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The Texas Spur

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

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Spur Facing & Experiencing Most Substantial Building Progress in Its History.

That the war depressing period is passed and the town and country back to "normalcy," is substantially evidenced in the building progress now under way and contemplated in Spur.

Not since the rushing and booming days in the beginning of Spur following its creation in November 1909, has the building progress been greater or more substantial than today—and this permanent, substantial movement is encouraged and warranted to the fullest extent by the prevailing conditions and future prospects. In the beginning of the town shacks and temporary structures were erected to meet the needs, whereas today the building is of the most substantial and permanent nature.

At the present time E. L. Caraway is building one of the most handsome and modern brick buildings, covering two twenty five foot lots and fronting on both Burlington Avenue and Fifth Street. The brick work on this building is now nearing completion, and when completed will be converted into a drive-in filling station and a show and salesroom for Buick automobiles.

L. G. Gilbert is having a brick drive-in filling station constructed on his lot on the north side of Harris Street, and the brick work on this structure is also nearing completion, and when completed will be used not only as a filling station but also as a boot, shoe and harness shop in combination.

The Baptist Church of Spur is constructing one of the most handsome and modern church structures in all of Western Texas, to cost approximately thirty five thousand dollars. The brick walls of this structure are now going up rapidly, and it is expected to be complete and ready for service early in the new year. The

plans of this building include a basement of a number of Sunday school rooms with an auditorium, while the main floor will have an auditorium of 800 seating capacity, and will include a study and library room, class rooms and private rest room.

L. N. Riter has purchased the Lee Gilbert house and lot adjoining the postoffice on Harris Street, and will soon begin work of constructing a brick business house on the lot.

D. H. Sullivan is also arranging to build a brick business house on his lot, and if the intervening lot can be secured, the contemplated building will be extended to cover two lots and join the Riter building, thus almost completely covering the south side of Harris Street of this block with substantial brick buildings.

Moore & Ramsey have acquired two lots on the west side of Burlington Avenue across the street from Gem Theatre, and are this week receiving bids and will let the contract for the construction of a fifty by eighty or one hundred foot drive-in filling station and auto accessory salesroom. The plans of this structure are modern and will be a credit to the substantial building progress of the city. At a later date this building will be added to and extended with a view of also including a garage in connection.

C. L. Love contemplates a modern brick business house, specially constructed and arranged to meet the requirements of a modern dry goods department store, on his lot adjoining the Wendell building on the west side of Burlington Avenue. While the plans for this structure are not fully matured and building arrangements concluded, yet soon after the first of the year it is very probable that the construction work will begin.

C. Hogan is contemplating the erection

also of a modern department store structure on his two lots on the corner of Burlington Avenue and Harris Street, and while no definite arrangements as yet have been concluded, the building is sure to go up early in the new year. It is contemplated to build at present only one story but the foundation will be laid to carry a two-story structure covering the entire two lots, designed and planned to compare favorably with the two bank buildings of the city.

Everything considered, Spur is enjoying and facing the greatest and most substantial era of building progress and permanent growth within its history, and almost within the new year will have developed into one of the most substantially constructed and progressive young cities of the West.

MRS. HANEY LOSES FOOT BY ACCIDENTAL GUN SHOT WOUND

A most deplorable accident occurred Thursday of last week at Afton when Mrs. Burnett Haney had a foot shot off by the accidental discharge of a shot gun.

Mr. Haney was getting his gun in readiness to go hunting, and in unbreaching it or in some manner it was discharged, the entire load of shot striking Mrs. Haney just above the ankle, almost completely severing the foot. She was carried to Lubbock immediately where the foot was amputated and Mrs. Haney is reported doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

CONCESSIONAIRES AT RODEO ROUNDED UP BY JUSTICE COURT

Justice of the Peace Dunn, together with County Attorney Worswick went down Saturday evening to the rodeo grounds, viewed the concessions as they operated, and as a result Sheriff Barber and deputies were instructed to bring before the honorable court all concessionaires who operated wheel games and show cause why they should not forfeit a penalty for violating the statutory laws. Some six or seven were brought before the court with the result that three fines of approximately eighteen dollars each was assessed and collected.

Parts of Human Skeleton is Found in Croton Breaks to the East of Dickens City

Parts of a human skeleton were brought to Spur Thursday of this week, having been found that day in a canyon in the Croton Breaks to the east of Dickens.

Those who examined the bones state that they are parts of a human pelvis and back bone, appearances indicating that the skeleton was not more than a year old and from a young person.

The belief of some at Dickens is that the skeleton is a part of the remains of the young man who mysteriously disappeared from Dickens about a year ago, notwithstanding the reports that the young man was later heard from in California. Regardless of whether or not the skeleton be that of young Bill Stephenson, it has been definitely concluded that it is parts of a human.

5-YEAR SENTENCE FOR JIM CADE BY A HASKELL JURY

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 4.—The case of the State vs Jim Cade, charged with the murder of Lee Peterson, which occurred in Kent county on the 31st day of last December, and sent to this county on a change of venue from Kent County, was turned to the jury about 4 p. m. Saturday, and the jury came into Court at 9:30 Sunday morning with the following verdict:

"We the jury find the defendant guilty of manslaughter and assess his punishment at confinement in the penitentiary for a term of five years.

D. R. Brown, foreman." This was the second trial of this case. It was tried in Kent County once with a hung jury as the result. After the verdict due notice of appeal has been given and the case will be carried to the court of criminal appeals.

E. A. Brown is getting in shape to move next week to Gomez where he has bought a farm.

COURT ADJOURNED AND GRAND JURY RETURNS 34 INDICTMENTS

Saturday evening Judge Milam adjourned district court for the term after being in session one week at Dickens.

During the term there were only three cases tried, as follow: W. L. Ballard for bigamy, being sentenced to two years in the pen; Joe Kimbro for bigamy, also receiving a two year sentence; Ellis Kirven, negro, charged with forgery, was also sentenced to the pen. Seven or eight divorce cases were heard and divorces granted. Some ten or fifteen cases on docket were continued for the term.

The grand jury returned 34 bills of indictment, eighteen of which were misdemeanors, and sixteen on charges of felony. The following bills for felonies were returned by C. Hogan as foreman of the grand jury:

E. C. Golden, three bills for selling intoxicants; M. C. Reynolds, two bills for selling intoxicating liquors; Bob Hext, transporting whiskey; Carl Stephens, one charge of rape and one charge of conducting an infectious eating house; Wilson Day, rape; Zack Ferrell, rape; Ira Sullivan, rape; John Weathers, two bills charging disposal of mortgaged property; Tom Robinson, robbery; Ellis Kirven, forgery; Joe Kimbro, bigamy; W. L. Ballard, bigamy.

SLATON MAN IS SHOT AND KILLED TUESDAY MORNING

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 5.—Shelton S. Forrest, 21 youngest son of S. S. Forrest, prominent merchant and lumber dealer, was shot and killed this morning.

Jay Jordan, 23 surrendered to the officers in connection with the affair.

Burl McClellan, of Stamford, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Busby.

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FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING TO BE HELD WITH THE SOLDIER MOUND CHURCH, DECEMBER 28-31 1922.
THURSDAY

7:30 p. m.—Sermon ----- Wayne Grizzel
FRIDAY
9:30 a. m.—Devotional Service ----- Henry Smith
10:00 a. m.—The Mission of a Church ----- W. B. Bennett
10:30 a. m.—The Fraternal Spirit Among Pastors ----- W. E. Duke
11:00 a. m.—Sermon 1 Tim. 4-16 ----- L. L. F. Parker
12:00 m.—Dinner at Church
1:30 p. m.—Devotional Service ----- W. A. Walker
2:00 p. m.—Our Duty to Denominational Interests ----- D. G. Reed
2:45 p. m.—Our Associational Outlook ----- H. L. Burnam
3:30 p. m.—Why The Denominational Paper? ----- Victor Crabtree
7:15 p. m.—Devotional Service ----- Claud James
7:45 p. m.—Sermon ----- L. S. Bilberry

SATURDAY

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Service ----- F. M. Clifton
10:00 a. m.—Harmonize Rom. 4-2 with James 2-21 ----- L. L. F. Parker
11:00 a. m.—Sermon Them Redemption ----- W. B. Bennett
12:00 m.—Dinner at Church
1:30 p. m.—Womens Work Arranged by the President
3:00 p. m.—Laymans Hour Arranged by ----- J. W. Griffith
4:00 p. m.—Board Meeting
7:15 p. m.—Devotional Service ----- R. L. English
7:45 p. m.—Sermon ----- W. E. Duke

SUNDAY

10:00 a. m.—Sunday School Round Table led by ----- Oscar Jackson
11:00 a. m.—Sermon ----- D. G. Reed

J. J. Hickman, of McAdoo, called in Tuesday and left another dollar and fifty cents in the subscription till. He has this year rented his place and will not sow any wheat. He was looking for corn with which to feed out his hogs, stating that he had a number of fat hogs ready for market and about a hundred head to carry over. Maize is not available in the country, therefore he will ship in a car load of corn to feed on. Mr. Hickman said that the new gin had more than it could do after getting started after burning out.

We are now ready to make up your cane into syrup. Be sure to cut your cane before frost and bring it in. —Citizens Gin & Power Co., by Eb. Johnson. 53-tf.

J. F. Speer met us on the street recently and slipped a dollar and fifty cents to us to keep the Spur coming. J. F. Speer is one of the first men we met after coming to Dickens county. We have differed on politics, county seat fights and possibly other things, but we have been good friends through it all, and today he has our highest respect and regard.

W. A. Grizzle was here recently and had us mark his paper up to 1924. We appreciate the confidence and consideration thus extended us, and hope the year 1924 will find him prospering.

Baptist Ladies Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, December 9, in Spur National Bank directors room. Cakes, candies and fancy work for sale. 5 2c

THE FARMERS TRADEMARK

When you go in a store to buy supplies you don't say "I want a sack of flour", or "give me a cake of soap". You call out the name of the flour and the name of the soap, because you know those names stand for a certain type of flour and soap—goods with a reputation. Every merchant has a firm name or a name for his store, and he is proud of that name. Then why should not the farmer be proud enough of his farm and the products that come off of it to give that farm a name? With a name to live up to, a reputation to maintain, the farmer will take a new pride in his place and a new interest in his business. Select an appropriate name and paint it on the barn in nice letters or on a signboard at the gate, so those who pass may see it and know thereby that you are progressive and believe in the products you have for sale. There is no reason why every farm around Pampa shouldn't have an appropriate name—it's your trademark, and folks will soon learn the value of it. Farming is only a business after all, and a mighty big business in this locality. —Pampa News.

We received a postal card this week from Solon S. Caple, formerly of the McAdoo country but who is now with the U. S. Naval Hospital Corps Training School in San Francisco, California. He wants the Texas Spur in order to keep up with his home country.

W. G. Mayfield, merchant and cotton buyer of Girard, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday of this week. He reports everything in good shape at Girard.

Mack Hopper is again greeting friends and acquaintances on the streets of Spur, after the absence of a year or more.

TO THE PUBLIC

This is to give due notice that hunting and trespassing of any character is forbidden on any of my land or pastures.—Chas. Perrin. 3tf.

W. W. Pickens, of near Spur, was here the other day, called in and cheered us along the way in shoving his subscription up a year ahead.

H. E. Grabener, of east of town, was here the first of the week transacting business and meeting with friends.

NOTICE

Hunting and trespassing of any character is forbidden in any pastures.—J. B. Morrison. 6tf

Cut your cane before frost and bring it in and let us make it into syrup for you.—Citizens Gin & Power Co., Eb. Johnson. 53-tf.

A. Fry, of Cat Fish, was among the crowds in Spur Monday, trading and meeting with friends.

B. F. Simmons was here the other day trading and on other business, and incidentally paid us a pleasant and agreeable call, having his subscription marked up to the end of the year 1923.

Mrs. Chalk Brown was in the city Monday from the 24 Ranch, shopping with merchants and visiting with friends.

FOR SALE—One Hot Blast Heater. —Red Front Drug Store.

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SPUR, TEXAS

W. W. Garner was in town Monday, paid us another year's subscription while he had the cash, and told us he had some more scrap cotton to get out yet. All throughout the fall Will Garner has been shoving cotton to the bins and on the market, averaging better than twenty cents a pound. He figures that farming is the best paying business when you stay on the job—and he ought to know because he has tried both country and town businesses.

J. C. Payne was among the number who remembered us in a substantial and material manner the other day.

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A considerable portion of the lands to be offered are now under lease to various individuals. Heretofore we have refrained from giving options on land, but wherever lands are held under lease, we shall give our lessee the prior right to buy, feeling it only fair that this privilege be extended. This option has the limitation however, that will not be continued beyond December 1st., 1922. Such lessees as desire to purchase must be ready to conclude on that date. After that time the remaining lands will be sold to any who desire to buy.

We have thought that this announcement at this time will perhaps aid lessee and the general public in formulating plans for new purchases.

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In the rush of everyday business most folks pay little attention to many of the small things that really go a long way toward making life vastly more enjoyable. One of these small things the tendency is to forget is courtesy—just the little things that take hardly any time and trouble to perform.

When you go to town in the early morning and pass a neighbor or a friend—and it would be just as applicable if you had never seen the person before—it requires little exertion to give him a crisp "Good Morning." Ninety-nine times out of a hundred he will respond in kind, and both will have felt better for the exchange of words. It creates within one's self an indescribable feeling of good-will and enthusiasm for the work in hand, and is insurance against grouchiness. The little niceties that are exchanged by folks when they meet each other cost little and sometimes really develop into genuine material good. Of course, you are not particularly concerned with the health of everyone you meet, but a greeting to them with a casual question regarding how things are going hurts none, and does both

parties concerned a vast amount of good.

A friendly exchange of courtesy at all times hurts nobody, and helps everyone. Try it.—Quanah Times.

Chas. Gunn, of near Dickens, was on the streets the other day. He had just returned from a visiting trip to Moran and the Temple country where he and family spent some time. He informed us that it had rained all down the line, and that the country as a whole is now in fine shape.

Ben Rutledge returned this week from Denison where he was called on account of the illness and death of his daughter, Mrs. John Lindsey. Mrs. Lindsey was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge, and they have our sympathy in this bereavement.

L. S. Bilberry, of near Dickens, was one of the number of pleasant callers Monday at the Texas Spur office, leaving an agreeable reminder with us of his visit, in the form of a renewal subscription.

J. A. Kerley, of east of Spur, was here Monday trading and shaking hands with friends.

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The following pupils averaged A on all subjects for the month of November.

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SECOND GRADE—Preston Springer, Murl Kennedy, Royse Blackwell, Glenda Bower, Louise York, Winnie May Cole and Dorris Edwards.

THIRD GRADE—Louise Durham, Ralph Cobb and Euane Finley.

FOURTH GRADE—Nelda Shields, David McAteer and Woodrow Cobb.

FIFTH GRADE—Loren Harkey, Gladys Arrington, Ione Payne, Charlie Middleton and Bennie Worswick.

SIXTH GRADE—Raymond Eskridge, Dannie Street, Warren Morris, Bert McAteer, May Roberts and Fred Crabtree.

SEVENTH GRADE—Byron Crego, Emmett Ragsdale, D. R. Harkey, and Icle Slaton.

EIGHT GRADE—Margrette Meadors, Iris Borden, Linnie Harkey, Luke Davis and Jack Thannish.

NINTH GRADE—Virginia Worswick, Kate Blair, Mary Jane Edwards and Beryl Harkey.

TENTH GRADE—Mildred Crabtree, Homer Morris and Bill Clark.

Every patron of the Dickens High School should see that their childrens names are on the Honor Roll!—Reporter.

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 Spur, Texas. 4-3t



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THE CITY NATIONAL BANK SPUR, TEXAS

M. L. Blakely, of Afton, was in the city the other day and had the address of his paper changed from Afton to Inez, New Mexico. From this we infer that he and family are moving to New Mexico. Mr. Blakely is one of the best and most substantial citizens of this country and we regret to see him move away. However, we do not entertain the conviction that he is gone for good, because he has not sold out, and probably after a year or two will come back to enjoy the fruits of his labors among friends and the best people on earth.

Lester Ericson and wife are in Arizona visiting his mother and other relatives.

C. P. Williams has leased his Shoe Hospital business to H. F. Blue who is now conducting the business under the name of the Spur Boot and Shoe Shop. Mr. Williams, we understand, has gone to the oil belt with the intention of operating a hamburger stand where the thousands pass by. Mr. Blue is an experienced workman and will "carry on" in the boot and shoe business.

Joe Ericson is in Chicago this week attending the International Livestock Show, seeing the sights as well as gleaning information in the livestock business.

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THE BEST THOUGHTS OF THE BEST THINKERS

Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity, the most important thing in life is to know when to forego advantage.—Beaconfield.

The power of invention has been conferred by nature upon few, and the labor of learning those sciences which may by mere labor be obtained is too great to be willingly endured.—Johnson.

In the adversity of our best friends we often find somethings which does not displease.—Rochefoucauld.

Let fortune do her worst, whatever she makes us lose, as long as she never makes us lose our honesty and our independence.—Pope.

The gifted man bears his gifts in to the world, not for his own benefit, but for the people among whom he is placed; for the gifts are not his; he himself is a gift to the community. That is the way Life gives gifts to the people; it wraps them up in men and sends them forth.—Ford.

Confidence is a plant of slow growth.—Pite.

Each gets the share proportioned to his powers.—Juvenal.

Labour, wide as the earth, has its summit in Heaven.—Carlyle.

Character gives splendor to youth, and awe to wrinkled skin and grey hairs.—Emerson.

A man's own conscience is his sole tribunal; and he should care no more for that phantom "opinion" than he should fear meeting a ghost if he cross the churchyard at dark.—Lytton.

Pity melts the mind to love.—Dryden.

A light heart lives long.—Shakespeare.

Let him who gropes painfully in the dark or uncertain light, and prays vehemently that the dawn may ripen into day, lay this precept well to heart: "Do the duty which lies nearest to thee", which thou knowest to be a duty! Thy second duty will already have come clearer.—Carlyle.

Revs. W. E. Duke and W. B. Bennett invaded our sanctum sanctorum Tuesday of this week, seeking information which was available, and also spent a few minutes with us socially and to our pleasure.

STRAYED—Somewhere in the country 14 head of cattle branded W on hip. Anyone knowing whereabouts of any one of them, notify me at Dickens for reward.—Frank Holden. 6-2tp.

FRONTIER DAY CELEBRATION AND RODEO IN SPUR LAST WEEK

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week Hackberry Slim Johnson, manager of the Frontier Day Celebration and Rodeo, entertained the crowds with one of the best rodeo shows which has ever visited Spur. The features of the show included the riding of wild steers and horses, roping contests and everything usual in the rodeo line.

Hackberry Slim Johnson has a big outfit, the largest arena of any similar show and a string of more than thirty bucking horses and steers. Personally, a rodeo show no longer thrills us, but there are many whom it does thrill and entertain, and we can say without fear of contradiction that Hackberry Slim Johnson puts on a good show in this line and proved himself to be straight as a shingle and worthy of confidence in his business dealings.

THE SPUR BAKERY NOW OPERATED SOLELY BY P. C. BOWLES

The Spur Bakery is now owned and operated solely by P. C. Bowles, he having recently purchased the interest owned by O. C. Transom. Mr. Transom is now in the oil belt seeking another location and business opportunity.

Mr. P. C. Bowles is an expert baker and is rendering the very best service in his line to the people of Spur. Institutions and businesses of this character are entitled to the favorable and preferable consideration and support of a town. A bakery is needed in a town, but can not live without almost the united patronage.

YOU MAY NOT KNOW THAT

California has the record ratio of 4.61 persons per motor vehicle.

The blue whale is the largest creature alive today.

Every foreign tourist putting up for 24 hours in Munich, Germany, is taxed 750 marks. A week's stay costs 1,250 marks and the tax for a month is 2,000 marks.

In 1877 Thomas A. Edison spoke into the first model phonograph speaking mouthpiece: "Mary had a little lamb—." Upon examination he found indentations on the tinfoil record. He replaced the record, turned the crank and back from the cylinder came a thin voice, but without a word of the recitation missing. Thus was born the phonograph.

NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the shareholders of The Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas, will be held in the Director's Room of said bank on the 2nd Tuesday in January 1923, being the 9th day of January 1923, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. for the election of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business properly coming before said meeting.

C. A. JONES, President,
W. T. ANDREWS, Jr., Cashier. 6-1f.

A LECTURE SUNDAY NIGHT ON "THE DIVINITY OF CHRIST."

Judge D. F. Goss, of Seymour, will deliver a lecture upon the "Divinity of Christ" at the Christian Church in Spur next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Numerous commendations are given upon this address, among which is the following:

President E. V. Zollars, formerly President of Texas Christian University, and later of Phillips University of Enid, Oklahoma, says:

"I have read your article with great interest. It is strong, forcible and convincing. Your use of English is exceedingly good, and there are some passages truly eloquent. I was exceedingly pleased with the whole presentation of the subject, and your article might well go into pamphlet form for general distribution."

This will be a lecture worth hearing, and every individual in the entire country will be benefitted in attending and hearing the subject Sunday night at the Christian church.

GRAND JURY REPORT THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Dickens.

To the Hon. J. H. Milam, Judge of said Court:

We, the Grand Jurors duly selected at the November Term of said Court pursuant to your instructions have found 34 Bills of Indictment.

We make the report that numerous complaints have been made to us of the sale of proprietary medicines, known as Old Reserve, Force, Lyco, etc., and are satisfied that illegal sales of such medicines have been made, but have found difficulty in securing sufficient evidence upon which to base true bills, and recommend that the officers instruct the drug stores, or those engaged in the sale of such beverages, to cease selling them for any purposes.

We desire to thank His Honor for the many courtesies extended to us during our deliberations, also desire to thank the Sheriff, District and County Attorneys for their assistance during our deliberations.

There being no further business to come before our body, we ask to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,
C. HOGAN, Foreman.

SKELETON FOUND IN GAINES COUNTY WAS JIM URBAN'S

Seminole, Tex., Dec. 2.—The skeleton of the man found fifteen miles west of Seminole in Gaines county last Friday has been identified as that of Jim Urban of Artesia, New Mexico.

The body was found last week by cowboys. Evidence showed the man had been shot, placed in a shallow grave, some inflammable substance poured over his body and burned.

This is the most brutal murder ever committed in this part of the country and officers are running down every clue. Nothing is known as yet to indicate the guilty party.

IT PAYS TO PRODUCE THE BEST AND ADVERTISE IT

Recently Mrs. W. B. Bennett placed a small advertisement in the Texas Spur for the sale of pure bred wyandott chickens. She had to return to senders several dollars received on orders that could not be filled. This conclusively shows two points: that it pays to advertise and also pays to raise pure bred chickens for sale. Mrs. Bennett sold her chickens at a price of two and a half to three and a half dollars each, where as common scrub chickens brought forty cents each. Figure the difference. It pays to raise and produce the best—and it also pays to advertise your products.

FEDERAL FARM LOANS

Parties wishing to secure federal farm loans, address N. E. Porter, Jayton, Texas, and he will call on you. Loan rates 5 1-2 per cent.—N. E. Porter, Sec.-Treas. J. N. F. L. A. 1f

Buy Christmas Good Early!

RACKET STORE HAS THEM PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT

J. P. Wilkes, Spur

FARM BUREAU SELLS BIG ORDER OF COTTON

Dallas, Texas.—The State Universal Store, limited, of Moscow, the largest private mercantile company in Russia, a concern said to be operating with the approval and consent of the Soviet government, Saturday placed an order for 50,000 bales of cotton with the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, it was announced by I. J. Semeniouk, American representative of the company. With cotton selling at around 25 cents, the order amounted to approximately \$6,000,000.00. The cotton is to be delivered at the port of Petrograd.

It was said this would probably delay delivery, since that port is virtually closed by ice at this season of the year. If entry can be made there during the winter, movement of the cotton probably through the port of Galveston will start at once, it was said.

The Equitable Trust Company of New York informed the association here that financing of the buying is already arranged for and that no trouble will be experienced in obtaining the money for the cotton.

This is by far the largest order for cotton the association has ever received.

FARMING SHOULD BE MADE ATTRACTIVE AND PROFITABLE

W. R. Farrell, of Espuela, was here Monday circulating among the crowds here for Trades Day. Incidentally he brought in farm and dairy products to supply the restricted and dependent townpeople. Some times we wonder what would occur if the farmer, the real producer of our living, should go on strike and leave it up to every individual to dig out his own living from the soil. As a matter of fact the world gives too little consideration to the actual farmer who produces meat, bread and clothes for the world, and too much consideration to business incident to and dependent upon the raw production. The world should recognize that the business of producing raw products must be made more attractive and profitable, or eventually we will all want to drift into towns and engage in the work of distributing and manufacturing what the other fellow produces.

NOTICE

Delinquent tax payers of the Spur Independent School District are here by notified that suits for collection will be instituted at the next term of district court. Spur Schools stand in great need of all tax moneys and those who are delinquent on the tax rolls are urged to come forward and make prompt settlement.
JOHN KING, Pres. School Board.
W. B. LEE, Sec. School Board.

VILLAREAL, NOTED SMUGGLER, KILLED BY OFFICERS

San Antonio, Dec. 2.—Martinado Villareal, chief of the oldest and most feared band of smugglers on the Texas-Mexico border, was killed and part of his crew captured in a running gun battle on the Mexican side near Nuevo Laredo Friday, according to a dispatch to Consul General Enrique D. Ruiz in San Antonio.

Shot in several places just before he died, Villareal told Mexican river guards and custom officers that he had been operating for eighteen years, and had killed fourteen customs guards in that period. Shortly after telling of his exploits he died, lying on the ground where he was shot down.

In the band that the guards forced into battle were ten smugglers. They were crossing the river with horses laden with soap when they were detected by three Mexican customs guards. In the battle which followed on the banks of the river, three of the smugglers were captured in addition to Villareal, who was fatally shot.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

We the faculty and student body of Wayland College regret very much that one of our highly honored students, who was Bro. Clifford D. Puckett, left us on December 2nd. Clifford came to Wayland highly recommended and from one of the best families of his community. He was minister student and proved himself to possess every thing honorable and characteristic that one can.

In his one term with us he has worked faithfully in his studies and was making good; while Clifford was the love and friendship of the faculty and student body, he was always ready to lend a helping hand and was a friend to every one.

He was a member of the Philo-Philo Society and was a true blue member, always living up to the society motto, "Be Square" "To Be Not to Seen". He will also be missed in the Volunteer Band and Ministerial Association to him belongs the honor of introducing the rule that no ministerial student in "Wayland" who used tobacco in any way, would be allowed any help out of the 75 million fund, which was indorsed by every minister and the faculty.

But Clifford has the will power the young Christian manhood and the ever guiding spirit of his Saviour. And as he said when he left the college "I will fight it out."

I now speak in behalf of the faculty and student body: We regret very much that Clifford had to leave us and we wish him the greatest success in this dark hour, and with anxious hearts await the day when he can be back with us.—John Cobb, President Volunteer Band. Plainview, Texas.

Bring us your green cow hides—Central Market.

Open For Business

WE DESIRE TO ANNOUNCE TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS, THAT WE ARE AGAIN OPEN FOR BUSINESS WITH A NEW STOCK OF DRUGS, DRUGGIST, SUNDRIES, PATENT MEDICINES AND ETC., AND WOULD BE PLEASED TO MEET OUR OLD CUSTOMERS AND AS MANY NEW ONES AS POSSIBLE WHEN YOU HAVE A PRESCRIPTION TO FILL BRING IT TO US. OUR 27 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN FILLING THEM IS YOUR ASSURANCE THAT THEY WILL BE FILLED RIGHT.

THANKING YOU FOR YOUR PAST BUSINESS AND WITH GREATEST HOPES FOR THE FUTURE, WE ARE

Spur Drug Company

Christmas Days are Fast Approaching

With Xmas days nearing; it will now be wise to consider your purchase during the week days avoiding Saturday when stores will be crowded and clerks very busy.

FOR BETTER SERVICE TAKE A TIMELY HINT AND DO YOUR TRADING DURING THE MIDDLE OF THE WEEK

We are offering you some very attractive lines of merchandise properly priced; items that give real service, among the items in present lines are Week End Cases, Bags Ear Drops, Beads, Handkerchiefs of every kind, Hair Combs, Vanities, Compacts, Garters, Vestees, Bath Robes, House Sippers, Sweaters, Silk Underwear, Shirts, Hosiery, Gloves, Mens Coat Cases.

We have a beautiful line of the above mentioned line article. Let us have your attention on Ladies Ready-to-Wear, Special Value offerings at this time.

OUR SHOWING OF MENS AND BOYS SUITS ARE SPLENDID AND VALUES ARE THE BEST TO BE HAD

We especially want to call your attention to our brands of Ladies silk hosiery of the best known brands, Kinlock, Pigeon and Cadet shades of the popular kind also Black and White.

LOVE DRY GOODS COMPANY
WHERE BEST GRADE ARE SOLD. SPUR, TEXAS.

COOPERATIVE SHIPMENT OF HOGS AND CATTLE THE 12TH

County Agent Johnston will make another cooperative shipment of hogs and cattle Tuesday, December 12th. Those wishing to make shipments are requested to list immediately at either bank of Spur or with Mr. Johnston.

Another pool of turkeys for sale and shipment will also be made Saturday, December 16th, and listings must be made early. More than five thousand dollars was realized to shippers in the former turkey pool, and this advantage lends substantial encouragement to a second pooling and shipment.

S. T. JOHNSON LEASES VALUABLE COAL LAND IN MONTAGUE

S. T. Johnson, accompanied by G. W. Dodson who is an old experienced coal miner, went to Montague county last week to inspect a 1,500 acre tract of land for coal with a view of leasing. In looking over the tract a four foot vein of coal of the McAlister grade was found, and the lease promptly obtained. The lease was obtained from J. B. Arnes, father-in-law of Mr. Johnson, and who owns about 17,000 acres of land and is considered the wealthiest man in Montague, rated at near half million dollars.

Mr. Johnson intends to form a company and begin operating the coal mine at an early date in the future. It is said that the four foot vein of coal covers practically all of the lease obtained.

W. H. Bryant was here Monday from the Pitchfork Ranch, taking occasion to drop around to this office, renew his own subscription, one to Mrs. Bryant at Mineral Wells, and another to Miss Pearl Bryant at Austin. Mr. Bryant informed us that range conditions were ideal for the season of the year and ranch interests never more promising. He will go over to Mineral Wells this week to recuperate and also visit a few days with his family.

SPUR HARDWARE & FUR. CO. HAVING ANNUAL RED TAG SALE

The annual Red Tag Sale conducted by the Spur Hardware & Furniture Company is now in full blast, and the price reductions offered is attracting large number of purchasers even from the remotest corners of the Spur trade territory.

This is an annual event with the Spur Hardware and Furniture Company, and is becoming recognized more and more each year as a trade event worthy of note. In fact, the management this week informed us that up to date this year's Red Tag Sale had brought greater results than ever before, each day's sales doubling in many instances that of the past.

For a detailed list of offerings in the sale, we refer readers to their page advertisement in this issue.

HOME COMING BIG EVENT WITH ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS

The occasion of the "Home Coming" celebration by the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs at the lodge hall in Spur Friday evening, December 1st, was one of the most pleasant and largely attended within the history of the organizations in Spur. A big oyster and pie supper was served and enjoyed to the full extent by the large number in attendance. Speeches were delivered by Attorneys Worswick and Wohlford, the latter acting as master of ceremonies and entertained with songs and sayings for the amusement and entertainment of the children as well as the grown people.

The occasion was not only a big event but of real, genuine pleasure to each of the many in attendance.

SPUR BOOT AND SHOE SHOP

We do all kinds of boot and shoe repair work, half sole, rubber heels, etc., at reasonable prices. Boot making is our specialty and all work guaranteed. Send in your measure and order for shop made boots.—H. F. Blue. 6tf.

FOR SALE—Grubbed Wood.—E. L. Bourland, Gilpin, Texas. 6-4tp.

JIGGS AND MAGGIE AT THE GOLDEN GATE

The following poem, chronicling the advent of "Maggie and Jiggs" at the Golden Gate, was handed to us with a request for publication several weeks ago. Here it is:

St. Peter stood guard at the golden gate,
With a solemn mien and an air sedate;
When up to the top of the golden stair
Maggie and Jiggs, both ascending there
Applied for admission; they came and stood
Before St. Peter, so great and good;
In hope the city of peace to win,
And asking St. Peter to let them in.
Maggie was tall and dark and thin,
With a scraggly beardlet on her chin
Jiggs was short and thick and very stout,
And his stomach was built so it rounded out,
His face was pleasant and all the while
He wore a very kindly, genial smile.
The choir in the distance the echoes woke,
And Jiggs kept still while Maggie spoke,

"O thou, who guardest the gate," said she,
"We two came here beseeching thee
To let us enter the heavenly land,
And play our harps with the angel band,
Of me St. Peter, there is no doubt
There's nothing from heaven to bar me out,
I've been to meeting three times a week,
And almost always I'd rise and speak
I've told the sinners about the day,
When they'd repent of their evil way;
I've told my neighbours—I've told them all,
Bout Adam and Eve and the Primal Fall;
I've shown them what they'd have to do,
If they'd pass in with the chosen few
I've marked their path of duty clear,
Laid out the plan of their whole career;
I've talked and talked to 'em loud and long,
For my lungs are good and my voice is strong,
So, good St. Peter, you'll clearly see
The gate of heaven is open for me,
But Jiggs here, I surely regret to say
Hasn't walked in exactly the narrow way;
He smokes and swears and grave faults he's got,
So I don't know whether he'll pass or not.
He never would play with an earnest vim,
Or go to revivals, or join in a hymn
While I the sins of my neighbours bore
He gadded about with that Dinty Moore;
He made a practice of staying out late
Which is a sin that all women hate
But at last when he did come home
The rolling pin went straight for his dome,
I know him, St. Peter, know him well
To escape from me he would go to hell
But, St. Peter, I would surely miss him here.
And I hope you can see your way clear
On earth I bore a heavy cross
Give me in heaven still Jiggs to boss
I've brought my rolling pin, plate and jars,
To keep him dodging among the stars
But say—St. Peter—it seems to me,
This gate isn't kept as it ought to be
You ought to stand right by the opening there,
And never set down in that easy chair,
And say—St. Peter—my sight is dimmed,
They're cut too wide with an outward toss.
They'd look better narrow and straight across."
St. Peter sat quite and stroked his staff
But in spite of his office he had to laugh;
Then said, with fiery gleam in his eye
"Who's tending this gate, Maggie, you or I?"
Then he rose in his stature tall,
And pressed a button upon the wall,
And said to the imp who answered the bell;
"Escort this female around to hell."
Slowly Jiggs turned, by habit bent,
To follow wherever Maggie went.
St. Peter standing on duty there,
Saw that the top of his head was

What Will You Buy for Christmas?

WHY NOT VISIT OUR DRY GOODS AND READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENTS AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MANY BARGAINS WE ARE OFFERING IN THEM OF MENS, WOMENS AND CHILDRENS SUITS, COATS, SWEATERS, FURS, BATH ROBES, SLIPPERS, TIES ETC.

Don't Forget That Our Sale Closes Saturday Night

WHEN DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING DO NOT FORGET TO VISIT OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT FOR THERE YOU WILL FIND EVERYTHING IN STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES THAT YOU AY DESIRE.

C. HOGAN,

"The Store That Strives to Please."

bare
He called the old boy back and said:
"Jiggs, how long hast thou been wed?"
"Thirty years" (with a sad and weary sigh)—
And then he thoughtfully added
"Why?"
St. Peter was silent with head bent down;
He raised his hand and scratched his crown;
Then, seeming a different thought to take,
Slowly, half to himself, he spake:
Thirty years with that woman there,
No wonder the man hasn't any hair,
Swearing is wicked, smoking no good
He smoked and swore—I should think he would,
Thirty years with that tongue so sharp—
Lo, Angel Gabriel! Give him a harp,
A jeweled harp with a golden string,
Good sir, pass in where the angels sing,
And Gabriel, give him a seat alone,
One with a cushion up near the throne.
Call up some angels to play their best
For Jiggs has surely earned a rest.
He's had about all the hell he needs;
It isn't just hardly the thing to do,
To roast him on earth and in the future too."
They give him a harp with golden strings,
A glittering robe and a pair of wings
And Jiggs looked down from his high level,
Thought of Maggie and felt sorrow for—the devil.
—George Bradshaw in Pere Margaret Magazine.

L. C. Arrington, of near Dickens, was here Thursday morning greet-friends. He has a little cotton scrap ping yet to do, but stated that he would not be displeased with a good rain, or clear, cold weather which would permit killing some of his fat hogs.
J. Carlisle, of Gilpin, was here Wednesday. He is weekly expecting Louisiana parties to arrive and begin the development work on his potash beds. When this work is started it will be a big thing for the country, and we are all as anxiously awaiting development as is Uncle Jonas himself.

LOST—White hound puppy bob tail, 7 months old, with dim yellow ears. Will pay five dollars for her return to my home 10 miles west of Spur on J. T. Garrett place.—Wylie Grubbs. 6-1tp.
W. F. Foreman, of Espuela, was here Monday.

PROGRAMME OF RURAL SCHOOL BASKET BALL SERIES

The following Rural Schools of Dickens County have entered the series of Basket Ball games to be played in Dickens county beginning December 8th, 1922.

1—Duck Creek; 2—Highway; 3—Espuela; 4—Wichita; 5—Chandler.
The schools are numbered for convenience. The last number represents place or school where game is to be played.
2 and 1, 4 and 3—Dec. 8th, 1922.
1 and 3, 4 and 5—Dec. 15th, 1922.
3 and 2, 5 and 1—Jan. 5th, 1923.
2 and 4, 3 and 5—Jan. 12th, 1923.
4 and 1, 5 and 2—Jan. 19th, 1923.
J. B. Speer, Director of Rural Schools.

CHURCH NOTICE

The Rev. F. H. Steadman will preach at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning Dec. 10th. The public is invited.

22 YEARS AGO

The merchant "threw in" a pair of suspenders with every suit.
Nobody listened in on the telephone.
There were no electric meters.
Nobody observed a sane Fourth.
Straw stacks were burned instead of baled.
Publishing a newspaper was not a business, it was a dueling game.
There were no Bolsheviks nor 'isms.
The safety razor had not introduced the clean-shaven face.
"Equipped with gas" was a prominent line in flats-to-let advertisement.
Office folks didn't know about a fan in the summer time, and ice water was a treat.
Many folks retired at 9 p. m. and rose at 5 in the morning.
(Times have changed.)

Fancy pullets and cockerels from the famous Johnson Hatchery at Bowie, Texas, for sale at \$1 for cockerels and 75c for pullets.—Mrs. M. M. Young, Spur, Texas. 6-2t.

J. H. Jones called in this week and renewed his subscription for the Spur and Dallas News in combination. Thanks.

An oyster supper will be had Tuesday night of next week at the K. of P. Lodge hall in Spur, and all members and their families are invited to attend.

MULES FOR SALE

We have a number of good young work mules to sell at the McArthur Wagon Yard

COME SEE THEM!

Prices are Right.

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ED. MORRIS PURCHASES INTEREST, MORRIS & ALBIN BUSINESS

E. Morris this week purchased the interest of J. J. Albin in the Morris & Albin hog business, and hereafter the business will be conducted under the firm name of Morris & Morris.

During the past year Morris & Albin have purchased thousands of head of hogs, distributing many thousands of dollars out over the country and also maintaining in Spur the highest and best market for hogs in all this western country. Edwin Morris is experienced and has wide knowledge of the hog business, and under his supervision, backed up by Dr. Morris, the business will continue to maintain a high market and serve the people of the country. J. J. Albin will go back to his farm to prepare for producing one of the biggest crops in the history of Dickens county.

Ford Truck to trade for wagon and team.—J. H. Latham, Spur, Texas. 5-2tp

J. I. Greer was in town Monday evening. He informed us that Tom Greer was able to sit up this week for the first time in fifty days. His wife has also been sick forty days, both suffering of typhoid fever. Their neighbors came in and picked out Tom's cotton crop—and if those neighbors could have seen the glistening eyes of appreciation as J. I. Greer told us of their goodness, they each would have felt doubly repaid for their efforts and consideration. Personally, we have always known that the best people in the world live in the Great Spur country.

Rev. J. W. Jennings, of the Escuela community, dropped in the office Tuesday in response to a small advertisement appearing recently in this paper. Advertising generally reaches the "spot" and gets results. The man who solves the advertising end of his business has already succeeded beyond dreams of expectation.

"McADOO SCHOOL OUTLOOK"

The outlook for the McAdoo School is exceptionally bright. With an unexcelled record for the second month, she hopes to do even better in the future. Of the 158 enrolled, 62 made the honor roll. Pupils are required to make an average of 85, and not lower than 90 on department in order to make the honor roll.

With a snappy boy scout organization of 32 members, a community welfare club, a public speaking society, and various other similar organizations, great things are expected in the future. And why should we not expect great things in the future when we are training our boys and girls to fill capably their positions in life? What is our future ray of hope if it is in not the boys and girls of today? What is of more value to the people of Dickens county in the future than the education of our boys and girls of today?

Why is it that Texas ranks first in the production of agricultural products, and until two years ago, only 39th in education? Is it a fact that we people of Texas, of Dickens county are more interested in our farms than we are interested in the education of our boys and girls? Your answer to this question is "NO" emphatically. Our trouble is that we lack initiative. Of course we have the interests of our schools at heart, but have we voted on the special dollar tax to more ably finance our schools? Can our schools be built up to a very high standard with the state per capita allotment? To be sure not. That is the reason why our legislature gave us the privilege of voting on the special tax. With the extra tax we can employ more efficient teachers, supply our schools with sufficient libraries and laboratories, and build brick school buildings that are outstanding features of adjoining counties. With these facilities at our disposal, our education will advance by leaps and bounds.

For two years the McAdoo School has enjoyed the benefits of a special tax that was voted on by the progressive group of patrons that supports it. In that time two teachers have been added to the school, making a total of five, and the school runs two trucks for transporting children to school. Without the special tax this would have been impossible.

Theodore Roosevelt, one of our greatest presidents, said that the safest investments that America can make is for education. Hence, one of the best investments that the citizens of Dickens county can make is an investment for our own cause of education.

We are living in an age where education is not only a thing to be appreciated, but a vital necessity. It will be much more so in the near future. The boys and girls of today will be the men and women of tomorrow. The responsibility for providing them for the necessities of life is our own. Will we shirk that great responsibility? Will we, through our negligence, deprive them of that necessity that will mean so much to them when they take our places in the world of strife and industry? To day is a great day because it is a day of preparation. Tomorrow will also be a great day if we prepare sufficiently today.

Let every citizen of Dickens county that is interested in the cause of education do everything in his or her power to meet the issue that is so rapidly approaching. Encourage every boy and girl of your acquaintance to be prepared for the great issue. Let every step that you take be a step of advancement and thus you will be sharing with credit to yourself and your community the responsibility that is yours and yours alone.

G. B. HOLLAND.

Dr. Montgomery

OF STAMFORD

WILL BE IN SPUR TWO DAYS

**Tuesday and Wednesday
Dec. 12-13**

TO TREAT DISEASES OF THE EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT, REMOVE TONSILS AND ADENOIDS AND TO FIT GLASSES.

OFFICE AT SPUR SANITARIUM

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J. P. SIMMONS, Agent, SPUR, TEXAS

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS

I will be at McAdoo Thursday, December 14th, for the purpose of collecting taxes, also will register your automobile at that time for 1923.

I will collect at Afton, Friday, December 15th.

I will be at Spur one week commencing Monday, December 18th to Saturday, December 23.—G. L. Barber, Tax Collector. 6-2t.

RENTERS WANTED—New Farm Homes in Lubbock County waiting for real cotton farmers who can stand investigation of past records and have money to run themselves for a year.—Write Box 1438, Lubbock, Texas. 6-1t.

HOW TO SPEND A DOLLAR

One dollar spent for a lunch lasts five hours.

One dollar spent for a necktie lasts five weeks.

One dollar spent for a cap lasts five months.

One dollar spent for an automobile lasts five years.

One dollar spent for a water-pow-er or railroad grade lasts five genera-tions.

One dollar spent for the service of God lasts for ETERNITY.

J. P. Simmons dropped in Monday making the Christmas season more cheerful and livable by the renewal of his subscription and that of Miss Lee Simmons of Greenville.

Buy a Ford—
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MRS. PUTMAN ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. E. Putman was hostess to six tables of guests at a very charming Thanksgiving party. The house was decorated with turkeys and Thanksgiving pumpkins. Lone '84' was the feature of the afternoon, the trophies being drawn from a turkey bag.

After the games a delicious salad course was served.

G. W. COLLUM

G. W. Collum presents his music pupils in recital program at Methodist Church Friday Evening 7:30 December 15th. Public cordially invited.

R. W. Moore, of Duck Creek, was here Monday and was among the number who dropped in and shoved his subscription ahead of time. Mr. Moore is a good farmer, a diversified farmer, but believes under existing conditions there is more money in helping the other fellow harvest wheat than to grow it himself.

C. W. Fincher, of near Girard, was in Spur Monday to attend the big trades day and while here called in and had his subscription moved up a year ahead. He reports everything in good shape, everybody expecting a merry Christmas and a prosperous year in 1923.

J. Anderson Davis paid us his regular annual visit the other day and lent substantial encouragement for another year's run. We appreciate such friends and such encouragement.

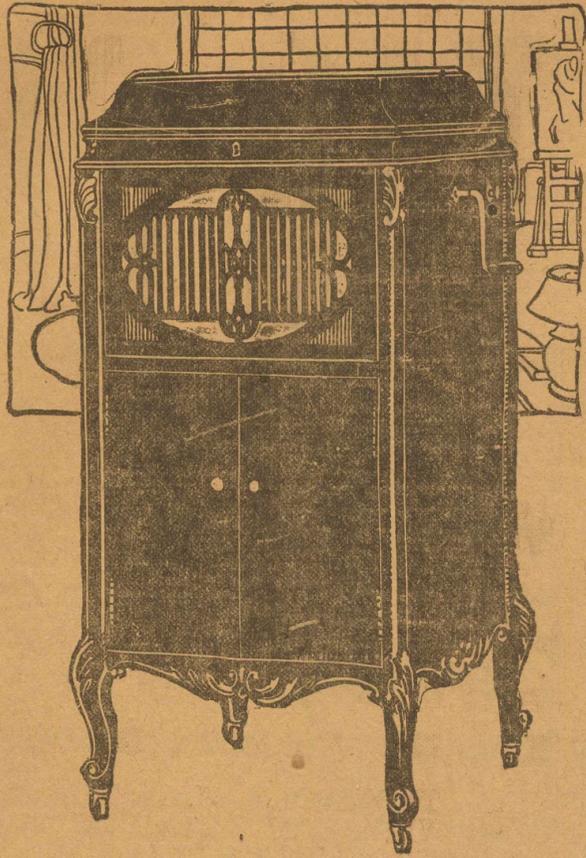
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DICKENS HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Rev. Luther Bilberry addressed the pupils and Faculty Monday morning. His lecture was fine and we trust he will come back before long.

Mr. Sam Koonsman was absent from school Friday. We guess the ball game got him down. Cheer up Sam!

Misses Lena Davis and Ollie Phifer and their pupils entertained us Wednesday afternoon with a Thanksgiving program, which everybody enjoyed very much.

Hon. Judge Milam, our District Judge, gave us a lecture Tuesday morning. He certainly gave us pupils good advice, which we ought to remember in the future years to come. We wish all patrons and pupils had been present for you certainly did miss a rare treat. Judge Wohlford of Spur also made a few remarks. He would not lecture any. He said, he just came to hear Judge Milam. However, he promised us he would come again.

The Matador High School of Boys Basketball came down Thanksgiving and defeated our boys. Nevertheless, we are not discouraged, for we can say a good word for Matador. They have got a good Basketball Team, for the team that beats Dickens High will have to be real sportsmen.

Miss Ollie Phifer visited her folks at McAdoo the week end.

Supt. Frank Speer and pupils entertained the other teachers and pupils entertained the other teachers and pupils with a program Friday afternoon.

Mr. J. F. Phifer, of McAdoo, visited our school Friday afternoon.

Miss Ella B. Goen has been on the sick list the past week.

Our team of Volley Ball Girls motored out to Croton Thanksgiving and defeated them in a game. We girls are to play Afton a game Friday so we had better get to practicing.

Supt. Cameron, of the Spur High School came over the first of the week on personal business. We think he succeeded and went away rejoicing.—Two School Girls.

Bring us your green cow hides.—Central Market.

CROTON ITEMS

Thanksgiving day was enjoyed by all at the school house. Had dinner on the ground and lots of it. In the afternoon the Dickens girls played the Croton girls a practice game of volley ball and beat them three scores.

But the Croton boys beat the Wichita boys playing basket ball so every one felt satisfied. That night the school gave a short program, which was enjoyed by all. This was the end of a perfect day.

Mr. Gentry gave the basket ball team a party Friday night. A large crowd attended and everyone reported a nice time.

The B. Y. P. U. race is over and number 1 has won. So they will get entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. Gentry, Misses Alice and Mary Porter, Lena Maye Littlefield, visited friends in Matador Sunday.

Croton is getting to be a place of cars. There are lots of new Fords also old ones.

The Midway boys played the Croton boys their first match game of the series Saturday. Midway beat the boys 4 scores. But the Midway girls did not come, so they forfeited their volley ball game. If Croton can't beat in them all they like to break even.

See Spur Mattress Factory for Sanitary Mattresses. We also Renovate old mattresses. All work guaranteed Your patronage will be appreciated.—N. O. Phillips, Prop. 6-1f

Wade Hash got his arm broke a few days ago. He is unable to attend school, but we will welcome him back when he gets able to come, as everyone misses him.

The sermon by Bro. Burnam was enjoyed by all Thanksgiving.—A Friend.

Every Baptist preacher in the Dickens County Association attended the recent convention in Waco, thus being in position to make a personal report of the meeting and relate personal observations to their respective congregations.

NOTICE

We will sell no more wood, and all hauling from Pitchfork enclosure is prohibited.—Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co., by W. H. Bryant. 7f

Grundy Crego, of Croton, was in Spur Tuesday. We have formed a partnership with Grundy on one of the unlimited potash beds of this country, and we are now only awaiting moves made by Louisiana parties who have leased and purchased other beds. Should these other concerns begin developments it is our intention to get busy and keep the "ball rolling." From intuition as well as what better informed men and geologists have said, we know that under ground riches abound in this country. It may be years before these riches are brought to the surface to bless mankind but eventually such development will come.

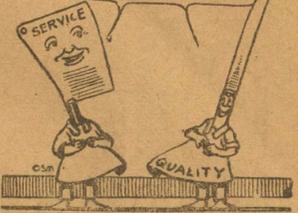
J. V. McCormick stated to us this week that never before in his life had he been forced to "move in the night". In the wee small hours of the night Tuesday he loaded his household effects and quietly departed with his family from his farm home, the "Wayside Place" in the Afton country, taking up his abode with us in Spur. However, we are glad to welcome him and family as citizens of Spur, even though he was forced to come in the darkness of night.

Hugh Gray, a good farmer and whole-souled gentleman, of west of Spur, was here Monday with the crowds. He, too, incidentally made the day more cheerful to us.

Mr. Williams, of near Spur, was among the large number here Monday trading and on other business. During the earlier part of the season Mr. Williams profitably operated a row binder and in this manner contributed much in saving and preserving feed stuff.

Uncle Tom Harkey returned this week from Cisco where he was under treatment for rheumatism at the hands of one of the drugless healers.

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THURSDAY AND SATURDAY

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SOCIETY WOMAN DESPAIRS

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Our trees are bearing all over West Texas and Eastern New Mexico, as they are varieties best suited to your locality. We sell shade trees to schools, churches, parks and for municipal planting at a very low price. Send us a list of what you will need. A catalog will be sent upon request.—Plainview Nursery Co. Plainview, Texas. 51-3ra

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We are fully equipped and prepared to clean and gin your scrap cotton to the very best advantage. Bring it to us and we will do the rest.—Citizens Gin & Power Co., Eb. Johnson. 1f

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Let us have that next cow or yearling hide.—Central Market.

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- Square Dining Table at the low price of \$9.98
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