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During the week the highest Price paid for cotton was 42.50

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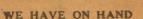
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**COTTON SOLD AS HIGH AS 42.50 ON SPUR MARKET LAST WEEK** 

Cotton on the Spur market last week brought as high as forty two and a half cents a pound. Throughout this week the price has ranged around this figure.

Forty two cents a pound sounds like a big price for cotton, but according to the figures of experts it has cost the farmers fifty one cents a pound to produce cotton this year. If it costs fifty one cents to produce cotton it is poor business to rush it on the mar-ket at forty cents a pound. There is not a question but that farmers could get more than fifty cents a pound for cotton if they would refuse to sell it for less. Everything now indicates that the market price will reach fifty cents a pound before the end of the year. This is the time to hold cotton, and the holder is taking very little risk. The trouble is that never before in our day has theprice been as high as forty cents, and everybody is anxious to "get the money."

At the close of the Civil war the and fifty cents a pound—and it may do the same thing again at this the close of the World's war. The whole world is short on cotton, and the spinners must have it regardless of price. We do not believe in "holding up" any body, but if it costs fifty one cents a pound to produce cotton, the producer should have a fair per cent of profit above this figure when he places his staple on the market. If we had a hundred bales we would hold it for fifty cents a pound. The fact of the business is that if we had to sell cotton for less than it cost us to produce it, we would quit the cotton business and engage in the oil business.

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24 RANCH TEST WELL FOR OIL IS NOW 1,150 FEET DEEP

The 24 Ranch well, after a delay of more than a month in straightening out a flat hole at a depth of 1,056 feet, is again drilling, having reached a depth of 1150 feet Saturday night, and the drilling continues uninterrupt

Phone 18

**Ginning Cotton Is Our Business** 

> WE ARE NOW READY TO GIN AND WILL APPRECIATE A PART OF YOUR BUSINESS. WHEN YOU COME TO SPUR WITH COT. TON, REMEMBER

**An Appeal to Farmers** by Spur Gin Men

Farmers Gin Co.,

SPUR. TEXAS

Listen Mr. Farmer, are you our friend

We, too, like you, are just men,

But your wet cotton we will not gim

The laws of our country say its a sin. Please don't force this on us again.

If you do, we must enter in,

And charge for the actual time it takes to gin.

NOW WE KNOW YOU ARE ALL MEN OF INTELIGENCE REASON AND AN HONEST CONSCIENCE, WHO WISH TO DO THE RIGHT THING. ALSO TO CO-OPERATE WITH US IN EVERYTHING THAT IS FOR THE WEL-FARE OF EACH AND EVERY CITIZEN OF DICKENS COUNTY. ALSO WE KNOW THERE NEVER WAS A MORE LAW-ABIDING SET OF MEN THAN WE HAVE, SO IF THE LAW OF OUR COUNTRY SAYS IT IS NOT RIGHT TO DO THIS, LET US ALL CO-OPERATE AND DO OUR PART. KNOWING THAT ONE AND ALL WILL BE GLAD TO COME TO US IN CO-OPERATION, WE THANK YOU SINCERELY. YOURS VERY TRULY,

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## DRILLING ON THE J. C. DAVIS WELL IS BEING DONE WITH OIL

## On account of the coal shortage as a result of the coal miners strike, the Spur Oil Company has installed oil burneers and now firing with oil for drilling operations on the test well on the J. C. Davis land five miles to the penitentiary and the other to the On account of the coal shortage as

dresser have been added to the force of workmen and the work will hereaf-ter progress more rapidly and unin-erruptedly. In fact, Mr McGee ex-pects the drill to reach a sufficient depth before the first of the year to almost complete the test. He expects to have to drill only about eighteen

S. L. DAVIS CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK

THE TWO BOYS SENTENCED TO **4 YEARS FOR AUTO THEFT** 

Sheriff Barber received information

on the J. C. Davis land five miles to the northeast of Spur. The drillers on this well are now fishing for a string of tools lost. The well is approximately five hundred feet deep. A second driller and tool dresser have been added to the force of workmen and the work will hereaf. nounce S. L. Davis as a candidate for the office of District and County Clerk of the car.

Again this week he secured a stolen car but the man has not shown up.



The well for more than a month has been smoking considerable dead, dry gas, and the volume of this gas has increased somewhat since the drill has Increased somewhat since the drill has gone deeper. The bit is now in an-other oil sand which shown a consid-erable amount of oil. This is the third sand to be encountered in this well, the first sand being at a depth of seven hundred feet, and the second sand which also showed oil was at a depth of pine bundred feet depth of nine hundred feet. Before reaching the first oil sand in

Before reaching the first oil sand in this well a number of feet of solid, clear white rock salt was gone thru. Should the test well for oil fail to bring in a paying oil well, the mining of this salt will be a big paying prop-osition. Whether or not oil is found in paying quantities, the 24 Ranch toldinge is aready procent very the in underground resources which will eventually be fully developed.

The Texas Spur is authorized to an-

of Dickens County, subject to the ac-

Henry Mitchell, who is now at Ran\_ ger working for an oil company, sent us a dollar and fifty cents for the Tex-as Spur this week by his daughter who had been down visiting him. She reports that Mr. Mitchell is pleased with

of Dickens County, subject to the ac-tion of the Democratic primary elec-tions to be held in July, 1920. S. L. Davis is now deputy clerk, having been serving in this capacity since October 1917. and has had full charge of the duties of the office since July since which time Magrin Gay has We hope Henry Mitchell will be one of the number who strikes it rich in the oil belt. He is a fine citizen and deserves some of the world's riches.

depth before the first of the year to almost complete the test. He expects to have to drill only about eighteen hundred feet where a pool of oil is ex-pected to be uncovered, according to the ialculations of geologists. J. V. McCrmick was in Spur Mon-day from Afton. He reports having ginned more than seven hundred bales of cotton at his gin up to this time. HEAT OYSTERS, COFFEE AND PIE July since which time Marrin Gay has been unable to work on account of illuess. Before that time Mr. Davis been unable to work on account of illuess. Before that time Mr. Davis heen unable to work on account of illuess. Before that time Mr. Davis have oysters, coffee and pie in Spur saturday, November 22, proceeds to be used for the benefit of Spur school library and educational intercests of the town and country. of cotton at his gin up to this time.

CITIZENS GIN & POWER CO. SWENSON GIN, BIGHAM W. BAKER THE FARMERS GIN CO.

ter showings for oil could be asked for than is being encountered in this test well, and he expects to bring in a big well before many more day:. The coal shortage and mine strike has caused the drillers to put in oil burners and the engines are now fired with oil instead of coal.

R. L. English, of the Highway sec-tion, was in town Monday. He brot in a ladies cload which he found on the road, telling us to advertise it and if the owner failed to call for it he would redeem it himself. Mr. English recently bought the E. Haase farm on Duck Creek and will move to the place another year.

W. T. Lovell was in town again Monday with cotton. This cotton bus iness is evidently worrying Lovell, in that h has no time to drive that new Chevrolet. When he gets about fifty bales picked out and ginned we look

The second

January, A. D. 1920, it being the 6th day of said month, before the Courty in the town of Dickens County, Texas, and being all of the undivided inter-est of the said defendant, Geo. Eth bits, in and to all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 25 and 26 in Block No. 5, of the town of Spur, as shown by the origin and plat of said town now of record in the office of the County, Clerk of said Dickens Cunty, Texas, and being the same property conveyed to J. E. Johnson and G. E. White by The Stamford & Northwestern Townsito of November, A. D. 1910, together with the Electric Light Plant, Gin Mill, Buildings, Engines, Boilers, Gin the of lectric lines, poles, transfor mers, meters in service, easements property, improvements and fixtures and all electric lines, poles, transfor mers, meters in service, easements property, improvements and fixtures and all electric lines, poles, transfor mers for any manner with said fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises belong finant and Singula the right property, improvements and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether said above described premises and fixtures and all of the above property whether an ises or elsewhere in said town of Spur, and all of the above property whether real, personal or mixed, and all of the interest of Geo. E. White in and to Three cars of cotton seed; Five Hun-dred and Eighty patterns of baggings and ties; two-thirds barrel cylinder oil; two-thirds barrel cylinder oil; two-thirds barrel cylinder and fixtures; all electric merchandise and supplies; all tools; wrenches; belts and belt lacing equipment; seed forks; scoops; firing tools; slice bar; clinker hook; fre extinguisher and buckets; fire hose; and all books, open accounts the personal property; choses in ac-tion; supples; fuel; furnishings and equipments situated on the above de scribed promises or in any manner equipments situated on the above de scribed premises or in any manner used in connection with said Gin Plant Light Plant and Mill Plant and either or all of them whether situated on said above described premises or not, levied on as the property of Geo. E. White as a partner with J. E. Johnson and as the property of said Geo. E. White jointly with the said J. E. John-son and individually to satisfy a judg-ment in favor of J. E. Johnson on his cross-action in said suit against the said Geo. E. White, on the 14th day of February, 1919, amounting to Four February, 1919, amounting to Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-eight & No-100 (\$4,628.00) Dollars, with six per cent interest per annum there-on from said date, and in addition thereto for all such sums of money as the said J. E. Johnson may be requir-ed to pay on judgment of plaintiff, Louise Snodgrass, against the said J. E. Johnson and Geo. E. White as partners and jointly and severally for the sum of Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Six & 02-100 (\$12,-986.02) Dollars with interest from said date at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and costs of suit. Given under my hand, this 7th day six per cent interest per annum there-Given under my hand, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1919. G. L. BARBER,

Sheriff of Dickens County, Texas

tion with the said Gin Plant, Light Plant and Mill Plant and either or all of them whether situated on said

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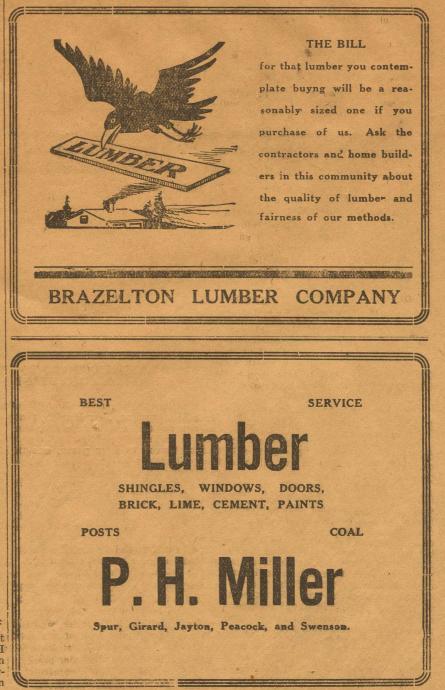
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liberal. This is your greatest opportunity to aid in the reconstruction of the world along sane and moral lines.

The drive for cash and five-year pledges with which to carry out this program will be made during

## Victory Week, November 30-December 7

Enlist now with the Baptist church of your community and be ready to do a worthy part in raising

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## EPITOMIZED NEWS OF **ESPECIAL INTEREST**

IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE EN TIRE WEEK REDUCED FOR BUSY READERS.

## **BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC**

Carefully Prepared for Those Who Desire to Keep Thoroughly Posted on Events.

#### FOREIGN-

The troops in the Spanish zone of Morocco have begun operations for the punishment of various insurgent tribes.

A report from Russian sources says General Denekine has recaptured Orel from the bolsheviki and is advancing toward Moscow.

The war has left Prussia with a surplus of women over men, there being now, it is estimated, 1,107 females for every thousand males.

The United States army transport President Grant, with 5,000 American troops on board, who are destined for Coblenz, have arrived at Brest.

The British government has been given a vote of confidence in the house of commons on its financial policy by an overwhelming majority of 55.

Elections to the new commercial council for Fiume resulted in an overwhelming victory for the annexationists, according to a Fiume dispatch.

Two of the bolsheviki Novik type cruisers, sent out from Kronstadt recently to support the Red defense of Krasnoye Selo, have been sunk by mines.

The congress of Spanish employers, sitting at Barcelona declared a general lockout of workmen throughout Spain. The lockout order is effective this week.

Japan has ratified the treaty of peace of Versailles. The peace treaty was approved by the privy council Monday at a meeting over which the emperor presided.

Notification has been given the peace conference by a representative of Italy that the proposal made by Foreign Minister Tittoni for the settle-ment of the Fiume problem had not been accepted by the United States.

The gravity of the financial condition of Germany is frankly admitted by the government in a public session of the national council. Government representatives stated that the national debt is already 172.000,000,000 marks, and that is will rise to 204,000, 000,000 by April 1, 1920.

Published intimations that the abduction of William O. Jenkins, American consular agent at Puebla, presented phases indicative of connivance with the bandits are refuted in a story published by the Excelsior. The

# Cotton...

THE GREAT COTTON CROP OF THE SOUTH IS READY FOR THE MARKETS OF THE WORLD.

THIS INSTITUTION IS READY, ALSO, TO THE FULL LIMIT OF IT'S RESOURCES TO ASSIST THE FARMERS OF THIS COMMUNITY ON ANY OF THEIR MARKETING PROBLEMS DURING THE BUSY DAYS THAT ARE BEFORE US ALL.

ANY ASSISTANCE WE MAY HAVE RENDERED TO YOU IN THE PAST HAS BEEN CHEERFULLY EXTENDED AS AN EXPRESSION OF OUR UNBOUNDED FAITH IN YOU AND IN THE WEALTH-PRODUC-ING FARMS OF OUR COMMUNITY; AND, NOW THAT YOU ARE ABOUT TO BE REWARDED FOR YOUR MONTHS OF TOIL, AND YOUR COTTON MONEY IS BEGINNING TO COME IN, WE SHALL TAKE IT AS EVIDENCE OF YOUR APPRECIATION OF THE ASSIS-TANCE WE HAVE GIVEN IF YOU WILL PLACE YOUR DEPOSITS WITH US.

#### YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR SUCCESS.

LET'S CO-OPERATE WITH EACH OTHER.

# The Spur National Bank

Ogden Armour of Armour & Co. was fined \$1,000 in district court at Milwaukee after being charged with keeping 160,000 pounds of meat in cold storage for more than a year in violation of the cold storage law.

-0-Nearly 400,000 tons of sugar enough to meet American demands until the next crop is produced, is held in Cuban warehouses, says a cablegram from President Alejo Careceno of the Cuban Sugar Manufacturers' and Planters' association.

The United States sugar equaliza-

Mrs Ella Wheeler Wilcox, author and poetess, died at her home, the Eungalow, in Brandford Conn., recent-Mrs. Wilcox had been ill for some months.

With 20 dead and six more missing, only time can bring an accurate count of the toll of the great seas which lifted the Crosby passenger steamer Muskegon, formerly the City of Holland, and smashed her to pieces on the piers at the entrance to the Muskegon, Mich., harbor recently.

WASHINGTON-The condition of the cotton ci States railroad administration Dec. 1

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## SELL COTTON ONLY AS THE WORLD IS READY FOR IT

The government estimate of ten mil lion six hundred ninety six thousand bales of cotton for this crop is 534,-000 bales less than September 1st. The entime belt is infested with in-sects. Their effect upon the final yield is not yet determined. The damage by the insects may be expected to continue as a surprising factor through the season. A ten million bale crop, or less, is nearly certain. Insect damage results in low grade,

stained cotton. West Texas has prac tically all of the white, high grade cotton in the state and it is selling for two or three cents less than the infe-rior grades in other sections. To provide this the work to coll should remedy this the rush to sell should

The serious question is, where will the supply of raw cotton come from? English spinners say the South made a great mistake in reducing the acre age; that English spinners want four million bales of this crop for their own use, and could use the whole crop own use, and could use the whole crop They are furnishing German spinners cotton to spin into yarn, on commis-sion, and need two million bales or more for that purpose. The mills of the United States want 7,500,000, bales, Japan and Canada at least one million bales. This makes 15,500,000 bales. All want a better grade of cotton than last year's carry over. France, Italy, Belgium, Germany and France, Italy, Belgium, Germany and other countries need four to six million bales.

The carry-over of spinable cotton is estimated to be about three million bales. There is an eighteen to twenty million bale demand, and a possible thirteen million bale supply. The scramble for cotton will soon be ter-

rific. To rush it to market faster than it can be handled is very foolish. These spinners need eight or ten months to buy and pay for this crop. They will buy it faster only at a sac-rifice to the producer and profit to rifice to the producer and profit to themselves. Bankers and merchants are business men and know these are facts. They know the farmer ought to sell his own only as the world is

to sell his own only as the world is ready for it. The farmers rushing their cotton to market discourages bullish specu-lators from bidding the price up. Knowing the cost γf producing this crop averages about forty five cents per pound, banks and merchants, to whom many farmers look as their ad whom many farmers look as their ad-visors, should see to it that the crop is not marketed faster than it can be easily moved, and for not less than cost of production. If bankers, merchants and farmers will demand negotiable receipts from the warehouses, cotton can be held and debts eased without sacrificing the price. When the price of cotton declines, quit sell-

There is a cotton famine now. Cot-ton is selling for \$50 per bale less than it cost, and will easily bring cost As the first preliminary step to-ward actually returning the railroads to their corporate owners, the United States railroad administration Dec. 1 and merchants through increased de-

the movement. We appeal to you as foresighted business men to do your Your customers need the monthe United States was given as 51.1 per cent of normal Oct. 25, in a special Three Finish Transcontinental Derby. ef they are losing, and certainly there to hold and market slowly. The far-Hartney, in a German fokker, and mers must exercise nerve, and get Hartney, in a German fokker, and Lieutenant Ralph B; Bagby, in a De Haviland, landed at Roosevelt Field bers.

newspaper's story is the result of an investgation by its special representatives in Puebla.

The great merger of the railway system of the republic of Mexico, which was effected in 1908 under the administration of the late President Porfirio Diaz, when all the railroads operating in Mexico, including the Mexican National line from Laredo to Mexico City, were merged into what has since been known as the national lines of Mexico, is to be dissolved and the various railway properties are to revert to their private owners.

#### DOMESTIC-

For the first time in its history, Milwaukee is bone dry.

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Friends of General Fershing have raised \$5,060 for a gold sword which will be presented to him upon his return to his old home at Laclede, Mo.

staff to General Leonard Wood, commander of the central department of the army, has been ordered to Huntington, W. Va. --0--

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pass an ordinance to permit minia- a vote of 47 to 36. ture model motion picture projectors to be used in the public schools and operated by amateurs.

Resolutions favoring the obtaining of a higher price for sugar this season than last were adopted at a meeting of the American Cane Growers' association at New Orleans.

John P. Charlton, piloting the air mail from Chalfont, Pa., drove through a heavy fog and crashed to his death into the side of Schooley's mountain near Dover, N. J., recently.

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tion board has telegraphed Senator Mc-Nary, (Rep.), Oregon, in charge of the senate sugar investigation, that it was preparing to "wind up its activities" in view of inability to obtain sufficient sugar from Cuba to warrant futher government control.

> The use of saccharin in place of sugar, which many housewives are being tempted to resort to in these days of scant sugar supply, may involve menace to the health and is to be condemned, according to specialists in the bureau of chemistry of the United States department of agriculture.

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--0-The condition of wheat stored in some sections of the Panhandle was explained to officials of the railroad administration by J. C. Paul of Amarillo. In Gray and Carson counties, he explained, 1,500 000 bushels of wheat are on the ground at Pampa, White Deer and Panhandle, and rapidly deteriorat-

ing.

The 48 amendments attached to the Colonel E. H. Humphrey, chief of peace treaty by the foreign relations committee have passed into history. The last survivor of the group, a proposal by Senator Moses (Rep.) of New Hampshire, to revise voting strength in the league of nations, has been con-The Dallas city commission will signed to the discard in the senate by

> The senate has passed the prohibition enforcement act over the president's veto and made immediately effective machinery for preventing sale of beverages containing more than one half of 1 per cent alcohol. ---0---

> President Wilson has issued a formal statement with the approval of the full membership of his cabinet, declaring the project strike of bituminous coal miners under present circumstances "not only unjustifiable; it is unlawful"

the United States was given as 51.1 per report just issued.

Many new arrests in a number of states for violation of the food and fuel control law are expected soon by the department of justice

By a vote of 38 to 40, the senate has defeated the Johnson amendment to the peace treaty to equalize voting strength within the league of nations.

With only the French capital delegate opposing the action, the interna tional labor conference decided to admit representatives of Germany and

Fourth investigation of irregularities in the army air service reported on at President Wilson's request by Charles E. Hughes has begun by a special congressional subcommittee.

#### The supreme court has granted the government permission to take part in the case now before the court, at tacking the constitutionality of the tax on child labor products.

The committee on public information headed by George Creel, cost the gov ernment about \$6,600,000 on the face of its chaotic records, according to official reports now before congress.

Timothy Shea has notified congress that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, of which he is acting president, would not observe pending anti-strike legislation if enacted into law.

Attorney General Freeling of Oklahoma has filed papers with the clerk of the supreme court in the suit of the state of Oklahoma against the state of Texas to determine the boundary between the states.

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Mineola, N. Y .-- Colonel Harold E. Friday, finishing in the army's trans- ture and Chamber of Commerce Memcontinental air race.



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FOUR ISSUES COUNT A MONTH

#### Friday, November 14th, 1919.

#### WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING? Halloween pranks Friday night were

orgies. The innocent tricks of years gone

were forgotten. and young women, in a large number showed themselves to be more than mischievious; they were mean, brutal and malevolent. Windows were smashed, rocking chairs were taken for the total they know in the they know in the boby of which they know mothing. Half of East Arkansas and many acres of land in the delta have changed hands during the last year in the lobby of the Peabody Hotel. Event were taken the lobby of the Peabody Hotel. from front porches and broken, telephone lines were cut, the cords hold-ing up street electric wires were cut and the lights were permitted to drop down in their own tracks. This made danger to to the ground.

The situation became so bad that street car triffic was suspended on many lines after ten o'clock. If rain had not prevented there would have been more excesses, with possibly fires.

In one homethere was a sick wom-i. That house was bombarded. On life, limb and property. What brought about the frame of

mind of children and young people that caused the extraordinary excess-es Friday night over the usual Hallow e'en pranks? As are children, so are men; men are grown-up children.

few weeks ago certain members of highly skilled trades in the city of New York, in defiance of their gener-drifting into the state where each is a New York, in defiance of their general officers and in violation of their contracts, went out on strike. A few days later thousands engaged in the business of loading and unloading rather than according to reason and ships at enormous rates of pay went out on a strike against the orders of their leaders and in defiance of an urgent request of the federal author-

certain railroad workmen all over the country struck. Coal miners of the United States, in obedience to their United States, in obedience to their

400,000. All of the departures from the reg ular order are not to be charged to Halloween revelers and laboring men

There are more people traveling up and down the United States than ever before. Trains going in every direction are crowded. Hotels in all cities are filled to capacity. The people going west meet the people going east. This traveling and moving is in viola. tion of the regular order of thins.

other lines. West Point graduatets are leaving the army to get more high ly paid positions elsewhere. Univer-sity dons and public school teachers Men are going out of regular estab-lished lines of business and going into is light are giving up their work for some-

thing else Doctors are laying down the tools of their profession and going to oil ner fields, or are forming oil stock compa-

Everybody is driving for something

The business of highway robbery the factor of the ground. I may induce the factor of the f

These sharks are working overtime Some are promoters, some are manufacturers and some are profiteers.

The pesent generation of men and women are living in the frame of mind of the man who said, "After us the deluge

What is wrong with everybody? Friday night there was an exhibition What poison is in the atmosphere ed in the life of rampant lawlessness, regardless of that gets in the blood even of chil- years to come. dren

> Under the shoutings of "making the world safe for democracy" we have bastardized our democracy into a low form of demagogy

We have confused liberty with li

Weh ave set aside the restrictions law unto himself.

judgment.

We are seeking to set aside all the regulations which thinking men believe to be salutary for human society because, forsooth, we have come to In the city of Nashville a number of men, in spite of a contract and against the order of their own lead-we feel that it is an interference with

in defiance of their general officers. things.

leaders, are now out to the number of is a czar in carrying out his will as and looking after business affairs.

against the will of his fellow In the relation of the citizen to the state, in the relation of one citizen to plant even the fence corners to cotton cently made a trip to the Eastern part another, in relation of property to the another year-and then you'll see the citizen and of citizen to the property bottom drop out of the prices. Con we are running amuck.

unto me all ye that labour, and are you will be in position to hold the heavy laden, and I will give you rest price of cotton up to the present high heavy laden, and I will give you rest price of cotton up to the present high Take my yoke upon you, and learn of price, otherwise you will be at the me, for I am meek and lowly in heart: mercy of the buyers and speculators and ye shall find rest unto your souls. —and they want it at the cheapest For my yoke is easy, and my burden possible price.

ble with independence of spirit.

would be insolent in speech and man- court's orders to return to work. What

rgies. The innocent tricks of years gone ere forgotten. Boys, occasionally girls, young men in d young women in a large number in control of the second of t No matter how easy is the yoke, we

autumn into the drab and dreary win-ter. It is a time for introspection. From what those who have talked with miners tell us, the injunction and the

along the road we have been journey- than helped matters in this instance

ing the last twelve months? We are losing our reverence for the laws of the land, yet these laws are based upon the foundations sills of constitutional liberty.

We are losing respect for parents, and when that virtue passes from a nation, that nation is at the beginning of a period of dissolution.

We are no longer impressed by the traditions of our glorious country, and we are unwilling to make sacrifices that these traditions may be vindicated in the life of the nation during the

We have wandered far afield from the simple but all important rules of a properly conducted society of men and women constituting a state.

Our conscience as to right and wrong must be revived, and unless we determine to learn the right rule and humbly follow it we are soon to be in a bad way

We should heed the voice of right thinking and unselfish teachers who base teir preachments upon the fathbase teir preachments upon the fath-erhood of God, the brotherhood of man, the enstitution of the United States and the Declaration of Inde-pendence.—Memphis Commercial Ap-neal pendence.-Memphis Commercial Ap-

#### -Quint

The Red Cross Christmas Seal Drive is coming, December 1 to 10. Ninety per cent of the funds from this drive will be used in Texas to combat the great White Plague—tuberculosis.

The present price of cotton, 42.50, e are running amuck. The Savior of mankind said, "Come own meat and bread at home and then Make your own liv-

The coal miners strike is now on in earnest. The miners are disregarding Rather than be lowly in heart we the injunction proceedings and the the government will do remains to be miners tell us, the injunction and the What will be the end if we continue court proceedure has irritated rather

The existing conditions are forcing

us to get on a cash basis. There is absolutely no way around it. The paper supply houses demand cash for our paper, the grocery man demands the dry goods man, and when cash. we have printers they even demand the cash. Now we are forced to get the cash or quit business. When we came here ten years ago so many peo ple who subscribed for the paper were afraid we would only print the paper a few months and then quit, leaving them the subscription bag to hold that we were perfectly willing to car-ry them a year. At that time paper vas chesap and we could carry an account for a time. Things have chang ed. Everything has gone sky high, everybody wants the cash. We have demonstrated that we have the "staying" quality and you have no fear of losing your year's subscription by pay ing in advance. We don't want to lose a single name from our list, and other big papers have been doing this for years and the plans will be more satisfactory to all concerned after it is adopted. Look now at the dating opposite your name on this paper and you can see how your subscription stands. If you are behind please re-new. We don't want any one to be this plan.

W. D. Thacker, of Draper, was on of the state after cotton pickers, and informed us that he brought back nine hands. This is much better than many others have done. Others have gone and spent many days, returning home empty handed. We would have thought by this time that the country would have been overloaded with pick ers, but such is not the case. We understand that a campaign is being wag ed against the Spur country along the route, telling pickers that Spur has but little cotton and that we have more hands than jobs. This, course, is being done to get hands for themselves, but we believe we would get theem in a legitimate manner or do without.

We have joined the "home shaving club" now in further reducing the "high cost of living" in this day and In doing our own shaving we find that we not only will save money but time. We can shave ourself in two minute's time whereas in going to barber shop fully an hour's time is lost in going and coming and waiting. Workmen now make about one dollar per hour. If a man shaves three times a week, by doing the work himself he saves not only the seventy five cents paid the barber, but three hour's time which amounts to \$3.75 per week or a total amount of \$194.00 per year What is now worrying us is how we are going to manage to get our hair cut.

During the past month and more we have been without a printer, doing all the work ourself-and by the way we have turned out more work than we ever did before with three to five printers. We have not had time and opportunity to call on advertisers as heretofore, but a number of them have been staying with us, bringing us copy and otherwise helping us thru this stringency. We appreciate it and when the rush is over we will in some manner endeavor to return these favors.

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W. J. Clark, of Midway, was in the

city Wednesday. He recently adver-tised for some stove wicks and a bot-

tle of medicine, he having placed these articles in the wrong car here one day.

The property, through this advertis-ing, has been located. It was placed in Bob Forbis' car. The wicks have

been recovered, but it has not yet been determined what became of the bottle of medicine. It may depend on

what "per cent" medicine the bottle

contained as to whether or not it will

November 11th has been designated as armistice day and was observed in a patriotic manner throughout the

ever be recovered

country.

W. M. STOVALL.

# F SHEEP

A PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION BEGINNING PROMPTLY AT ONE O'CLOCK P. M

# Saturday, Nov. 22d, 1919 1,000 HEAD OF YOUNG EWES, AND ABOUT 25 HEAD OF YOUNG BUCKS AT THE

# Stock Pens, in Floydada, Texas

THESE SHEEP ARE ALL CLEAN, PANHANDLE SHEEP, COMING TWO'S AND THREE'S, IN GOOD CONDITION, JUST THE KIND TO MAKE YOU SOME MONEY THEY INCLUDE ABOUT 500 HEAD EACH OF SHROPSHIRES AND RAMBOULETS, AND WILL BE SOLD IN BUNCHES OF 20 HEAD, WITH A PRIVILEGE.

TERMS OF SALE-6 Months time on GOOD, BANKABLE NOTE, Bearing 10 per cent interest, or 5 per cent discount for cash. All sheep to be settled for before removal from grounds.

AUCTIONEER

W. H. SEALE,

#### **GEN. PERSHING PROPOSES** FEDERALIZED GUARD

Recommends Placing Troops That Have Seen Service in Reserve Units.

Washington.-Elimination of "dead timber" among officers was suggested by General Pershing before the senate and house military committees as one of the steps advisable in peace-time reorganization of the military estab lishment.

In nearly every grade, the general said, there were a few officers who had passed the stage of usefulness and should be replaced.

In reducing the army from 500,000 to 300,000 men, the general said only a very small reduction could be made in the number of staff officers.

"We had 350 on our staff in France for an army of 2,000,000 men," he said. We should have needed the same number for half as many.'

"Staff officers have been able to come to congress," General Pershing added, "and get promotion to the exclusion of promotions for officers of the actual fighting arms.'

"I think it would be wise to take all troops that have seen war service in national guard units and induct them into the federal reserve units," he answered. "The national guard could be kept as part of the training service.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS** SUGAR CONTROL BILL

Report of Senator McNary is to Effect That Shortage is Not Serious

Washington .- The bill proposing Caraway. continuation of federal control over sugar during 1920 is reported to the senate on the calendar with a view to early action.

In a majority report Senator Mc-Nary (Rep.), Oregon, author of the bill and chairman of the senate agriculture sub-committee which investigated the sugar shortage, declared "a serious situation will ensue" if the sugar equalization board's control over sugar is discontinued.

Senator McNary's report suggested that present conditions were largely psychological, due to fears of future shortages. Data in the hands of the committee, the report states, showed that about 730,000 tons of Cuban and domestic sugar was available for dis-tribution until Jan. 1, which should meet the needs of the country. The world shortage of sugar was estimated at 2,000,000 tons over the pre-war average.

#### Will Take Cattle Paper

#### Dallas-The cattle loan agency of the war finance corporation stands ready to advance to any bank the

amount which that bank lends to a cattleman to enable him to take up his loan with the cattle loan agency, Governor R. L. Van Zandt of the Dallas Federal Reserve bank announces.

School Children to Pick Cotton Lubbock, Texas.-Upon petition by business men, the public schools of Lubbock above the fifth grade will close for two weeks to permit child-

# Feed, Coal, Ice.

SEE US FOR ALL KINDS OF FEED AND COAL. WE DELIVER ALL FEED AND ICE FREE OF CHARGE. COAL DELIVERIES WILL BE CHARGED FOR IN ADDITION TO PRICES WE QUOTE, OR WE WILL MAKE YOU DELIVERED PRICE.

## SPUR GRAIN & COAL CO.,

M. E. MANNING, Proprietor.

Phone 51

#### NOTICE.

On and after October the first, we will operate strictly a cash business, stuffs are bought by us for the cash owing to the fact that we are compelled to pay cash for mechanics, gasoline and the high cost of labor and drayage auto accessories, casings, rents and we are compelled to sell the same all other supplies. We kindly thank past and solicit a continuance of same have a continuance of the same. The place that renders you service with an appreciation.—The Highway Garage—Buick Automobiles—E. L. Caraway

- China - Chin R. P. Davis was in townWednesday from the Dry Lake community.

H. C. Allen, of the Dry Lake com munity, was in town Tuesday.

C. M. Buchanan, of north of Dick-ens, was in Spur Tuesday.

C. D. Bird, of Matador, was in Spur one day this week.

Mrs. M. H. Brannen is visiting her mother in Peacock. 

Y. B. Freeman and A. L. Barnard of Atlanta are now in Dallas in connec tion with the wind up of the lega side of the merger of the Lynch-Hul sey motion picture interests.

William O. Jenkins, American con sular agent who was robbed and kid napped by bandits near Puebla, Mex has been released on payment of the ransom of \$150,000, according to message from the American embassy at Mexico City.

Governor Cox has suspended Mayor Poorman of Canton, following a hearing on the steel strike rioting in that city. Cox threatened Poorman with suspension recently when the Ohio national guard was mobilized to cope with the situation. It was alleged Poorman did not exercise sufficient restrictive measures

NOTICE.

only, and together with the small mar-

way.. We thank each and every one of our customers for the business of the have given us and trust that we may

#### e -TAKE NOTICE.

Please do not ask us to charge feed and coal, as we pay cash for what we buy.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 50tf 

You are missing a treat every day you delay buying some of our Smiths Best Flour.—Soldiers Cash Grocery.

Willie Eldredge was here last week from McAdoo.

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#### T. E. STANDIFER

## Afton, November 25th. McAdoo, November 26. Spur, Nov. 28 and 29th. subscription account stood, but that the amount would help some. You bet it helps, and Mr. Hagins has our sincere thanks. These days of high G. L. BARBER, Tax Collector. QG .... prices cuts in on a printer's income pretty deep. The price not only of dry goods and groceries affects us, but the price of paper has gone up again to a higher mark than was reach NOTICE.

dates to receive taxes:

Wood c tting, hunting, trapping, and trespassing in any manner upon the ranch of Frank Corn is prohibited under penalty of law.—I. R. Powell.

TO TAX PAYERS. I will be at the following places and

WOOD FOR SALE. Cord wood at \$3.00 per cord on my place 10 miles southwest of Spur.— J. B. Morrison. tf

-25 WANTED-At once, wagons and teams to haul cotton rom Afton to Roaring Springs, for \$1.50 per bale. Also plenty maize to haul.—Hale Hardware & Grocery Co. 49 tf

We received a letter from J. H. Henson, of Jayton, who is now at Bentonville, Arkansas, requesting that ty years of age. The picture shows the Texas Spur be sent to him at that him seated under a grape vine arbor, point, since he is getting short on smoking his pipe and reading the daily news and wants to know what is going on in this country

C. D. Copeland had business in the ren to assist in gathering the cotton

W. F. Shugart was here Tuesday looking after business matters. Mr. Shugart has been worrying considera-bly in not being able to get cotton pickers. However, we presume he will get aut enough cotton for the market t otide him over another year. Cabbage, sweet potatoes, spuds, ap-ples, cranberries, oranges, and other fresh fruits and vegetables coming in daily. Plenty of good pecans and En-glish walnuts.—Soldiers Cash Grocery in Spur Hardware & Furniture Com-pany building.

We received a letter from A. J. Tyler of Mabank, requesting us to send him the Texas Spur. A. J. Ty-ler was in Spur in its early and palmy days and his friends here will be glad to know he is now prospering. He is in the mercantile business at Mabank.

P. E. Hagins, of Gilpin, was in the city the first of the week marketing cotton. He handed us a five dollar

bill, saying he did not know haw his

ed during the stringency of the war.

There already has been many country newspapers suspended publication, and the prospect now is that many more will have to close up and look for other employment. Printers are scarcer than cotton pickes and want

to make enough money by two days

work to live on during two weeks of idleness. Whither are we drifting is a momentous question of the day.

In Sunday's Star-Telegram was the picture of G. W. Gill, an old resident-er of Fort Worth. He is the father-in-law of C. F. Cates and is now nine-try more of a comparison of the picture shows

paper.

to know he is now prospering. He is in the mercantile business at Mabank. Art Smith, the noted airplane flyer, returned with H. W. McGee to Spur this week. Mr. Smith is interested with the Spur Oil Company in its de-velopment work here for oil, coming out at this time to view the situation. J. D. Miller, of Gustine, is in the city visiting his daughter, Miss Blanch Miller, at the hone of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wilkes. Miss Artie Mae Fite, of Albany, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Carl Hail, the past week.

County Treasurer C. H. Perry and Judge Walter L. Powell were over Tuesday from Dickens. Mr. Perry made a cotton crop this year and from which he will pick a number of balos which he will pick a number of bales.

**Otho L. Hale** 

**Staple and Fancy Groceries** 

ON ACCOUNT OF THE ABNORMAL TIMES AND THE EX-TREMELY HIGH PRICES OF MERCHANDISE, IT BEHOO-VES ALL OF US T OTRADE WHERE A DOLLAR WILL BUY THE MOST DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE. WE THERE-FORE ASK THAT YOU GIVE US A CHANCE TO FIGURE ON YOUR GROCERY BILLS THIS FALL, AS WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY. OUR SERVICES ARE AT YOUR COMMAND.

WHEN IN NEED OF

Grocerles

PHONE 28.

He was here marketing one or two bales the other day.	ek, spending a crop.	-o Physician & Surgeon
J. V. Powell, of the Dry Lake sec- A boy baby was born		Line the second busices the second push or day
tion was in Spur Monday. He inform to Mr. and Mrs. Carl	Patton at their apostolic delegate in the United States	huddled in a lighthouse on North
section of land on Duck Creek, the	probably will be recalled from Wash ington, according to the Giornale d'	Elbow Cay, a small island in the Florida straits, which was swept J. E. MORRIS
tract being the old Dockum Ranch Mrs. Tom Owen was headquarters. Tuesday from her rand	as in the city I Italia	clean of every vestige of human hab- Physician & Surgeon
west of Splr.		itation during the storm, were lo cated by a submarine chaser which Diseases of Women and Children a
Satisfactory service and clean, new Misses Chalk of Re	Japan Ratifies Treaty of Peace. Tokio.—Japan has ratified the treaty	brought back a story of devastation Specialty.
offer you. Try usSoldiers Cash were the guests this	week of Miss of peace of Versailles. The peace	and human suffering unsurpassed by any that has come from the storm
Grocery, Spur Hardware Co. bldg. Ruth Love.	, treaty was approved by the privy council Monday at a meeting over	area.
	a business trip; which the emperor presided.	
writes us, enclosing a dollar and fifty this week to Peacock veral days.	Palestine Phone Service Resumed.	WASHINGTON- Eleven United States war vessels
to his address Thanks		are tied up at the New York navy MONEY BACKS
	wn has been the Palestine, Texas.—The Palestine utman the past eration of its plant that has been idle	to man them.
Ringgold where she has been spend-week. ing some time with her son, Fred Fite	since Aug. 14 in account of a strike of	-0 become discouraged because other
and wife. FOR SALE-Windm	hill and cypress the linemen and operators.	The cost of the war to the United has relieved hundreds of such
A boy baby was born last week to	Ionns. 51-400 Branch Reserve Bank for Oklahoma.	mated officially as 116,492 dead and it it at our risk TODAY Price 75c
Mr. and Mrs. George Greenwade at A girl baby was bor	m last week to WashingtonThe federal reserve	209,000 woulded, a total of 522,182.
Dickens. Mit. and Mits. 1. Walke	er at Dickens. board will establish a branch of the Kansas City Federal Reserve bank in	
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## **STRIKE SITUATION** LOOKS BRIGHTER

HOPEFUL VIEW OF SITUATION IS ENTERTAINED BY OFFICIALS AT WASHINGTON

## SOME DEFECTIONS ARE NOTED

#### First Real Test of Strikers' Strength Shows Approximately 425,000 Out, but No Disorder

Washington.—Official Washington is firm in the belief that the end of the coal strike is near. There is noth- complishment, the senate then upset ing definite to justify this hopeful view of the situation, but everywhere the feeling prevailed that influences were being brought to bear to have the by Senator Sherman (Rep.) of Illinois strikers, numbering more than 400,000, and proposing to write into the treaty return to work.

Confidential reports to the department of justice from its agents in the to 28. The other, sponsored by Sena coal fields were said to show many de- tor Johnson (Rep.) of California, offections from the ranks of the strikers.

The sweeping power of the federal court injunction in cutting off all strike benefits is being relied upon by the government to bring the strike to a speedy end. Local representatives of the United Mine Workers of America were notified that checks to cover expenses for the last half of October could not be sent at this time because of the court's order.

Idleness of the miners with no funds available for their support makes it doubtful if they can hold out for any extended period.

Three conciliators of the department of labor here from the coal fields, are in conference with officials of the department and give first-hand information as to actual conditions.

Continued pressure is being brought to bear on officials of the United Mine Workers of America to call off the strike. Definite assurance has been given union officials that President Wilson and Attorney General Palmer stand ready to attempt an adjustment of the controversy that led to the strike as soon as the strike order has been rescinded.

Washington .- The big news in the monarch. He left Washington a hapcoal strike situation is the federal court's restraining order to stop engineering of the strike by union leaders. It was followed by a long line of developments and opened the door to wide possibilities.

Attorney General Palmer emphasized to the labor leaders that the government's injunction was in no wise an infringement of the workingman's right to strike, but that is was a lawful process against a calamity to the country.

The principal leaders in the miners union met the court's action with denunciation as a "violation of consti-tutional rights," declarations that it came too late to reach their men with a countermanding order, and with predictions that it would be disregarded anyway.

Washington,-An executive order fixing prices for bituminous coal has been signed by President Wilson. te are not affected Prices of antra The maximum prices are fixed by states and for prepared sizes range from \$4.60 a net ton at mine mouth to \$2.60. Rules set up during the war governing the margins of profits of middle men and wholesale and retail dealers were re-established and Fuel Administrator Garfield was given all the authority to regulate production, sale, shipment and storage or use of bituminous coal that he had during the raw.

## THE TEXAS SPUR

**GENERAL PROSPERITY** 

#### FIGHT IS LAUNCHED ON LABOR PROVISION AND BIDS FAIR TO BE LONG.

TREATY IS REJECTED

LAST AMENDMENT TO

Washington.-The 48 amendments attached to the peace treaty by the foreign relations committee have passed into history. The last survivor of the group, a proposal by Senator Moses ed by the federal reserve board from (Rep.) of New Hampshire, to revise voting strength in the league of nations, has been consigned to the discard in the senate by a vote of 47 to ing, was noted in practically all sec-

As if gaining impetus by this actwo more proposed textual changes in the treaty, brought in by individual senateors. One of them, presented preamble a reference to the deity, was laid on the table by a vote of 57 fering a new solution for voting inequality in the league, was killed out right by a count of 43 to 35.

The effort to hasten final action has struck an obstacle which seems like ly to prevent further progress for several days. A determined group of senators will launch a fight to eliminate the labor section of the treaty, opening a debate which, in view of unsettled labor conditions over the country, is expected by the loaders to last for for at least a week. The battle is expected to be the more spir ited because it is regarded as holding out whatever hope remains of writing any amendment into the treaty.

#### **KING ALBERT HAS SHORT** TALK WITH PRESIDENT

Belgian Monarch Starts Homeward After Brief Meeting as Climax of Visit.

Washington .- King Albert and Pres ident Wilson clasped hands Thursday The meeting at the president's bed side, brief as it was, proved the climax of the American visit of the Belgian py man, to sail for home from New port News on the transport George Washington, which brought him to this country. From the day he landed the pleasure of his tour has been marred by the anxiety over the president's condition, and he had abandoned hope of being able to see him.

When he drove to the White House, Albert had little expectation of being able to see the man for whom he has expressed the highest admiration. On-

y at the last moment, at the president's earnest request, did Rear Admiral Grayson, his physician, consent to a brief chat. The king went alone to the sick room, operating the ele-vator himself. His call lasted ten minutes.

#### SECRETARY WILSON HEAD OF LABOR CONFERENCE

Cabinet Member Becomes an Official

### REPORTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD NOTE DANGER IN IN-CREASING STRIKES.

IN SPITE OF UNRES

Washington .- Despite disturbed industrial conditions, great prosperity obtains generally over the country, according to reports for October receivits agents in the several districts. A strong demand for commodities, verging at times upon recklessness in buytions.

Summarizing the reports, the board, in a statement just issued, said the labor situation occupied a position of primary importance with an increasing degree of general unrest over the country.

"The steel strike, which has been long drawn out, though with production well maintained," said the summary, "is apparently approaching its end. The strike has not in recent weeks seriously hampered production.'

#### WARNING TO COAL **PROFITEERS ISSUED**

Palmer Will Not Permit Government's Action to Benefit Employers.

Washington,-Suggestion from the Wholesale Coal Trade associatian of New York that the government should not fix a maximum price for coal or interfere with the normal course of supply and demand during the strike brought from Attorney General Palm. er the assertion that he would take the same action against persons en hancing prices as was taken against the union officers.

"The action of the government was taken solely in the general public interest," Mr. Palmer declared, "and I shall not permit it to be used, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of the employers' side of the controversy."

#### **GENERAL PERSHING ADVISES** STANDING ARMY OF 300,000

Cost of Maintenance Makes Larger Army Impracticable, General Asserts.

Washington. — Dissenting in many important respects from the program recommended by the war department and the general staff, General Pershing told the military committee of congress that 300,000 men, raised entirely by voluntary enlistment, should be the outside figure considered for a standing army.

He favored universal military training to provide an emergency reserve. but thought general educational work should be combined with it and military discipline "somewhat relaxed" so that the system would be in complete harmony with democratic institutions. He fixed six months as the training period.

#### Disabled Will Get More Compensation. Dallas.-The bureau of war risk insurance at Washington has reported







#### WHEN YOU PAY BY CHECKS.

You get a Receipt in Every Case through the Endorsement of the party to whom the check is made. It is a pretty good thing to have, and saves any question as to whether an account is paid or not. This is only one of the advantages of a bank account; there are many others. If you have no checking account, we would like to have you open one with us. Wont you drop in and talk the matter over.

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SPUR. TEXAS

#### Bonillas For President of Mexico

Washington .- Advices from Mexico tell of a proposal under consideration there to send a commission at once to Washington to ask Ambassador Bonillas to accept the nomination of the third party for the presidency to succeed Vensustiano Carranza. The advices indicated that the Carranza administration would support Ambassa dor Bonillas against General Alvaro Obregon and General Pablo Gonzales, the two military men whose candida cies have already been announced of flcially.

#### Shipping Rivaling British Predicted

Washington.-Predictions that ships flying the American flag will almost equal the tonnage of Great Britain by the end of 1920 were made in the senate by Senator Jones, (Rep.) Washington, chairman of the senate commerce committee in introducing his bills proposing alternative plans for a permanent federal shipping policy. Both bills were referred to the commerce committee for future considertion.

#### Buys German Diamond Field

London.-A dispatch from Johannesburg reports the purchase by an Anglo-American company for 1,000,000 pounds of sterling of all Germany's private and state interests in the diamond fields of what was formerly German Southwest Africa.

#### of the League of Nations.

Washington.-Secretary Wilson has been elected permanent chairman of the international labor conference by acclamation.

Wilson thus became an official of the league of nations, of which the conference is a part, despite the refusal of congress thus far to ratify the peace treaty.

Except for election of a chairman and examination of delegates' credentials the conference has finished all preliminary business and is ready to go ahead with consideration of the five topics laid before it by the Paris peace conference.

The question of application of the 48-hour week is expected to arouse most discussion. Other subjects scheduled for debate include regulations governing employment of women and children.

#### **MEXICAN RAILROADS TO BE** RETURNED TO OWNERS Twenty Entombed Miners Given Up.

#### Announcement From Mexico City That Merger Made in 1908 Will Be Dissolved.

Laredo, Texas .- The great merger of the railway system of the republic of Mexico, which was effected in 1908 under the administration of the late President Porfirio Diaz, when all the railroads operating in Mexico, including the Mexican National line from Laredo to Mexico City, were merged into what has since been known as the national lines of Mexico, is to be dissolved and the various railway properties are to revert to their private owners.

#### Confidence Voted British Government. London.-The government has been given a vote of confidence in the house of commons on its financial policy by an overwhelming majority of 355.

hat the Sweet bill, house bill No. 8 will pass congress substantially without amendments, according to W. H. Kemper, Dallas representative for the war risk bureau. The Sweet bill, which has already passed the house of representatives, provides in part for more liberal pay for former soldiers, sailors and marines with total tempar ary disabilities and makes changes in the payment of converted government insurance.

Brotherhood Takes Hand in Strike. Washington.-Immediate steps for assembling at Washington an industri al commission to deal broadly with present turbulent conditions is suggested by the advisory board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Deploring "attempts at government by injunction" as a means of settling the coal strike, the board declared in junction proceedings would make con ditions worse "and defer, if not defeat, a peaceful settlement."

Steubenville. Ohio - After battling their way to within 150 feet of where 20 miners have been imprisoned since Wednesday morning rescue workers were ordered out of the Y. & O. mine No. 2 at Amsterdam, Ohio, by mine officials and state mine inspectors, who feared an explosion might occur according to word received here. Hope has been abandoned that the miners are alive. Rescue parties worked all night in the gas-filled mine.

Nov. 11 "American Legion Day." Austin, Texas.-Governor Hobby has issued a proclamation proclaiming Nov. 11 as American Legion day. The governor has also in a proclamation issued some time ago designated Nov. 11 as Armistice day. Not only former service men, but all citizens, are urg ed by the governor "to acquaint themselves with the noble purposes and patriotic nature of the American Legion.'

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## BARGAIL DAYS December 1st to 15th Annually

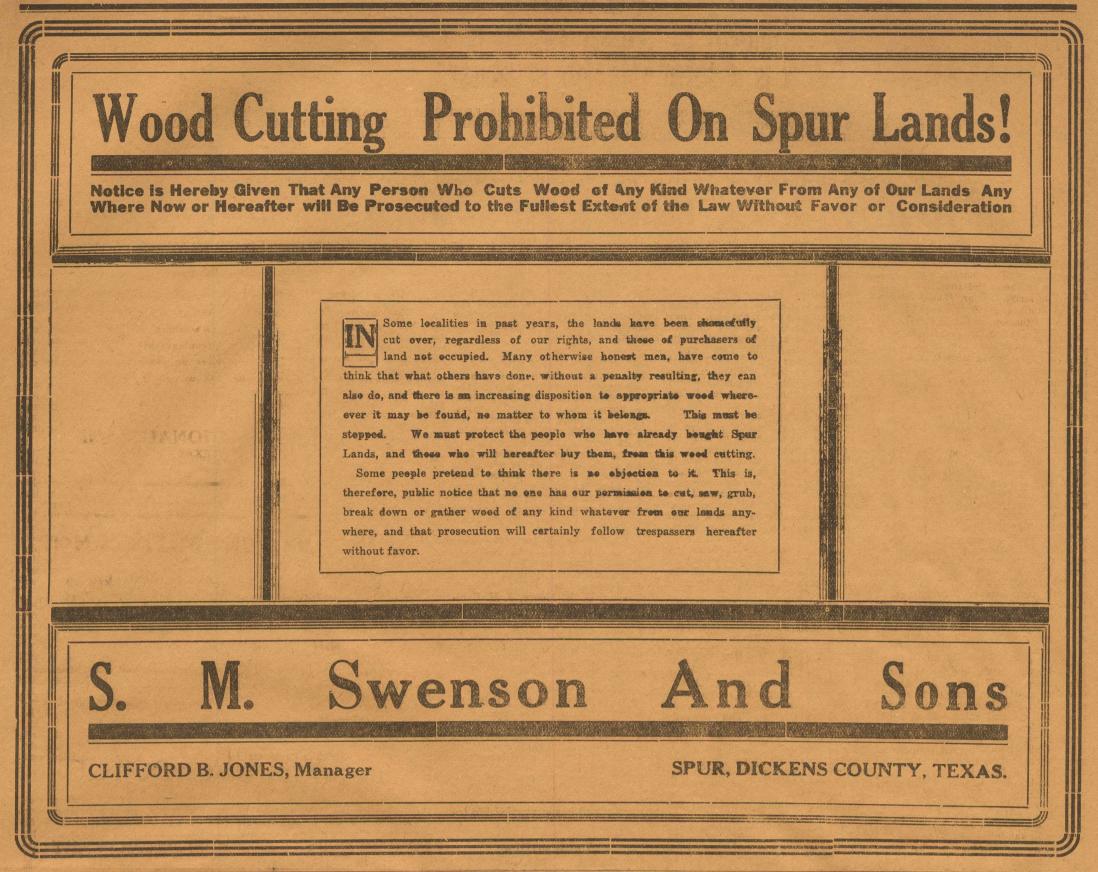
THE RATE IS LESS THAN LAST YEAR The Regular Rates of \$9.00 and \$7.00 Reduced to



good only in Texas and Oklahoma This reduced



#### A. Fry, of the Cat Fish country, J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was in the was here trading and meeting friends city the first of the week transacting the first of the week. business and meeting friends.



Brother Burnam filled his regular appointment here Sunday. A large crowd was present. In the afternoon after Sunday school, a sermon was preached by Missionary Lassiter. DRAPER Charlie Perrin and Hugh Swearin-gen spent the latter part of last week in Spur, getting cotton ginned, and preparing to haul off the big cotton crop made on Charlies place this year

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Jenkins was bitten by a snake last Friday afternoon, and has been quite sick but we are now hoping for its re. covery, as it is better at this writing.

Mrs. J. C. Selman is visiting her parents n Crosbyton this week.

The Halloween party at Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Holloway's last Friday night was greatly enjoyed.

Miss Hassie Earnest returned home

#### "TRANSPORTIN'."

preparing to haul off the big cotton crop made on Charlies place this year. R. W. Dismuke came in from the East last week with two cotton pick-ers. He says that he saw more than five thousand people in Wichita Falls and not one of them would pass the time of day with him. While in the East he met a weather prophet that told him we were going to have things told him we were going to have things happen in December that had never happened beforee—storms and earthquakes and other disasters. Possibly

this is true, but we prefer to wait and let the future take care of itself.

'Twas a cool day in February, We were told that we would sail. So we spent the day gettin' ready That night to hit the trail.

And hit the trail we did In te darkness of the night, With kit bags, packs and overcoats We started towards the fight.

We landed at a ferry port They run us on a boat, They cut loose all the tie lines And we started out to float.

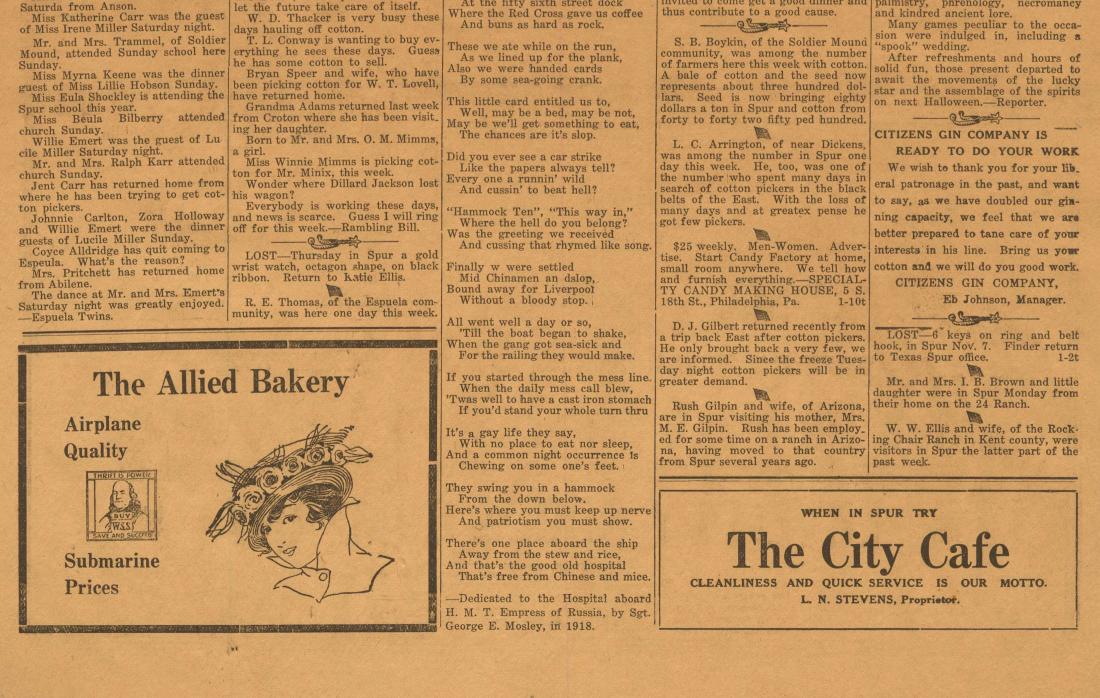
About six a. m. we landed At the fifty sixth street dock Where the Red Cross gave us coffe UNCLE OF C. F. CATES' DIED.

C. F. Cates received a telegram in-forming him of the death of his uncle, Chales D. Cates, which occurred Nov. 11th at his home in Decatur. He was one among the oldest settlers of that section of Texas, being eighty odd years of age. He was the last living uncle of Mr. Cates, and his death will

November 15th, in the building north of the Midway Hotel. Everybody is invited to come get a good dinner and thus contribute to a good cause.

#### A "SPOOK" PARTY ENJOYED IN DRY LAKE COMMUNITY

On last Friday night while mother earth was enveloped in murky gloom, the young people of the Dry Lake section enjoyed a communion with the years of age. He was the last living uncle of Mr. Cates, and his death will be mourned by many early day set-tlers of Texas. COME, COME, COME! COME! The Ladies of the Baptist Church will serve chicken dinner Saturday, November 15th in the building north



# **Cotton Pickers' Supplies**

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GREAT CALAMITY FORECASTED BY A NOTED "FORECASTER." this prophecy: "The planets, in their orbits, swing in great eclipses about the sun. They

Prof A. F. Porta. a noted "sun-tot" forecaster, and author of "Por-ta's Weather Laws", has recently prophesied much bad weather to come in December, and a very severe storm period from the 17th to the 20th. Ecologian is a merciric of what he Fololwing is a synopsis of what he

"Owing to a strange grouping of 6 mighty plannets, such as has not been seen for a score of centuries, the U. will be visible to the naked eye.

"Since me nfirst began to make rec-ords of events no sun-spot has been indeed. large enough to be seen without the large enough to be seen without the aid of instruments. The sun spot that will appear will be a vast wound in the side of the sun. It will be a gigantic explosion of flaming gases. leaping hundreds of thousands of miles out into space. It will have a crater large enough to engulf the earth, much as Vesuvius might engulf a foot ball. Such a sun spot will be rich enough

great earthquakes, to say nothing of flood and fearful cold. "I make this startling prophecy with no desire to be merely sensation-al or alarming. It is merely because my study of the planets has revealed certain results with such mathematic-al certainty that I now say to you: "Be warned in advance. Tremen-dous things are going to happen from December 17th to the 20th, and after-wards.' Here are the astounding but simple facts that enable me to make

are linked to the sun and to each other by chains of electro-magnetic energy whose compelling forces coun-teract each other and hold each planet in its regular path. Whenever two planets wheel into such positions that they pull together on the sun—either in conjunction on the same side of the sun, or in opposition with the sun betwee them—their united pull causes the sun's gases t explode or leap out into space in the whirling volcano we call the sun spot. These sun spots in S. next December, will be swept by the most terrific weather cataciysm experienced since human history be-gan. It will be caused by the hugh-ets as well. Two planets, united, are will be visible to the naked eye. one-four make a very great storm

But, on December 17, 1919, no less

a foot ball. Such a sun spot will be rich enough in electro-magnetic energy to filing the 'atmosphere of our planet into a disturbance without precedent or par. allel. There will be hurricanes, light ning and colossal rains. It will be weeks before the earth wil regain its normal weather conditions. There will be also gigantic lava eruptions, great earthquakes, to say nothing of flood and fearful cold. fore known in the annals of astrono-my. They will be massed in the nar-row limit of 27 degrees, on the same side as that of the great sun. Direct-ly opposite, coming into opposition with this gigant league, will be the huge planet Uranus. The magnetic currents between Uranus will pierce the sun like a mighty spear. Our earth is outside of the league at an angle of nearly 90 degrees in perfect position to receive almost the full

be the outcome? My knowledge does not permit me to state, beyond the fact that the storms, eruptions and earthquakes will be tremendous in strength and scope."

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COMPLIMENTARY SHOWER. The Entrinous Club gave a very pretty shower complimentary to Miss Velma Putman last Friday Evening at the home of Mrs. Sam T. Clemmons-The rooms were most artically decorated for the occation with a profu-sion of hearts, pretty hand painted score cards enabled the guests to find places at the tables where a number of games of 42 were played after which Mrs. Jennings with an appro-priating toast presented the bride to be with a beautiful and heart shaped boxcontaining dozens of danity handkerchiefs

the honoree.

MARRIED SUNDAY AT DICKENS. Marriage licenses were issued Sun-day to J. S. Worsham and Mrs. Rich-

**ENTERTAIN WITH 500.** Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Standifer enter-tained with 500 Friday evening at their home on Hill Street, in honoring Mrs. Lang of Los Angeles, California. At the conclusion of a number of in-torocting groups prior were overded teresting games prizes were awarded to Mrs. Lang and Mrs. R. E. Dickson, being silver cream ladles, the "booby" prize being a doll. Refreshments of sandwitches served in red apples, pe-can cake an coard were served to the

can cake an coacd were served to the following:, Mesdames, Lang, Neilon. Wilson, Dickson, Kate Genning, Earyl

following: Mesdames, Lang, Neilon, Wilson, Dickson, Kate 'senning, Laryl Senning, Jenning's, Brannee, and Perry.
NOTICE.
On the government docks at Hobokken, N. J., are 150,(100 pieces of lost baggage belonging to members of the American Expeditionary Forces, which the guests were invited to write a velomed and served tea by the bridle's sister, Mrs. Moore, after which the guests were invited to write a receipt in the book presided over by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Wilson. After a clever toast by Mrs. W. D. Unternament of the baggage is marked with names only and can not be forwarded to the owner ers on account of the lack of address. The government in as arranged a complete card index which makes a prompt identification of the baggage possible, and the government will for same is found at Hoboken. —C. Earyl Senning, Chairman Home Service Settor A. R. C.
Mr. Browning, of Weatherford, has been spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stegall attheir home north west of Spur. Mr. Browning came is contemplating buying a place and lor
M. W. Davis, who is here from SelL. W. Davis, who is here from Selkerchiefs . Those enjoying the afternoons plepleasure were , Mesdames: M. E. Manning, Chas. Whitener, Oran McClure, R. E. Dickson, M. H. Lee, F. W. Jennings, W. D. Wilson, J. E. Richbourg, W. R. Moore, J. H. Sam-ples, T. A. Tunnell, E. C. Edmonds, E. L. Caraway, Kate Senning, Bing-ham, A. L. Brasher, M. H. Brannen, C. E. Senning, W. N. Putman, W. J. Andrews, E. A. Lang, R. C. Forbis W. Neilan Miss Weiser of Hico and the honoree.

day to J. S. Worsham and Mrs. Kich-ardson, the ceremony being performed immediately at the court house. Mr. Worsham is a prosperous farmer of four or five miles west of Spur. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Worsham, and may they enjoy many ears of prosperity and happy married life to-cether. Mr. Browning, of Weatherford, has been spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stegall attheir home north west of Spur. Mr. Browning came out for his health, and since he has been improving so much here he is contemplating buying a place and lo-cating permanently. From Spur he will retur by the way of San Angelo out for his health, and since he has been improving so much here he is contemplating buying a place and lo-cating permanently. From Spur he will retur by the way of San Angelo and try that climate before determin-ing where he may locate. L. W. Davis, who is here from Sel-ma, California, made a business trip last week to San Angelo, Fort Worth and Dallas, returning to Spur the first of this week. He contemplates re-turning to California this week.

J. M. Howze, of the Highway com-munity, dropped in Saturday and had his subscription shoved up into 1920. W. M. Randal here Wednesday.

A LINEN SHOWER IN HONORING MISS VELMA PUTMAN

The home of Mrs. C. Earyl Senning was the scene of a very pretty shower on Tuesday afternoon, honoring Miss

and hearts. One corner of the dining room was given over to the old well artistically decorated with moss and vines.

W. M. Randall, of Steel Hill, was

