



# Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

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

**IN** Some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of land not occupied. Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it may be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and those who will hereafter buy them, from this wood cutting. Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut, saw, grub, break down or gather wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespassers hereafter without favor.

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS ON THE FARM

Many young men in the various occupations of the cities find their minds turning to thoughts of the outdoor life of the farm, but they do not know how to start farming. It is the purpose of this article to point the way to a successful career as a farmer. I assume that young men in question are looking about for a job that will give them use of their muscles, combined with work for their brains and an outlet for their initiative—something that yields a good living and, most important of all, has prospects for the future.

A mere job is not enough. Even if the pay is good, there must be something to satisfy the ambitions of such a man. The man I have in mind does not want to be a wage earner all his life. He hopes for independence in middle age and the best of opportunities for his children, and he looks forward to an old age of comfort and freedom from financial worry.

**More Chances Than They Realize**  
For men of that type there are more chances on the farm than they may realize, and I should like to tell about a few of them very briefly.

We may imagine such a man putting himself through an examination something like this:

"How much money have you,"  
"Not much."  
"What do you know about farming?"

"Very little; but I am good and strong, and hard work never scared me."

"What would you like to do for a living?"

"I would like to own a farm somewhere and work it. I'd like to live in decent style and marry and bring up a family."

It is peculiar how the idea always crops up that the first step in arming is to own a farm. "A farm of your own" is alright as a goal to look ahead to, but the man who lacks either the requisite money or experience will reach the goal quicker by starting as a hired man. If he has money and needs experience it will not be profit-

able to get and operate a farm until he has gained that skill and judgment which will enable him to manage a farm successfully. The cheapest and quickest way to gain this skill and knowledge is by working on a well managed farm in the summer and attending the winter short course in agriculture at the nearest agricultural college.

The young man without money will find working for wages on the farm the means of saving a little money and establishing his reputation as a skilled workman and a man of integrity. With a good reputation in these regards but little money is required to start in as a tenant farmer, where he can realize on the extra energy, the better skill, and the good management he is able to put into his farming business.

#### Road To Success Not Hard

The road is open to the "farm of your own," and the road is neither longer nor harder for one who likes farming than is the road to success in other occupations, but the safest way to start is to start at the bottom and climb "the agricultural ladder."

I do not remember any time when farm labor was at such great demand as at present, or when wages for unskilled farm labor were as good or when the standard of living on the farms as high as it is now.

From all parts of the country comes the demand for men who are not afraid of work. If the schedule of a day's wages in the cities appears lavish when compared with the pay of the farm laborer, just remember that the latter gets his board and rent and usually his washing and a lot of other things—and that the cities, where the wages are higher, these things are commanding greatly increased prices. In other words, what the farm laborer receives in cash is pretty nearly clear gain. Most of it can be placed in the savings bank and begin to draw interest, while the wages paid in the cities shrink to something much less impressive when all the bills are paid.

In the right sort of farming community and the right sort of farmer's household the hired man is received

on his merits as a man. If he is a straight, clean sort of fellow, with good qualities he will be appreciated in the country as readily as in the city. A great deal more so, I should say, for the individual human being seems to count for more out on the farm than he does in the city where great numbers of them are crowded together.

In short, it is strictly up to the man himself to make good, and if he does so he will have no occasion to complain of his social status. The custom in many parts of the country and among many progressive farmers is to take the hired man into the family while in industries the worker may never even see his employer and have no human contact with the man he works for. In the country we still have in considerable measure the old-time relations between the employer and the worker. The American farming regions from the great reservoirs of traditional American democracy.

#### Conditions Not What They Were

And living conditions in the country are not what they were a generation ago. A lot of our notions about farming drudgery and hard living isolation are ideas carried over from an earlier period, when there were no electric lights, no bathtubs, no rural free delivery, no good roads to speak of, and when an automobile on the farm was as rare as an aeroplane is today.

If you want to judge what the farmer of today is buying for his home, read the advertising in any of the leading farm journals. It would not pay the manufacturers of automobiles and pianos to carry advertising in farm papers if they were not selling goods of that character to the readers; and when we find all kinds of luxuries and high-grade necessities advertised in the rural press it means that there is a market for the things that make living more comfortable and easy.

Good roads and the automobile have worked wonders in removing the greatest hindrance to progress in farming sections. The farmer, as a rule, is no longer completely isolate, but, generally speaking, is within easy reach of some thriving up-to-

date market center, and often within motoring distance of a great city.

Moreover, the movement to draw the farmers together in social life and community achievements is just beginning. With the active help of the Department of Agriculture and the State agricultural colleges community enterprises are being promoted so that the farmers may have their club-houses for recreation and business.

The women are coming together more and more to work for the social life and to raise the standard of education and culture.

The little red school house is giving way rapidly to better buildings that would look well in any city. Such schools serve a large area and give the farmer's children the same educational advantages as the city children.

#### Initiative And New Ideas

The best of it is that all these efforts for the betterment of country life are in their early stages. There is great opportunity for the young man with initiative and new ideas to help make his community just what he wants it to be. And that is a lot more fun than finding something ready-made awaiting you.

The business of agriculture is different from that of most industries. It gives the all-around man a chance to use his talents. It is not a matter of doing the same thing over and over again day after day as in some factories, for every month and every day brings its own special problems on the farm, and the man who is ingenious and clever at doing a variety of things has a chance to make good.

In taking a job on a farm look for one that offers employment for at least nine months of the year. While it may not be possible to get a job for the full 12 months, that is not necessarily a great disadvantage. Find out where the nearest agricultural college is located and arrange to take during the slack period the short course which runs 12 or 14 weeks during the winter.

In these institutions tuition is free to citizens of the state, and the subjects taught include such practical matters as stock judging and feeding, soils and field crops, and under the subject of farm management, such

topics as marketing, cost accounting, and other business details of farm operation. Under farm engineering there is a course in operation of farm machinery and implements, including tractors, also the planning of farm buildings and the general laying out of the land to secure best results.

It will be seen that with 9 months of practical work in the year and 3 months of training in the agricultural college, a man who wants to get a head can become a scientific farmer while he is saving up the capital to become an owner.—E. T. Meredith, Sec retary of Agriculture.

Reginald Newberry, Musician 2nd class, Usn, whose home address is General Delivery, Spur, Texas, has been named in the Honor Roll of the week ending June 26, 1920, of the U. S. Naval Training Station, San Francisco, California, as being one of the twenty men who have made the most progress in instruction, personal appearance and attention to duties. The Honor Roll states that Newberry is considered one of the most efficient men now at the Training Station. He is attached to the Musicians school.

**KILL THE BLUE BUGS.**  
And all blood sucking insects by feeding Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer to your chickens. Your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Guaranteed by Red Front Drug Store, The Spur Drug Company and City Drug Store. 16-40t

#### REWARD

LOST:—Between Spur, Texas, and Plainview, one wire automobile wheel with new non-skid 34x4 Vulcan Casing. Notify W. B. Lewis, Plainview, Texas, for reward. 1tp.

#### FARM FOR SALE

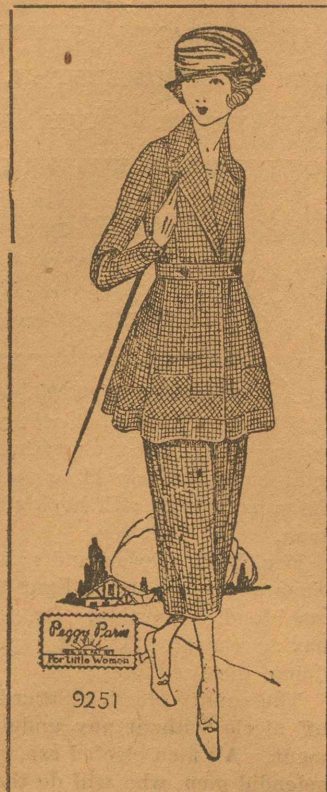
800 acres, 230 in cultivation, half in cotton, will sell crop and all and give possession in 30 days, well improved, plenty water.—Frank Hale 35

Registered Poland China Boar for service at my place one and a half miles west of Dickens.—J. P. Middleton. 30-3mep

FOR SALE:—Full blood Black Minorca hatching eggs at \$2 per setting.—J. C. Dobson. 26t

# New York City At Your Door

With But Little Argument and Better Values is the Thing That The Whole Nation Today is Anxious for, and is Looking to Procure



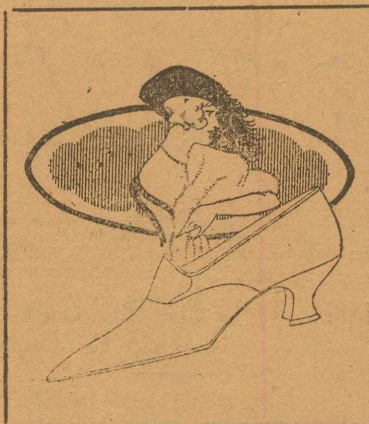
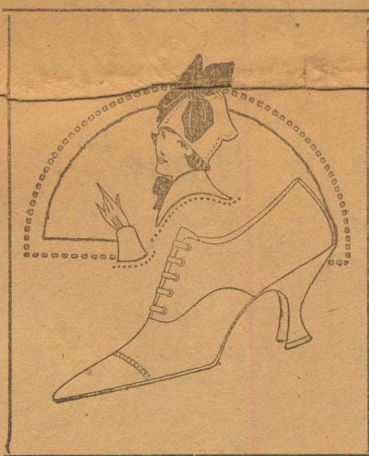
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BRING CONDITIONS BACK TO WHAT THEY WERE IN 1914, BUT WE ARE GOING TO GIVE YOU MANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS, AT PRICES THAT WILL LOOK GOOD TO YOU FOR 1920. SOME OF THIS MERCHANDISE HAS BEEN RECENTLY PURCHASED BY US THROUGH OUR NEW YORK AGENCY VERY CHEAP, SOME OF IT IS LINES BOUGHT FOR OUR SUMMER TRADE, WHILE OTHER LINES ARE THOSE ARRIED CONTINUOUSLY IN STAPLE GOODS...WE EXPECT TO SELL MANY LINES OUT COMPLETELY, AND TO THIS END WE ARE GOING TO REDUCE THE PRICE ON MANY ITEMS NOT PREVIOUSLY REDUCED FOR SEVERAL YEARS BACK. IT IS OUR DESIRE TO PLACE GOODS CONVENIENTLY THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO SERVE YOU QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY. WE ARE NOT ABLE TO SHOW IN THIS SMALL SPACE OUR FULL INTENTIONS, BUT THE MAIN IDEA IN VIEW IS TO REDUCE OUR STOCK LOOKING FORWARD TO TAKING CARE OF LARGE SHIPMENTS OF MERCHANDISE NOW IN TRANSIT, AND OTHERS YET TO BE PROCURED.



## OUR BUYERS WILL LEAVE SPUR

On or About August 5th, for The Eastern Markets Where We Will Join Our Associated Buyers for The Best Results That Years of Experience and Wisdom Will Procure in Finishing up our Purchases of the Season, Looking to The Fall Trade

HERE WE ARE, CHILDREN'S SOCKS ON SALE FROM 29c UP, VALUES THAT ARE WORTH 60c. \$3.50 'CADET HOSE FOR LADIES' AT \$2.95. ALSO ONE LINE IN SEVERAL SHADES, WERE \$2.25 NOW \$1.95, AND ONE LINE THAT WAS \$2 FOR \$1.65, THESE HOSE ARE CHEAP AT FORMER PRICES. LADIES' COTTON SILK FINISH HOSE IN BLACK AND WHITE 85c FOR 75c, AND 75c FOR 65c, THE 65c LINE IN BLACK, WHITE AND BROWN FOR 50c. WE PLACE ON SALE 50 DOZEN MEN'S SOCKS IN ALL SHADES, WERE 65c FOR 50c. WE HAVE ABOUT 50 DOZEN MEN'S OVERALLS, WAIST SIZES, 36 UP TO 42 THAT WE WILL CLOSE OUT AT \$2.50, JUMPERS TO MATCH IF DESIRED. COLORED IMPORTED ORGANDIES, 44 INCHES WIDE, NEW ARRIVAL SHADES OF ROSE, TURQUOIS, NILE, ORCHID, WE ARE GOING TO CLOSE THESE LINES FOR \$1.25. WE HAVE ABOUT 25 PIECES OF WHITE LINENS AND HALF LINENS THAT WILL GO ON SALE FROM 25c A YARD UP, WITH GOOD REDUCTIONS IN EACH AND EVERY INSTANCE.



CLARKS O. N. T. THREAD WITH YARDAGE ON ALL SPOOLS FROM 8 TO 36 OF 150 YARDS, ALL FINER SIZES HAVE 250 YARDS, FOR THIS TIME 10c A SPOOL. WE THINK THIS SALE WILL CLOSE OUT ALL WE HAVE WHEN WE WILL BE PLACED ON A DIFFERENT BASIS. 50 DOZEN TOWELS PER PAIR FROM 60c TO \$1.10, THEY ARE CHEAP AT 25 PER CENT MORE. WE HAE ABOUT 50 PIECES OF 40 INCH GEORGETTE AND CREPE DE CHINE THAT FOR THIS SALE WILL BE SOLD FOR \$2.25 PER YARD, THIS IS QUALITIES THAT SOLD AS HIGH AS \$3.50. ALL \$5.00 CREPE SHIRTING FOR \$3.50. 10 PIECES CREPE SHIRTING ON SALE AT \$2.75 PER YARD. 34 INCH SILK PONGEE ON SALE FOR \$1.75. ALL MEN'S DRESS PANTS ON SALE FOR 10 PER CENT DISCOUNT. ALL MEN'S AND LADIES' SHOES CUT 10 PER CENT. WE WILL OFFER ALL MEN'S, LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S LOW SHOES, REGARDLESS OF STYLE WITH A DISCOUNT OF 20 PERCENT. 50 PIECES OF GINGHAM ON SALE FOR 40c PER YARD. ALL MEN'S SUITS CUT 20 PER CENT. IT IS TO YOUR INTEREST TO CO-OPERATE WITH US IN THIS SALE, IT IS TO YOU THAT WE OWE THIS SALE AND HELPS US TO MAINTAIN THE PRICE YOU NEED.

Try and Avoid Trading at Sale on Saturday; If conditions are unfavorable, Come when you can

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"The Store That Saves"

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**CARD OF THANKS**

I desire to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the democratic voters of Dickens county for their loyal support and the confidence expressed by again giving me the nomination for tax assessor. I not only appreciate this support and confidence, but will endeavor to render the very best service within my power.—G. B. Jopling. rt

Mrs. V. C. Smart entertained the Entre Nous Club members Friday afternoon of last week at her home in the west part of the city, there being quite a number of club members and other guests present. After a number of interesting games, delightful refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Riter returned last week from an extended visit to relatives and friends in Indiana. They made the return trip home through the country in a new Dodge car, stopping along the way at interesting points. While in Indiana they witnessed the big automobile races in which the world's record is made.

Miss Ainslie Turner and daughter, Miss Kathleen, have been the guests of Mrs. J. J. Smelser during the week. Mrs. Turner returned Thursday to her home near San Angelo, while Miss Kathleen will remain for a more extended visit with Mrs. Smelser.

According to a preliminary statement by the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, 76,301 short tons of peat, valued at \$860,841, was sold in 1919. This is a decrease of 30,960 tons and of \$186,402 compared with the sales in 1918.

Tom McClure, of Munday, passed thru Spur Friday of last week and spent an hour or so with us. He, with two other companions had been up on the plains to assist in harvesting the big wheat crops of that section.

**HONEY**—Fine new summer crop ready for immediate shipment. Bulk, extracted and comb in all size tins. If interested write for price list.—Anderson Bros., Beeville, Tex. 38-6p

Mesdames Crego, of the Croton country, and W. W. Waldrup, of Dickens, were visitors in Spur Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Fite returned last week from a visit to friends at Lubbock and other points on the plains.

Miss Bessie Lee Douthitt, of Lueders, is the guest of Mrs. Brasher this week at her home in the north part of the city.

Miss Sewell Murphey, of the city left Thursday for an extended visit to friends and relatives at Palestine.

L. G. Wilhite returned Tuesday from a visit and business trip to Rotan.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Williams are in Spur this week visiting her mother, Mrs. P. C. Ellis.

Miss Mollie Wilhite is reported sick at her home in the city.

**MAKING "MOONSHINE" OVER IN SHACKELFORD COUNTY**

Acting on instructions from Sheriff Marshal Biggs, of Shackelford county, City Marshal Tom Holland arrested E. Jackson Monday morning. Jackson was later turned over to Sheriff Biggs and was carried to Albany, where, it is alleged, a charge of running illicit still is filed against him.

Jackson is a man of about 50 years of age, and came here with his wife and child a few weeks ago. He was here last fall and worked in different sections of the country.

On a visit to Anson last week Sheriff Biggs stated that he had found near Albany one of the most complete still plants that have been unearthed in this section, and an amount of "moonshine" whiskey, but at that time no arrest had been made. At the plant, an empty box bearing the name of E. Jackson, Anson, Texas, was found. Jackson was not located when the officer was here last week. Another man has been arrested in connection with the affair, and is said to be in the jail at Albany.—Western Enterprise.

We have added barbecued meats to our business and can furnish you on short notice. Nice stuff.—City Cafe. 36 tf

**FORMER SPUR MAN WRECKS CAR ON CANYON**

J. A. Neighbors happened to quite a little misfortune Monday. He and his family motored from their home a few miles south of town to the canyon on a plum gathering expedition. They left the car on top of the cap rock a short distance and proceeded on foot down the canyon, and suddenly were attracted by the moving of their car, and looking up, they saw it coming down the great embankment. It had a fall of about fifty feet, rolled over a few times and was completely demolished. The car evidently was pushed off by a puff of wind, as it was on level ground, and, as Mr. Neighbors thought, far out of danger.

The earliest use of asbestos was spinning and weaving, to make incombustible thread and yarn rope and cloth, and this has continued to be the most important use of asbestos ever since the days of the Greeks and Romans. Only the best grades can be used for this purpose, according to J. S. Diller, of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior. Thread can now be spun so fine that it will run about 32,000 feet to the pound.

**LIGHTNING KILLS MAN AND DOES OTHER DAMAGE**

August Brockman, age 47 years was struck by lightning and instantly killed, at 7:30 yesterday morning, while shocking wheat in his field near Nazareth Castro county.

This is the third time lightning has struck on this farm. Three years ago lightning killed eight head of cattle for Mr. Brockman, and last year killed a fine horse.

Since there was as much or more interest in the sheriff's race than in others, we make the comparison. In 1918 Ford received a total of 271 votes, and Barber 504. Saturday, Ford received 332 and Barber 602—both making gains over 1918 election. In 1918 Ford carried Duck Creek 34 to 19, Liberty 32 to 10, Croton 18 to 7, and Wichita 25 to 7; Barber carrying all other boxes by good majorities. Saturday Ford carried only one box, Duck Creek, in the county, by 8 votes.

M. A. Pace and family are leaving the last of the week for a trip up on the plains, he having "laid-by" his crops until it rains. Mr. Pace stated that he might go on to New Mexico, should clouds fail to show up to encourage his return home sooner.

Fresh milk cow and calf, and Poland China sow and four pigs, for sale.—G. W. Gilmore, four miles to the north of Dickens. 38-2tp

**DON'T WAIT**

UNTIL A SUDDEN EMERGENCY ARRIVES TO FIND OUT HOW NECESSARY A HOT WATER BOTTLE, A FEVER ICE PACK, AN EAR OR ULCER SYRINGE OR NASAL DOUCHE IS.

**COME IN**

AND GET ONE TODAY. WE HAVE A COMPLETE LINE OF THESE HEALTH PRESERVING RUBBER GOODS JUST IN, THEY ARE FRESH. THAT MEANS SOMETHING IN RUBBER GOODS.

**RED FRONT DRUG STORE**

G. R. ELKINS, Manager

**DICKENS ITEMS.**

We haven't had that rain yet, and it is very dry but the weather is cool and cloudy, crops holding up wonderfully, and we're still hoping for rain soon.

Mrs. F. C. Gipson underwent a serious operation at the Spur Sanitarium Monday morning. Dr. Standifer having charge. At last reports was doing nicely.

The county election Saturday went off nicely without any undue excitement. All men elected are, we think, splendid men, who will do their duty, and we the people of Dickens county should lay aside all prejudice and help them.

Mrs. Ida Luce, who has been very sick, is reported much better.

Charley Eskridge, who has been down with typhoid fever thirty four days, is improving but not able to be up.

Mrs. Clay and children of Ranger are visiting her sisters, Mesdames Gay and Gipson.

Mrs. Phobe K. Warner will be with the Science Club Thursday the 29th, at Mrs. Middleton's west of town. We're sure all members will be present as most all must have read and appreciated her articles written in the Star-Telegram. It will be a rare treat to meet her.

Girard and Dickens played ball Saturday at Dickens, scores 9 to 2 in favor of Girard. Play ball, Dickens.

Miss Clara Mitchell, who has been with her brother at Houston for some time, returned last week.

MonteBelle Hawk is visiting Leonard Ludelle Perry at Spur this week.

This is not a very newsy city, but if anything of interest ever happens, I'll try to let you know.—Dickens Girl.

Sunday we accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Richbourg to Jayton to hear Lockett Adair, spending the day with M. S. Sandell and W. J. Garrett and families. Lockett Adair is assisted in the meeting by Tom Rockett. Both are noted evangelists. It is said that Tom Rockett was formerly one of a band of robbers and highwaymen in Oklahoma, while Adair is a reformed gambler, drunkard and policeman. They are both earnest, effective preachers. Adair is more on the evangelist order. In beginning his service, as he warmed up he pulled off his coat, latter removing his collar and tie. He uses clear, forceful and effective illustrations in his talk, using every-day language and expressions. Many conversions are effected in the meeting which will continue indefinitely. It will do you good to attend even one service.

Virgil Ledford and wife, of Santa Anna, are here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ledford. Virgil Ledford is an oil driller, having worked for a time on the Davis test well here for the Spur Oil Company. He has just completed a well near Santa Anna, having made a record of fourteen drilling days on the well.

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, went thru Spur Friday to Houston to see about his cotton stored there. He reports a good rain and good seasons in his section.

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**Don't Forget the Place**

**PEMBERTON FURNITURE COMY.**  
Spur, Wendell Building Texas

**SMALL BRIDGE BURNS ON WICHITA VALLEY SUNDAY AETERNOON**

A small bridge about ten miles north of here on the Wichita Valley railroad was burned Sunday afternoon, the origin of the fire being unknown to officials of the road at this place. The bridge was one over a small creek south of Mulberry creek and the damage was not great but cut off passenger traffic over the road for points between here and Stamford.

No. 6, leaving here at 5:45 p. m., and No. 1, due to arrive here at 9:35 p. m., were both detoured via Cisco over the T. & P. and the M. K. & T roads maintaining connections between Abilene and Stamford.—Abilene Morning Reporter.

Poet Hagins and family left this week for a trip through the country to New Mexico where they expect to spend several weeks.

**INDIAN TO BE ELECTRICUTED IN ARNANSAS AUGUST 15**

Little Rock, Ark. — Vic Tobay Choctaw Indian, formerly residing in Oklahoma, but later of Springdale, Washington county, Ark., will die in the electric chair Aug. 15, for the murder of C. C. Smith of Springdale on May 14 according to mandate issued by Governor Brough here this morning. Robbery is said to have been the motive of the crime of the Indian, who, after his arrest, is alleged by the sheriff of Washington county to have confessed. The governor's final decision was made at the conclusion of a hearing on a petition for commutation of sentence.—Fort Worth Herald.

Mr. E. C. Edmonds and children returned Thursday from Fort Worth where they have been visiting her parents, G. H. Connell and family.

Mrs. W. P. Simpson left the first of the week for an extended trip to Dallas and other points where she will visit friends.

Mrs. Brasher and children returned this week from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Stamford and Abilene.

Mrs. T. C. Ensey and children are this week visiting her parents in the Double Mountain country southeast of Spur.

Mrs. P. C. Ellis and daughter, Miss Katie, returned last week from an extended visit to friends and relatives at Amirillo and other points.

Fordson tractor and Fort Worth well machine outfit for sale at bargains. See T. M. Maple, Spur Texas. 38 tf

Mr. McGee and Driller Gray of the Spur Oil Company test well on the Davis place, made a business trip to Stamford and other points this week.

THE TEXAS SPUR

AUTHORIZING ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT AD VALOREM TAX BY CITIES AND TOWNS OR FIVE THOUSAND OR LESS POPULATION

Senate Joint Resolution No. 12.

Proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by increasing the total tax rate that may be levied by cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less than one-fourth of one per cent to not exceeding one and one-half per cent, and making appropriation therefor.

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

Section 1. That Section 4, Article XI of the Constitution be so amended as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed one and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and all taxes shall be collectable only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied, and all fines, forfeitures and penalties accruing to said cities and towns shall be collectable only in current money.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the state on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1920, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment of Section 4, Article XI of the Constitution increasing the total tax rate that may be levied by towns and cities having a population of five thousand or less from one-fourth of one per cent to not exceeding one and one-half per cent of any one year," and all voters opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment of Section 4, Article XI of the constitution increasing total tax rate that may be levied by towns and cities having a population of five thousand or less from one-fourth of one per cent to not exceeding one and one-half per cent of any one year."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of the proclamation and publication of this amendment and the election to be held hereunder.

C. D. MIMS,  
Secretary of State.

(Attest—A True Copy.)

RELATING TO THE MANNER OF COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 7.

A joint resolution of the Legislature of the State of Texas, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State by adding to Article 16 thereof a new section to be known as Section 60; providing for the compensation of public officials.

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

Section 1. That there is hereby added to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, a new section to be known as Section 60 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, which shall read as follows:

Section 60. Compensation of Public Officials: All State, district, county and precinct officers within the state shall receive as compensation for their services a salary, the amount of which, the terms and methods of payment and the fund out of which such payments shall be made, shall be ascertained, declared and fixed by the Legislature from time to time; provided that the Legislature may make such exceptions as it may deem advisable.

This section shall supersede all other provisions of this constitution fixing and declaring the compensation of officers by salary, fees or otherwise and all provisions for salaries or other compensation for public officials, executive, legislative or judicial.

Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to cause to be issued his necessary proclamation for an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1920, at which election this amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for adoption or rejection and shall make the publication required by the constitution and laws of the State. Said election shall be held under and in accordance with the General Election Laws of the state, and the ballots for said election shall have printed or written thereon in plain letters the following words:

"Official Ballot" "For the amendment to Article XVI of the constitution of the state of Texas, adding thereto Section 60, providing for compensation for public officials." "Against the amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing compensation for public officials."

Those voters who favor such amendment shall erase by marking a line through the words "Against the amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing compensation for public officials." Those who oppose such amendment shall erase by marking a line through them, the words "For the amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for public officials." And the result of the election shall be published and declared according to the majority of the votes cast in such election.

Sec. 3. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of the proclamation and publication of this amendment and the election to be held hereunder.

C. D. MIMS,  
Secretary of State.

(Attest—A True Copy.)

RELATING TO TAXATION BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 17.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas by exempting independent and common school districts from the limitation of a total tax of one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation for any one year, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article VII of the Constitution be so amended as hereafter to read as follows: (Creating a new Section 3.)

Section 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of one (\$1.00) dollar on every inhabitant of this state, between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools; and in addition thereto, there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem state tax of such an amount not to exceed thirty five cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollars valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public schools of this state for a period of not less than six months in each year, and it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to set aside a sufficient amount out of the said tax to provide free text books for the use of children attending the public free schools of this State; provided, however, that should the limit of taxation herein named be insufficient the deficit may be met by appropriation from the general funds of the state and the legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation; and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax-paying voters of the district voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts, nor to independent or common school districts created by general or special law.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the state on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1920 at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3 of Article VII of the constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the limitation upon the amount of school district tax of one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation shall not apply to independent or common school districts created by general or special law," and all opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots "Against the amendment to Section 3 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the limitation upon the amount of school district tax of one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation shall not apply to inde-

pendent or common school districts created by general or special law."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of such publication and election.

C. D. MIMS,  
Secretary of State.

(Attest—A True Copy.)

AWAY DOWN IN THE MOUNTAINS OF EDWARDS CO.

Hello dear friends at Dickens county, this finds me away down here in the mountains of Edwards county among the beautiful angora goats, where they are raised by the thousands. My father owns two thousand of pure bred angoras which he runs on his ranch here. They sheared last spring 16000 pounds of mohair and he received nine hundred kids out of his flock. The mohair of last spring has not sold at present. The farmers of Dickens county have a fine chance to raise a small bunch of Angoras at a good profit. Dickens county is the best county in all West Texas for all kinds of stock. It is hard for me to give up old Dickens county where we made our first start. Dickens county and its many first class farmers has made a great start in cotton raising, but listen dear friends, if you would run a small bunch of Angoras on each and every farm they would bring something near \$200 every year and would furnish the table in butter and milk of the very best. They will live and do well where prairie dogs will starve to death. If this doesn't fall in the waste basket, I will write again. —Ed Laughlin, Rock Springs, Texas.

NOTICE

Wood hauling, fishing and hunting is forbidden on any land owned and controlled by me.—Ed Lisenby. 31-3mp.

NOTICE

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

Cotton fiber of the crop of 1919 was shorter than that of 1918. The cotton crop specialist of Bureau of Crop Estimates has ascertained that 91.2 per cent of the crop of 1919 was less than 1 1-8 inches in length, or appreciably more than the 81.1 per cent of the crop of 1918. For a length of more than 1 1/4 inches the percentage of 1.3 for 1919 was under that of 1918, which was 1.5 per cent.

FARM FOR SALE—118 acres, part of northwest quarter of Section 300, two and a half miles north of Spur. Price \$50 per acre. See Mrs. J. C. Twaddell. 37-3tp

FARM FOR SALE—170 acres four and a half miles east of Spur, 110 in cultivation, 4 room house, barn, etc. See J. L. Curry. 36-4t

W. C. Benson and wife, of the Wichita country, celebrated their fifty fifth wedding anniversary July 27th, at their home. Their neighbors came to their home unannounced, prepared a table and spread a sumptuous dinner under the shades, and invited Mr. and Mrs. Benson out to enjoy the feast. Mr. Benson is eighty one years of age, while Mrs. Benson is seventy odd years of age. Their many friends and neighbors all wish Mr. and Mrs. Benson the pleasure of many more wedding anniversaries.

W. A. Bell this week sold his City Cafe business to Sam Stradley who now has charge of the business. Sam Stradley was formerly here and for a time engaged in the transfer business, and for many years his people have been residents of Dickens county, he being well known to the old timers here.

J. P. Sampson, of Oklahoma, is here visiting S. J. Ousley and family at their home northwest of Spur.

Jas. F. Williams left Thursday for a business trip to Dallas and other cities of the eastern part of the state.

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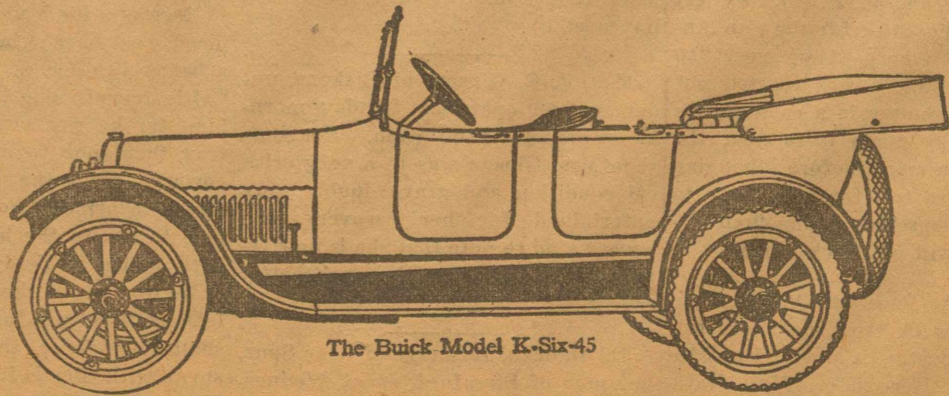


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### TO THE VOTERS OF DICKENS COUNTY.

I can not express my feelings toward you all, for your vote and influence in last Saturday's primary. I want each and every one to know that your vote was appreciated, and it is encouraging to me to know that so great a majority of the voters supported me, and I hope I can be of some service to each and every voter of Dickens county. I want you all to feel free to call on me at any time that you may need my assistance. I am also going to ask you to cooperate with me in enforcing the laws, etc. Let's stamp out vice and crime so we may say that we are living in one of the cleanest counties in the state. Again I thank you all. I am your servant,  
G. L. BARBER, Sheriff & Tax Col.

C. F. Cates and W. F. Godfrey left the first of the week for the San Angelo country where they expect to spend some time. They started out through the country in a car, and we hear that they made it to near the city of Clairemont, before "hanging up," having to call for help there to extricate themselves from "mire."—but they will get back home.

Mrs. M. A. Pace and children returned last week from a visit to relatives at Houston, Calvert, Franklin and Kosse. Her sister, Mrs. Katie Hughes, of Houston, returned with her for an extended visit here.

The ladies of the Christian church will continue the annual flower show this fall, the dates and prizes to be given later.

Mrs. S. Power of Graham, and brother, Fred Allen of Stephens county, arrived in Spur Wednesday for several days visit with W. E. Fletcher and family and her mother, Mrs. Allen, who is here recuperating from a recent operation at the Spur Sanitarium. Mrs. Power informed us that much oil development work continues in Stephens county, and especially in the northern part where Mr. and Mrs. Power have considerable holdings.

F. C. Gipson, Mrs. Earn Clay, Mrs. Gay and others from Dickens and Mrs. M. M. Young of Girard, have been spending the greater part of the week in Spur at the home of Mrs. E. F. Hall awaiting the outcome of Mrs. Gipson's illness, she having undergone an operation Sunday at the Spur Sanitarium. Their many friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Gipson is now much improved.

Mrs. F. C. Gipson, of Dickens, underwent an operation Sunday morning at the Spur Sanitarium. For some time Mrs. Gipson was in a very critical condition and grave doubts were entertained for her recovery, but we are glad to note that she is now reported improving and in much better condition.

Ed Duncan, formerly of near Spur, but now of Stamford, spent Wednesday here on business. He likes the Spur country and is now arranging to move back and engage in business in the city.

New Fords with starters for sale at \$800. See H. A. Boothe. 38 ft

### OBITUARY

Paul Hagins was born in Dickens county, on Duck Creek, October 24th 1891, died July 5th, 1920, age twenty eight years, nine months and eleven days. At the time of the accident which caused his death, he was working for an oil company in Grandfield, Oklahoma, and was fatally burned by the explosion of a gasoline tank. When his clothing caught fire he ran for thirty or forty steps, jumped over the guard line into a pile of sand, rolled till the flames were extinguished. When help arrived a few minutes later they found his body was seriously burned, all but his forehead and hair, which was protected by his hat. He was immediately hurried to a hospital where he received every attention possible to alleviate his suffering.

When his father arrived the next morning he was conscious and recognized him at once and though he was suffering untold agony, he gladly greeted him and inquired affectionately after the rest of the family. "Yes papa, I am pretty badly burned," he said heroically, trying to conceal his pain. A hero to the last he bore his suffering without a murmur till death relieved him of the agony. His mother and sister, Mrs. Lucy Heatherington, who were unavoidably delayed, arrived too late.

His body was shipped to Jayton for burial and was laid to rest in the Jayton cemetery on the evening of July the seventh, Brother Jesse Willis officiating. He leaves a father and step-mother, nine brothers, four sisters, three step-sisters and fiance to mourn his loss. They are: His father and mother, the Hon. A. J. Hagins of Jayton, Ben Hagins of Lamesa, Poet and Donna Hagins of Gilpin, Carl Hagins of Thurber, Mrs. Lucy Heatherington of Duster, Jerome Hagins of Gilpin, and Essie, Lillian and Jo Frank, A. J. Sanford and baby, Nettie Beth, who are still at home with their parents; Mrs. Jewell Hawkins of near Wayton, Mrs. Alice McFarland of Floydada, and Mrs. Pearl McCombs of near Clairemont, step-sisters; and Miss Ollie Wasson, of Matador, fiance. His friends were numbered by his acquaintances, for everybody spoke well of Paul Hagins. Once we read a poem that described brave soldiers as "Gentlemen unafraid," which exactly describes Paul in every particular and so we dedicate the following lines to his memory:

Forth he stepped from his father's door,  
A young man blithe and gay.  
Out in the world he would seek his store,  
Over the hills and away;  
So out with the toilers he took his stand,  
Where staunch at his post he stayed,  
And did his work with a master hand,  
A gentleman unafraid.  
Then our country called and he went to war,  
As brave as they ever could be;  
To the battlefields of France afar,  
And fought for our liberty,  
With the sons of America, host on host,  
Where the war dogs wounded and slayed,  
Midst death and destruction he stood at his post;  
A gentleman unafraid.  
When the war was over one fine day,  
He proudly greeted us all;  
But soon from our midst he was called away  
To answer a higher call.  
So young and so brave—yet his work has passed,  
He was called to rest in the shade;  
And he did as he lived true as gold in the last;  
A gentleman unafraid.

Yes, truly he was a gentleman unafraid both at home and abroad. He was a kind and dutiful son and never was there a family blessed with a better brother.

His friends also loved and trusted him, for he was never known to betray them nor to act the part of a coward. To the woman he loved he was a prince among men, and was true to her to the last, speaking tenderly of her in his dying hours.

He was one of the first of our American boys to sail for France, and we shall never forget the last evening we spent with him before his departure. In memory we can see him as he leaned back in his chair with a smile—a heavenly smile, it seemed to us as we watched every line of his dear face. With a serene countenance he confidently said: "You will see. The war will not last long. The Americans will

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burst Berlin, and they will not be long about it. Yes, most of us will come back," he comforted, "for the war will not last long after we get there." This was not idle boasting, but a clear sighted prophecy which came to pass. When we clasped his hand for the last time before he sailed, we realized he held us in his strong grasp, that we were the one who were afraid, not he. And then inspired by his courage, we forgot our fears and believed he would come back, which he did, the same kind-hearted, fearless lad that he was when he went away. "Never felt better in my life," he assured us. "I am fine and dandy." And oh, the glory of clasping his hand, the hand that had fought so valiantly for us, and listening to him tell about the victory he had helped win, then in this busy work away, when we lost him again and saw him no more till we beheld through our tears, his unblemished forehead and beautiful black hair, as he lay beneath the folds of the Red, White and Blue, under which he had fought so gallantly that we might be free. How sorrowful—and yet, how proudly did we gaze upon him there, for we realize that he had fought a good fight and his death was not in vain. He has only gone on before, and it is well with his soul, for he left evidence for his hope in Christ both by word and deed. While we mourn his untimely death, we take comfort in the thought that we shall meet him again when the sorrow and suffering and heartaches of life are over. "Marvel not at this: for the hour cometh in which all that are in the tombs shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good to the resurrection of life—and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Dear bereaved ones, comfort one another with these words. Believe God's promises, for truly you shall see him again.

Not here. His soul from our midst has flown;  
He has let us for a bright and happier clime.  
But we again, shall meet him when the Saviour calls his own.  
In his own good time.—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

G. A. Howsley and Mr. and Mrs. Cauble returned Sunday from Albany where they spent several days.

MULES AND HOGS—For mules and Poland China Pigs, see or phone to B. C. Cairns, Clairemont, Tex. 383p

### Notice to Contractors For State

#### Road And Bridge Construction

Sealed proposals addressed to Judge Walter L. Powell for the improvement of certain highways in Dickens county, will be received at the office of County Judge at Dickens, Texas, until 2 o'clock p. m., August 7, 1920, and then publicly opened and read. Description of work to be done: the construction of 7.557 miles of grading, surfacing and concrete drainage structures on State Highway No. 18, west from Spur. Contractors may submit bids on either of the two parts as follows (1) Grading and surfacing. (2) Concrete Drainage structures of both. Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination and information may be obtained at the office of K. C. Cade, County Engineer, Spur, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, Austin, Texas. A identified, or cashier's check, for 10 per cent of bid made payable without recourse to the order of Walter L. Powell, County Judge of Dickens County, must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities. Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked, "Bids for the Construction of 7.557 Miles of State Highway No. 18, in Dickens County." All bids received will be retained by the Department and will not be returned to the bidders.—K. C. Cade, County Engineer, Spur, Texas. 2t

Lester George, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. George of the Highway community, who underwent an operation at the Spur Sanitarium Saturday, is now reported doing so well that he insists upon having water brought in to him from home. Mr. George has been spending the greater part of the week in Spur to be with his son.

Ed Baum and family, of Cross Plains, are visiting Oran McClure and family. Cross Plains is now becoming an oil field, there being five producing wells and many drilling in that territory.

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### COUNTY FARMERS INSTITUTE ORGANIZED AT DICKENS

The organization of a Dickens County Farmers Institute was effected Wednesday Morning at Dickens. Walter L. Powell was elected president; H. T. Garner, vice-president; and Judge B. G. Worswick, secretary.

This organization was effected through J. W. Neill and Commissioner of Agriculture, Fred W. Davis, who were present for that purpose and evidenced a genuine interest in the welfare of the producer and the country. In his talk, Mr. Neill showing that supply and demand had less to do with fixing the price than cooperation and manipulation.

Mr. Davis, in his talk, referred to history of the world, from ancient times to the present, showing that peoples and nations could not progress except by producing a surplus. He said that adequate production was of more vital importance to people & country even than education—for through a surplus of production only could we progress, build schools, churches and roads. He said that the time is now at hand in this country when consumption and production were on a par, and unless production is increased we could not progress further but as consumption increased above production we would begin to retrograde. He urged that the welfare of the nation and the people demanded greater production, and that the producers be given a profit for their labors in production for the world's consumption—and this is the object of the organization of farmers institutes throughout the country. Fred W. Davis is well informed, has the qualities of a real statesman and is devoting his time and abilities to promoting the welfare of the people and the country.

### HARDINGS SPEECH ACCEPTING PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION

Following is the text of Senator Harding's speech in accepting the nomination for presidency upon the republican platform:

No man is big enough to run this great republic. There never has been one. Such domination was never intended. Tranquility, stability, dependability—all are assured in party sponsorship, and we mean to renew the assurances which were rendered in the cataclysmal war.

It was not surprising that we went far afield from safe and prescribed paths amid the war anxieties. There was the unfortunate tendency before, there was the surrender of congress to the growing assumption of the executive before the world war imperilled all the practices we had learned to believe in; and in the war emergency every safeguard was swept away. In the name of democracy we establish autocracy. We are not complaining at this extraordinary bestowal or assumption in war, it seemed temporarily necessary; our alarm is over the failure to restore the constitutional methods when the war emergency ended.

#### League of Nations

It is not difficult, Chairman Lodge, to make ourselves clear on the question of international relationship. We republicans of the senate, conscious of our solemn oaths and mindful of our constitutional obligations, when we saw the structure of a world super government taking visionary form, joined in becoming warning of our devotion to this republic. If the torch of constitutionalism had not been dimmed, the delayed peace of the world and the tragedy of disappointment and Europe's misunderstanding of America easily might have been avoided. The republicans of the senate halted the barter of independent American eminence and influence which was proposed to exchange for an obscure and unequal place in the merged government of the world. Our party means to hold the heritage of American nationality unimpaired and unsundered.

The world will not misconstrue. We do not hold aloof. We do not mean to shun a single responsibility of this republic to world civilization. There is no hate in the American heart. We have no envy, no suspicion, no aversion for any people in the world. We hold to our rights, and means to defend, aye, we mean to sustain the rights of this nation and our citizens alike, everywhere under the shining sun. Yet there is the concord of amity and sympathy and fraternity in every resolution. There is a genuine aspiration in every American breast for a tranquil friendship with all the world.

One may readily sense the conscience of our America. I am sure I understand the purpose of the dominant group of the senate. We were not seeking to defeat a world aspiration, we were resolved to safeguard America. We were resolved then, even as we are today, to preserve this true and independent republic. Let those now responsible or seeking responsibility, propose the surrender, whether with interpretations, apologies or reluctant reservations—from which our rights are to be omitted—we welcome the referendum to the American people on the preservation of America, and the republican party pledges its defense of the preserved inheritance of national freedom.

It will avail nothing to discuss in detail the league covenant, which was conceived for world super-govern-

ment, negotiated in misunderstanding, and intolerantly urged and demanded by its administration sponsors, who resisted every effort of safeguard America, and who finally rejected when such safe-guards were inserted. If the supreme blunder has left European relationships inextricably interwoven in the league compact, our sympathy for Europe only magnifies our own good fortune in resisting involvement. It is better to be the free and disinterested agent of international justice and advancing civilization, with the covenant of conscience, than be shackled by a written compact which surrenders our freedom of action and gives to military alliance the right to proclaim America's duty to the world.

#### The Railway

The importance of the railway rehabilitation is so obvious that reference seems uncalled for. We are so confident that much of the present day insufficiency and inefficiency of transportation are due to the withering hand of government operation that we emphasize anew our opposition to government ownership, we want to expedite the reparation, and make sure the mistake is not repeated.

#### Labor

I wish the higher wage to abide, on one explicit condition—that the wage earner will give full return for the wage received. It is the best assurance we can have for a reduced cost of living. Mark you, I am ready to acclaim the highest standard of pay, but I would be blind to the responsibilities that mark this fateful hour if I did not caution the wage earners of America that mounting wages and decreased production can lead only to industrial and economic ruin.

#### Mexico

I believe there is an easy and open path to righteous relationship with Mexico. It has seemed to me that our undeveloped, uncertain and infirm policy has made us a culpable party to the governmental misfortunes in that land. Our relations ought to be both friendly and sympathetic.

#### Prohibition

I believe in law enforcement. If elected I mean to be a constitutional president, and it is impossible to ignore the constitution, unthinkable to evade the law, when our every committal is to orderly government. People ever will differ about the wisdom of the enactment of a law—there is divided opinion respecting the eighteenth amendment and the laws enacted to make it operative—but there can be no difference of opinion about honest law enforcement.

Neither government nor party can afford to cheat the American people. The laws of congress must harmonize with the constitution, else they soon are adjudged to be void; congress enacts the laws and the executive branch of the government is charged with enforcement. We cannot nullify because of divided opinion, we can not jeopardize orderly government with contempt for law enforcement. Modification or repeal is the right of a free people, whenever the deliberate and intelligent public sentiment commands, but prevention and evasion mark the paths to the failure of government itself.

#### Woman Suffrage

The womanhood of America always its glory, its inspiration and the potent, uplifting force in its social and spiritual development, is about to be enfranchised. Insofar as congress can go, the fact is already accomplished. By party edict, by my recorded vote, by personal conviction I am committed to this measure of justice.

### NOTICE

To the Patrons and Property Owners of Spur School District:

Most of you are aware that the public school in this district has been handicapped each year by a lack of sufficient funds. It has almost invariably been necessary to cut the term to six or seven months because the funds were exhausted. Last year, the funds were exhausted at the end of six months, and a public subscription was taken to run the school two months longer. This condition is unfair to ourselves and our children. We should have a nine months school, and there is but one way to do so, and that is to raise sufficient funds to run the school for that length of time.

Most of you are also aware that the price of everything has advanced and that in order to obtain competent teachers, their salaries must be materially increased. It will cost at least fifty per cent more to run a nine months school now than in the past, and there is only one way to increase the amount of available school funds, and that is to increase the valuation of taxable property within the district. The law contemplates and requires that all property shall be cent of its value hrdlnhrdlnhrdlnhaoir rendered at its full value. There is some property on the rolls for 100 per cent of its value, and other property for not exceeding 25 per cent of its value. This condition should not exist; and it is the purpose of the board this year to equalize, as near as possible, all taxable property in the district, and place it upon the tax rolls at such valuation, not exceeding 100 per cent of its value, as will be sufficient to raise sufficient funds to run a nine months school, and give this district one of the very best schools in West Texas. And to this end, we ask the cooperation of every patron and property owner in the district.—Respectfully, The Spur Independent School Board.

### ARMY ENLISTING ILLUSTRATES FOR SERVICE AND EDUCATION

Beginning with July 20th the Army will accept illiterates for enlistment for a period of three years and will send them to any place in the United States that they desire to serve. Before joining their organizations they will be sent to school and given instruction so that they will be able to read and write the English language. It will not be necessary for them to be full citizens but they must have taken out their first papers.

During the war it was found that about FIVE PER CENT of the soldiers could not read or write the English language beyond their own name and as a result, a school was established at Camps Upton, N.Y., where for the last year, men of this type, both American and Foreign born, have been taught the rudiments of becoming good American citizens. This school has been so successful that the activities have been extended to the entire Army and now school will be opened at Camps Jackson, S. C.; Pike, Ark.; Grant, Ill.; Travis, Tex. and Lewis, Wash. Here the illiterates who are accepted for the Army will be given a course in elementary English and instruction in the duties of a soldier and then forwarded to their organization.

It is thought that this is not only a great need of the that will be filled by improving the class of citizens, but that it is also a wonderful opportunity for the men in view of the fact that upon completion of their elementary work they will be able to take advanced courses in the Educational and Vocational schools now being carried on in the Army. Men that are graduates of these schools are given a certificate of proficiency that insures them of a good position as a skilled workman at almost any plant employing men who are specialists in their type of work.

Misses Ruth Conway and Doda Wallace are visiting Claude Conway.

Mrs. J. B. Vickery is visiting Mrs. A. L. Allcorn.

Two or three more fine red pigs to sell.—Weldon McClure.

Drilling continues uninterrupted on the Davis well. It is now near 2,500 feet deep—and close to the oil.

Recently Frank Hale sold his residence in Spur to Bryant-Link Company for a consideration of \$2,000 Mr. Hale bought a residence in Paducah where Mr. Hale and children are now living.

J. H. Hoover, of south of Spur, left last week for Vera in response to a message stating that his daughter was very sick.

Mrs. Caraway's sister and two daughters, of California, are here on an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. Caraway.

Mrs. Brannen, who has been in Spur visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Caraway, returned this week to her home at Peacock.

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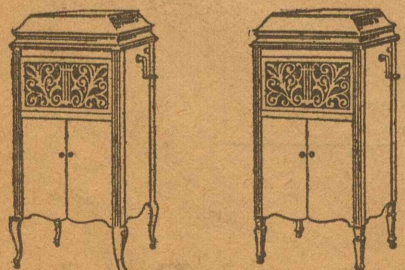
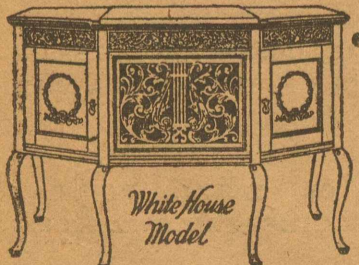
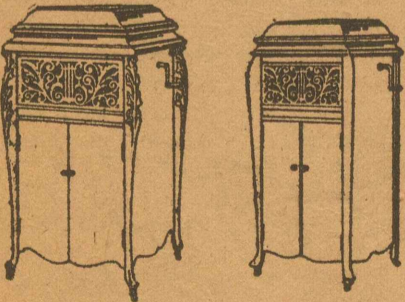
Van Martin, an old resident of Motley county, was very seriously, if not fatally, injured Sunday morning, at the hands of his son.

Mr. Martin and his two sons, fifteen and eighteen years of age, were at his ranch seven or eight miles from Matador. It is said that Mr. Martin had the younger son down giving him a whipping. The boy, thinking the whipping too severe, called for his older brother to help him, when it is said the older boy came to his assistance by picking up a scantling and striking his father on the head several times, knocking him senseless. Mr. Martin was brought to Matador immediately for medical treatment, but up to this time he remains unconscious and very little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Van Martin is one of the oldest settlers of the country, and has amassed a fortune in the cattle and ranching business.

They are looking every day for the casing to arrive for the 24 test well.

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## BURIED CITY UNCOVERED IN THE PANHANDLE COUNTRY

On the upper reaches of Wolf Creek about forty-five miles northwest of Higgins, is what has been known to the old timers ever since the settlement of this part of the Panhandle as the "Buried City."

It is located on what was the Jim Freyer ranch, now owned by the Handley brothers, on an elevated tableland, about four hundred yards to the south of the creek, and, perhaps about the same distance from the cliffs on the south bank of the creek.

Last week Warren K. Morehead, curator of the department of archeology of Philips Academy of Andover, Mass., and crew of men were digging in the ruins of the city and exploring the country around for what ever could be found that would be of interest to the scientific world.

In all his party of explorers discovered the ruins of twenty-six old-time dwellings. Old, perhaps when Columbus sailed across the unknown waters of the western sea.

Most of these ruins, which consist only of the lower walls, are located on the Handley place, the rest being scattered along the valley of Wolf creek at widely separated locations.

Beyond locating the ruins at other points, the explorers made no excavations at any point other than on the Handley place.

At this point the lower walls of a number of buildings were located, which show their presence only by the upper portions of the walls showing through the short grass, clearly indicating in most cases the outline of the four walls of the buildings.

The largest, a building which was forty feet by seventy feet was explored, and every evidence was found of a very ancient civilization, which may possibly have antedated the cliff dwellers.

In this building, in which human skeletons, ancient pottery, bones of animals, and various other things had been previously found, the explorers discovered portions of two human

skeletons, some fragments of pottery, flint arrow heads and war points, and several small ornaments made of mother of pearl, beautifully shaped and of excellent workmanship.

In the ruins five "ash-pits" were found, and from these places where the aborigines built their fires to cook their food and warm themselves, the bulk of the finds were made.

Professor Morehead says that sufficient of these relics were found to establish the fact that these ancient people were of the same "culture" as the cliff dwellers, but he could not yet determine whether the dwellers of the Wolf creek were the forerunners of the cliff dwellers, or those that came after that ancient race of people.

From what the writer saw, when on the ground a few days ago, it seems to be quite evident that this tribe of the ancient residents of the Panhandle was destroyed, either by enemies, or by some cataclysm of nature. It is likely that enemies did the work. Had it happened from a landslide from the cliffs above, the upper walls of the buildings would have been scattered through the ruins and in the same state of preservation as the walls that are now to be found buried beneath the soil.

Assuming that enemies did the murderous work, killing all the inhabitants of the village, as is evidenced by the fact that at least six human skeletons have been found. It is more than probable that in the course of years, the soil from the upper part of the hill has been washed down, filling up the ruins to the present level, which is about three feet six inches above the foundations. At the same time the bodies of the dead, and what ever else had been left by the marauders, were covered by the soil, and is now being dug up for the interest and edification of the people of today.

It is quite likely that in the years that have elapsed, those portions of the walls that were not covered by the soil, have crumbled away beneath the touch of time, and are now mingling with the sands of the creek below.

Whoever these ancient people may

have been, it is quite evident that they were far more advanced in the arts of civilization than any of the Indian tribes known after the arrival of the white man in these regions. The erection of a building such as the largest ruin implies, indicates a civilization far in advance of the plains Indian or any of his contemporaries. Whom these ancient people may have been, we know not. Like many peoples in the history of the world, they lived their allotted time, fulfilling whatever destiny was theirs, and then passed away into the darkness of the oblivion of the ages that have gone.

The News man obtained some few little relics of these people. These relics are highly prized.—Higgins News.

## GILPIN

The Gilpin country is needing rain. Gardens are burning up and feed stuff is suffering. However, we are looking for a rain, a shower is falling now (Tuesday morning) and it has rained all around us. Perhaps there is a Jonah in our part of the country, but we cannot imagine who he is for all our men and boys as far as we know are honest, industrious folks and are good as pie to their families. However, of there is one we wish he would confess his sins and get to doing his duty so it would rain, for Dad says he has got to make a crop or move, and we do not want to leave our chum.

Mr. Finis Bilberry has sold out and "sold cheap" for he says when he went to buy again he was asked seventy-five dollars an acre for a farm near here, and all the rest high. Guess they will have to move away, but we are sorry to lose them. He has recently bought a new Cleveland car, but if he keeps being so hard to please he will wear it out before he locates. However, we wish them success where ever they decide to live.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grayson and children, Miss Vermis and Mr. Floyd, visited kin folks here the first of last week.

Mrs. Dallas Bennett and children, of Shawnee, Oklahoma, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bennett and family. Mrs. Bennett says that the crops in their section of the country are fine and times flourishing.

Prof. Grable, of East Texas, is teaching an eighteen days singing class at the Duck Creek school house. We young folks are mighty glad of this opportunity and will make the best of it for there is nothing sweeter than good music.

Mrs. L. L. Arnold, who was operated on at the Spur Sanitarium last Monday morning is reported resting nicely. We wish her a quick and permanent recovery. Their daughter, Mrs. Bogan Roy, of Stamford, has charge of the children at her former home.

Miss Gladys Bennett, of Shawnee, Oklahoma, was the guest of Misses Mattie and Lucy Hagins Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins invited their kin folks to an ice cream supper Saturday night. Thirty seven were present and the ice cream was delicious. They helped our dish till we got ashamed and quit.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins and children visited at the home of his father, the Hon. Judge Hagins and family of Jayton, Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Buster Bural and little son, of the Duck Creek community, were the guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett, Wednesday of last week.

Misses Ada Wilkes and Irelia Mc-Nerlin were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bennett one day last week.

Yes, Rambling Bill, we agree with you, we correspondents should all "rally around the editor" and keep him plenty of news to print. Suppose we give him a dinner some day. Fried chicken and gravy and fresh butter, ham and eggs and a glass of sweet cream or butter milk, which ever he likes best, with a lump of ice in it. How would you like a good old country dinner like that Mr. Editor?

There is more news but mother keeps telling me if I do not hurry the snap peas and roasting ears will not get done by dinner.—School Girl.

## NO TRESPASSING.

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## COUNTY JUDGE'S ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Dickens,

Whereas, on the 26th day of June, 1920, a petition was presented to me for an election in Common School District No. 5 of this County on the question of issuing bonds to provide funds to be expended in payment of accounts legally contracted in constructing and equipping a public free school building of wood material and authorizing a tax upon all taxable property within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity, said petition bearing the requisite number of signatures of property taxpaying voters of said district and being in every respect in conformity with law;

and, It appearing that said common school district No. 5 has been heretofore, on to-wit, the 16th day of February 1911, properly established in accordance with article 2817, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911; and,

It further appearing that said district as so established contains an area of more than nine square miles, and that no other district has been reduced in area below nine square miles by reason of the creation of this district; and,

It further appearing that said district No. 5 does not embrace any territory that was taken from any other school district (either common or independent), that had an outstanding issue of bonds at the date of such inclusion in this district;

Now, therefore, I Walter L. Powell, in my capacity as county judge of Dickens County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on 31st day of July 1920, at Prairie Chapel School House in said Common School District No. 5 of this County as established by order of the Commissioners' Court of the date of 16th day of February, 1920, which is recorded in Book 2, pages 346, of the minutes of said court

to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified taxpaying voters of that district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said common school district in the amount of \$4000.00 the bonds to be of the denomination of \$200.00 each, numbered consecutively from one to 20, both inclusive, payable with option of redemption after ten years

20 years from their date and bearing 5 per cent interest per annum, payable annually April 10th of each year, to provide funds to be expended in payment of accounts legally contracted in constructing and equipping a public free School Building of wood material

and to determine whether the Commissioners' Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds or any of them are outstanding, a tax upon all taxable property within said dis-

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district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

T. D. Hale is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall, within five days after said election has been held, make due return thereof to the Commissioners' Court of this County, as is required by law for holding a general election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"FOR THE BONDS"

"AGAINST THE BONDS"

All persons who are legal qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election.

Dated 28th day of June 1920

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