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# The Texas Spur

## AND DICKENS ITEM

A well tilled farm is more profitable to the owner and the community than an oil gusher.

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## Backbone of Drouth Broken by a One Inch Rain Last Monday

### AFTER MANY MONTHS A FINE RAIN FALLS IN THE COUNTRY

Monday a fine rain fell in this part of the country, the rainfall amounting to from one inch to three inches in the different sections. The rain was accompanied by small hail stones which did no damage.

This is the first rain we have had in five months, and the first good seasonable rain in the past nine months. This "drouth" was not confined to West Texas, but extended to East Texas.

The rain covered the Spur territory, with the exception of a small strip of country on the plains in the McAdoo section where it only sprinkled.

In Spur the rainfall registered .86 of an inch. In the Cat Fish and the Highway communities, about two inches fell. At Dickens and Afton and other parts of the county, one inch is the estimated rainfall. To the east of Spur the rainfall was lighter, there being only a half inch reported at Jayton. To the west of Spur the rainfall was heavier, there being three inches reported at Ralls, and two inches at Crosbyton. At Roaring Springs, to the north, the rainfall is reported somewhat lighter than in Spur.

The Spur country, as a whole, is now in good shape with respect to crop conditions and prospects. The season is sufficient for the preparation of lands and for planting. The wheat crops will be benefited and a considerable acreage saved from a complete loss by the timely rain. The uncertainty and depression of many people has been relieved, and all are now working with better spirits and a prospect of harvesting bumper crops this fall.

### GERRARD PLAYERS NOW PREPARING TO GO ON THE ROAD

The Gerrard Players, under the management and direction of L. H. Gerrard of Spur, is now making arrangement to start out on the road for the spring and summer season. They are equipped with show tents, trucks, etc., and will cover this entire Western territory during the show season. The Gerrard Players are recognized as one of the leading shows of the state. Their performances are clean, wholesome, entertaining and beneficial, and we predict for them a prosperous season.

### SPUR CONCERT BAND ORGANIZATION IS PERFECTED

The organization of the Spur Concert Band was perfected Monday night. N. Q. Brannen was elected president; J. H. Busby, vice president; J. W. Berry, secretary and treasurer; Mr. Knight, band director; W. F. Godfrey, business manager.

There are sixteen regular members to the band, and the following honorary members were elected at meeting Monday night: E. C. Edmonds, Oscar Jackson, W. B. Lee, C. E. Jones, Geo. S. Link, W. T. Andrews, C. Hogan, and G. R. Elkins.

The members are now practicing regularly and taking lessons from Director Knight. By summer time the Spur Band will be in position to furnish as fine music as any band in the whole West.

### CITY OF SPUR IS NOW PAVING INTERSECTING MAIN STREETS

The City Commissioners have contracted with Chas. Whitener to pave the intersecting streets in the business section on Burlington Avenue, and the work is now in progress.

The paving is being done with concrete to stand the excessive wear on the turns of the streets. A block covering the crossing of Burlington and Harris Street will be put in first. Later, we understand, the intersection at Fifth Street will be paved in a similar manner.

Eventually every street in Spur will be paved with concrete gravel, of which there is a plentiful supply near town, and the business section will be of more enduring pavement.

Spur and Dickens county are the most progressive in all of Western Texas in the matter of street improvement and permanent road construction.

### W. A. CRADDOCK WILL OFFER SERVICES AS JUDGE & SUPT.

I have said that I could not at all consider making the race for County Judge. However, it seems a hard matter to get a man who can fill both places and, as an account of that there is grave danger of creating another office, I have decided to offer my services to the people of Dickens county if they want me. I shall make no campaign, or ask any one for a vote. I take my residence of eleven years in Dickens county as sufficient acquaintance as to who I am and what can be expected of me in the office of County Judge and School Superintendent.

I would accept only on condition the office be not divided, as there is not enough work in Judge's office to keep one busy, and I can find time to properly look after all school work, and all for one salary.

I taught school four years, and four of my children graduated from Spur High School. If I did not contribute very much help in their school work I can at least say I was an interested spectator.

If I make the race I shall spend two months in the summer normal school work and attend the school for county superintendents. I would in this way get the latest methods.

Public school is and has been my pet hobby, and in order to make the world safe for democracy, and the country a fit place to live, we must have first class schools.

Respectfully,  
W. A. CRADDOCK.

### PACKING PLANT TO BE ESTABLISHED IN CITY OF CROSBYTON

We are informed that a packing plant will be established in Crosbyton by Crosbyton interests, and that it will have a capacity of handling fifty cattle and one hundred fifty hogs per day. It is planned to have the plant in operation for the fall season.

Trade in Spur—  
The survival of the fittest is the keynote of "The Country That God Forgot."

Trade in Spurr—  
"The Old Nest" will be here next week. Let's all go!

### BRYANT LINK COMPANY. "The Success Family"

The father of success is work. The mother of success is ambition. The oldest son is common sense. Some of the other boys are Perseverence, Honesty.

The oldest daughter is Character. Some of the sisters are Cheerfulness, Loyalty, Courtesy, Care, Economy, Sincerity.

The baby is opportunity. Get acquainted with the "old man" and you will get along pretty well with the rest of the family.

We have had some rain and we all feel better, more hopeful. We now look forward to the budding trees and blooming flowers—Spring when all nature takes on new life. Let us wake and forget the chill of wintry winds as we breathe the balmy spring air, laden with the fragrance of a million nodding flowers, each one vieing with its neighbor in beauty and fragrance. Cheer up! Who could be pessimistic at this season of God's year.

Now as Spring comes we have made preparations for your needs in Springtime Apparel. Of course you will want to start the Spring season with a new pair of Shoes or Oxfords—and we are ready to show you men the finest products of Hamilton Brown Shoe Co., and that means the utmost in Style, Quality and Comfort—the kind of shoes you can buy with confidence and wear with satisfaction. See the new Brogue Oxfords for young men. Get ready for Spring by getting one of "Lion Straws", a suit of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes and you will feel like a new man—and don't forget our "Cooper Underwear for Men."

We now have the new shades in Taffetas, Messalines and Crepe de Chines that are so much in vogue at this time.

Some new arrivals this week in Ladies White One Strap Oxfords, also Patents with Button Strap, Center Straps and Cut-Out Effects.

"Billikens for the Kiddies." Overalls, \$1.25. Unionalls, we think the best ones made, "Lees," sizes 1 to 17, and Mens.

This week we received several new Suits and Dresses, the very latest in Style. We are really proud of our Ladies Wear Department. Miss Meredith, who has charge of this department, has been sick for the past 30 days but is improving. Miss Jewell Johnson is now in charge of the Ready to Wear until Miss Meredith recovers. Miss Johnson comes to us from one of the large Ladies Wear stores of the Eastern part of the state and has had much experience in Ladies Wear, so you can rely on her in helping you to select your Suits or Dresses.

Miss Frankie Shugart will be glad to show you the wonderful line of Hats Miss Meredith has bought and made, and the prices we are making will be very attractive as we find we have too many hats in stock and new ones coming all the time. Come, Ladies, we have a great range of Styles and Prices, and we would not be ashamed of the line of Ladies Wear if our store was in the heart of Dallas. The main difference is, our Prices are Much Cheaper than

city prices.

PREPARE FOR FARMING Right. Good tools are indispensable. We think we have them—Jno. Deere and J. I. Case. We are making terms of one half fall time on Implements, if you need terms. One thing we are sure of—you need the best tools if you get results on your farms. Let us show you these lines.

WE ARE IMPROVING OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT. We sell Groceries for Cash to all, and at prices to suit the times. We are having our flour milled under our own brand and want you to be one of our new Flour customers. See Bill Perry, Lewis or House when you need good groceries.

"We know that God is good, and that what He does is right. This known, the works of creation, the changes of life, the destinies of eternity, are all spread before us, as the dispensations and counsels of infinite love."

Come on folks, with the crowds to our store.

BRYANT LINK COMPANY.

### THREE MEN INJURED WEDNESDAY WHEN CAR TURNS OVER

A party of three gentlemen traveling through the country were painfully bruised and injured Wednesday when their car turned over in driving over our highways toward the plains. They came back to town and had their bruises dressed at the Spur Sanitarium, after which they went on their way at a more moderate pace.

One driving in other counties, and hitting the paved highways of Dickens county is irresistibly tempted to "speed up" and, for this reason, it is a wonder that more accidents do not occur.

### SPUR IS FAVORED ABOVE OTHER POINTS AS TRADING PLACE

C. A. Love put on a special anniversary sale of groceries for last Saturday and Monday, and reports having had a wonderful and extended success. An interesting incident in connection with the sale is in the fact that several citizens of the Leatherwood community up on the plains clubbed in together for the purchase of grocery supplies in large order, hoping to make better prices. A representative went with the bill to Crosbyton and then to Roaring Springs, and after obtaining prices on the big bill, called up Mr. Love on the phone, and although he made no reduction from advertised prices he was given the bill which amounted to \$125.00.

This incident brings out two important facts: That people of communities are cooperating and clubbing together in the advancement of community interests; and that Spur competes with other towns in goods and prices, and is recognized as the best trading point within this whole territory.

### W. H. AND OL TAYLOR SOLD 52 YEARLINGS AT \$17.50 HEAD

Tuesday W. H. and Ol Taylor drove in fifty two head of yearlings and sold them in Spur at a price of \$17.50 per head. They were shipped by the purchaser to the Fort Worth market to be resold.

### NOTICE.

I have made arrangements to represent Wolfe Florist Company of Waco, Texas, and any orders for cut flowers will be given prompt attention. Your patronage will be appreciated.—Carroll Senning.

DRESS WELL—  
It pays!



Young man just TRY going to your work every morning with a clean collar, unsoiled cuffs and shirt, an unspotted necktie, a slick hat, a good suit of clothes and an overcoat. Smile, be honest and work like a Turk, and sooner than you know it you'll get a raise. You must raise yourself in the esteem of your employer before he raises your position or your salary. We will sell you the clothes you need for as little as good stuff can be sold for.

WEAR OUR GOOD "NIFTY" CLOTHES.

HOGAN & PATTON  
"The Mens Store"  
SPUR, TEXAS



We have now had a fine rain and gardening time is here—so let us sell you your garden seed. We also have seed Irish potatoes and Nancy Hall yams. On Saturday, the 25th of this month, the National Biscuit Co. will give a demonstration at our store, of the quality of their products. Everybody is invited to come in on that date and see the quality of their cakes and crackers. Remember the date, Saturday, March 25th.

Otho L. Hale

Willie Eldredge, of near McAdoo on the plains, was in town Wednesday. He reported that no rain fell Monday in the McAdoo country, missing that territory entirely. The rain extended to the Cap Rock, skipping the territory to Crosbyton where it again commenced. The McAdoo country had a considerable acreage of wheat, and if this rain had covered that territory much of the wheat would have been saved. Mr. Eldredge thinks that should rain fall in that section within the next week some of the winter wheat will be saved, and it would give time to sow spring wheat.

—Trade in Spur—



POLES

There are 1,440,000 telephone poles in the territory of this company. They are of chestnut, creosoted pine and eastern and western cedar, and come from all parts of the country. Poles are a big item in the extension and enlargement of telephone service. Your dollars invested in this company's Preferred Stock provide poles among other equipment for this indispensable service.

7% Cumulative Preferred Stock of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

Buy a share for \$100 and accrued dividend, or on monthly installments of five dollars. Any employee of the Telephone Company will be glad to give you additional details.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



S. B. Boykin was among the business visitors on the streets during the week.

A book social will be given Friday night (tonight) at the home of Mrs. Edmonds, under the auspices of the Delphic Club. The social is for the purpose of raising funds for the library. Each guest will be requested to bring enough funds for the purchase of a book for the library. Everybody is invited to attend, and it is hoped that a hundred or more books may be added to the library as a result of this social.

—Trade in Spur—

C. H. Parr, of the McAdoo country, was in Spur Tuesday, buying supplies and meeting with his friends of the town and surrounding country.

—Trade in Spur—

S. T. Johnson, of the Midway section of country north of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday. He reports a fine rain in his territory and everything now in ideal shape with respect to crop conditions. After all, the drought is broken and the indications are that bumper crops of everything but wheat will be made this year.

—Trade in Spur—

Somebody driving a car up Burlington Avenue in making the turn at the end of the street ran into an electric wire post. The post was struck with such force that it was broken in two pieces. Evidently the car was not wrecked nor any one injured. Miracles do happen even in these days.

—Trade in Spur—

R. C. Forbis came down the last of the week and spent several days in Spur with his family.

—Trade in Spur—

John D. Hufstetler, of the Dry Lake community west of Spur, was a business visitor here one day during the week.

—Trade in Spur—

J. I. Greer was here the first of the week from his Lone Oak Farm & Ranch to the west of Spur. He had a broad smile regardless of the statement that he needed no rain at this time.

—Trade in Spur—

Boney Scott came in Saturday and spent the day here greeting his numerous friends of the town.

—Trade in Spur—

John Self, of the Red Mud community, was in Spur Wednesday of this week, trading and attending to other business matters.

—Trade in Spur—

Mrs. Levi Ponder and little child are in the city visiting L. C. Ponder and family, and also looking after their property interests in Spur.

PROFESSIONAL NOTICES.

**B. G. WORSWICK**  
Attorney-at-Law  
Practice in District and Higher Courts  
In County Attorney's Office

**W. D. WILSON**  
Attorney-at-Law  
General Practice  
Spur Nat'l. Bank Bldg., Spur, Texas

**J. E. MORRIS**  
Physician & Surgeon  
Diseases of women and children made a specialty. Office, Spur Sanitarium

**DR. P. C. NICHOLS**  
Physician & Surgeon  
Office Phone 168—Res. 167  
All Calls Attended.  
Office at the Spur Sanitarium.

**CARL L. GILLESPIE**  
Chiropractor  
Office over Midway Hotel  
SPUR, TEXAS

D. J. Gilbert, of the Twin Wells community, was in the city the first of the week, greeting friends and buying supplies of the live-wire merchants of Spur.

—Trade in Spur—

Rhode Island Red eggs for sale at \$1.50 per setting.—J. P. Middleton, Dickens, Texas.

—Trade in Spur—

G. B. Erath, of Duck Creek, was on the streets recently, meeting his friends and acquaintances.

—Trade in Spur—

W. J. Clark was over Saturday transacting business in Spur.

—Trade in Spur—

If its furniture you want, we have it.—Spur Hardware & Furniture Co.

—Trade in Spur—

G. W. Rash told us that he was offended somewhat because of the manner in which we referred to the public weigher's office in speaking of prospective candidates still on the waiting list. However, he said that it would be all right if we would vote for him—and we are still good friends.

—Trade in Spur—

**EGGS FOR SALE**—Pure bred Rhode Island Red Eggs, \$1.50 per setting.—Mrs. A. B. Morgan. 18-4p

—Trade in Spur—

Lon Kizziah, of north of Dickens several miles, was among the crowds on the streets of Spur Saturday. He says his section has never yet suffered for rain. The good rain Monday no doubt put that whole section of Dickens county in the very finest condition for bumper crops this fall.

—Trade in Spur—

If you need implements, we have them.—Spur Hardware & Furniture Company.

—Trade in Spur—

Fred Hisey came in Saturday and spent the day here interviewing the voters with reference to his campaign for public weigher. There are already so many good men in this race that it is a proposition to decide whom to vote for.

—Trade in Spur—

**FOR SALE:** Four burner Clark's Jewel oil stove, with cabinet and oven. Cooks well. Will sell cheap or trade for refrigerator.—Warren C. Squires, Afton Texas.

—Trade in Spur—

White Moore was in town Wednesday and hauled out lumber, plows and other things. We infer that he not only intends to start to work on his crops but also intends to make improvements. A little rain has a most wonderful stimulating effect.

—Trade in Spur—

Try our Brick Chille—Just the thing for quick meals.—Central Market.

—Trade in Spur—

of west of Spur, were in Spur the past week shopping and visiting with friends.

—Trade in Spur—

**MULES FOR SALE**—I have two spans of mules, 4 and 5 years old, for sale cheap, or will trade 1 span for Ford car.—Jess Fletcher. 222t

—Trade in Spur—

W. D. Blair, of east of town two miles, was here during the week on business.

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Lowest Interest Rates

SUDDEN SERVICE

E. J. COWAN, SPUR, TEXAS

SERVICE INSPIRED BY HEADQUARTERS

Long ago it was decided that Service offered by the staff of this agency must measure up to the high standard of the company whose policies are offered. This distinction has now been achieved.

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For more than a hundred years the Hartford has been steadily building a reputation unexcelled for integrity and service. This agency will serve its every client so as to earn the same honor.

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Fire, Tornado & Life Insurance.



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The OLD NEST

RUPERT HUGHES  
Heart-grIPPING Story of Home  
With The Greatest Star Ever Assembled  
A Goldwyn Picture.

GEM THEATRE  
March 23, 24 & 25.

(The picture without one adverse Criticism.)

T. M. Maples was on the streets Monday. He has been drilling a well up north of Dickens where he encountered hard luck. The well caved in on his bit and drilling line. He will drill down the side to save both if possible. T. M. Maples is probably the best experienced well driller in this whole country, since he has been here for years and drilled wells everywhere. He also has had experience as a deep driller, being on the 24 Ranch test well for oil almost from the beginning of operations to the end—2,700 feet.

—Trade in Spur—

Hugh Squires was on the streets the other day, greeting his friends. Hugh some time ago purchased the Mrs. Buchanan twenty acre suburban home west of town, and where he is truck farming this year, in connection with more extensive farming on another tract of land. We are hoping that he will make good all the way around.

—Trade in Spur—

We will have veal all next week, Central Market.

—Trade in Spur—

H. F. Morris, of the Duck Creek community, was in town Saturday; while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, giving us his renewal subscription for another year. When our subscribers voluntarily drop in and renew their subscriptions, it makes us feel not only kindly toward them, but gives us an incentive to give more than value received, in news matter.

—Trade in Spur—

J. B. Morrison keeps us busted all the time paying for his wood. When we don't buy it he unloads it at our place of abode and calls in to see if he can collect.

—Trade in Spur—

Eb Carpenter, who is now employed on the Newman ranch, spent the week end with C. D. Copeland at his farm home east of Spur.

—Trade in Spur—

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was in town Saturday.

Old Dad Griffin is the official rain and weather forecaster of the town and surrounding territory. For some time he has been predicting rain at intervals, and getting not more than a mist or sprinkle. However, Monday his predictions were full realized—an inch of rain falling throughout this section—and Dad is not the only one who is jubilant.

—Trade in Spur—

M. E. Tree was here Monday from the Highway community. He is desirous of seeing some one announce for justice of the peace—and we believe, rather than let the office go by default, he would consider moving in and filling the office himself. We figure he would make a good one, and we would have no fear of not getting justice with him on the bench.

—Trade in Spur—

R. A. Brown was here Monday of this week from Highway, talking politics and lending his encouragement to the end that some one announce for every available office.

—Trade in Spur—

We believe that if the time ever comes that public offices become too few to accommodate all candidates that more offices should be created.

—Trade in Spur—

A. W. Phillips, of south of town five miles, was in the city one day during the week.

—Trade in Spur—

Miss Ilva Deaver left Wednesday to spend a few days in Jayton with her parents.

—Trade in Spur—

S. W. Stephenson, of the McAdoo country, was in Spur recently trading.

—Trade in Spur—

Don't miss seeing the Old Nest, while you have the opportunity.

—Trade in Spur—

J. H. Busby was the only member of the Spur Golf Club to attend the tournament playing Monday—and he declared himself the grand champion.

Listen!—If it is Service You Want try the SERVICE GARAGE Where First-Class Work is Done by Luther Duke.

**TEXAS SPUR**  
**EVERY FRIDAY**

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**DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DICKENS COUNTY OFFICES**

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements for offices in Dickens county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Elections to be held in July 1922:

**For Tax Assessor:**  
W. L. McATEER  
G. B. JOPLING (Reelection)  
C. W. BARRETT  
T. J. HARRISON

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector:**  
G. L. BARBER (Reelection)  
H. P. COLE  
H. J. PARKS  
J. L. CURRY

**For County Treasurer:**  
H. C. PERRY (Reelection)  
H. T. GARNER

**For Commissioner, Precinct 1:**  
T. M. GREEN

**For Commissioner, Precinct 2:**  
B. F. MIDDLETON

**For Commissioner, Precinct 3:**  
G. A. SLOAN  
P. E. HAGINS (Reelection)  
WILL WALKER

**For Commissioner, Precinct 4:**  
W. D. THACKER

**For District and County Clerk:**  
O. C. ARTHUR (2nd term)

**For Public Weigher, Precinct 3:**  
J. W. CARLISLE (Re-election)  
G. W. RASH  
T. G. HARKEY  
W. L. GRAGSON  
JIM WALKER  
E. M. HINSON  
FRED HISEY

**For County Judge & School Supt.:**  
R. L. COLLIER  
F. N. OLIVER  
R. L. BASS

**For Representative 105 District:**  
F. I. TOWNSEND

—Trade in Spur—  
The wife of a coal heaver is more respectable than the mistress of a prince.—Rausseau.

—Trade in Spur—  
People first abandon reason and then become obstinate; and the deeper they are in error the more angry they are.—Blais.

—Trade in Spur—  
The seat of knowledge is in the head; of wisdom, in the heart. We are sure to judge wrong if we do not feel aright.—Hazlitt.

—Trade in Spur—  
Jealousy sees things always with magnifying glasses which makes little things large, of dwarfs giants, suspicious truths.—Cervantes.

—Trade in Spur—  
**THE APPLE IN LEGEND.**  
In sacred and secular literature the apple has played a prominent part.

In the Arabian Nights Prince Ahmed's apple was a cure for every disorder.

The downfall of man resulted from eating from the apple of the tree of knowledge.

The apples of Ishakar were all sweetness on one side and all bitterness on the other.

In Scandinavian mythology a taste of the apple of perpetual youth was sufficient to attain this boon.

—Trade in Spur—  
F. A. Spencer, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was among the business visitors in Spur Thursday of week.

—Trade in Spur—  
B. Lee made a business trip last week to Rochester and other places to the east of us.

—Trade in Spur—  
Marshall was here Tuesday at Creek.

**DICKENS COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET AT DICKENS**

The Spur schools dismissed Friday to attend the literary session of the Dickens County Interscholastic Association at Dickens. The track meet will be held in Spur Saturday, March 25th.

J. J. Thompson, superintendent of the Escuela Sunday school invites all of that community to attend each Sunday.

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SALE—2 yearling bulls by Prince Rupert 43. Registered.—Chas. Whitener, Spur, Texas. 1t

—Trade in Spur—  
Dr. Alexander and wife, of Jayton were in Spur Wednesday to attend the concert given by the Jayton band at the Gem Theatre.

—Trade in Spur—  
Druggist Anderson, of Jayton, was among those of Jayton who attended the band concert in Spur last Wednesday.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hancock, of Jayton, were among the number in Spur Wednesday to attend the band concert.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mrs. Barfoot, of Jayton, was in the city Wednesday to attend the band concert by the Jayton band.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam McCombs were here Wednesday night, attending the Jayton Band concert at the Gem Theatre.

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SALE—3 good registered cows with or without calves. Calves by Prince Rupert 43. See Chas. Whitener, Spur, Texas. 1t

—Trade in Spur—  
Corn For Sale—100 bushels at 65¢ per bushel, at my place in Spur.—Mrs. L. V. Turner. 22-3tp

—Trade in Spur—  
C. B. Jones was among those who attended the fat stock show in Fort Worth the latter part of the week.

—Trade in Spur—  
C. H. Scott, of Duck Creek, was in town Thursday. The rain in his section was good and everybody is now getting busy with farming operations.

—Trade in Spur—  
Jim McArthur, of west of Spur, was in town the first of the week, greeting friends.

—Trade in Spur—  
County Clerk O. C. Arthur was in Spur Thursday meeting friends and attending to business matters. Oley has been looking after his official duties in such satisfactory manner that he will probably have no opponent in his race for reelection.

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SERVICE—At the O. K. Wagon Yard, a good Jersey Bull, from a registered bull that belonged to Mr. Hufstедler, and from a good and fine milk producing cow. 18-3p

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SALE—3 good registered cows with or without calves. Calves by Prince Rupert 43. See Chas. Whitener, Spur, Texas. 1t

—Trade in Spur—  
I will pay from 6.75c to 7.25c per pound for thrifty shoats weighing from 50 to 225 pounds. Will buy in Spur every Saturday and 1st Monday.—J. L. Morrison. 17-12p

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SALE—165 acre rent contract, 125 acres in cultivation; also 5 head work horses, wagon, P. & O. planter, cultivator, and go devil; two hogs, 65 chickens and feed stuff. Will take \$1,000.00 and clear out. Will take Ford car or truck in part pay. Place 2 miles from Spur. Call at Texas Spur office. 1tp

—Trade in Spur—  
L. V. Basram was in the city one day this week. He reports having a fine rain at his place to the south of town, and is now very hopeful of making bumper crops this fall.

—Trade in Spur—  
Say it with Gem Theatre tickets.

**SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION TO BE HELD FIRST DAY APRIL**

At a meeting of the school board held Tuesday night, an election was ordered to be held Saturday, April 1st, for the purpose of electing three new members to the Spur Independent School District Board. The retiring members are A. L. Brasher, Jas. F. Williams and N. Q. Branner.

Each of these gentlemen have given faithful and efficient service to the school. Mr. Brasher has been president of the board, and Jas. F. Williams secretary.

At this meeting Superintendent Cameron accepted the place as superintendent of the Spur Schools for another year at the price of \$175.00 per month.

The salary of all other teachers was voted to remain the same as the present term. The proposition of reducing other salaries of teachers than superintendent was considered and voted upon. The vote was two for reduction and two for remaining at the present figures, the president voting off the tie in favor of salaries as at present.

The proposition of electing a full corps of teachers will be taken up at a later meeting.

**WORDS OF THE WISE.**

By brooding over our ills we make them greater.—Judelle.

Gold is the fool's curtain which hides all his defects from the world.—Fellham.

Youth is the time to study wisdom; old age the time to practice it.—Rousseau.

Men are like tops; we have only to find the string with which to wind them.—Balzac.

FOR SALE—2 yearling bulls by Prince Rupert 43. Registered.—Chas. Whitener, Spur, Texas. 1t

**MESDAMES LOVE AND RUSSELL ENTERTAIN WITH 500 PARTY**

Mesdames C. L. Love and Roy Russell entertained most pleasantly Tuesday evening with 500 at their home in the east part of the city.

Decorations were in accord with St. Patrick's. On the tally cards for the games, was a clover leaf, the score markers had a green stove pipe hat, and in serving refreshments St. Patrick napkins were used, and brick cream of white and green, with a dainty St. Patrick basket of candy, was served, the plate favors being a variegated crysanthemum.

Among those present and enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Harkey, Mr. and Mrs. O. McClure, Mesdames W. P. Simpson, Kate Senning, and R. E. Dickson; Misses Pearl White, Ilva Deaver and Nina Grace and Carroll Senning; and Messrs. M. H. Brannen and Crow.

**B. F. MIDDLETON FOR REELECTION AS COMMISSIONER**

We are authorized to announce B. F. Middleton, of the Afton country, as a candidate for reelection to the County Commissioners' office from Precinct Two.

Mr. Middleton is now serving his first term as commissioner from that precinct, and he has handled the public affairs in a safe, sane, conservative and efficient manner. We ask voters of Precinct Two to give Mr. Middleton's candidacy due consideration, although he will probably have no opponent for the place.

**HEREFORD CATTLE SALE**

The Shackelford County Hereford Breeders Association will sell 37 high class registered herefords at its annual show and auction sale Saturday, March 4th 1922, at Albany Texas. Address Geo. DeLafasse for catalog. 17 4tp

**MISFITS WILL BE FORCED TO MOVE TO TOWN UNDER BOSS**

A century ago it took four farming families to supply one family in town. Today it takes one family on the farm to supply four families in town, which fact should discourage those well meaning, but misguided individuals who are constantly advocating a "back on the farm" movement.

Farming is becoming a highly specialized occupation. No longer can one scratch virgin soil and produce a crop. One must now coax a crop into being. To do so he must have a working knowledge of many sciences the farmer of fifty years ago seldom heard of. He must know machinery and how to operate it and how to repair minor breaks. He must know his soils and how to maintain and build them up. Not only must he know how to produce, but what is of as much importance, he must know how to sell. Good farm management is essential to success. Producing a maximum tonnage on a minimum acreage and selling at a profit requires energy and intelligence, and the man who lacks either has no business trying to make a living from the soil.

Farming is coming back. Farm and Ranch is optimistic to look forward to the time when tilling the soil and producing livestock will pay a profit to the man who engages in agriculture and livestock raising in an intelligent manner. The misfit will drift to town where he can get a job under a boss who will do his thinking for him. Our rural citizens, the producers of our foods and fibers, are averaging a higher intelligence every year. Thus, with the aid of machinery and by the use of better seed and the application of advanced methods, they are able to cultivate and harvest four times the acreage per man than formerly, and provide the necessities of life for our growing population in the cities, producing a surplus for export to the starving populations of Europe and Asia.—Farm and Ranch.

**T. M. GREEN ANNOUNCES FOR REELECTION AS COMMISSIONER**

We are this week authorized to announce T. M. Green as a candidate for reelection as county commissioner from Precinct One. T. M. Green is now serving as commissioner from that precinct, and is one of the best and most conservative men that could be had for the place. He is one of the oldest settlers of Dickens county, knows the needs of the people as well as the disadvantages to overcome and "pitfalls" to avoid in guiding public governmental affairs.

We ask voters to give his candidacy a deserved consideration, whether or not he has an opponent for the place.

Chalk Brown was in Monday from the 24 Ranch.

**SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF ELECTION THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Dickens.**

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 1st of April, 1922, at school house in Croton Consolidated District No. 2 of this county as established by order of the Commissioners' Court of date the 10th day of May, 1921, which is of record on pages 292 and 293 Minutes of said court, declaring the result of an election in favor of consolidation of Common School Districts Nos. 2 and 12 of this county, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified taxpaying voters of said district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said school district in the amount of \$6,500.00, the bonds to be of the denomination of \$325.00 each, numbered consecutively from 1 to 20, both inclusive, payable twenty years from their date, with option of redemption at any time after five years from their date, and bearing six per cent interest per annum, payable annually on 10th of April 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 district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this state and county and who are resident property tax payers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"For the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

J. A. Legg has been 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.

Said election was ordered by the county judge of this county by order made on the 11th day of March, 1922, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order.

Dated the 12th day of March, 1922  
G. L. BARBER, Sheriff,  
Dickens County, Texas.

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J. E. Arthur, of several miles to the north of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday, and while here dropped in and renewed his subscription to the Texas Spur and Dallas News. J. E. Arthur is one among the old timers of Dickens county, having settled on his present home some twenty three years ago. He has withstood the vicissitudes of a new and developing country, and although he may not have accumulated much in the financial world, he has that which is more valuable than gold—a comfortable home, a good name and a life above reproach. It is an honor to number such men as J. E. Arthur among our friends, and it is a pleasure to talk over "old times" with them.

—Trade in Spur—  
R. L. Nelson, of the Duck Creek or Steel Hill community, was here on business and meeting with friends the past week.

—Trade in Spur—  
R. W. Moore, of the Steel Hill community, was a recent business visitor to Spur.

—Trade in Spur—  
G. C. Jenkins, of Route One, was on the streets the past week, shaking hands with acquaintances and his friends.

—Trade in Spur—  
A. W. Jordan, of Duck Creek, was in town the first of the week, meeting with his friends of the city and surrounding country.

—Trade in Spur—  
Walter Jordan was here Saturday from the Duck Creek section of the country.

—Trade in Spur—  
D. W. Thomlinson, of Route One out of Spur, was among the many visitors and traders in the city during the past week.

—Trade in Spur—  
W. H. Hamilton, of southeast of Spur, was here the past week, trading and on other business.

Newt Cravey, of Red Mud, was in town the other day and dropped in to see us. Newt informed us that he had been hitting it hard up to the present time, and which we are sorry to hear and assure him of our sympathy—which has very little financial value. Now since the rain, we are hoping that the next time we meet him the whole world will look brighter.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. P. Simmons has been released from the small pox quarantine. He shows that he had the small pox without a doubt, but states that at no time was he seriously ill. He informed us that Mrs. Simmons and the boy are now under quarantine, having contracted the disease from him.

—Trade in Spur—  
B. G. Ford came in Monday after supplies. He moved the first of the year to his farm in the Draper section of country, and where he intends to recuperate for the losses he has sustained as a town-dweller. The good rain Monday indicates that the drouth is broken and West Teyas will produce in abundance this year.

—Trade in Spur—  
Johnson Hunter was in town Tuesday—and it was very noticeable that he had a more pleasant smile and greeting for all whom he met.

—Trade in Spur—  
Chas. Gunn, of near Dickens, was in the city the past week, meeting with his friends.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Russell and Miss Ilva Deaver made a trip Sunday to Matador where they spent several hours very pleasantly visiting with friends.

—Trade in Spur—  
H. C. Eldredge, of the McAdoo section of country, was among the number in town the latter part of the past week.

A. Lollar and wife, of east of Spur, were in the city Monday. Mr. Lollar hauled out a double row planter, stating that he intended to be prepared to go to work—and we have been wondering how he knew it was going to rain at this time. The country is now in fine shape, since the rain Monday, and everybody can go to work with a prospect of making good harvests.

—Trade in Spur—  
E. L. Williams, of near Afton, was in town Tuesday. He reported that the Afton country had about as much rain as Spur, one inch—and that they were now in fine shape for the crop season. The drouth we have been experiencing came at a time when it would do the very least harm to the country—and now since it is broken in plenty time for the crop season the whole country feels relieved and in better spirits to forget the depression and go to work with the prospect and promise of rich returns.

—Trade in Spur—  
Dr. Grace, we are glad to note, is continuing to improve in health, and while he may not be physically fit to resume his regular practice, he does answer calls and does a limited practice in both town and country. We hope soon that the doctor will regain his former goodhealth and spirits.

—Trade in Spur—  
C. D. Copeland has been in ill health throughout the past month. He had an attack of influenza which has kept him at home. However, he is now improving and will be able soon to come to town.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mrs. I. B. Brown was shopping and visiting in the city Saturday from the 24 Ranch.

—Trade in Spur—  
Hugh Gray, of northwest of town, was among the crowds here Saturday.

G. W. Dodson came in Saturday from his Tennessee Valley Farm in the Midway community. This is the first time he has been to town in several weeks, and we were beginning to yet uneasy about him. However, he was right side up and told us everything was lovely in the Tennessee Valley community—that while in his immediate territory they may not have engaged in the business of either canning or jugging their corn products, they occasionally have evidence that it is being done elsewhere. We have always contended that nothing should be shipped away from home for manufacture that could be manufactured or finished at home—and this no doubt should apply to corn as well as other products. If men must have rings on their noses from contact with fruit jars, we believe it is better that the jars be filled with home products.

Ben Holly was in Spur Saturday mixing with the crowds here that day.

—Trade in Spur—  
Tom Dodson was in Spur Saturday from the Midway community north of Dickens. While Tom is anxious enough concerning politics and the political situation, we have been unable to induce him to get in the running. Tom would make a fine county official, because he knows how to meet the people—but we doubt if he could make as much money in the public service as in farming—because he is also a good farmer.

—Trade in Spur—  
What is the country that God forgot? The barren desert with its perils and privations.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cairnes, of the Paddle Ranch in Kent county, were visitors and shoppers in the city the past week.

SHERIFF  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
County of Dickens  
By virtue of an order, issued by the Honorable District Court of Dickens county, on the 29th day of November, A. D. 1921, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of W. C. Benson versus L. H. Edwards, S. T. Johnson and J. H. Edwards, No. 636, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in April, A. D. 1922, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Dickens County, in the town of Dickens, the following described property, to wit:

Situated in Dickens County, Texas, and being a part of a 160 acre survey, patented to J. D. Harkey by patent number 539, vol. 29, dated Dec. 4, 1897, and described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning 1830 feet west of S. E. corner of J. A. Askins survey, thence about 241.20 varas to S. W. corner of said Askins survey; Thence north 885 varas to corner in the west line of said Askins survey. For the N. E. corner of survey, thence west 825 varas to corner in east line of section 397, block T. H. & G. N. R. R. Co. For the N. W. corner of this survey, thence south 985 varas to a stone planted in the ground for the S. W. corner of this survey, thence east about 1066.20 varas to the S. W. corner of a 12 acre tract conveyed to J. A. Blair; thence north 100 varas to place of beginning, and containing about 148 acres of land.

Levied on as the property of J. H. Edwards to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1096.70 in favor of W. C. Benson, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of March, A. D. 1922.  
22 G. L. BARBER, Sheriff.

# 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

## Prairie Dogs

FREQUENTLY PRAIRIE DOGS COME TO OUR PROPERTIES FROM ADJOINING LAND AND BEFORE WE CAN LOCATE THEM HAVE STARTED COLONIES. IT WILL BE OF CONSIDERABLE MUTUAL SERVICE IF NEIGHBORING OWNERS AND THE PUBLIC WILL KINDLY NOTIFY US BY TELEPHONE (NO. 4) OR BY LETTER OF THE LOCATION OF THE DOGS ON OUR LAND, WHICH WE SHALL PROMPTLY KILL. WE SHALL DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION AND WE ESPECIALLY URGE OUR NEIGHBORS TO JOIN US IN THE TERMINATION OF THESE PESTS WHICH SO MUCH DAMAGE THE CROPS AND RANGES. IF OUR NEIGHBORS WILL COINCIDENTLY KILL THEIR DOGS WE CAN ALL MAKE A COMPLETE RID-DANCE.

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Dickens.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Motley County, on the 22nd day of May, A. D. 1918, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of R. L. Collier versus J. W. Chalk, No. 428, and to me, as Sheriff directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in May, A. D. 1922, it being the 2nd day of said month, before the court house door of said Dickens County, in the town of Dickens, the following described property, to wit:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 50, in the town of Spur, Texas, levied on as the property of J. W. Chalk to satisfy a judgment balance amounting to \$649.60 in favor of R. L. Collier, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 13th day of March, A. D. 1922.  
23 3t G. L. BARBER, Sheriff.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Spur, Texas, on Monday, April 17, 1922, to decide whether or not the City of Spur shall adopt and accept the benefits of Chapter Eleven (11), Title Twenty Two (22), of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to street improvements.

None but resident property tax payers who are qualified voters shall be permitted to vote.

C. Earyl Senning is hereby appointed presiding judge of said election.

By order of the board of commissioners of the City of Spur, Texas.  
S. T. CLEMMONS, Mayor.  
Attest: E. J. COWAN, City Sec.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in Spur, Texas, Saturday, April 1st, 1922, in the directors room of the Spur National Bank for the purpose of electing three members to the School Board of the Spur Independent School District.

A. L. BRASHER, Pres.  
JAS. F. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

PUBLIC SALE OF CARS.

On March 25, 1922, in Spur, Texas I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, one Ford Roadster, the property of Mr. Phillips, to satisfy a mechanics lien for \$44.50, and further costs.—Godfrey & Smart.

—Trade in Spur—  
When in town try a red hot chill at the Highway Cafe, Bell Bros., Proprietors. 36tf

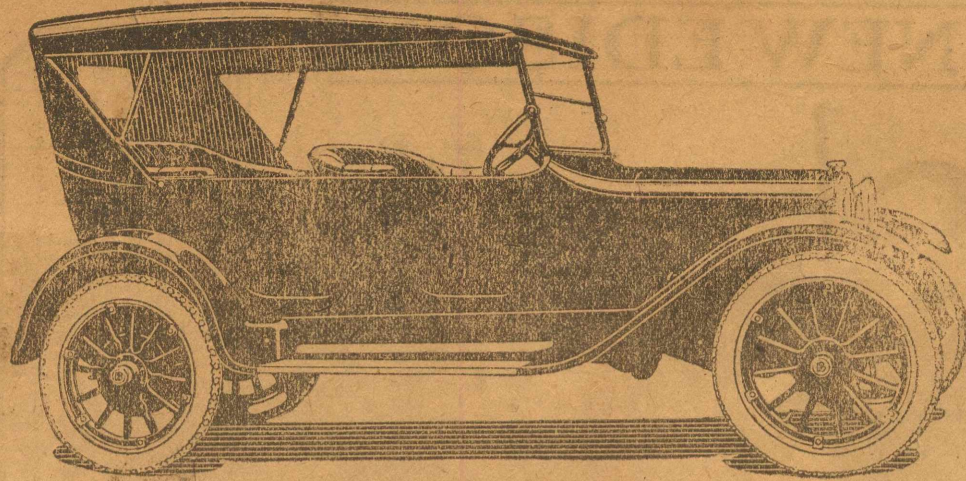


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ESPUELA ITEMS.

There was church and Sunday school at "Foreman's Chapel" last Sunday. Also had dinner on the ground. In the afternoon singing was enjoyed by all who attended, and a real large crowd was in attendance.

Monday evening the country was visited by a hail storm and a big rain.

Carmen Shockley spent the day with Blanche Keene Sunday.

Miss Eula Shockley and Miss Myrna Keene attended the singing at Foreman's Chapel Sunday evening.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Hinson is on the sick list this week.

Dow Miller spent the night with Robert Emert Tuesday.

Myrna Keene, Julia and Eula Shockley were dinner guests of Mrs. Howard Shockley Sunday.

Mr. Al Bingham and family also Miss Brown enjoyed the day at Dickens Springs Sunday.—Espuela Twins.

—Trade in Spur—

PRAIRIE CHAPEL

Mrs. Lucius Hale of Afton, attended the Declamation Contest Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Our County Agent, Mr. Johnston and Miss Brown, our Demonstration Agent, visited our school Wednesday. We were very proud to have them with us and hope that they will remember their promises.

Miss Velma Barton visited Spur Saturday.

We are very sorry to report the death of little two year old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Young. We will say to the loved ones not to weep, for he has gone to a better world than this. One that is not made with the hands. We, indeed, sympathize with the family.

Our singing class went to Dry Lake Sunday to a welcome invitation. There were about 30 representatives and all reported a fine time and lots of good dinner.

The Declamations were fine, the first honors were: Senior boys, Jim Christopher; Senior girls, Neomi Hall; Junior Boys, Henry Thomas; and Junior girls, Ouida Bell. They will represent our School at Dickens Friday.

—Trade in Spur—

On March 25, 1922, in Spur, Texas I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, one Ford car, 1916 model, the property of Pruett Sawyers, to satisfy a mechanics lien for \$176.00, and further costs.—Citizens Garage.

On March 25, 1922, in Spur, Texas I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, one Ford car, 1917 model, the property owner unknown, to satisfy a mechanics lien for \$75.00, and further costs.—Citizens Garage.

—Trade in Spur—

Miss Odessa Deaver, of Jayton was one of the Jayton party to attend the band concert here Wednesday night.

—Trade in Spur—  
Try our Brick Chille—Just the thing for quick meals.—Central Market.

GEM THEATRE PLAYS PECK'S BAD BOY THREE DAYS HERE

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week the Gem Theatre played Peck's Bad Boy. Five shows were given to full houses at each performance.

In the years gone by, most of the older people have read "Peck's Bad Boy", enjoyed and remembered it to the present time. The moving picture of Peck's Bad Boy was laughable and entertaining. No one could see it without forgetting his worries, and at least smiling. The scenes in the picture were somewhat modernized, but the bad boy was the same—portraying in true form 'boy nature' and inclinations.

The Gem Theatre, under the management of L. H. Gerrard, is keeping in the procession of progressive picture show houses of the entire state—and ahead of the procession in this section. Spur is already recognized as the leading show town of this section.

JAYTON CONCERT BAND GIVES CONCERT IN SPUR WEDNESDAY

The Jayton Concert Band rendered a most interesting program of music Wednesday night at the Gem Theatre to an appreciative audience.

Attorney Wohlford in a pleasant and commendable manner presented the band to the audience, in the beginning, and at the conclusion of the program Attorney W. D. Wilson, on the part of the audience, thanked the band for a pleasant evening, commenting upon the high class music rendered by the band. The Jayton Concert Band has only been organized a few months, but render as high class music as any band of the country.

Fifteen per cent of the receipts of the concert program was given to the Spur Concert Band which has just been organized.

Marion Mitchell, of the Cat Fish country, was in town Monday of this week. Marion sold his place the first of the year to George Kitchens and is this year a renter. However, we venture that another year will see him a home owner again. Renting may be cheaper, but there is not near as much satisfaction as in owning your own home and being your own boss.

—Trade in Spur—

W. H. Keen, of Clovis, New Mexico, returned home the first of the week, after spending some time in Spur with his son, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen. Mr. Keen is now living out a claim in New Mexico, having only one year to complete the required time of residence. When complete title to his land is obtained, Mr. Keen will probably return to Texas and again take up his residence in this part of the world.

—Trade in Spur—

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was here Monday greeting his friends and looking after business matters.

THE BUILDING PROGRESS IS UNINTERRUPTED IN SPUR

Geo. S. Link has just completed a new residence on the lots formerly occupied by the Methodist tabernacle, for the Methodist church, and which is now for rent or sale.

The T. A. Johnson residence has been completed at a cost of exceeding ten thousand dollars. Other improvements of concrete walks, fencing and outbuildings are now being done on the place.

The G. H. Snider residence, which will cost ten thousand or more dollars, is now nearing completion. This will be one among the finest residences in the city.

Billy Bryant has just completed other improvements at his new home on Burlington Avenue.

H. C. Cheely is constructing an addition to his Spur Cream & Bottling Works business. The foundation and floor of this building will be of concrete, thus giving a more substantial, sanitary and convenient place for operation of the bottling works.

T. A. Rogers has just completed the construction of a new blacksmith shop and garage in connection, on Fifth Street one block east of Burlington Avenue.

Notwithstanding the depression, no less than a dozen new residences were constructed in Spur during the past year.

—Trade in Spur—

The excellent direction of Marshal N. N. and the wonderful portrayal of Tom Fanchi, makes "The Country That God Forgot" a truly great picture.

—Trade in Spur—

Miss Mildred George, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. George, of the Highway community, was brought to the Spur Sanitarium Monday where she underwent a successful operation for appendicitis. Miss George was in a very critical condition at the time of the operation, but we are glad to note is now reported doing nicely and recovering.

—Trade in Spur—

H. P. Cole came in Saturday and equipped himself with a supply of cards and is starting out in earnest in his candidacy for sheriff and tax collector.

—Trade in Spur—

A. J. Richey, of the Croton community, was among the business visitors and traders in Spur Tuesday of this week.

—Trade in Spur—

A. T. Bural, of the Duck Creek country, was in town recently trading and shaking hands with his many friends of this section.

—Trade in Spur—

Grundy Crego, of the Croton section of country, was a business visitor in the city Monday of this week. He reports everything all o. k. in his part of the world.

—Trade in Spur—

C. E. Senning packed his grip and hit the train Thursday, bound for the fat stock show in Fort Worth.

ALL DAY CAMPAIGN

The all day campaign rally at the Spur Baptist church last Wednesday was a great success. The day came just in time to put cheer and sunshine in all hearts. The crowd was large. The spirit pervading the entire rally was high and great. Dr. H. J. Matthews, of Plainview, delivered a marvelous address on the subject of giving. He discussed the giving of self, substance and service. We wish every Baptist and all other Christians could have heard that wonderful address.

The good ladies of the church served a splendid lunch at the tabernacle on the cafeteria plan. We are now in the midst of our 75 million campaign, and are planning to hold rallies in every part of the association. God has graciously blessed us with a fine rain which should hearten all of us. It is time now to remember our obligations to Him.

Please let us all plan and pray for this spring's round up in the 75 million drive. And better, let us pay our pledges. Next Wednesday, March 23rd, we are going to have an all day rally at Roaring Springs. Let all the Baptists of the association be present to hear the good messages which will be delivered and to reap blessings from the fellowship of each other.—L.L.F. Parker, Associational Campaign Organizer.

Mrs. W. H. Putman returned last week from Vernon where she has been visiting with her daughter, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore.

—Trade in Spur—

E. D. Jackson, of near Dickens, was among the number of business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week.

—Trade in Spur—

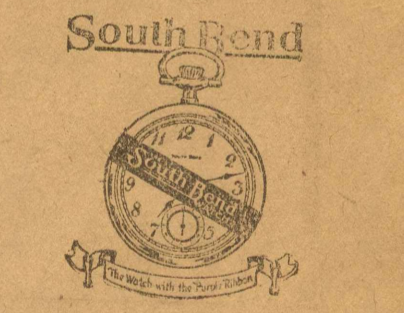
John Sampson was in Spur Wednesday for the first time in several days. He is now running for commissioner of his precinct in Kent county, and is probably putting in all his idle time in campaigning.

—Trade in Spur—

G. E. Nicholson, manager of Bryant Link Company at Aspermont, was in Spur Thursday greeting his many friends and acquaintances here. Mr. Nicholson was formerly a resident of Spur and has many friends here who are always glad to see him.

—Trade in Spur—

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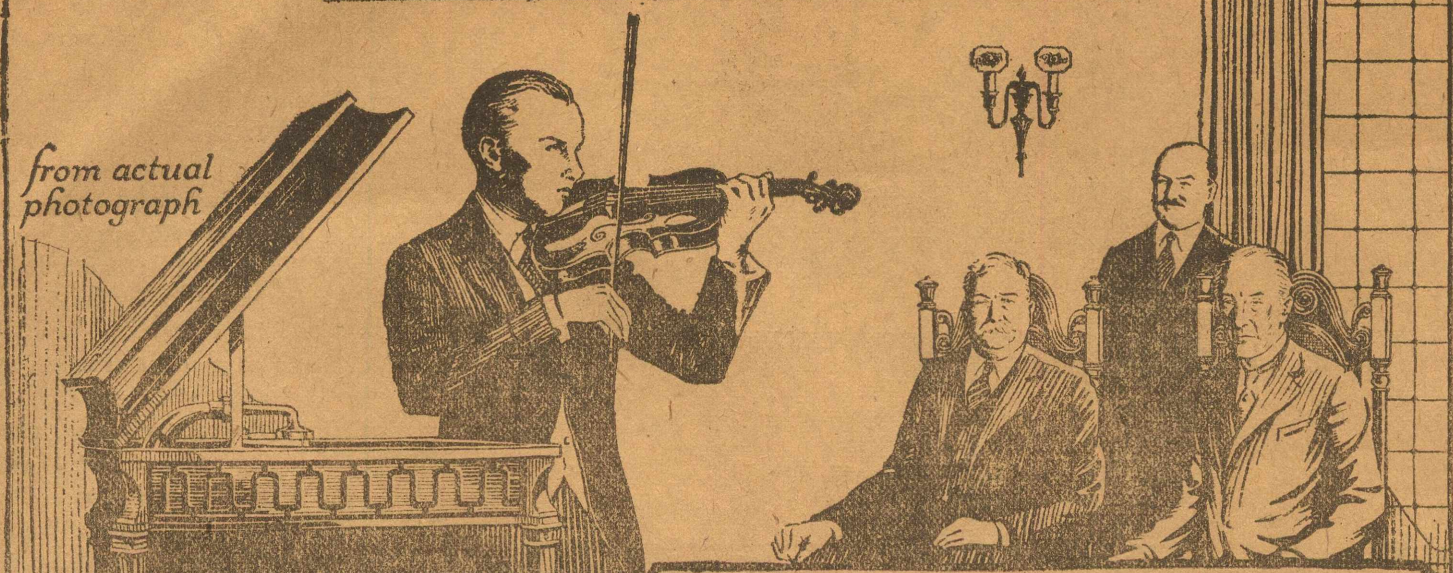
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This illustration is from an actual photograph. It shows Vasa Prihoda making his comparison test at Aeolian Hall, New York City, on October 16th, 1921. John C. Freund (seated right), who is Editor of *Musical America* and President of the Musical Alliance of America, wrote Mr. Edison:

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G. R. ELKINS, Mgr.  
SPUR, TEXAS

Alec Winkler, of Croton, came in Monday with a hog or two for the cooperative shipment made Tuesday of this week. The cooperative plan of marketing, not only of livestock but of all farm products, will eventually be generally adopted by farmers all over the country. Such a plan may not of itself control the market prices, but it does insure to the individual farmer a market price for his products.

—Trade in Spur—  
Claude Gentry, of near Dickens, was among the crowds in Spur the first of the week. He reports everything in good shape in his section of country.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. Carlisle was in Monday of this week from his Duck Creek farm home. Uncle Jonas is already planning a visiting trip back to the Old States this summer. He has been here "sugering" about as long as any of them, and deserves not only the rest but all the pleasures which may come to him.

—Trade in Spur—  
H. T. Garner is jubilant over the fact that it has rained—notwithstanding the fact that he will now be forced to go to the fields to do his campaigning for the treasurer's office.

—Trade in Spur—  
G. A. Sloan, of the Dry Lake settlement, was in town Tuesday trading and incidentally campaigning for the commissioners' office of this precinct.

—Trade in Spur—  
Oscar Jackson and N. Q. Brannen have formed a partnership in the land loan business, maintaining offices over the Spur National Bank.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. E. Sparks came in Monday to see the doctor and get medicine for his baby who is sick of pneumonia. However, Mr. Sparks stated that the child was very much improved at this time, having been quite sick the past week.

—Trade in Spur—  
Let's go to the Gem at least one night a week.

—Trade in Spur—  
Twin babies were born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Ab Johnson at their home on the Copeland farm to the east of Spur.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Copeland, and little son, William Clinton, spent the week end in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ledford.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. H. Sparks came in Saturday, spending the afternoon here mixing and mingling with the usual Saturday crowds.

—Trade in Spur—  
Don't forget the new Serial, "Hurricane Hutch." Starts at the Gem March 17 & 18.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. P. Gibson, of near Lamesa, is spending the week in Spur with his son, Horace Gibson and family. Mr. Gibson told us that he had not yet begun his farming operations in the Lamesa country, the seasons there being somewhat later even than in this section. The Easterner is somewhat surprised in coming West to find that here sometimes we are still gathering crops when it is almost planting time again further East—but West Texas always makes the stuff and is now no more subject to drouths than the East.

—Trade in Spur—  
Miss Mildred George, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Spur Sanitarium last week, we are glad to note is now reported doing nicely. Grave fears of her life were entertained at the time of the operation.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. P. Hill, of Steel Hill, was in the city Saturday, trading and meeting with his acquaintances here that day.

G. M. Cox, of seven miles north of Spur, was in the city Tuesday morning, following the good rain of Monday afternoon. He stated that his section had a good rain, giving them sufficient moisture to go to farming. Mr. Cox last year purchased the M. C. Hobson farm and is now a permanent fixture with us of the great Spur country.

—Trade in Spur—  
R. M. Duboise, of the Duck Creek section of country, was in town recently, trading and mixing with the crowds of Spur visitors and shoppers.

—Trade in Spur—  
Ed Fuqua, of the Red Mud country, was in town Saturday greeting his friends.

—Trade in Spur—  
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of east of Spur, were visitors and shoppers in the city the past week.

—Trade in Spur—  
Buster Bural, of Duck Creek, was among the many in Spur during the week.

Mace Hunter came in the past week. Mace does not seem to be the least worried because it hasn't rained. He is among the "old timers" here, and knows that eventually it will rain. However, we note in passing his farms that he has not been idle, but has his lands prepared for planting and to take in all the moisture to fall later. Even though a rain may be late, such farmers are assured of good crops.

—Trade in Spur—  
J. T. Cozby, of east of Spur two miles, was on the streets the latter part of the week. Mr. Cozby is one of the most successful farmers of this territory. He always pushes his farm work, and diversifies. He has something to sell at all seasons of the year.

—Trade in Spur—  
Chalk Brown was in Monday from the 24 Ranch.

—Trade in Spur—  
Chas. Perrin came in Monday of this week from his farm and ranch in the Draper country.

Superintendent Brummett, of the Duck Creek school, was in town Saturday meeting with the people and incidentally furthering his campaign for county judge and school superintendent. In the election to be held later, should the judge's and superintendent's offices be divided, Mr. Brummett has stated that he will stand for superintendent in preference to judge. Prof. Brummett is recognized as one of the best school men of the country, and he is eminently qualified for the office he seeks.

—Trade in Spur—  
A. C. George, of the Highway section of country, was in the city the first of the week to visit his daughter Miss Mildred, who is in the Sanitarium, having had an operation for appendicitis the past week. Miss Mildred is reported doing nicely.

—Trade in Spur—  
Miss Mary Stovall, of the Duck Creek community, was in Spur Monday of this week, visiting and shopping.

Tom Greer came in the first of the week from the Lone Oak Farm and Ranch, spending a day here on business and meeting with his many friends of the town. Tom says that hereafter his visits to town will be few and far between, since he will have to go to work following the big rain of Monday throughout that section. It is said that more rain fell out there than here. We had about one inch of rain here in town while some think as much as two inches fell to the west of Spur.

—Trade in Spur—  
W. A. Valentine, of West of the city, was here Tuesday trading and on other business.

—Trade in Spur—  
FOR SALE—My home place, consisting of residence and two lots is for sale at a bargain. See me at once.—A. C. Lewis. 21tf

—Trade in Spur—  
Frank Smith was in town Monday morning in his jitney, leaving early and refusing to take our warning to stay in out of the rain.

## Remember the Old Adage:

**"Never Put off until Tomorrow what you can do Today"**

Let us apply this to our individual thrift campaign by starting some kind of "Summer Money Crop."

The time to begin raising your chickens is now—they will pay too—if you don't think so, try them.

This week a lady customer of ours sold sixty five hens for \$51.20, or an average of 78c each. That may not seem an extra large price, but sixty five hens can be raised on the waste from your feed lots—and besides, \$51.20 will last a long while now.

Do not be afraid of overloading the market, for if our local Produce Co. cannot use them, why not ship them in car load lots to Eastern markets.

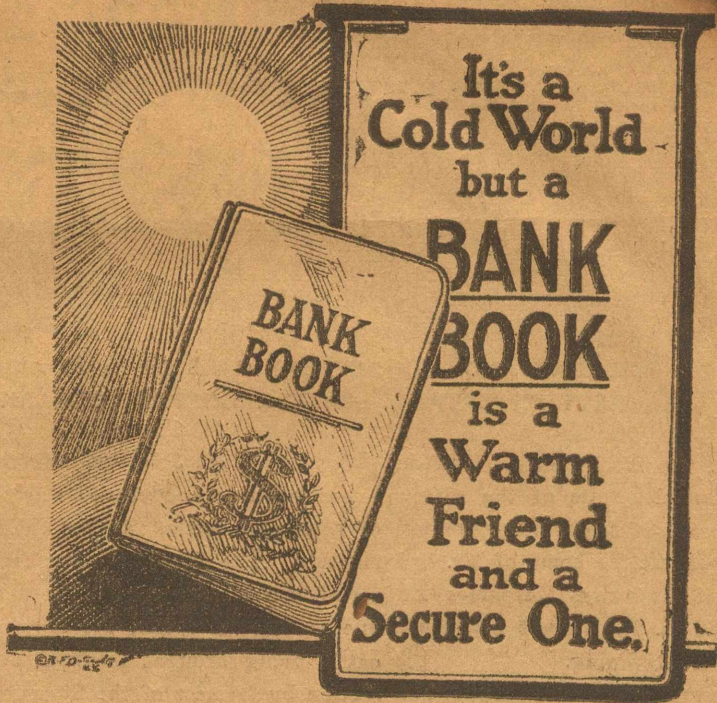
Do not forget the Cooperative shipment on the 14th. The things we forget are often of the most importance to us, financially at least. List your hogs and cattle now, and be sure of some ready cash for this month. It is easily possible that with a few cattle, hogs, chickens and a garden, we can have money the year round.

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Yours for Service,

**THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK.**

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EVERY MAN SHOULD REALIZE THAT HE IS HIS OWN BEST FRIEND. HE WILL HAVE OTHER FRIENDS BUT THEY ARE BUSY LOOKING OUT FOR THEMSELVES, AND HE MUST DO THE SAME. THE WAY TO BE YOUR OWN BEST FRIEND IS TO OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT AND REGULARLY DEPOSIT A PART OF WHAT YOU EARN. THEN YOU CAN TAKE LIFE EASY AND BE ASSURED OF A COMFORTABLE OLD AGE. COME IN TODAY. WE WILL WELCOME YOU.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

Robt. Nickels, of the plains country near McAdoo, was in town Thursday. He stated that winter wheat on the McAdoo territory is still alive and green, notwithstanding the fact that no rain has come to them. On his place he says that seventy acres or more of winter wheat will come out and make good should rain fall within the next ten days. It is very unfortunate that the rain of last Monday did not also cover the McAdoo country.

—Trade in Spur—

W. O. McCrary came in the first of the week from his farm home four miles west of Spur. This is his first experience in farming in this section, he having heretofore been a mere town dweller. Mr. McCrary will have a hundred or more acres to cultivate, and here is hoping that he makes, in connection with living at home, a bale to the acre and gets forty cents a pound.

—Trade in Spur—

J. E. Johnson returned this week from a trip to points in Texas and Oklahoma. No where, he says, does conditions promise more than in the great Spur country.

—Trade in Spur—

We will have veal all next week, —Central Market.

Dr. Montgomery, of Stamford, spent three days in Spur this week, doing special surgery and treating diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. We have known Dr. Montgomery a number of years, and in our boyhood days we attended school together. He is honest, sincere and trustworthy, efficient in his chosen profession. If Dr. Montgomery can not benefit the diseased, he will tell them so.

—Trade in Spur—

S. M. Miller returned the past week from a trip up into Oklahoma. He also reports that no where are conditions better or more promising than in the Spur country.

—Trade in Spur—

Attorney B. G. Worswick passed through Thursday with a big grip—bound for Fort Worth to see the sights at the Fat Stock Show.

—Trade in Spur—

W. L. Thannisch and son, of the Draper country, were in Spur Thursday, transacting business affairs and trading with merchants. Mr. Thannisch stated that for business reasons he would probably not get in the race for sheriff at this time.

—Trade in Spur—

Fate cuts merry didoes in "The Country That God Forgot."

### OPPORTUNITY.

Lands at the lowest price, good terms and low rate of interest, on the Plains in Bailey County.

Also improved lands on the Plains and under the Caprock, at very attractive prices. Ranches at bargain prices. See me over the Spur National Bank for anything you want in real estate.—C. C. HALE.

—Trade in Spur—

### STOP THAT ITCHING

Use the reliable Blue Star Remedy for all skin diseases and foot troubles, such as Itch, Eczema, Poison Oak, Red Bugs, Old Sores, Sores on Children, Prickly Heat. Sold on a guarantee by City Drug Store, E. F. Hall, Proprietor, Spur, Texas. 12ff

—Trade in Spur—

### NOTICE.

We will sell no more wood, and all hauling from Pitchfork enclosure is prohibited.—Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co., by W. H. Bryant. 47-3mp

### BETTER TAILORS BETTER SERVICE REDUCED PRICES.

Suits Cleaned & Pressed, \$1.50  
Coat Suits cleaned & pressed, 1.50  
Suits & Coat Suits, pressed, 75c  
Trousers, Pressed, 25 cents

THE SPUR TAILOR SHOP  
Phone 18 Ira Sullivan, Prop.

C. H. Windham returned Thursday from the Fat Stock Show. He says it was bigger and better than ever before.

—Trade in Spur—

Ray Godfrey and Otho Norris, of Swenson, visited several days of this week with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey in Spur.

—Trade in Spur—

E. P. Donothan, of Floydada, was in Spur Thursday of this week arranging to drill water wells. Mr. Donothan has been drilling wells in the McAdoo country, and has contracts to drill others.

—Trade in Spur—

W. I. Simmons, of the Duck Creek community, was in Spur Thursday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Try our Brick Chille—Just the thing for quick meals.—Central Market.

—Trade in Spur—

S. E. Moss, of the Midway community, was in Spur Thursday of this week greeting his friends and acquaintances here. He says they also had a good rain, and everything is now promising in his section.

—Trade in Spur—

A. E. Huckabee, of McAdoo, was in the city Thursday of this week. He was greatly disappointed in that the rain of last Monday missed his territory. However, they expect to get a good one within the next ten days.

—Trade in Spur—

C. C. Haile returned this week from Marlin where he accompanied his brother, Lucien Haile of Afton, Lucien Haile has been suffering of an acute attack of rheumatism and was carried to Marlin on a cot, being unable to walk or take care of him self for two or three weeks past. When C. C. left, Lucien had improved and was able to walk a little, and he thinks that a few more weeks in Marlin will see him cured.

—Trade in Spur—

C. B. Blankenship is here this week visiting with his friends. He recently went out to the Lamesa section of country and rented a two hundred acre farm to cultivate this year, he having sold his farm here. We suspect that he is now back here to arrange to move back. We hope so any way. C. B. Blankenship is a good citizen and we regret to lose him.

D. W. Pritchett was on the streets Saturday meeting his friends and mingling with the crowds.

—Trade in Spur—

W. W. Pickens was among the recent visitors in Spur.

—Trade in Spur—

J. L. Puckett, of the Duck Creek community, was among the crowds in Spur Saturday.

—Trade in Spur—

G. B. Jopling is now on tax assessing rounds, interviewing tax payers and possibly a voter now and then in the interest of his candidacy for reelection.

—Trade in Spur—

J. H. Jones, of west of Spur, was in town Tuesday greeting his acquaintances.

—Trade in Spur—

W. B. Arthur, of Dickens was in Spur Saturday, trading some and meeting friends.

—Trade in Spur—

Tud Arthur, of Dickens, was mixing with the crowds here Tuesday of this week.

—Trade in Spur—

Tom McArthur was in town Monday hauling out feed stuff for his cattle.

—Trade in Spur—

We will have veal all next week, —Central Market.

—Trade in Spur—

Have you seen the "Man Worth a Mile"? Now playing at the Gen. Do you like good pictures? Do you want to see god pictures. If so prove it!

—Trade in Spur—

E. L. Caraway is in Fort Worth this week on business.

## City Meat Market

MODERATE PRICES

ALL KINDS OF MEAT, BREAD AND BUTTER.

Parnell & Randolph

## ONE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXPENSE AND INVESTMENT

is the difference between RENTING a home and OWNING a home. The money you have spent for rent is gone beyond recall. But the money you may put in the best of investments—a home—will remain to your credit, to be "cashed in on" daily in happiness and contentment.

A fine resolution for the new year—I WILL INVEST IN A HOME.

**BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.**

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SPUR, TEXAS

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BRICK, LIME, CEMENT, DEVCO PAINT,  
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We Sell Gas at 23c per gal., at our Visible Filling Station!!

WE ALSO CARRY A COMPLETE LINE OF TIRES, TUBES, SPARK PLUGS, OILS AND OTHER ITEMS

# Spur Hardware & Furniture Company

"SPUR'S OLDEST STORE."

## MESDAMES ANDREWS AND BARRETT ENTERTAIN

One of the most pleasant and delightful social events of the season was the entertaining Friday evening of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Andrews, Mesdames Andrews and L. E. Barrett being hostesses of the evening.

The rooms were beautifully and attractively decorated with shamrock leaves. Place cards of Irish harps and shamrocks were laid for thirteen tables, and as the games of forty two progressed the guests were cheered by the attention of each hostess, who at the conclusion of the games, in a most delightful manner served refreshments of salad, hot chocolate and angel food cake, with St. Patrick's flags as favors.—Reporter.

## Trade in Spur— DICKENS SENDS DELEGATES TO FT. WORTH R. R. MEETING

At a mass meeting held last week in Dickens, Jeff D. Harkey and Dr. Blackwell were appointed as delegates to attend the meeting in Fort Worth this week in the interest of a "Fort Worth to the Plains Railroad."

While little has been said here of the proposed railroad from Fort Worth to the Plains, it is being discussed enthusiastically by towns on the plains. There is no definite proposal from railroad builders as yet, and the object of the meetings and discussions is to interest railroad promoters and builders in a proposition to construct a line of railway directly connecting the plains country with Fort Worth. Such a line of railway would be a paying proposition and will eventually be built. However, it is our idea that railroad builders will consider first the proposition of connecting up the terminuses of the several incompleting railroads extending toward the plains—either from Rotan or Roaring Springs or Spur, to connect other roads at Floydada, Crosbyton or Post. The connection of these lines would make competitors of a few lines—and railroad builders are inclined to avoid competition.

However, if a new line should be constructed, we are for it coming through Dickens county.

## FARMING IS BEING REDUCED TO A SCIENCE HERE NOW

J. P. Middleton came over Monday from Dickens, bringing a hog or two along to include in the cooperative shipment of hogs and cattle which left Spur Tuesday for the Fort market. Mr. Middleton is running an advertisement in the Texas Spur for the sale of fine setting eggs, and says that it pays to advertise, because he is sure selling the eggs. He recently had his flock of chickens culled by the County Demonstrator, and disposed of all his non-laying hens, and separated the poor layers from the best. He selects his setting eggs from the best layers and in this manner is doing much to encourage better poultry raising in the county. Poultry raising and farming in general will, within a very few years, be reduced to a "science" in this country. The day of the "hap-hazard farmer is now passing, and all those who fail to keep informed and stay in the procession of progressive farming will have to move to town and seek employment under a boss at a weekly wage.

## SEVERAL CARS OF HOGS AND CATTLE SHIPPED TO MARKET

County Agent Johnston left Spur Tuesday with a cooperative shipment of hogs and cattle, for Fort Worth markets. The shipment was made up of one or two cars of hogs and one or two of cattle, the hogs and cattle being brought in from every section by farmers of the Spur country. The value of the cooperative marketing plans adopted in Dickens county is inestimable. Aside from giving the individual farmer the full benefit of market prices, it also has demonstrated that cooperative methods must be practiced by farmers as well as other farm operations—and it brings the people closer together in a common, community interest.

## SPUR COUNTRY LEADS IN LIVESTOCK AND FARM PRODUCTION

E. D. Butler, of the E. J. Cairnes ranch, owns the most prolific cow in the country. His cow has had twin calves on two different occasions, and triplets at another time, having brought to the owner eight calves in four years. This country is the equal of any in livestock as well as agricultural production, and no one, since experiments have proven that cattle may be fed and finished here on home products, better and cheaper than shipping to the corn belts, only a few more years will see the great Spur country richer and more independent.

## SOME WHEAT ON THE PLAINS MAY BE SAVED BY THE RAIN

Ben Reddell, of near McAdoo on the plains, was in Spur the latter part of last week, making arrangements to plant his crops a little later. Mr. Reddell has forty or fifty acres of winter wheat on his place which he says is standing up pretty well, considering the continued dry weather. This wheat, he says, looks green and is up to a pretty good stand. If the McAdoo territory had got as much rain Monday as did this section there would have been considerable wheat harvested later on—but we understand that the rain only extended from Spur to the Cap Rock, skipping the McAdoo territory and beginning again at Crosbyton and extending westward where heavy rains fell.

## RECENT POULTRY SCHOOLS STIMULATED INTEREST

The recent poultry schools conducted by the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company at the twenty two towns on the Wichita Valley railroad, stimulated a greater interest in poultry keeping and raising than would have been otherwise.

A report from M. B. Oats, agricultural agent, states that there were a total of 12,147 persons who visited the specially prepared car on the rounds. Spur headed the list of all towns in attendance, there being 1,492 to visit the car in Spur. The total attendance in Spur was given as 2,992.

The schools stimulated a greater interest in poultry throughout the country, and as a result we will have better poultry and more eggs from fewer hens.

—Trade in Spur—  
Say it with 'Gem Theatre Tickets'

# Gem Theatre

(ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW)

## FRIDAY & SAT., MARCH 17-18: "THE MAN WORTH WHILE"

Featuring  
ROMAINE FIELDING  
This is another of those wholesome outdoor pictures that does one good to see. Don't Miss This One!  
Also  
The New Serial  
"HURRICANE HUTCH"  
The Stunt King of America Starts! Try and get in on this serial as it is the best going. Also  
A FREE MERCHANTS MATINEE  
Saturday, 1 to 5.

## MONDAY & TUES., MCH. 20-21:

Marshall Neilson's  
"COUNTRY THAT GOD FORGOT"  
Featuring  
TOM SANTCHI  
The story of Western wastes and a man's love for a woman. Also a Snappy two reel comedy.  
"A CLOSE SHAVE"  
Also  
"WINNERS OF THE WEST"  
Episode No. 16.

## THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY MARCH 23, 24, 25:

"THE OLD NEST"  
By Rupert Hughes.  
The greatest picture of its kind ever shown anywhere, anytime, at any price. It is an opportunity to see this picture, take advantage of it. Prices 25c for children, 50c, adults.  
Also Episode No. 2 of  
"HURRICANE HUTCH"  
Also  
FREE MERCHANTS MATINEE  
SATURDAY.

## MEETING OF CATTLEMEN TO BE HELD IN SPUR MARCH 25

County Agent Johnston has called another meeting of cattlemen of this territory to be held in Spur, Saturday, March 25th, at the Directors room of the Spur National Bank at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

This meeting is for the purpose of perfecting an organization of cattlemen, in promoting the cattle interests generally as well as to seek better markets in a cooperative, systematic manner, and every individual interested in the cattle business in this territory is urged to attend the meeting. It is only through cooperative methods and united efforts that the greatest good is accomplished. A strong organization of the cattle interests of this territory will unquestionably benefit and promote the cattle industry in every way.

Miss "The Old Nest" and be sorry the rest of your life.  
—Trade in Spur—  
J. B. Rutledge was on the streets Thursday. We are glad to note that he is again looking well after an illness of several weeks with the flu.

## SPUR EXPERIMENT STATION SHEEP AT FAT STOCK SHOW

Superintendent R. E. Dickson and Mr. Welborne, who has charge of the sheep at the experiment station, are attending the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. A number of the Spur sheep were shipped to Fort Worth to again contest for premiums at the Fat Stock Show. Each year the Spur Station has been awarded first prizes on sheep, and it will be disappointing should we fail to win this year.

## DISTRICT MEETING OF 75 MIL LION CAMPAIGN HELD IN SPUR

The district meeting of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign convened in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. A large attendance was had, among the number being the leading preachers of the district. The services were very interesting and instructive, and was enjoyed by the large audiences present each day. Dinner was spread on the ground Wednesday and everybody present enjoyed it to the full extent.

## Trade in Spur— B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM FOR SUN DAY, MARCH THE 19, 1922

Subject—Doctrinal Meeting—May I Expect to Conquer Sin Within My Self.  
Leader—Truett N. Cooper.  
Part 1. Mrs. Ceils.  
Part 2. Elmer Wooten.  
Part 3. Cecil Bowman.  
Part 4. Miss Thria Gilbert.  
Part 5. Miss Kitty Powell.  
Part 6. Miss Jennie Shields.

We will be glad for any one to come to our meeting. We wish to make a great success of our union, and we want your help. We will be glad for you to attend church and prayer meeting.—A B. Y. P. U. Member.

## W. M. S. ENTERTAINS WITH KITCHEN PARTY AT CHURCH

On February 13th, the ladies of the W. M. S. of the M. E. church, invited their Spur friends to come to the basement of the church and bring something for the kitchen. The response was most gratifying, and everything it takes to prepare and to serve a meal was brought by those in attendance.

The basement was full of a merry crowd of grown ups and children.

Miss Higgins and five little girls of her expression class gave readings that were very much appreciated, as was attested by the encores each received.

After the readings, some of the new games, such as snap, etc., were indulged in until a late hour, when refreshments of cake, sandwiches and coffee were served.

The articles received were valued at about \$110.00, with a free will offering of \$22.50 which will be added to a fund that will be used to purchase silver later on.

The W. M. S. greatly appreciates this token of friendship from the people of Spur and hopes to have them present on many pleasant occasions hereafter.

## CHURCH NOTICE.

The Rev. E. A. Lindley will preach at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and at night, March 19th.

## J. J. ALBIN MAKES SHIPMENT EXTRA FINE HOGS RECENTLY

J. J. Albin last week shipped to market a car or two of the finest hogs that has gone from this market in some time. The hogs weighed as much as 600 pounds each, and not one in the shipment weighed less than two hundred pounds.

J. J. Albin is doing much, probably more than any other individual, in establishing and maintaining a local market for hogs in Spur. He has feeding pens and all unfinished hogs are placed on feed and put in shape for the market. The prices paid here are necessarily in accord with the shipping points, in meeting competition of nearby points as well as the cooperative marketing plans adopted in Dickens county.

## BOYS BABY BEEF CLUB MAKING RECORDS IN FEEDING

Some time ago C. B. Jones and W. J. Elliott made it possible for each member of the Boys Baby Beef Club to purchase a baby beef and place on feed and finished here for the market. County Agent Johnston states that a record is being made in the feeding, in that an average gain of two and three fourths pounds per day has been made up to date.

The boys are feeding home grown West Texas products, and the results further establish the fact that cattle may be finished here at home for the market much better and with less expense than shipping elsewhere for feeding and finishing. Other experiments made here in feeding have completely exploded the idea that cattle must be shipped to the corn belts for finishing purposes.

## BIG OIL COMPANY DICKERING FOR ALBIN WELL AND LEASE

J. J. Albin informs us that the Humble Oil Company and another oil concern have had representatives here to arrange for a lease contract looking to the completion of the test well for oil started on his place some time ago.

Mr. Albin has a standard rig up on his place, together with the tools, bits, lines and other necessities to drill a deep well.

The wildcatting for oil now seems to be greatly stimulated all over the country, and while it may never amount to anything in this section, so far as actual production is concerned, we would like to see the drills going down.

## MAN AT RALLS COMMITTED SUICIDE ONE DAY LAST WEEK

W. P. Parker, proprietor of the hotel at Ralls, killed himself by a shot from a pistol one day the past week.

Secretary George Bennett, of the Spur Mutual Life Insurance Association, was called to Ralls to adjust the payment of his policy, since Mr. Parker was a member of the association.

The Spur Mutual Life Insurance Association has only been organized a few months, and this is the first death to occur in the organization. An assessment of one dollar per member will be made to pay the policy of W. P. Parker.