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# The Texas Spur

## AND DICKENS ITEM

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Volume Eight

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, JULY 13, 1917

Number 36

#### BRYANT-LINK COMPANY.

Yes, we are thankful for the showers of rain that came this week. They gladden the hearts of many of our farmers, gave them new courage, new hope, the one great thing that keeps us working, trusting that the harvest will be sufficient for our needs. Some did not get the rain and they feel discouraged. We can say from a life of experience in West Texas is to go on with all the courage we can possibly muster up, keep the weeds, keeping the land clean and ready to receive rain when it does come, for it does not come in 1917. The land will be rested and for a great crop next year when the yield may be double.

"The harder the job, the greater the honor of doing it. Let's all try to be optimistic. We know how we hate to meet a chronic growler who thinks everything in the world is wrong but his pure self—one of those fellows who knows just how the government should be run and yet can't run forty acres of land successfully; he tells what he used to do back in Bell or some other county, and that Dickens county isn't fit for anything but to raise coyotes and jack rabbits on, for it's too dry and poor to raise a rucus on, and that the few who have made a living are grafters. Let's all use a mirror when looking for faults. This is the best world we ever lived in and if some of us don't change our methods of living it may be the best we will ever live in and we may have a right to complain of the dry, hot climate in the next country we go to.

Boost a little and remember while boosting to boost for Bryant-Link Company—they want your help. Dickens Co. may not be the best country in the state but it is our county and we should think it best.

We often the seeking the one than we are. There's a man who is greeted with love lighted eyes, the man who delivers the goods."

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#### SHERIFF COLLIER WILL GET TWO BLOOD HOUNDS

Sheriff R. L. Collier was in Spur Thursday from Dickens and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He informed us that he had ordered two fine blood hounds from Missouri with which to show law violators that he could trail them up wherever they may hide.

#### MRS. D. G. HISEY INJURED IN FALLING FROM CAR

Recently Mrs. Dan Hisey was severely injured in falling from a car, being injured on the head, dislocating an arm at the elbow and spraining a hand. She was with Fred Hisey and family who were returning from a fishing trip to Blanco Canyon, and in coming down the Cap Rock Mrs. Hisey intended to get out of the car and walk down. However, in getting out of the car it gave a lurch throwing Mrs. Hisey to the ground with the above result, and from the injuries she was unconscious several hours, but able to walk into the house upon their arrival home. At this time we are glad to note that Mrs. Hisey is reported doing nicely.

J. F. Speer, of the Dickens county, was in Spur Thursday morning of this week, spending the day here trading and attending to other business affairs in the city.

#### HARVESTING WHEAT IN THE McADOO COUNTRY

C. D. Pullin, of near McAdoo on the plains, was in Spur the latter part of last week and reported that the farmers of that section were harvesting their wheat crops. The crop is estimated to be about five to ten bushels of wheat to the acre.

Had rain come at the proper time a bumper crop of wheat would have been made all over this section this year.

#### DRAWING FOR ARMY EXPECTED SATURDAY

Washington.— Unofficially, it was indicated today that 687,000 is the number of men to be selected for the first national war army from the millions registered on June 5th.

Probably twice that number of names will be drawn, as the number of exemptions to be allowed is estimated at 50 per cent.

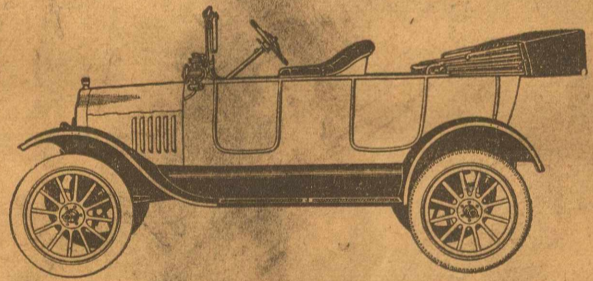
Next Saturday is understood to have been tentatively fixed upon as the date for the drawing, although no announcement has been made by the provost Marshall General's office.

In Dickens county there are 555 registered, all but 130 claiming exemptions. The county exemption board is now in session and have made the serial numbers by which each made.

#### GROWING FINE CORN MAIZE AND COTTON

We have a sample of corn, cotton and maize sent in from the W. T. Lovell farm in the Draper country. The cotton is about knee high and loaded with blooms and squares. The maize heads are not yet fully developed but are full of large and well matured grains, and whether it rains any more or not he will have good maize & corn. The samples demonstrate that Lovell is a good farmer or that he has a fine farm which will grow stuff without rain and with but little work—because we know that there is no danger of his working a crop too much.

—We wouldn't have believed that he had such fine crops if we had not been shown.



FORDS—F. O. B. Detroit W. F. GODFREY, Salesman  
Touring Car, \$360; Roadster, \$345 Spur Texas

## “The Power of Price”

We Beg to Call the Attention of the People of Spur and Surrounding Trade Territory that we are Establishing Among You an EXCLUSIVE CLOTHING STORE. We are Closing Out Our Stock of Dry Goods to Make Ready for our Clothing Business. Read our Page Advertisement on the Back Page. Read Carefully Every Line as it is Intended for Your Benefit. We Came to Spur Because we Have Known the People of Spur Who Have Been our Patrons all Over the State, and we Feel That They Will Appreciate Our Endeavors to Place Before Them a Store that Will SAVE THEM MONEY AT EVERY TURN. We Feel that they Need us Here to Supply a Long Felt Want—A Store With The Facilities of Buying in Wholesale Lots Direct From the Factories Where the Goods are Made. We Promise You That as Soon as we Have Closed Out our Present Stock of Dry Goods, we Will be Ready to Begin Receiving Our Clothing and Shoe Stock. Come to the Big Sale and Supply Your Needs. You Can Afford to Put the Goods Away. You Will Get Them at Price Concessions That Will Pay You to Load Up. Now is Your Time—Buy while the Opportunity is Yours

Across Street  
From Spur  
Hdw. Co.

# THE RED STORE, Spur, Texas

Store Opens  
Friday, July  
13th, 1917

# 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

**I**N Some localities in past years, the lands have been cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers. Many otherwise honest men, have come to the conclusion that if done, without a penalty resulting, they can all the time have a disposition to appropriate wood wherever it is found, and wherever it belongs. This must and will be stopped. We have already bought Spur Lands, and those who have bought Spur Lands, will not permit wood cutting.

Some people pretend to think that they have a right to cut wood of any kind whatever from our lands, but they are certainly follow trespassers here.

## S. M. Swenson & Sons

CHAS. A. JONES, Manager.

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

### THE BIG RED FRONT SALE OPENING THURSDAY

A large crowd congregated in front of the J. T. Lowery dry goods establishment Thursday morning to witness the opening of his Big Red Front Sale. Promptly at nine o'clock the doors were opened. Six chickens with coupons and dollar bills tied to their feet were let loose from the roof of the building and the crowd scrambled to catch them. Presents were also given to those entering the store first. As to the offerings in merchandise during the sale which will continue sixteen days, we refer you to their big double page ad in this issue of the paper.

J. T. Lowery has just established his dry goods business in Spur, coming here from Albany where he is conducting a similar business. He is a live, wide awake business man, carries a big stock of high-class goods and is reaching out after the

trade. We bespeak for him a liberal share of the trade coming to Spur, and we feel confident that the number of people and volume of business done in Spur will be increased and the business interests of the town enhanced by the coming of J. T. Lowery.

### TO PROSPECTIVE PATRONS OF THE SPUR SCHOOL

All prospective patrons of the Spur school living outside of the school district are hereby reminded that children out of another school district must be transferred into this district before August 1st. Otherwise children coming out of another district will be charged regular tuition for attendance in the Spur schools.

E. C. EDMONDS,  
Pres. School Board.

"Christian Faith in Time of War"—Subject of sermon at Methodist Church Sunday.

### BIG MAJORITY SIGN PETITION TO THE REGENTS

A petition was circulated in Spur this week requesting the board of regents of the State University to retain the present incumbent as president. Those who carried the petition around informed us that out of 130 men to whom it was presented, 127 signed the petition. This is conclusive that a majority of the people in Spur favor the board of regents rather than the Governor of the state with reference to the University squabble which resulted in the Governor vetoing the appropriations for the university for the next two years. In this connection, there is a move on foot in the state to have the legislature reconvened to make provision for the maintenance of the State University. The closing of the State University is generally recognized as a real calamity to our state educational interests. Without any knowledge either of the conditions of the University, nor of the incidents which brought about the university squabble, yet we, individually, feel that these differences and university conditions possibly could have been remedied without vetoing the appropriations for the maintenance of the institution.

### COMMISSIONERS COURT MET MONDAY AT DICKENS

The Commissioners Court convened Monday in Dickens and remained in session several days during the week.

Several new roads were established, one of which was a

road leading from Dickens to McAdoo by the way of Liberty school house. Four or five bids were considered with reference to putting in an antiseptic tank and toilets in connection with the court house at Dickens. The bids for this work amounted to about two thousand dollars, a definite decision not being reached by the court as to whether or not any of the bids would be accepted.

The various accounts were allowed and other routine business dispatched.

Sheriff Collier was given a salary of sixty dollars a month to assist him in the expense of running down any criminals that might pass this way.

Jim Sample returned the latter part of last week from Temple where he spent several weeks with his uncle.

Go to the Highway Garage for the best tubes and casings.

### PROTRACTED MEETING CLOSED SUNDAY NIGHT

The protracted meeting which has been in progress the past two weeks at the Christian church, and conducted by Revs. Kercheville, Young and Copeland, closed Sunday night. During the progress of the meeting there were nine additions to the church, seven by baptism and two by letters from other churches.

### FINE JACK AND HORSE

Black Mammoth Jack, 3 years old, 14 hands 2½ inches high, and Percheron Horse, 5 years old in June, weight 1,300. Will stand them at \$10.00 to insure.—W. R. Finch on Gipsion place. 24-3mo-2

Good, gentle horse for sale. Will work or ride. Cheap for cash.—M. W. Winkler, Dickens, Texas.

E. J. Cairnes, of the Paddle Ranch, was in Spur Saturday.



### WORKMEN STICK TO THEIR JOBS

when good workable materials are used. 20th century structures built with material from Brazelton Lumber Co. will stand 5 times as long as the next best, remaining as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar. Our products are so good that we do not commence to tell you so exceptional that we can all about them.

**BRAZELTON LUMBER COMP'Y**

## Who's Your Tailor?

A full line of Ed V. Price samples for Tailored to Order Suits Watch for their arrival.

We clean, press, mend and alter anything in men and ladies clothes.

Laundry twice a week

**RUPERT BRANNEN**

The Greatest

**BARGAIN**

**..EVENT..**

You Ever Saw  
Read or Heard of

# THE BIG RED FRONT SALE

This Big Sale

**CONTINUES**

**16-DAYS-16**

Big Bargains  
Offered Every Day

**Come And See The Bargains For You**

## THE BIG SALE OPENS THURSDAY, JULY 12, 1917

### The Greatest Bargain Event Since You Were Born !!

\$18,000.00 Worth of Goods, and the Very Best that Money Can Buy, will be Placed on Sale at Retail. Positively The Greatest Bargain Event since you were born. Every article marked in plain figures. Marvelous Saving Opportunity, and the Most Thrilling Exhibition of Modern Retailing Ever Known in this town or country. Make your Preparations to Attend. No postponement, rain or shine. The Doors will Swing Back Promptly at 9:00 a. m. Thursday, July 12

## LOWERY'S Red Front Sale

1 Lot Boys Union Suits  
For 25c

1 Lot Boys Underwear  
For 20c

One Big Bargain Lot of  
Ladies and Misses  
Hats,  
\$1.00 to \$3.50.

Beginning Thu

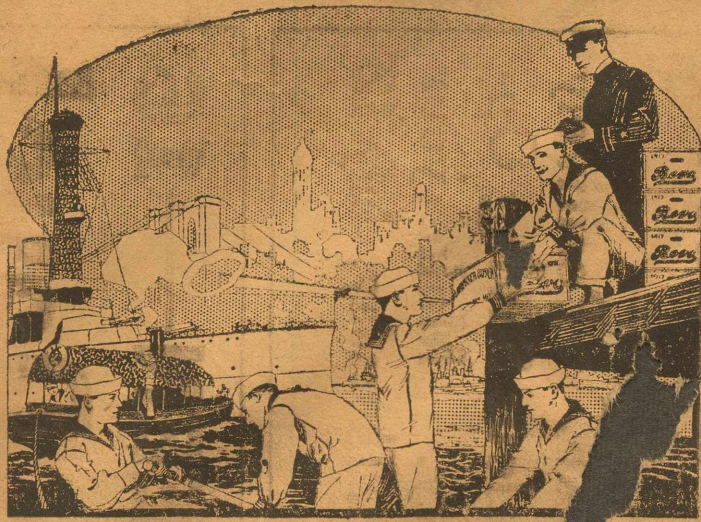
One Lot Shoes to Close  
Out During this Sale  
For 98c.

One Lot Shoes to Close  
Out During this Sale  
for 50c.

Special Lot Shoes, worth  
\$2.50 and \$3.00, in  
This Sale \$1.50

## 16—SIXTEEN—16 Bargain Days!

GRANDEST SALE EVER HELD IN THIS COUNTY



For the Blue-Jackets

**Bevo**  
A BEVERAGE

Our boys in the Navy enjoy their Bevo. The Navy Department has put its official seal of endorsement on this triumph in soft drinks, by allowing it to be sold and served on all naval vessels.

Ashore or afloat, you will find in Bevo a palate-pleasing, refreshing and nutritious beverage.

Just the thing to take along for sail or cruise—auto trip or camp and for the ice-box at home.



Bevo—the all-year-round soft drink

Bevo is sold in bottles only and is bottled exclusively by

ANHEUSER-BUSCH—ST. LOUIS

WALKER-SMITH CO.

Dealers

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

**SPUR'S BUSINESS INTERESTS ARE DEVELOPING**

A sure sign of a town's business activity and development is evidenced through its newspaper, and a glance over the advertising columns of the Texas Spur this week will be conclusive evidence that there is "something doing" in Spur. We have been here since the beginning of Spur, and in this issue we are carrying more real live advertising than we have in a single issue since the creation of Spur and the establishment of the paper—and this, too, at a dull season of the year. We attribute the increase of advertising at this time to the establishment in Spur of the two new stores, the J. T. Lowery dry goods business and the Red Store. They are reaching out after business through liberal and extensive advertising, and the business will come as a result of this advertising. Spur is already putting on new life in the matter of trade and we feel confident that it will develop into not only the best but the leading trade center west of Fort

Worth. It takes live business men to develop such a town. They are coming, and with those already here and possibly others who will come within the year, we will have the material of which live towns are made, and the people for hundreds of miles around will sit up and take notice to Spur as a live, wide-awake commercial center.

Rev. Kercheville, who has been pastor of the Christian church in Spur the past year, left Tuesday of this week for Memphis where he will pastor the church at that place. We regret very much to lose Mr. Kercheville. He was a good citizen, an able preacher and a man in every respect.

Dr. G. M. Batchelor has returned from Livermore, Colorado, and is now getting his cattle ready for grass, which he says is plentiful around Livermore. He and Mrs. Batchelor have been away for some two months and both look hale and hearty after residing in the cool region.—Post City Post.

**CAST IRON WELDED BY SPECIAL APARATUS**

Bring in your old, broken piece of farming implement, windmill, etc. and have it welded.

HERBERT G. IRWIN,  
At The Dunn Building

**SPUR CONTRIBUTES OVER \$1000 TO THE RED CROSS**

At a mass meeting held Sunday night at the Baptist tabernacle the total sum of one thousand and eighty dollars was contributed by the citizenship of Spur to the Red Cross work. One hundred and thirty dollars of this amount was made up in membership fees to the Dickens County Red Cross Society at one dollar for each membership fee. Nine hundred and fifty dollars was donated in various amounts by those present, the amounts contributed by each individual and business firm ranging from two hundred and fifty dollars, the largest donation, to five dollars, the smallest.

An interesting and instructive program was rendered, Mrs. F. W. Jennings presiding over the meeting. Rev. A. T. Douglass gave an appropriate Scripture reading, followed by prayer by Rev. H. P. Bates.

An address by Mrs. Eb Johnson on the Origin and History of the Red Cross covered the subject completely and fully. In fact it was good, covering as it did the facts of the Red Cross, that an outline of the address, that an outline of the address will be published next week for the benefit of our readers.

"Columbia, The Gem of the Ocean" was sung by fifteen or twenty children dressed in white and bearing the Red Cross emblem. Miss Creola Richbourg sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

A talk by Ned Hogan, his subject being the Present Progress and Proposed Methods of Red Cross Work, was not only appropriate for the occasion but was enlightening and appreciated.

Dr. Grace addressed the audience upon the Red Cross Work by Physicians and the Nurses, paying them glowing tribute for their part in the great work of the organization.

Mrs. Lilburn Standifer rendered a medley of patriotic songs on the piano, and Miss Donalita Standifer gave a reading entitled "Bill Becker Doing His Part."

C. B. Jones made a talk with reference to Spur's obligation to the Red Cross movement, stating that the apportionment for Spur and Dickens county in accord with the amount desired from the whole country, amounted to one thousand dollars, and that because of Spur's loyalty to not only the Red Cross work but also to its founders, S. M. Swenson & Sons, he desired that the amount asked for be contributed—and this desire was realized in that more than one thousand dollars was secured at the meeting, and something near thirteen hundred dollars having been subscribed up to this date.

A male quartette composed of Messrs. Luther Rucker, W. T. Andrews, E. C. Edmonds and R. G. Rogers, sang "Onward Christian Soldiers," and Mrs. R. E. Dickson sang "America."

Geo. S. Link talked on the subject of "Our Duty to the Men on the Firing Line," followed by Sheriff R. L. Collier who made a "patriotic" talk.

At the conclusion of the program the subscription to the Red Cross work was asked for with the result above stated,

## The Prices of Meat

ARE STILL FAR BEYOND WHAT THEY OUGHT TO BE, BUT WHY CARE WHEN YOU CAN BUY FRESH VEGETABLES AS CHEAP AS WE ARE SELLING 'EM? YOU CAN DO WITHOUT MEAT AND YOU WILL BE ALL THE HEALTHIER FOR IT. THERE IS A LOT OF REAL, TRUE NOURISHMENT IN OUR FRESH VEGETABLES, AND THE SIGHT OF THEM IS ENOUGH TO TEMPT THE AVERAGE APPETITE. TRY THEM.

## Farmers Cash Store

Spur, Texas

amounted to one thousand and eighty dollars, more than the amount allotted to the whole of Dickens county.

The Red Cross work is humane in every sense of the word and every man, saint or sinner, can contribute to it with a clear conscience and a knowledge that he is assisting a human being in sickness and distress and in real need. We consider the Red Cross one of the greatest and most worthy organizations in existence.

F. Fullbright and little son, of Dickens, were in Spur Tuesday and while here were pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Fullbright informed us that he had just sold his crop near Dickens to J. H. Meadors, and that he would engage hereafter in other occupations.

Little Miss Maude Clemmons was bitten one day last week by a dog which was supposed to have been mad. However, the dog's head was carried to Austin and developed no hydrophobia.

Go to the Highway Garage for all kinds of accessories. We appreciate your business.

**THE WAR DOGS LET LOOSE IN SPUR THIS WEEK**

We direct your attention to the advertisements appearing in this issue of the Texas Spur with respect to the Red Store.

The Red Store will open for business Friday, July 13th, being located in the former Fry Furniture Company stand near the Texas Spur office. The establishment of the Red Store in Spur will result in making Spur a bigger trade center, since it is recognized as an extensive advertiser and will bring people to Spur from all of the surrounding counties, and as a result even the merchants who do not advertise will be benefited to some degree in that they will make some sales to chance visitors and purchasers.

Again we say that advertising is the greatest force in the commercial world, and if you will take notice we venture that you will note the results of advertising from the two big sales now on in Spur, even though it is at a dull season of the year. It pays to advertise because the advertiser gets the cream of the business.

**MEBANE SEED**

I have a Car of  
**PURE MEBANE COTTON SEED**  
at the  
**Spur Light & Power Co.**  
and  
**Spot Cash Grocery**  
Price \$2.00 per bushel.  
**GET YOUR SEED NOW!**

**T. J. PENNELL**

Tom Greer was here Saturday from the Lone Oak Farm and Ranch.

Michelin tubes at the Highway Garage.



**IRRESISTIBLE IS OUR CAKE**

Guests will beg for it—children will cry for it. We bake delicious cake—plain and fancy. It's just as sweet and pure and fine in grain as cake can be. No housewife's cake can surpass ours, because we put in the costly ingredients just as she does, and take equal care in the baking.

**GERMAN KITCHEN AND BAKERY**

**COME IN AND SEE THE DROPPING OFF**  
**The Old Red Front Drug Store Place**  
 \$18,000.00 Worth of High-Class Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes and Millinery, all go on sale for 16 days. Nothing held back. It will pay you to come for miles around. A Big Saving Awaits You. Goods marked plainly  
**BIGGEST BARGAIN SALE IN PAST 20 YEARS**

One Lot of Men's Hats  
 Worth \$2.00. Your  
 Choice Now  
 98c.

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1 Lot Palm Beach Suits  
 For \$6.90.

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1 Lot Boy Palm Beach  
 Suits, 2 pair pants,  
 for \$6.90.

Monday, July 12

Lot of Gingham Hats  
 Sell up to 12½c yd.  
 Your Choice 8c.

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Laces and Embroideries  
 Will be Sold in this  
 Sale for 3c.

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One Lot Ladies Skirts.  
 Will go on Sale now  
 For Only \$2.00 to \$12.50

Never has there been such a sale. It may occur again. Every article throughout the store is marked in plain figures; any child can wait on you. High-Class Merchandise and prices to baffle, dazzle and delight you. Rain or shine, sale takes place as scheduled.  
**SAVE YOUR MONEY FOR THIS GREAT SALE!**

**Don't Spend A Cent Anywhere For Anything**

IF YOU WANT MORE FOR YOUR MONEY THAN YOU EVER GOT BEFORE  
**Wait For This Price Breaking Sale!!**

**Look, People, Look! The New Store**

WILL SELL YOU HIGH-CLASS MERCHANDISE CHEAPER THAN EVER SOLD  
 Men, Women and Children Should Take Notice and Attend This Sale.  
 Read and Think! The Greatest Money Saving Sale in Twenty Years!!

**FREE**

**Catch The Chickens!!**

SIX CHICKENS WILL BE LET LOOSE FROM THE ROOF OF THE BUILDING OPENING MORNING OF THIS SALE. CATCH THEM ON THE FLY OR RUN, KEEP THE CHICKENS. EACH WILL HAVE A TICKET TIED TO THE LEFT LEG—ONE DRAWS A PAIR OF SHOES, ANOTHER A DOLLAR BILL AND THE THIRD \$1.00 IN MERCHANDISE.

**COME**

**With The Crowds!**

**THIS IS NOT A BUNCH OF JUNK GOODS**

**But A Clean Stock Bought Before The Advance in Prices!!**

A soul stirring event, absolutely without parallel. The whole country is wild with enthusiasm. Several automobiles and men with rigs are now going into every house for twenty miles around. Posters are being tacked up on cross roads gates. Telephone girls are busy answering calls. Letters are being written to friends to meet them at the big event. It's the kind of sale that WILL DRAW PEOPLE for miles and miles. You come one time and you come again. The entire stock is offered, and a perfect modern department store system installed, making your shopping easy and pleasant. A Remarkable Sale. A Great and Mighty Undertaking. All Goods Ticketed, Everything Marked and We are Now Ready to Wait on You. A Sale Never to be Forgotten as Long as You Live. Your Grandchildren Will Talk About it in the Years to Come. Be Here When the Big Doors Swing Open and the Flood Gates of Prosperity Fly Back, For a Royal Welcome is Extended to All. There Will be Plenty of Salesmen to Serve You, and We Will Expect You.

**J. T. LOWERY**

**We Have Come To Stay!**

**SPUR, TEXAS**

**We Have Come To Stay!**

3 PER CENT OF EACH \$1.00 WILL BE PAID TO SOME OF THE SEVERAL CHURCHES IN SPUR.

**FREE**

**50 Tickets at Opening**

THE FIRST FIFTY PEOPLE WHO ENTER THE STORE ON OPENING MORNING WILL BE GIVEN A TICKET. EACH TICKET IS NUMBERED AND THREE OF THESE NUMBERS WILL DRAW PRIZES. THIS IS FREE TO EVERYBODY. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY.

**COME**

**With The Crowds!**

**THE TEXAS SPUR**  
PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

Entered as second-class matter November 12th, 1909., at the post office at Spur, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879

ORAN McCLURE, Publisher

Subscription price, \$1.50 a year

FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

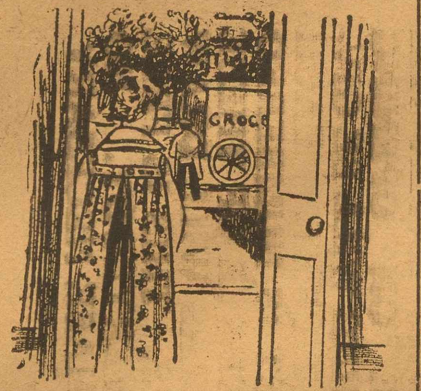
Friday, July 13th, 1917

**ACCUSED OF CATTLE THEFT NEAR ROTAN**

Tuesday a message came to City Marshall Oscar Owen asking him to look out for a man by the name of Rice accused of stealing cattle near Rotan.

Soon Mr. Owen found the man and seven head of cattle, but it was charged that only two were stolen.—Hamlin Herald.

L. T. Cochran and wife left last week for Amarillo where they will spend a month or two visiting relatives and for the benefit of their health.



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**LITTLE GIRL NEAR HAMLIN MEETS FRIGHTFUL DEATH**

A very shocking and unusual accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gibson's seven miles east of Hamlin on last Friday afternoon, when their little twelve year old daughter was mortally wounded by falling into a window pane.

As near as we are able to get at the circumstances, it seems that the little girl and her little brother were playing and in some way she fell against the window pane and the left hand broke through and a piece of glass penetrated the left side and made an opening two inches long penetrating the hollow. A physician was hastily called and the seriousness of the case was at once seen and his advice was to go at once to a sanitarium. The little one grew worse and was taken to a sanitarium at Stamford early Saturday morning, but soon after arriving death claimed the patient.—Hamlin Herald.

W. M. Stovall, of Dickens, was in Spur Thursday of this week attending to business affairs and greeting his many friends of the city.

W. H. Harrell returned this week from a trip to Tucumcari, New Mexico, where he spent several days on business.

Mrs. J. E. Shelby and children moved last week from Spur to Dublin where they will make their home in the future.

**BATTLE TO THE DEATH WITH A BIG RATTLER**

Mrs. E. Haase, of near Spur, returned recently from near Gatesville where she attended the funeral of her mother who died as the result of a battle with a huge rattlesnake. The following report of the battle was taken from the Gatesville Messenger:

"News comes to us this week of a desperate battle between an old lady and a large rattlesnake, the encounter taking place one day the past week on the Connettle ranch on the line of Coryell and Hamilton counties.

An old German lady, Mrs. Swasby, had left the house and gone out to cut some cane taking with her to do the work a small hand axe, and while busily engaged at her work she encountered the huge rattlesnake which, without giving her the regulation warning, struck her on the arm. Realizing that the bite was fatal the lady, who is said to have been about seventy years of age, struck back with the axe, and it was then the death struggle began.

The news reaching this office is to the effect that so fierce and terrific was the struggle that the battle ground had the appearance of having been fought over by two human beings. The huge snake would strike, and the brave and courageous old lady would wield her axe with deadly effect, finally succeeding in killing the reptile by chopping the head from the body. She then returned to the house and old of the struggle and where they would find the dead snake, and a few hours later she breathed her last. It is said the snake's head measured three inches across the top and that he had fourteen rattles. The old lady succeeded in cutting him into three pieces before she abandoned the fight.

**COWS FOR SALE.**

Jersey and Durham milk cows with calves to sell.—A. E. Morgan. 32tf

Lost—A Red Poll Heifer (muley) two years old, with some white spots, branded an E (upside down) on left hip, marked slit in one ear. Missing since last March. Will pay ten dollars reward for her return to me at Spur, Texas.—Miss Lucy Webb.

Two second hand Ford cars to sell at a bargain.—Davis & Edmonds. 32tf

Old scrap iron of every description wanted by Spur Produce Company. tf

Mrs. M. L. Pierce returned recently from an extended visit to her parents at Ponta.

Carl Patton returned Wednesday from Sherman where he spent several days with relatives and friends.

W. J. Elliot came in Saturday from his Spring Creek farm and ranch, and while here dropped in at the Texas Spur office for a few minutes.

A seven thousand dollar stock of Drugs and Fixtures for sale or trade for land. Call at Texas Spur office for particulars. 36-2t

Charley Yates returned this week from Fort Worth where he had been spending several days with his parents.

Mack Brown returned this week from Dallas where he had been to enlist for training in the navy.

No. 10703 Reserve District No. 11  
Report of the condition of The City National Bank of Spur, at Spur, in the State of Texas, at the close of business June 20, 1917.

**RESOURCES**

1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c) \$178,367.04	
Total	178,367.04
Deduct:	
d Notes and bills rediscounted (see item 54)	
2. Overdrafts, unsecured	4,987.15
5. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) \$10,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds	10,000.00
6. e Securities other than U. S. Bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged \$ 437.99	437.99
8. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	1,500.00
9. Banking house (if unencumbered) 7,750.00	7,750.00
10. Furniture and fixtures	2,150.00
12. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis 14,674.23	
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities 560.76	15,234.99
13. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 13 or 21)	550.00
16. a Outside checks and other cash items 2,803.50	
b Fractional currency, nickels, and cents 89.05	2,892.55
17. Notes of other National Banks	3,708.00
18. Federal Reserve bank notes	2,000.00
20. Lawful reserve in vault and due from Federal Reserve Bank	11,071.51
21. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer 500.00	
Total	\$243,012.49

**LIABILITIES**

23. Capital stock paid in	\$40,000.00
24. Surplus fund	10,000.00
25. Undivided profits \$17,967.58	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 4,657.04	13,310.54
28. Circulating notes outstanding	10,000.00
31b Net amount due to approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	2,784.94
33. Individual deposits subject to check	156,840.33
36. Cashier's checks outstanding 923.35	
Total demand deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 137,802.68	
41. Drafts of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	1,153.92
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 41, 42, 43, 1,153.92	
52. Liabilities other than those above stated	120.00
Total	\$235,235.49
54. Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank	7,779.00
Total contingent liabilities	243,012.49

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 3rd day of July 1917.  
JENNIE SHIELDS, Notary Public

Correct—Attest:  
Sol Davis  
C. Hogan  
P. H. Miller  
Directors

No. 9611 Reserve District No. 11  
Report of the condition of The Spur National Bank, at Spur, in the State of Texas at the close of business on June 20th, 1917

**RESOURCES**

1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c) \$249,931.90	
Total loans	\$249,931.90
2. Overdrafts, secured, \$ 1,887.36; unsecured, \$ 1,887.36	1,887.36
5. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) 25,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds	25,000.00
6. Payment on account subscription for Liberty Loan Bonds	100.00
8. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	3,750.00
9. Banking house, (if unencumbered) \$25,000.00	25,000.00
10. Furniture and fixtures	5,000.00
11. Other real estate owned	500.00
12. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis 854.03	
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities 26,429.83	27,283.86
13. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 13 or 21)	24,371.60
15. Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	172.23
16. a Outside checks and other cash items \$ 50.83	
b Fractional currency, nickels and cents 82.00	132.83
17. Notes of other national banks	605.90
19. Federal Reserve notes	50.00
20. Lawful reserve in vault and due from Federal Reserve Bank	24,441.33
21. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Total	\$389,476.11

**LIABILITIES.**

23. Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
24. Surplus fund	25,000.00
25. Undivided profits 13,389.95	
b Less current expenses, int. and taxes paid 14,205.96	4,183.99
28. Circulating notes outstanding	24,500.00
31. Net amount due to banks and bankers (other than included in 30 or 31)	25,000.00
Demand deposits:	
33. Individual deposits	160,708.12
36. Cashier's checks outstanding 84.00	
Total deposits, Items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40 160,792.12	
47. Bills Payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than rediscounts	50,000.00
TOTAL	\$389,476.11

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 30th day of June, 1917.  
S. T. CLEMMONS, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
C. A. Jones  
W. C. Sherrod  
R. C. Forbis  
Directors

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SPUR, TEXAS

### THE STATE OF TEXAS To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon W. E. Sturgis by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County. To appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Dickens County, to be holden at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Dickens, on the Third Monday in August 1917, the same being the 20th day of August, 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 2nd day of July, 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 119 wherein L. H. Perry is Plaintiff, and W. E. Sturgis is Defendant, said petition alleging as follows: That on or about the 9th day of February, 1917, the Defendant, W. E. Sturgis, became indebted to the plaintiff by the execution of one note for \$440.00, and by the endorsement and transfer of other notes amounting to \$108.90, which notes and each of them are now long past due and unpaid, and which notes and each of them bear interest at the rate of ten per cent and provide for ten per cent attorneys fees.

That the Defendant, though often requested, has failed and refused to pay the same or any part thereof, except the sum of \$172.40, to the Plaintiff's damage at this time in the sum of \$677.80, for which Plaintiff sues.

Plaintiff further alleging that for valuable consideration the plaintiff became the pur-

chaser thereof, before maturity. Plaintiff says that the contingency upon which the attorneys fee clause should mature, has become operative and he has placed said notes in the hands of Pittman & Taylor, Lawyers of the Stephenville bar, for suit.

Plaintiff prays for judgment for the full amount due on said notes, principal, interest and attorneys fees, and for all costs of suit and for such other and further relief as he may be entitled to under the facts alleged and the evidence adduced.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular Term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness M. Gay Clerk of the County Court of Dickens County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dickens this the 11th day of July, A. D. 1917.

M. GAY, Clerk,  
County Court, Dickens County,  
Texas. 37-4t

Wyatt A. Taylor returned last week from Washington and the Eastern states where he spent a month or more attending the national reunion of ex-Confederates and visiting relatives and old time scenes. He reports having had a nice time and stated that he would have remained longer but that his funds run low and he had to return to recuperate.

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### RECESS WAS CALLED.

A real estate agent was testifying in court recently in a case involving the exchange of a picture show for a farm. It was contended that the theatre was not worth what it was represented, owing to its locality. The attorney asked the witness to state what the surroundings of the theatre were. "Next door to it was a shoe shining place," he answered, "then came a garage, and next was a saloon, and that's as far as I got." When the excitement subsided, the judge observed that that was a good place to stop, and the customary mid-session recess was called.—Indianapolis News.

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Leave Roaring Springs 12:30 Arrive Spur 5:20

Creed Hale returned recently from Dallas where he enlisted for training in the navy. He is now waiting for a call to the training camp.



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W. T. ANDREWS, JR., ASSISTANT CASHIER

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons and daughter, Miss Maude, returned the first of the week from Austin where they had been to confer with the pasteur institute officials as the result of Maude having been bitten by a dog supposed to have had hydrophobia. The dog's head was carried and upon examination it developed that it did not have hydrophobia.

Little Miss Ila Counts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Counts of near Spur, is reported quite sick of typhoid fever.

Mr. Peters, of Colorado, was in Spur last week. Mrs. Peters, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Neilon, returned home with Mr. Peters.

Mrs. C. R. Fellmy and two children left last week for Snyder where they will spend some time with her brother, returning to Spur in time for the beginning of school.

Luther Jones, who is now ranching about forty miles below Spur, passed through with a bunch of cattle last week, taking them to the Lewis ranch near Clarendon for pasturage.

Mrs. J. A. Sullivan, who has been in Post for an operation at the Post sanitarium, returned home last week and is now doing nicely, we are glad to note.

Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, of several miles west of Dickens, was in Spur last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

One Buick, Model 35, for sale or trade, in good condition. One Ford, 1915 Model, for sale or trade.—Highway Garage.

C. H. Senning and family, with the exception of Earyl, left Thursday of this week for an extended trip to Colorado and other places for the benefit of Mr. Sennings' health. While gone Earyl Senning will have charge of the Spur Grain & Coal business. We hope that the trip will greatly benefit Mr. Senning.

County Farm Agent Crawford came over from Dickens Tuesday of this week and spent the day in Spur on business. Mr. Crawford's services in the farm work is in demand and he is kept busy instructing and showing farmers how to farm more scientifically and care for stock in the best manner.

Dr. Gough, a specialist in surgery and treatment of the eye, ear, nose and throat, was in Spur this week and spent several days here with Dr. G. P. Stoker at his offices over the Spur National Bank.

Andy Thomas left this week for other parts of the country, recuperating after an operation recently at the Standifer Hospital. We hope that Mr. Thomas will return fully recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell moved recently to Abilene where he has a position in a garage. While in Spur Mr. Caldwell was an employee of the Highway Garage.

W. W. Garner, of the Red Mud country, was a recent business visitor in Spur and spent numerous friends and acquaintances.

E. B. Shaw, of the Croton country, was among the many visitors to Spur Monday.

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Let us demonstrate either one of these cars, and if you are in the market for a car you will be pleased.

## DAVIS & EDMONDS

Judge Walter L. Powell was in Spur Thursday from Dickens and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports every thing moving along nicely in the capital city.

Charley Bird, of near Matador, was in Spur Wednesday of this week and spent several hours here on business and to greet his friends.

Miss Thelma McMahan, of Albany, is in the city the guest of Miss Norma Jackson.

## W. C. BOWMAN Lumber Com'y.

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WE HEREBY ANNOUNCE TO THE PUBLIC THAT WE ARE OPENING UP AT SPUR AN EXCLUSIVE CLOTHING STORE, BY WHICH ENTERPRISE THE PEOPLE OF SPUR AND SURROUNDING COUNTRY AND TRADE TERRITORY WILL BE ENABLED TO SECURE THEIR GOODS AT HOME THE QUESTION OF THE HOUR is Answered Each and Every Day at This Store. By Buying Direct From the Factories Where the Goods are Made, We Save the People the "MIDDLE PRICE," and They Become Participants in the First Ranks, Where Otherwise They Have Been Accustomed to the Second and Third Ranks of Trade.

With Our Knowledge of the Needs of Texas We Have Had Our Eyes on Spur. We Saw Several Counties Unprotected by the "Power of Price." Here are Motley, Cottle, Crosby, Floyd, King, Garza, Kent, Stonewall, all Surrounding Dickens County. Not One With the Facilities of a House With the "POWER OF THE PRICE." We Have Come Among You to Fill the Need of Protection and to Place You in the Front Ranks of Trade. We Believe That There are Hundreds and Thousands of Articles of Mens and Boys Clothing, Shoes, and etc., Which Would Find a Ready Market at Spur With the Usual Protection of Price, Which Business is Otherwise Directed to Other and Better Markets. We Propose to Supply the Demand With a Clothing Store Which Will be Designed on the Pattern of All Our Stores in Texas and Louisiana.

2200 Pairs of Women and Children Shoes on Tables Will be Closed Out at \$1.00 Pair.

600 Ladies and Misses Trimmed Hats will be sold at 50c to \$1.00 Each.

Mens \$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits Will go at \$12.50 Each

Hundreds of Mens Shirts will be sold at 38c, 50c up.

Suit Cases, Counterpanes, Blankets, Union Suits, all kinds of Shoes, Mens Hats, Corsets, Work Pants, all will be closed out at the quitting prices.

Hundreds of Pairs of Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, will be sold at 5c, 10c and upwards.

1200 BALOONS WILL BE GIVEN AWAY TO THE CHILDREN ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

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200 Pairs Mens Blue, German Dyed, Overalls, at Only 75c.

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