was a man whose word was as good as his bond. A good and true man has gone to his reward. To the bereaved family The Texas Spur extends sincere sympathy and condolence.

SOLD COTTON TOO EARLY

Bill McArthur and Tom McArthur, of the Tap country, were in Spur Tuesday with a number of bales of cotton, and which they sold for a price of \$15.15 per hundred pounds. Later in the day Tuesday cotton sold for \$15.50, and they both were lamenting the fact that they had sold too early.

TO EX-CONFEDERATES

All members of the John A. Green Camp of Confederate Veterans, are requested and urged to attend a meeting of the camp to be held in Spur Saturday at two o'clock. Important business is to be transacted at this meeting and every ex-Confederate in the whole country should be present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Stovall have returned from Mineral Wells where Mrs. Stovall has been for some time for the benefit of her health.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN

The following have contributed to the Democratic National Campaign fund:

- Geo. S. Link ----- \$2.50
- Dr. J. E. Morris ----- 1.00
- J. W. Meadows ----- 1.00
- P. E. Hagins ----- 1.00
- W. L. Cross ----- .50
- Miss Minnie Fite ----- .50
- J. F. Vernon ----- .50
- E. C. Edmonds ----- 1.00
- W. D. Wilson ----- 1.00
- Will Andrews ----- .50
- Sam Clemmons ----- 1.00
- P. H. Miller ----- 1.00
- A. A. Fry ----- 1.00
- Oscar Jackson ----- 1.00
- W. S. Campbell ----- 1.00
- W. H. Black ----- 1.00
- T. A. Tidwell ----- 1.00
- D. H. Sullivan ----- 1.00
- Mrs. Lelia Evans ----- 1.00
- N. A. Baker ----- 1.00
- C. W. Lowery ----- 1.00
- Ned Hogan ----- .50
- Dr. M. L. Pierce ----- 1.00
- Carl Patton ----- .50
- B. D. Glasgow ----- .50
- Dr. J. H. Grace ----- 1.00
- Dr. W. R. Moore ----- 1.00
- Dr. T. E. Standifer ----- 1.00
- Jas. F. Williams ----- 1.00
- Oran McClure ----- 1.00

If there are others who wish to contribute any amount to the national democratic campaign fund the amount can be left at the Texas Spur office or handed to County Chairman Jas. F. Williams, and it will be forwarded immediately to the campaign headquarters.

W. J. Elliot came in one day last week from his Spring Creek farm and ranch.

T. S. Lambert came in Tuesday from the Tap country and spent several hours here on business and shaking hands with friends.

W. C. Pressley, of the Half-Circle H Ranch twenty miles east of Spur, was in the city last week and while here purchased a new Buick automobile of local agent W. F. Godfrey. Mr. Pressley reports range conditions the very finest at this time.

A LETTER FROM TOLAR IN NEW MEXICO

As it has been some time since I have written to the Texas Spur, I will come again. I like to read the good letters that the good writers contribute to the paper. I see Rambling Bill isn't dead yet. I wonder if he will never die? It makes me feel at home to hear from everybody in old Dickens county. I have been in New Mexico twelve months and have taught ten singing schools.

I like New Mexico fine. It has been dry here but the drouth is broken up. The grass is fine and the stock is looking fine and for me I am better satisfied here than anywhere I have ever lived. Although the water proposition is serious in some places, yet where I am there is no end to the water. We have six wells on the ranch I am on, and none of the wells are over fifty feet deep.

I am on the R. A. Morris ranch on the Alamoosa Draw, seven miles northeast of Tolar and twenty miles from Melrose. I never have to hunt for work. We have a singing concert on every second Sunday in each month, and they are well attended. A person can go to a convention every Sunday if he wants to. This country is a live wire in music. The Curry County District Convention meets quarterly and there are many classes represented of which I am president and I am proud of the interest the good people take in music here. Come again all you good writers.—C. H. Rogers.

MRS. W. T. ROBBINS COMMITS SUICIDE

The Brandenburg community was shocked with surprise and grief at the death of Mrs. W. T. Robbins by suicide. On Wednesday of last week she shot herself just above the heart. She lived until Sunday evening. The cause of the rash act is unknown. The deceased leaves a husband and children, relatives and friends to mourn her death. The Star extends sympathy to the bereaved family.—Aspermone Star.

CROSBYTON S. P. R. R. WILL EXTEND LINES

On Sunday last, the general offices of the Crosbyton-South-Plains railroad were moved to their new quarters at Lubbock, where they will be more convenient to their new work on the western extension of their line toward Brownfield. Rumor has it that as soon as this extension is completed, an extension will be made eastward from Crosbyton.—Crosbyton Review.

BARN AND FEED BURN.

Otto Lowrance tells us that the barn on his farm occupied by J. M. O'Donnell was destroyed by fire last week, together with the feed owned by Mr. O'Donnell, some harness and other things of value. Considerable grass on this place and on Joe Jay's place was also destroyed.—Jayton Herald.

Mr. Randolph, of near Spur, was in the city Tuesday greeting friends.

J. E. Sparks was here Tuesday from his home in the Tap country.

SURE ENOUGH FARMERS ARE IN THIS SECTION

G. W. and Tom Dodson, Jr., were here Wednesday and sold several bales of cotton to the Spur buyers at a price of about 15.45. They will make about one hundred and fifty bales of cotton this year on their places in the Afton country. The Dodsons are sure enough farmers and having come from one of the old states they know how to work. Last year they sold about eight thousand dollars worth of cotton at one time in Spur to some Roaring Springs buyers, and this year Tom says that he may hold a considerable portion of his cotton crop for a possible higher price to be paid later, and it would not surprise us if he gets eighteen or twenty cents per pound for his staple if he stays with it long enough.

MIDWAY HAPPENINGS

F. L. and B. F. Whitaker are in Howard county.

Man Clark was in Afton on Thursday.

The following parties met on the Dickens hill Thursday of last week and worked the road from the bridge to the top of the hill: Mistery Brannon, Blair Simpson, Gladish and Whitaker. We are informed that the roads are now in better shape than they have been in for some time.

Several from here attended an ice cream supper at Afton Saturday night. All reported a good time and lots of cream.

Frank Burges is now working at Afton.

Quite a number of good singers gathered at the school house Sunday afternoon and some good singing followed.

Ira Offield has hauled his first bale of cotton to the gin.

W. M. Stephens was in Roaring Springs Wednesday.

Nearly every farmer of this section of the country has out a bale or two of cotton, but we look for cotton to be in the field at Christmas.

R. S. Holly was among the farmers from Midway in Afton Monday.

L. W. Holly hauled his first bale of this year's cotton crop to market Monday.

—Pawnee Bill.

Everything in fancy Petticoats, prices ranging from 65c to \$5.00.—Love Dry Goods Co.

ROAD FROM SPUR TO AFTON NEEDS GRAVELING

County Attorney B. G. Worswick came over from Dickens the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Attorney Worswick is a good roads booster and builder, and in reply to a question concerning the building of a graveled highway from Afton through Dickens to Spur he stated that it could be done with the present road tax and without bond issue, and in this manner be done at the least expense to the people and the tax payers of the county. This roadway is used more than any road in the county and for this reason it should be made the best in the county. The graveled of the streets in Spur has demonstrated that this manner of building roads is not only the best but the cheapest. Before the streets were graveled workmen were continually at work rebuilding the streets after each rain, and the cost of repairing was almost as much as the first cost of building the streets. Since the gravel was placed on the street very little if any work has been done in making repairs. After each rain and even during a rain autos and other vehicles can travel the streets without interruption and without cutting the streets all to pieces. There is no question but that graveled the roads and streets is far superior to simply grading with dirt. The simple dirt grading of roads and streets is a waste of time and money in the end, and little satisfaction in traveling at all times. Let us all get busy, and with the aid of the County Commissioners, gravel the road from Spur to Afton.

MARRIED AT GIRARD

On Monday night, at the home of the bride, J. H. Hendricks, of Girard, and Miss Mae Acery, of Jayton, Rev. J. F. Traugher saying the words that blended the lives of this young couple into one. Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks left Tuesday afternoon for Girard where they will reside in the future. They have the best wishes of many friends for a long and happy married life.—Jayton Herald.

J. J. Rogers, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur this week.

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FARMER MURDERED IN FISHER COUNTY

Roby, Texas, Sept. 15.—W. P. Bishop, who is charged with the murder of J. C. Evans, a wealthy farmer of Royston, was given a preliminary trial here today and bound over to await the action of the grand jury without bail.

Bishop, whose home is Ira, Scurry county, was brought here last night after being arrested at Sweetwater. According to authorities, Bishop and Evans, who is a wealthy farmer living near Royston, were en route to San Angelo, and camped together in a lumber yard at Longworth.

Evans' body was found buried in a field near Longworth by children picking cotton. Deputy Sheriff Thompson of Sweetwater made the arrest. The prisoner was taken to the Roby jail for safe keeping.

Circumstances indicate that Evans was killed with an ax while asleep. His body was taken to a lake near by, and when it failed to sink, was carried about a mile in a ravine. A deep slash was made across the back, supposedly to enable the murderer to bend the body in order to place it in a crude grave.

When arrested at Sweetwater, it was said Bishop was wearing a new suit of clothes and had in his possession some letters, a watch, a land deed and a letter of identification from the First National Bank of Roby, all of which were the property of Evans. These articles were blood-stained. The prisoner's bedding and old

clothes were found in a wagon yard and were considerably stained with blood.

Bishop denies any connection with the killing and states that Evans left the camp hurriedly Thursday morning to catch the Orient southbound train for San Angelo, forgetting his watch and papers. He attributes the blood stains on various articles to a fresh cut in his horse's ear.

Bishop came to Roby a few days ago and informed a number of people he was preparing to buy the Evans farm. The two left Roby Wednesday on a supposedly business trip to San Angelo.

Evans' formerly lived in Dallas county, and it is stated has a brother in Fort Worth. He lived alone on his farm near Royston. Persons intimate with the aged man believe he had several thousand dollars on his person when he left his home. The body of Evans was nude when found in a field near Longworth by boys picking cotton. The clothes which he wore when he disappeared have not been found.

J. E. Brannen, who recently moved to the McAdoo country from near Blum, was in Spur Saturday of last week on business and also trading with the merchants.

Editor W. S. Cooper, of the Girard Reporter, was in Spur Wednesday between trains. We are glad to note that he has again resumed the publication of his newspaper after having suspended the publication several weeks on account of the illness of his wife.



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Mrs. J. B. Morrison has been quite sick this week, suffering of ptomain poisoning.

W. H. Cartwright, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city last week on business and meeting friends.

B. A. Crego, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday of this week and spent some time here on business and greeting his numerous friends and acquaintances of the town and surrounding country.

Mrs. Bartlett, of the Spur Inn, is reported quite sick at this time, we are sorry to note.

Chas. A. Jones and wife, C. E. Jones and wife and Mrs. Bartlett spent Sunday at the Spur Ranch headquarters.

Mrs. Lankford and children, of Peacock, are in the city this week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Williams.

Dr. Morris returned the latter part of last week from a business trip to Haskell and other points in Knox county.

Mr. and Mrs. Sampson will make their home twelve miles southwest of Spur where they will soon be at home to their friends.

Mr. Finch, ranchman and farmer of fifteen or twenty miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Monday marketing cotton to the Spur buyers.

F. C. Gipson, merchant, drug gist and good citizen of Dickens, was in Spur last week and spent a few hours here with friends. While here Mr. Gipson was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

J. H. Jones, of the Tap section of the country, was in the city Tuesday. He reported that he had just commenced picking cotton on his place and expected to bring in a bale the latter part of the week.

J. W. Thompson came over Wednesday from Dickens and spent some time in Spur. Mr. Thompson now has a position as janitor of the Dickens school building, he having recently retired from the newspaper business in Dickens. Mr. Thompson is a good newspaper man and a fine citizen.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following Democratic Nominees as candidates for offices in November election:

For Representative, 105th District

FRITZ R. SMITH

For District Judge

J. H. MILAM

For District Attorney

J. ROSS BELL

For County Judge

WALTER L. POWELL

For Sheriff and Tax Collector

R. L. COLLIER

For District and County Clerk

M. GAY

For County Treasurer

J. B. YANTIS

For Tax Assessor

G. B. JOPLING

For County Commissioner

Precinct No. 3

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