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# The Texas Spur

## AND DICKENS ITEM

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

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### THIRD ANNUAL ALUMNI BANQUET OF DICKENS HIGH SCHOOL

Saturday evening April 28th, 1923 at 8 o'clock the Alumni of Dickens High School gave their third annual banquet at the hotel at Dickens, in honor of the graduating class of 1923 composed of: Bill Clark, Misses Anna Lusk, Adele Shields and Mildred Crabtree.

When 8 o'clock arrived, the spacious halls and parlors beautifully decorated in the 1923 class colors of blue and white, were all aglow and a hum with the radiant faces and voices of men, and women as they greeted and shook hands with old school day chums and friends again. Just for an hour the stern duties, and the nagging burdens of life were cast aside and this splendid body of men and women drifted back and became for a little while, just bare-footed school boys and girls. "Memory turned backward in her flight and made them school children just for one night." These joyful moments of reminiscences were soon ended, and the happy body filed into their places at the awaiting tables and were seated. Every head was bowed, while an expression of thanks was offered up for the bodily refreshments about to be served. The programme was then started with a splendid talk by Supt. Frank Speer. The programme continued upon the high plane set by Supt. Speer, coming as follows:

Welcome Toast Edelle Harkey, and Mrs. W. G. Crego. D. H. S. Memories, Ermine Payne, Reading Ouida Middleton, Toast to Alumni, Mildred Crabtree, Class President Talk Judge Judge H. A. C. Brummett.

The menu was a source of constant delight from these points, in selection, in quality, in daintiness in flavour, and arrangement and as expressed by many, "in quantity."

Menu: Cherry Cocktail, Celery Soup, Saltines Roast Turkey, Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Grape Jelly; Olives; Pickles Radishes; Stuffed Peeled Tomatoes; Iced Tea; Pear Salad; Cheese Straws; Brick Ice Cream; Angel Food Cake; Mints.

After the last course had been served the president called a business session and officers were elected for the ensuing year. They were as follows: Mrs. W. G. Crego re-elected president and Toast Mistress; Miss Edelle Harkey re-elected Sec. and Treas.

An all round table discussion was held for the building up and betterment of the Alumni Association. Many helpful suggestions were made and adopted. A rising vote of thanks was given the president and secretary for their faithful service during the past year.

Those present were: Zelma Blair; Adele Shields; Mildred Crabtree; Anna Lusk; J. E. Speer; W. G. Crego; Bill Clark; Fred Arrington; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Speer; Homer Morris; Alla B. Goen; Victor Crabtree; H. A. C. Brummett; Edelle Harkey; Ouida Middleton; Bryan Speer; Joe Speer Mrs. Effie Speer; and Mrs. W. G. Crego.

At 12 o'clock every one left with a glad heart and a determination to come back to the next banquet if possible.

We don't believe that there is another Alumni Association in the Panhandle just like this one at Dickens.—Alumni Reporter.

### TOM McARTHUR PLEADS GUILTY AND FINED \$250

The Tom McArthur case, charged with peonage, was called Wednesday in Federal court at Abilene, Mr. McArthur entering a plea of guilty and was fined \$250.00.

The indictment was recently returned by the federal grand jury, the charges coming about as the result of the manner in which negroes were managed and controlled on the McArthur farm.

In the years past West Texas had no negro problems to solve or contend with, but with continued development and increase of cotton acreage and the coming of negroes we will be confronted with a real problem, greatly complicated in that West Texas, as a rule, have had little dealings with the colored race. Set rules and laws are not applicable to both races, and therein lies the problem of handling the commercial and social relations.

A large delegation of Spur citizens went down to Abilene to attend the trial, among whom were Ed Fuqua; Eldredge McClain; W. C. Mitchell; W. B. Lee; E. C. Edmonds; Dr. Morris; Ed Lisenby and wife; C. B. Jones and wife; Gea. S. Link; C. L. Love; W. W. Sample; T. G. Harkey; C. D. Copeland; W. P. Simpson; W. L. Thanisch; C. Hogan; E. L. Caraway; S. J. Ousley; Ed and Jim McArthur. They all returned Wednesday evening.

### ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS CELEBRATE 104 ANNIVERSARY

Members of the Spur Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges celebrated at the lodge hall Monday night in commemoration of the 104th anniversary of the lodge which was originally established in England in the year 1819.

A. L. McClellan delivered the address of the evening, being followed by Judge Oliver. Refreshments of cream, cake, pie lemonade coffee etc. was enjoyed by the large number present. The Spur Orchestra furnish ed music for the occasion. Beautiful bouquets were presented to the Noble Grand and Vice Grand in recognition of their faithful and efficient services.

The occasion was most pleasant and beneficial, socially and fraternal ly, and will long be remembered by the large number present and participating in the festivities of the evening.

### DICKENS COUNTY BOYS TO STATE TRACK MEET

Superintendent Frank Speer, of Dickens High School accompanied Sam Koonsman, Francis Clark, Oscar Nalley and Harley Winkler to Austin Saturday where they will enter the State Track Meet contest.

These boys not only won the school athletic championship of Dickens county, but also the district championship at the recent contest in Lubbock.

This is the second year that the Dickens High School boys have won the county and district championship and if they don't get the state championship at Austin this week, they will let all comers know that they are in the contest.

### 37 TEXAS TOWNS ASK TECH IN TIME LIMIT

Austin, May 1.—The filing by Crosbyton of its brief makes a total of 37 Texas towns situated west of the nine-ty-eight meridian that have filed such briefs for the location of the Texas Technological College, announced W. R. Nabours late Tuesday.

There were 48 towns that signified their intention of bidding for the location of the college, but only 37 filed briefs. The other 11 towns have evidently dropped out of the contest as the time for filing briefs expired Tuesday night.

### NORFLEET ON THE TRAIL OF "THE LAST MAN"

San Angelo, April 17.—Frank Norfleet is hot on the trail of "the last man."

The Hale Center, Texas, farmer who was fleeced out of \$45,000 several years ago and who has since run to earth and has secured the conviction of four of the bunco men, was in San Angelo late in the week. He rode in on an Orient engine, left on the Santa Fe two hours later and between trains visited his sister, Mrs. Luella Taylor, West College Avenue.

Mrs. Taylor tried to dissuade Norfleet from his last effort, saying: "Quit, Frank he may kill you. It's wonder you weren't killed before."

After he has satisfied justice—and his own feelings—Norfleet intends to write a book, relating his exploits. To this end he carries a scrapbook filled with clippings and pictures that depict him as perhaps the craftiest and most relentless Nemesis of "confidence" men in modern times.

### MESDAME JOHNSON AND LEE ENTERTAIN GRADUATING CLASS

Mesdames T. A. Johnson and Lois Lee entertained at the former's home Tuesday evening, honoring the thirty odd members of the graduating class of the Spur High School. Varied games were indulged to the delight and pleasure of the guests, at the conclusion of which refreshments were served by the hostesses.

The graduating class this year is the largest in the history of the Spur Schools, and as they step up or down from the high school peaks no doubt this occasion will stand out as a social milestone in the memory of those present.

### A CORRECTION WITH REFERENCE TO COURT PROCEEDURE

Last week in reporting the county court proceedings, with reference to the Horn trial on a charge of theft, the Texas Spur might have conveyed the wrong impression concerning the Judge's failure to charge the jury with reference to the law carrying a jail sentence in such cases. The mistrial of the case resulted from the jury failing to mention a jail sentence in returning a verdict. By an agreement between the attorneys in the case, a written charge by the Judge was waived, and the case submitted merely by reading the law pertaining to the case. While the case resulted in a mistrial because of the jury's failure to comply with the law in rendering a verdict, yet the Judge was not responsible in that a charge by him was waived.

The former report was not made with any thought or intent of misrepresentation of the proceedings.

### BITTER WAR ON EVOLUTION STUDIES BEGUN

An offensive designed to drive every textbook which embodies evolutionary theories and every teacher who subscribes to such belief out of the tax supported schools of the South and of the Nation was launched at the Tuesday morning session of the World's Fundamentals Congress at the First Baptist Church.

The presence of such teachings in the public schools was charged by T. T. Martin, evangelist from Blue Mountain, Miss. who was the principal speaker of the morning. He urged his hearers, some 2,000 it was estimated not to rest until such teachings had been driven out, and his suggestion was greeted with a round of applause. A plan to send Rev. Mr. Martin throughout the South to deliver his lecture was indicated by Rev. J. Frank Norris following his talk.

### ENTERTAINED IN NEW HOUSE COMPLETED IN EAST SPUR

Mesdames D. Y. Twaddell and W. C. Cameron entertained with 42 a number of friends of the city Monday evening at the new Twaddell cot tage just completed in the east part of Spur.

The hostesses served delightful refreshments to a large number of guests.

### GROGAN SELLS INTEREST IN LIGHT PLANT TO LEA

This week a sale was consummated whereby W. L. Grogan sold his interest in the Spur Light & Power Company to Mr. Lea of Archer City, and hereafter the plant will be managed and operated by Messrs. Stovall & Lea.

Mr. Lea and family have already arrived in Spur and are now citizens with us. Mr. Grogan has not yet decided what he will do or where he will go.

Mr. Lea comes to Spur highly recommended as a good and substantial citizen and business man.

### SPUR FED BABY BEEVES TOP FORT WORTH MARKET

The baby beeves fed and finished in Spur and shipped by W. L. Thanisch, topped the Fort Worth market last week.

This shipment of cattle attracted the notice not only of cattle and commission men but brought forth comment from the daily press and live stock journals.

The Spur country is rapidly forging to the front as a cattle feeding section, and the prices being received will further encourage the extension of feeding and finishing cattle in the Spur territory for outside markets.

### DELPHIAN LIBRARY MOVED TO NICHOLS SANITARIUM

This week the Delphian Library, which has been located in the directors room of the Spur National Bank was moved to the Nichols Sanitarium. Those desiring to return books or get others will take notice of this change of location. The library is open to the public every Saturday afternoon.

The Delphian Club, we understand, has been considering the construction of a library building. The Chamber of Commerce is also considering the construction of a city hall or community building with the assistance and cooperation of the city administration. A community building of rest and recreation rooms, city hall and library all in one is not a bad idea, and with the Delphian Club, Chamber of Commerce and Administration all back of the proposition a thirty or forty thousand dollar building could be constructed with little effect by united cooperation. Think about it.

### MRS. NED HOGAN ENTER TAINED FRIDAY EVENING

Mrs. Ned Hogan entertained members of the Friday Afternoon Club, their husbands and other guests Friday evening at the beautiful Hogan home on Burlington Avenue. There were fourteen tables arranged for forty two, there being fifty odd guests present and participating in the games. At the conclusion of the games refreshments of angel food cake and cream was served.

Mrs. Hogan is a most pleasant and delightful hostess, and the husbands especially, enjoyed the evening and appreciated the recognition extended on this occasion by the hostess.

### BASE BALL SEASON IS NOW IN FULL SWING

The Spur High School team journeyed to Dickens Friday afternoon and played the Midway ball team, losing to them by a score of 4 to 5. The Spur First Team also played the Shinnery Twigs, or better known as Dickens, at the end of the first game Dickens was here at Spur a few days ago and proved to be a pretty good team by playing 11 inning game with no scores on either side, but Spur proved to be the better team at Dickens, defeating them with a score of 11 to 3.

### COLORED PROTRACTED MEETING IN PROGRESS IN SPUR

The Lakeside Missionary Baptist Church, colored, has on a great revival, a soul saving meeting which will continue until May 11th. Everybody is invited to attend. Special seats will be arranged for our white friends. Four was added to the church last night.

Rev. L. C. Collins, Pastor. Conductors: Rev. W. H. E. Bassoff Waco, and Rev. R. H. Hicks of Hamlin.

### SHOOTING SCRAPE CREATES EXCITEMENT IN SPUR

One day last week considerable excitement was created in Spur when E. C. Golden took several shoots with a 30-J. S. rifle at C. M. Willis. Willis, it is said had gone to the Golden home after being forbidden to come on the premises, the shooting follow ing.

It is said that Mr. Golden was placed under a small bond for disturbing the peace, while Willis was arrested for exceeding the speed limit.

### AVERAGE STATE TAX ON LAND SIX CENTS PER ACRE

The crushing burden of taxation, under which the farmer is said to groan and grow stoop-shouldered for all state purposes—pensions for Confederate soldiers, education of the children and general state purposes—amounts to an average of about 6c an acre for all the rural land in Texas, says the Dallas News Austin correspondent.

The 161,514,707 acres of rural land average in value on the tax rolls at a fraction over \$8 an acre and the maximum tax permitted under the constitution for the purpose named is 75c on the \$100, divided as follows: General purposes 35c, school 735c Confederate pensions 5c.

The tax for schools is not a tax at all for the vast majority. It is what they pay for the education of their children. The state school tax amounts to 2.4-5c on the average value of an acre, of \$4.48 on a farm of 160 acres. For this the owner of the land can educate his children, regardless of how many there are. This would not pay more than one month's tuition for one child in the average pay school.

The tax for Confederate pensions, 5c on the \$100, costs the owner of 160 acres, average value 64c. This tax was authorized by a vote of the people.

The tax for general purposes, out of which the legislature appropriates funds for the National Guard, rural and free schools, support of the University, A. & M. College, various asylums, enforcement of the laws and so on, amounts to \$4.48 on the 160-acre farm of average value.

Of course, all land is not valued as low as \$8. Some of it is valued at more than \$100, but the higher the value the more able the taxpayer is to meet the bill. The average value of land in Culberson county is 86c an acre and in Wichita county it is \$80 an acre. There are twenty-one counties in the state where land averages more than \$20 for purposes of taxation. There are 130 counties where it is valued at less. There are four counties where average is above \$30 and only one county where the average is above \$40. The latter county is Wichita, with an average value of \$80, and probably oil is responsible for the high values in this county.

The county taxes add in some cases considerably to the state rate. The highest county tax rate is levied in Orange county, \$2.43 on the \$100, according to the comptrollers report and this, with the state tax, makes a total of \$3.18. The county taxes, it is to be observed, are high, largely because of the building of improved roads.

The average value of land for taxation purposes for the counties in this section of the state are shown in the following table:  
Bowie \$9.41; Camp \$11.95; Cass \$5.50; Delta \$24.43; Fannin \$31.50; Franklin \$10.00; Grayson \$25.83; Hopkins \$9.82; Hunt \$20.04; Lamar \$18.52; Red River \$11.98; Titus \$10.63.

### ROSS RESIDENCE DESTROYED BY FIRE FRIDAY LAST

The Ross residence, together with practically all of the household effects of Jim Ross and family who were living at the place at the time, was destroyed by fire Friday night. Only two or three trunks were saved from the burnin- building.

The fire originated from the explosion of a lamp which had been lighted earlier in the morning, the family returning to sleep. When they awakened flames had covered the room in which the explosion occurred, rapidly spreading over the entire building. The fire department arrived too late to save the building but did good work in saving the adjoining home of Mrs. Teague.

Monday morning Mrs. Teague's house caught on fire, it is supposed from the blowing sparks from the Ross residence which had been completely extinguished and continued to smoulder from Friday night to Monday. Considerable damage was done to the Teague home. Mrs. Teague was away from home visiting friends at Afton.

### THREE OPERATIONS AT THE NICHOLS SANITARIUM THURS.

Miss Gussie Mae Love, Mrs. Bilberry of Duck Creek, and Mrs. Foy Vernon, all underwent operations Thursday at the Nichols Sanitarium.

The operations were successful, and each of the patients are reported doing well this Friday morning.

### THREE BUILDING BURN AT ROARING SPRINGS

A fire at Roaring Springs Sunday morning destroyed three buildings and contents: a hotel, restaurant and barber shop. The fire originated in the barber shop. By heroic work other buildings were saved.

## The Stubs of Your Check Book Tell a Story

The stubs of your check book tells a story. They tell where your money went—whether it was spent wisely for needful things or wasted for luxuries. Each one forms a little chapter in the record of your affairs.

You can trace your progress in the story they tell.

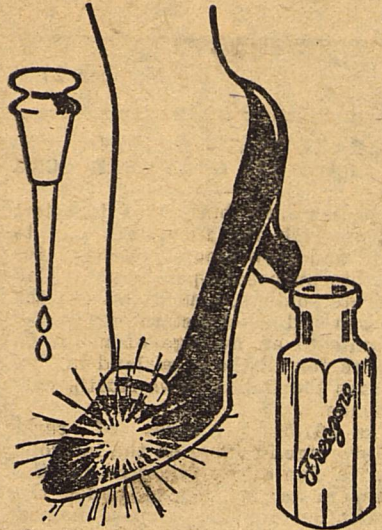
Do you realize the value to you of a check book which gives you a permanent record of all bills paid? It encourages a methodical handling of your affairs and leads the way to success.

Have YOU a checking account here?

The Spur National Bank

## CORNS

Lift Off with Fingers



Doesn't hurt a bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers. Truly!

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## ITCH!

Money back without question if HUNT'S SALVE fails in the treatment of ITCH, ECZEMA, RING WORM, NETTLE or other itching skin diseases. Price 75c at druggists, or direct from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Tex.

## Texas Items

Work on the construction of the new home of the First State Bank of Columbus is well under way.

The \$150,000 bond issue for the Eagle Lake Independent School District was carried by a vote of 264 to 111.

The contract for surfacing state highway No. 3 between Borden and Weimar has been awarded. The project is eight miles in length.

Special school tax elections have been ordered by the Orange County commissioners court for Duncan's Woods and McLewis school districts for June 2, when the property owners will vote on a 75-cent special school tax.

Thirty-six cars of onions have been shipped from Willacy County to date and the full crop is not yet harvested. Of this amount five cars were shipped from Lytrod, 27 cars from Raymondville and four cars from Sebastian.

Farmers near Tonaha have been taking advantage of the recent good weather and are rushing planting. The cold killed the first crop of strawberries and the berry crop will be three weeks late, but prospects for a late crop are good.

The onion growers of the Pearsall section began harvesting their crops this week. It is estimated that the yield will be the lightest in the history of onion growing in the section, due to the cold and heavy rains which retarded their growth.

The Washington County Memorial association has been organized for the purpose of raising funds to erect a handsome monument at Prairie Lea cemetery, near Brenham, to the memory of Washington County soldiers who died in the World War.

In an election held at Nixon, 170 votes were cast against the issuance of the \$75,000 bond issue for school building purposes, while 172 votes were in favor of such issuance. The school building will be erected before the beginning of the next term.

The El Paso and Southwestern railroad has received from the Interstate Commerce Commission permission to issue \$5,055,000 in refunding mortgage bonds. The securities will be exchanged for a like amount of outstanding bonds, which fell due in January.

A report issued to date for April by the Texas City Terminal Railway Co. shows the following shipment at the Port of Texas City: Vessels due to arrive during the next seven days, 16; vessels arrived in port last seven days, nine; vessels sailed during last seven days, nine.

The Texas Ginners' Association, in session at Dallas, Friday elected W. M. Setligson of Galveston by acclamation president for the coming year and later, by a rising vote, B. F. Wilkerson of Ferris was elected vice president. Secretary C. B. Hunt also succeeded himself in office.

Repairs on the Brazos River bridge on the Hempstead-Bellville road have been resumed and it is expected that the bridge will be open for traffic in thirty days. The bridge was damaged during the overflows last spring by the caving in of the banks on the Austin County side of the river.

Tomatoes and cucumbers should be moving from the Aransas Pass vicinity in carload quantities between the 5th and 10th of May. The cucumber crop is about ten days late on account of the late freeze. Squash and beans are now on the market. There are about 1,000 acres planted to truck in and around Ingleside and Aransas Pass. Prospects are bright for a good movement, with better than average prices.

Dates for the convention of the Texas department, American Legion, to be held in Galveston, have been fixed by the state executive committee for Aug. 28, 29 and 30.

The Texas Chamber of Commerce will promote a \$100,000 advertising campaign to place before the country at large the industrial activities and possibilities of Texas, its officials declared this week. The committee in charge, headed by F. C. Clemons of Houston, is represented by every established industry of the state.

An invitation extended to the Thirty-sixth Division Association by State Adjutant General Thomas D. Barton to hold the annual convention of the organization this year at Austin has been accepted by members of the San Antonio department at a meeting held recently in San Antonio. Unless objections are made by other departments of the association, it was stated that the convention would be held at the Capital City on July 21 and 22. The invitation of General Barton included the use of tents at Camp Mabry for delegates of the convention.

## POULTRY

### CLEAN EGGS WORTH TROUBLE

Keeping Hen's Feet Free From Mud and Dirt Is Not an Easy Proposition for Farmer.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Poultrymen need not be at the nest to wipe Mrs. Biddy's feet before she enters to make her daily contribution to their profits, but if the hen house is so arranged that her feet will be clean and will not dirty the egg, it will mean added profit for the owner.

Dirty eggs are a second-rate product on any market, so are washed eggs. This means that the egg must be produced clean, which further means clean nests and clean feet.

Clean nests are easy—comparatively. A change of nesting material, whenever it gets dirty, will do away with the danger of soiling from this source, and special care must be taken to see that the birds do not roost on the edge of the nests at night.

Keeping the bird's feet clean is a much more difficult proposition. First of all it is most essential to have a clean doormat in the shape of fresh litter and plenty of it on the floor at all times; secondly, do not let the birds out on muddy days when their feet are bound to get daubed up.

Most important of all, keep the dropping board clean. Daily scrapings are preferable, but if a poultryman feels that he has not the time for this, they should be cleaned at least twice a week. A cage of one-inch or one-and-one-half-inch poultry wire tacked under the perches and over the dropping boards will prevent the birds from walking on the boards, and incidentally will catch any eggs that are dropped in the night.

Even with this extra care, the poultryman must expect some dirty eggs, and a word of advice on how to clean them might be timely. The so-called plain dirties, those soiled by dirty feet and dirty nests, are easily cleaned with a soft damp cloth, which should be used only on the dirty spots. Be careful not to rub them dry, but to allow them to dry by standing in the air. It is very important that the gelatinous coating which seals the egg should not be soaked off, as this covering is germ-proof and serves as a natural means of keeping the egg fresh.

### PURE BRED POULTRY IS BEST

There is Greater Egg Production and Flock More Uniform—More Profit for Raiser.

From a government inquiry the following is reported: "Purebreds excel by 40 per cent. High utility value of purebred live stock. Purebred live stock has about 40 per cent greater earning power (apart from its breeding or sale value) than scrub stock. The superiority of purebreds on a utility basis is due principally to: Better conformation and quality, increased production, more economical production, and earlier maturity. For poultry the superior earning power is 40.7 per cent.

Does purebred poultry pay? The above information helps to answer the question, says N. R. Mehrhof, Extension poultry specialist.

The following are some reasons why we should raise purebred poultry. (a) There is greater egg production, (b) The flock, being more uniform, looks better and gets better care, (c) Standard birds produce standard products and standard products demand better prices for breeding birds, hatching eggs, and baby chicks for sale. All of these mean more profit for the chicken raiser.

Visit the shows and find out which breed you would prefer to raise. Select your breed and variety. Breed for increased egg production, keeping in mind health, vigor and qualification for that particular breed and variety.

### POULTRY POINTS

There are poor laying hens in all breeds.

A hen with a yellow beak and shank at any time from June to September is a poor layer.

Heavy capons sell from four to seven cents per pound over the price of spring roosters.

A busy hen is generally a healthy hen, and a healthy hen is almost sure to be a laying hen. Keep your hens scratching.

When consumers buy capons they generally want birds which will weigh from seven pounds up. Leghorn capons do not reach this weight and they consume as much feed as the larger birds.

## MRS. W. T. COOPER GAINS 25 POUNDS

Declares Tanlac Made Life Worth Living for Her.

Among the thousands of Texas people who are praising Tanlac for the return of health, strength and happiness is Mrs. W. T. Cooper, esteemed resident of 2517 Ross Ave., Fort Worth, who says:

"Tanlac made life worth living, and gratitude makes me want to let everyone know about it. I came out of the dengue fever with a loss of twenty pounds and so weak and nervous I couldn't go. My appetite left and sleep was almost impossible.

"As a matter of fact, when I began taking Tanlac, I didn't think I could ever be well again. But I am able to do all my housework, look after my chickens and work my garden. I have gained twenty-five pounds and never felt better. I couldn't do otherwise than praise Tanlac."

Tanlac is for sale by all good druggists. Accept no substitute. Over 37 million bottles sold.—Advertisement.

Too Great a Danger. She—Shall we make mud pies? He—No, mud pies gets ye all dirty an' first thing ye know somebody springs a bath on ye.—Life.

## If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited to those who are in need of it.

A prominent druggist says, "Take for example Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is due to the fact, so many people claim, that it fulfills almost every wish in overcoming kidney, liver and bladder ailments, corrects urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism.

You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp-Root by parcel post. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention this paper. Large and medium size bottles for sale at all drug stores.—Advertisement.

Many a man does not realize how hard his work is until a vacation shows it to him.

There's a big difference between conversation and chatter.

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"Dodson's Liver Tone" Straightens You Up Better Than Salivating, Dangerous Calomel and Doesn't Upset You—Don't Lose a Day's Work—Read Guarantee

I discovered a vegetable compound that does the work of dangerous, sickening calomel and I want every reader of this paper to buy a bottle for a few cents and if it doesn't straighten you up better and quicker than salivating calomel just go back to the store and get your money back.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your thirty feet of bowels of the sour bile and constipation poison which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable.

I guarantee that one spoonful of this harmless liquid liver medicine will relieve the headache, biliousness, coated

tongue, ague, malaria, sour stomach or any other distress caused by a torpid liver as quickly as a dose of vile, nauseating calomel, besides it will not make you sick or keep you from a day's work.

Calomel is poison—it's mercury—it attacks the bones, often causing rheumatism. Calomel is dangerous. It sickens—while my Dodson's Liver Tone is safe, pleasant and harmless. Eat anything afterwards, because it cannot salivate. Give it to the children because it doesn't upset the stomach or shock the liver. Take a spoonful tonight and wake up feeling fine and ready for a full day's work.



Dear Sir: I have used Mrs. Winslow's Syrup for many years for my three babies and it has proved successful. One of my babies had colic and I gave him Mrs. Winslow's Syrup. It certainly was fine, for it cured him. Yours truly, (Name on request)

Diarrhoea, colic, flatulency and constipation are quickly overcome by this safe, pleasant, efficient remedy. Guaranteed non-narcotic, non-alcoholic. Formula on every label. **MRS. WINSLOW'S SYRUP** The Infants' and Children's Regulator At All Druggists. Write for free booklet of letters from mothers. ANGLO-AMERICAN DRUG CO., 215-217 Fulton St., New York General Selling Agents: Harold F. Ritchie & Co., Inc., New York, Toronto, London, Sydney

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Take a good dose of Carter's Little Liver Pills—then take 2 or 3 for a few nights after. You will relish your meals without fear of trouble to follow. Millions of all ages take them for Biliousness, Dizziness, Sick Headache, Upset Stomach and for Sallow, Pimply, Blotchy Skin. They end the misery of Constipation. Genuine bear signature. Small Pill; Small Dose; Small Price

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SOLD 50 YEARS—A FINE GENERAL TONIC

TRY OUR SHOE AND HARNESS WORK

We have one of the best equipped shops in this section of the state, which enables us to turn out high class work at moderate prices. Give us a call when in need of work of this kind. We'll appreciate it.

Electrical Shoe and Harness Shop  
Ericson & Rucker, Props.

DELINQUENT TAX ROLL, 1922

List of property delinquent for taxes for the year 1922 to Spur Independent School District:

E. Abernathy SW Quarter Sec. 301 H&GN RR Co.	\$67.02
Bowles & Trantham Personal	6.75
L. R. Barret Lots 13, 14 Blk 51, Spur	15.55
M. E. Bourland Personal	3.72
Bell Bros. Personal	6.20
N. Q. Brannen Lot 6 blk. 52	10.87
M. C. Bingham Tracts Nos. 126, 127, 131, 134, 135, 136	55.37
W. J. Clark Lots 1 & 2 blk. 50 Spur	4.55
Bob Cross Personal	2.90
Jim Cross Lots 13 blk. 14, Spur	8.29
M. I. Clayton Lot 11 blk. 47, Spur	8.07
W. C. Cameron Lot 5 blk. 62 Spur	10.05
J. H. Clay Lots 13, 14 blk 30, Spur	16.65
J. W. Dunn Lot 6 blk. 21, Spur	7.60
B. D. Dunwoody Personal	3.23
Q. W. Dorth Tract 173	10.05
B. F. Davis S1-2 of sec. 304 H&GN RR Co.	53.50
H. Dodge Lot 15 blk. 49 Spur	7.85
C. A. Echols Lots 6 7 blk. 25 Spur	17.75
Will Edgar Lot 5 blk. 33, Spur	12.63
J. H. Farmer E1-2 302, and W1-2 303 H&GN RR Sur. and Lot 7 blk. 63, Spur	160.42
S. C. Fallis Personal	2.35
Franklin Lot 15 blk. 63, Spur	5.65
J. H. Fulcher NW1-4 Sec. 283 and Lot 3 blk. 40, Spur	51.85
Mrs. B. D. Glasgow Tract No. 65 20 acres	17.75
D. R. Gaskin Personal	3.45
W. N. Harkey Lot 5 blk. 47, Spur	14.45
M. H. House Personal	2.35
W. J. Hunter Tract 124, 20 A. 16.65	16.65
E. M. Henson E1-2 Lots 1, 2, 3, blk. 63, Spur	10.27
H. Hisey Personal	10.49
Ed Hufstetter Tract 167 20 A. Lots 13, 14 in blk. 49 Spur	28.75
Fred Hisey Frac. NE1-4 Sec. 246, H&GN RR Co. Survey	37.82
D. B. Ince Personal	3.67
B. F. Ince Lot 9 in blk. 41, Spur	6.50
Oscar Jackson Lot 14 blk. 12, & Lots 15 16 blk. 39, Spur	17.42
J. A. Kerley SE1-4 Sec. 268, H&GN RR Co. Survey	34.25
Emmett Lee Lot 22 blk. 43, Spur	29.30
J. H. Lee Lot 23 blk. 43, Spur	4.00
Mrs. Ophelia Ledford Lots 5 6 blk. 49, Spur	18.57
W. R. Lewis Tract 22 11 A.	38.59
Mrs. S. H. McArthur Lot 14 blk.	

50, Spur	12.25
S. M. Moore Personal	3.27
J. I. Mecom Personal	2.90
W. O. McCreary Lots 3, 4 blk. 54, Spur	5.65
M. E. Manning Lots 13, 14, 15, blk. 36, Spur	43.32
R. P. McCombs Personal	4.92
E. S. McArthur Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, blk. 13, Spur	37.27
D. N. Osborne Personal	2.62
L. D. Powell Personal	4.38
S. W. Rathers Tracts 71 & 72 40 Acres	21.05
A. G. Rush Lots 5, 6, 7 blk. 26, Spur	18.85
H. F. Sheppard Lot 6 blk. 48, Spur	19.51
F. M. Squyers Lot 9 blk. 35, Spur	12.25
W. R. Stafford Lots 1, W1-2 2, 5, E1-2 4 blk. 41, and Lots 8 and 9 and N 40 ft. of 9 blk. 54 Spur	47.25
L. N. Stevens Lot 1 blk. 24, Spur	9.50
W. D. Spraberry Frac. SW1-4 Sec. 316 H&GN RR Co. 52 1-2 A	23.25
D. W. Taylor Lot 16 blk. 50 Spur	7.02
D. L. Tallant Tracts 86, 87, 89, 74 Acres	23.25
Thomas Teague Lot. 2 blk. 24, Spur	5.20
L. L. Teague Tracts 81, 82, 83, 59.54 Acres	17.75
W. M. Walker NE1-4 Sec. 227 H&GN RR Co.	60.54
Jim Walker Tracts 100, 101, 106, 107, 80 Acres	34.85
J. C. Weir Tracts 92, 93, 98, 99, 80 Acres	43.60
J. L. Whifford Personal	6.75
C. P. Williams Personal	3.45
Chas. E. Whitener Lot 3, N1-2 2, blk. 36, Spur	28.23
J. N. Zambalt Tract 35, 20 A.	20.03

UNRENDERED ROLL LOTS IN SPUR

Lot 1 Block 1	2.35
Lot 5 Block 1	2.35
Lot 9 Block 1	2.35
Lot 8 Block 4	2.35
Lot 9 Block 4	2.35
Lot 10 Block 4	2.35
Lot 11 Block 4	2.35
Lot 17 Block 5	2.90
Lot 18 Block 5	2.35
Lot 10 Block 7	2.35
Lot 1 Block 9	2.35
Lot 8 Block 9	2.35
Lot 13 Block 9	2.35
Lot 1 Block 10	2.35
Lot 2 Block 10	2.35
Lot 3 Block 10	2.35
Lot 8 Block 11	6.75
Lot 13-14, Block 11	12.25
Lot 26 Block 11	3.45

Lot 6 Block 12	5.65
Lot 26 Block 12	5.65
Lot 1 Block 13	2.35
Lot 6 Block 14	2.35
Lot 7 Block 14	2.90
Lot 8 Block 15	3.45
Lot 9 Block 15	3.45
Lot 10 Block 15	10.05
Lot 10 Block 16	2.35
Lot 11 Block 17	2.35
Lot 4 Block 17	4.55
Lot 1 Block 18	3.45
Lot 2-3 Block 18	4.55
Lot 1 Block 19	2.90
Lot 2 Block 19	2.90
Lot 1 Block 20	3.45
Lot 23 Block 22	4.55
Lot 24 Block 22	4.55
Lot 2 Block 24	3.45
Lot 3 Block 24	3.45
Lot 4 Block 24	3.45
Lot 5 Block 24	3.45
Lot 6 Block 24	3.45
Lot 12 Block 26	10.05
Lot 12 Block 27	6.75
Lot 3 Block 28	5.65
Lots 2-3 Block 29	5.65
Lot 6 Block 30	2.90
Lot 7 Block 30	2.90
Lot 8 Block 30	2.90
Lot 9 Block 30	2.90
Lots 8-9 Block 31	7.85
Lot 7 Block 32	2.35
Lot 6 BBlock 33	2.35
Lot 8 Block 33	2.35
Lot 9 Block 33	2.35
Lots 17-18 Block 33	4.55
Lot 8 Block 34	10.05
Lot 10 Block 37	6.75
Lot 17 Block 37	6.75
Lot 10 Block 38	4.55
Lot 13 Block 38	4.55
Lots E-2-3 26-27 Block 38	4.55
Lot 5 Block 39	3.45
Lot 14 Block 39	3.95
Lot 12 Block 41	7.85
Lot 1 Block 43	6.75
Lots 2, 3, 4, Block 43	11.15
Lot W1-2 1, 2, 3, Block 45	23.25
Lot E1-2 1, 2, 3 Block 45	23.75
Lots 6, 7, Block 46	4.55
Lot 4 Block 48	2.90
Lot 5 Block 48	2.90
Lots 4, 5 Block 50	4.55
Lot 13 Block 50	10.05
Lots 8, 9 Block 51	7.85
Lots 3, 4 Block 59	7.85
Lots E1-2 11, 12, Block 59	23.25
Lots 3, 4, Block 60	7.85
Lot 1 Block 62	3.45
Lot 2 Block 62	3.45
Lot 6 Block 62	3.45
Lots 7, 8, Block 62	4.45
Lot 14 Block 63	3.45

FREEMAN ADDITION

Lots 3, 4, Block 1	3.45
Lots 5, 6, Block 1	3.45
Lot 8 Block 1	3.45
Lot 1 Block 2	3.45

UNRENDERED LAND

Tract No. 5, 20, 39 A.	10.05
Tract No. 6, 20 39 A.	7.85
Tract No. 28, 15, 47 A.	12.25
Tracts Nos. 37, 42 40 A.	33.65
S1-2 Tract No. 68, 10 A.	5.65
Tract No. 73, 19, 34 A.	10.05
Tracts Nos. 76, 77, 78, 69 80, 80 Acres	34.25
Tracts Nos. 94, 95, 96, 60 A.	23.25
Tracts Nos. 111, 115, 109, 60 Acres	40.85
Tracts Nos. 112, 113, 114, 60 Acres	34.25
Frac. W. side of Tract No. 110 3.45	3.45
SE 1-4 of Sec. 207, H&GN RR Co.	36.45
166 Acres	34.25
NE1-4 of Sec. 210 H&GN RR Co.	34.25
166 Acres	28.75
NW1-4 of Sec. 314 H&GN RR Co.	28.75
165 Acres	23.25
NE1-4 of Sec. 301 H&GN RR Co.	23.25
165 Acres	23.25
NW1-4 of Sec. 302 H&GN RR Co.	23.25
165 Acres	23.25
SE1-4 of Sec. 279 H&GN RR Co.	28.75
165 Acres	28.75
SE1-4 of Sec. 242 H&GN RR Co.	46.07
165 Acres	46.07
West 1-2 of Sec. 266 H&GN RR Co. 330 Acres	37.37
E1-2 266, All 267, 276, 277 H&GN RR Co. 2310 Acres	261.12
NW1-4 Sec. 278 H&GN RR Co.	32.05
165 Acres	29.85
SW1-4 Sec. 278 H&GN RR Co.	29.85
165 Acres	29.85
SE 1-4 Sec. 278 H&GN RR Co.	29.85
165 Acres	45.25

The foregoing is a list of property delinquent for taxes due the Spur Independent School District for the year 1922 as shown by the delinquent record in my office. April 17, 1923.—MRS. E. J. COWAN, Assessor & Collector, Spur Independent School District.

Walter Smith, who is now in business at Haskell, spent a day or two this week in Spur, looking after business matters and again meeting with friends and acquaintances. In the early days of Spur Walter Smith was in Spur. He can not forget the town and the people, and if we mistake not he now has a hankering to come back. He is a good citizen, has many friends here and we would all gladly welcome his return to Spur.

C. M. Buchanan, of north of Dickens, and Bob Thompson of Spur, left Wednesday for California, making the trip through the country in a car. Bob Thompson was formerly proprietor of the Electrical Boot and Shoe Shop, but since selling out to Ericson and Rucker, has been serving as a peace officer for Spur and this commissioner's precinct, having resigned the place and turned all of his official papers over to Deputy Sheriff Cliff Lovelace prior to his departure.

W. O. McCrary, of west of Spur, has been in the city this week superintending the sale of Mebane cotton seed for J. E. Johnson during his absence in Austin and other cities.

Reduction!

WE ARE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE A GREAT REDUCTION IN ALL

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ENABLING THE PUBLIC TO GET THE BEST TALKING MACHINE AT THE FOLLOWING LOW PRICES

No. 75, Was \$100.00 Now \$75.00  
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STAYING POWER

Staying power is the final test of ability. The real caliber of a man is measured by the amount of opposition that it would take to down him. The world measures a man largely by his breaking down point. Where does he give up? How much punishment can he stand? How long can he take his medicine without running up the white flag? How much resisting power is there in him? What does the man do after he has been knocked down? This is the test. Where is your giving up point, your breaking point, your turning back point? This will determine everything in your career.—Marden.

The New Western Hotel, now under the management of Mrs. John Sampson, serves the best meals the market affords for 50 cents, nice, clean comfortable beds for 50 cents, or \$2.00 per day for board and lodging. Regular board and rooms for \$30 by the month. The public is invited to give the New Western Hotel a trial.—John Sampson.

M. E. Tree, of Highway, was in Spur Tuesday for a short time trading and meeting with friends. He stated that the Highway community is now wet to the bottom and never before were there as promising prospects of bumper crops as is now the case. The prospect is that there will be more produced in the Spur country this year than can be gathered and saved.

W. A. Craddock, of west of Spur, was a business visitor in the city last week. Mr. Craddock also has a large lake on his place which is now filled to overflowing. This lake is being stocked with game fish and through the summer will be converted into a pleasure resort for fishermen and outing parties. The time is coming, even in this country, when the water which falls will no longer be permitted to flow on down stream to enrich other sections, but will be conserved for our own enrichment and betterment.

J. D. Powell went to Abilene Sunday to arrange for moving his family to that city this fall for the college advantages. We are looking forward with confidence to another year when people will be moving to Spur for college advantages, since we are sure that by a solid, united, active pull we can get the West Texas Technological College.

Miss Gussie May Love has been quite sick this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love. She is suffering of some character of ptomain poisoning.

Max Maples, who has been working with the McFann Oil Company in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the past year returned this week to Spur for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Maples.

Mrs. Lonnie Harris will leave this week for Portland, Oregon, where she will join Mr. Harris and make their home in the future. Lonnie has a position with a sawmill company with a salary of approximately eight dollars per day. He writes home-folks that Oregon is a fine country and he is well pleased. Everything there, he says, with the exception of meat and butter, is much cheaper than in this section. Five and six thousand dollar homes there can be rented for fourteen and fifteen dollars per month. The people there live principally on fruits, and he promised his father to send him some of the biggest, finest apples ever grown and which sell for twenty five cents per dozen.

ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF STATE INSTITUTIONS

Every parent, worthy of the name plans to give his children better educational advantages than he, himself enjoyed. He is therefore interested in the maintenance of an efficient, progressive school system. Every citizen wants to see the great educational institutions of the State developed according to their needs, but they want it done in an orderly manner, receiving a dollar value for a dollar expended. The State of Texas needs some definite, broad gauged plan for taking care of the growth of its institutions of higher learning. It should not be necessary for the president of the State University, or A. & M. College or of other institutions to go to the Legislature and beg for necessary buildings in which to instruct the boys and girls of this State, or to house them safely and comfortably. It should not be necessary for the presidents or heads of departments to plead with the Legislature for adequate salaries so that good men may be secured and retained in order that the children of this State be given the advantage of the best instruction possible to obtain. But that is exactly what these educators are having to do. It seems to be expected of them.

Every two years a statement showing the needs of various institutions is made up and presented to the Legislature. When the time comes to give these statements consideration the executive heads are called before the committee and cross examined like witnesses in criminal court.

The present system of making appropriations is wasteful. Makeshift buildings are erected, or if permanent, not of sufficient size or, in many cases inadequately equipped. Executive heads who are responsible for the development of the institution never know what to expect of the next Legislature. They can not make plans for the future except on paper and there is not much encouragement to do that.

Our Texas Legislatures have never hesitated to vote money for investigations to clean up some political row. They are liberal with the people's money in other ways. It can not be said that they are stingy when it comes to the support of general educational measures. The waste and extravagance lies in the fact that we are trying to develop our school system and our higher institutions of learning by the shotgun method. In the interests of economy and in the interests of our State institutions, plans for the future development of these schools should be made, a program mapped out and followed in both the spirit and the letter.—Farm and Ranch.

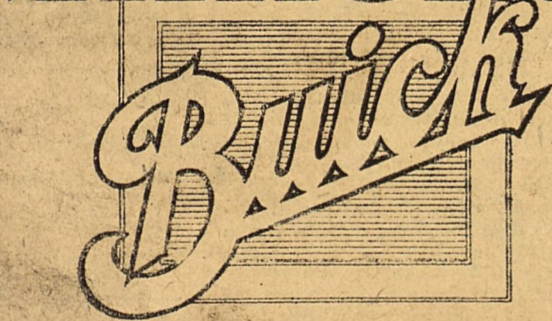
Messrs. Brown and Richbourg and Miss Willie Richbourg went to Sweet water Sunday to meet Mrs. Brown who has been on an extended visit with relatives and friends at El Paso and other Western points.

Little Misses Louise and Muri Rich, of DeLeon, arrived in Spur this week and will spend the summer with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller.

Come and get the planting seed you ordered as they are going fast and I want to close up the warehouse Saturday, May 5th. Have a few cash and gin run seed also.—J. E. Johnson.

Webber Williams and wife, and W. C. Leavitt and wife are this week moving to the new residence just completed by D. Y. Twaddell in the east part of the city.

The Millionth Buick



The actual manufacture of a million Buicks has been accomplished by the development of an organization of huge proportions, by the expansion of manufacturing facilities and the creation of manufacturing methods to insure the finest possible workmanship and quality.

The development of a car of sufficient value to attract a million buyers has brought a growth of dealer and service organizations everywhere, to guarantee further the high standard of Buick performance.

Buick's millionth car is tangible evidence of the quality that has made Buick everywhere "The Standard of Comparison."

Fours		Sixes	
2 Pass. Road.	\$ 865	2 Pass. Road.	\$1175
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3 Pass. Coupe	1175	5 Pass. Tour.	1435
5 Pass. Sedan	1395	5 Pass. Tour.	1435
5 Pass. Tour.	1325	7 Pass. Sedan	2195
Sedan	1325	Sedan	1935
Sport Road.	1025	5 Pass. Sedan	1985
Sport Touring	1675	Sport Touring	1675

Prices f.o.b. Buick Factories; government tax to be added. Ask about the G. M. A. C. Purchase Plan, which provides for Deferred Payments.

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WE HAVE PLACED ON SALE A LARGE ADDITIONAL ACREAGE OF SPUR LAND WHICH WILL OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF SELECTION TO INTENDING PURCHASERS OF EITHER FARM OR RANCH LANDS.

List of offerings and prices may be ascertained on application to our office. Terms will be as heretofore: one-fifth cash, balance in six equal annual payments, with privilege of paying any or all notes before maturity with eight percent interest only to date of payment.

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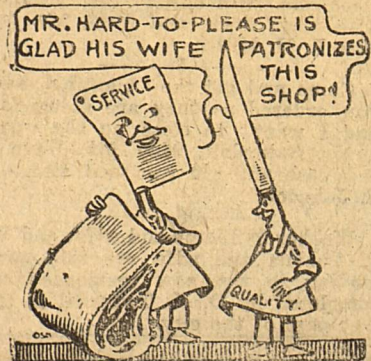
SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

**SPENDING**  
Economy's home is in London. The British government announces that, during the 12 months ended March 31, it reduced its bonded debt and floating debt by about 1350 million dollars.  
That's the kind of charge account to have on our books. Three and a half years of such economy would wipe out what they borrowed from Uncle Sam. Paris papers please copy.  
Come and get the planting seed you ordered as they are going fast and I want to close up the warehouse Saturday, May 5th. Have a few cash and gin run seed also.—J. E. Johnson.

**PRESSING CLOTHING IS AS MUCH AN ART AS MAKING THEM.**

We claim that to properly and thoroughly press any kind of garment it must be done on a Hoffman sanitary steam clothes pressing machine.  
This method produces the natural body shape in clothes of every description, raises the nap, brings out the color, gives the garment a fresh, clean, new appearance and causes it to last much longer.  
Let us convince you.

**SPUR TAILOR SHOP**  
IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.



Once upon a time Mr. Hard-to-please found fault with his dinner, and his conscientious wife looking about for a method of improving his dinner-time disposition, located this shop and they lived happy ever afterward. Get the idea?

**CENTRAL MARKET**  
Phone 62

**EXTRAVAGANCE IN GOVERNMENT WORK**  
Three-quarters, perhaps nine tenths of all the municipal (including governmental work that is going all, only to an extravagant spending of funds for political purposes. Probably in very few instances is there an emergency requiring the construction. The only excuse for it would, in a period of depression, be found in the fact that in this way unemployment could be lessened. At any rate it is evident that all such work should be postponed as far as possible until the situation in the labor market is reversed.—Bache Review, published by J. S. Bache & Co., New York bankers.

Spur Feterita for sale, at 8c in threshed and 4c in head. At my place at Espuela.—Wm. A. Smith. 27-3tp.

**POKER**  
Prof. Hung, highbrow Chinese, touring our country, says Chinese generals are playing poker against each other, using human lives as their stakes.  
"The north China general," asserts the professor, "will say, 'I'm going to send 1000 men against you.' The south China general replies, 'I'll raise you to 3000' and so it goes on."  
That is the chronic situation in Europe also, the main difference being that Europe's gamblers are "statemen" instead of generals.

**HUMOR**  
Sense of humor is coming back strongly, indicating that the world is emerging from its war trance.  
In England a labor leader, discussing the Ruhr situation, says: "France is using a whale as bait to catch a small fish." He means the game will not be worth the candle, financially.  
Strongheart, Indian Chief who toured as a Liberty Loan speaker vis its New York, goes to the top of the Woolworth building. He says the view from there was excellent until he noticed the Statue of Liberty, which reminded him that "liberty is offered to almost all persons except those who originally owned the country." He refers to thousands of Indians he claims are not allowed to vote.

**BALL CHAT**  
The Dickens Twigs played two games of base ball last week. On Wednesday with Spur, scores were 0 and 0 ten innings.  
The first no run game ever played in the county.  
Dickens beat Afton 14 to 1 the following Saturday.  
The Shinnery Twigs will be as

**THE SUN MAY SHINE TOMORROW**  
Some folks are awfully clever to think other folks are but fools; Some folks will often endeavor to make other folks their tools.  
Some folks boast of their knowledge and fancy they're world-wide awake, And think there is none so acute as they and that's where they make a mistake.  
Now, don't be too proud and don't crow too loud or that's where you'll make a mistake, For there are just as good fish in the sea, hear in mind, as those we have managed to take.

To me it is a difficult riddle, for how many people we see With faces as long as a fiddle, that ought to be shining with glee.  
I am sure in this world there is plenty enough of good things for us all And I will bet there is not one out of twenty but thinks that his share is too small.  
Then what is the use of repining, for where there's a will there's a way, For on tomorrow the sun may be shining, although it is, cloudy to day.  
—J. A. Gammill.

Eb Johnson returned the first of the week from a business trip to Fort Worth, Dallas and other points.  
FOR SALE—Desirable lot on terms.—D. Y. Twaddell. 25 tf.



Every foot of lumber offered by us to the public is expertly inspected before it is placed on sale. You can feel assured that a lumber purchase made of us will live up to your expectations and that our prices are correct.  
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EUPION OIL LASTS LONGER—MORE HEAT  
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**WHOLESALE DEALERS HEAVILY TAXED IF MEASURES PASS**

Austin, Tex., April 28.—Twenty gross sales tax bills designed to bring into the state treasury several million dollars annually have been prepared and will be introduced into the special session early next week, Representative Patman of Linden, announced tonight. The measures propose placing sales taxes only on wholesale dealers, the tax ranging from one fourth percent on several articles to two percent on tobacco, cigars and cigarettes and jewelry.  
Articles that would be taxed by the Patman bills and the amount of the proposed tax include: packing houses 1-4; soda water and soft drinks 1-2; oil supplies 1-4; plumbing supplies 1-2; candy, confectionery and ice cream 1; stationery and office supplies 1-2; jewelry and jewelry supplies two; electric equipment 1-4; moving picture films 1 1-2; pump and oil station supplies 1-4; drugs and sundries 1; ice 1-2; musical instruments 1-2; cotton seed products 1-4; Groceries 1-4 dry goods and clothing 1-4; brokers and commission merchants 1-2 and tires and accessories 1-4 percent.

**PRICE**  
While the British are drinking less liquor than before the war, their national booze bill last year was about 1500 millions dollars, compared with around 800 millions in 1913. High price is curbing thirst.  
Many will wonder if it might not have been better for Uncle Sam, instead of prohibiting liquor, to take over the sale, charge \$20 a quart and apply on the national debt the millions now reaped by bootleggers. Whether you agree or not doesn't matter, it's too late to change.

Mr Farris returned recently from a business trip to the Eastern part of the state where he spent several days.

**PROFESSIONAL NOTICES.**

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Practice in District and Higher Courts  
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Dentist  
Office over Spur Nat'l. Bank.

**DR. D. H. ZACHRY**  
DENTIST  
In Offices formerly occupied by Dr. Brasher, Spur, Texas.

**H. L. LOVELL**  
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Phone 163  
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## EARLY TROUBLES OF BABY CHICKS

“Leg Weakness” Is Indicated When Toes Draw Backwards or Turn to Either Side.

### IS COMPARABLE TO RICKETS

Is Characterized by Deficiency of Lime and Phosphates in Bones and Lack of Rigidity—Cod-Liver Oil Effective.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Early-hatched chicks frequently develop the condition known as “leg weakness,” say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. Its onset is indicated when the toes draw backwards or turn to either side. Later there is lameness, incoordination of movement, and distinct weakness of one or both legs. At times the bill becomes twisted and causes difficulty in feeding.

This condition should not be confused with the infectious diseases of baby chicks such as, bacillary white diarrhea, coccidiosis, and brooder pneumonia; for in the former case the weakness of the legs is the most marked symptom, while in the latter cases it develops shortly before the death of the bird and only as a result of general bodily weakness. Also, the course of the condition is not so acute as is that of the infectious diseases, and the mortality is not as high.

### Comparable to Rickets.

“Leg weakness” in chicks is comparable to rickets in other young animals. It depends primarily on interference with normal nutrition of the body. It is characterized by a deficiency of lime and phosphates in the bones and, consequently, a lack of rigidity. The deficiency may be due to insufficient bone-forming substances in the feed, or to the failure of the body to properly utilize the material available.

It has become apparent that a number of conditions other than mineral shortage may affect the system of the chick in such a manner as to interfere with nutrition and bring on “leg weakness.” Among these may be mentioned lack of certain vitamins which influence digestion and assimilation of food, close confinement with little room for exercise, absence of sunlight, cold and dampness, concentrated feed unaccompanied by green or other bulky feed, and little or no animal proteins.

To counteract “leg weakness,” any of the conditions given, if present, should be corrected. A monotonous ration and over-feeding should be avoided. Green feed if possible, or sour milk, should be provided. The chicks should be allowed outside range and sunlight as early as possible. Placing sod in the brooder is beneficial. Also keep broken oyster shell, or calcium phosphate available.

### Cod-Liver Oil Is Effective.

The United States Department of Agriculture states that the best medical treatment for chicks which are being raised under conditions conducive to “leg weakness” is cod-liver oil. This has a specific effect upon lime and phosphate metabolism within the body, and promotes normal bone formation. It is rich in all vitamins, but apparently contains a special vitamin which concerns itself with the disposition of at least some of the minerals required in the animal system. Cod-liver oil may be mixed with the feed for both affected and apparently healthy birds in sufficient amount so that each chick will get about five drops daily. It serves both as a treatment and preventive of the rachitic type of “leg weakness.”

### DO NOT MAKE GOOD MOTHERS

Neither Geese nor Duck Hens Like to Sit on Eggs—Well to Make Use of Incubator.

Neither geese nor duck hens make very good mothers, and sometimes ducks refuse to make nests or to sit at all. For this reason it is well to have an inclosure for ducks, and to keep them confined each morning until after the eggs are laid. The eggs should be incubated with a chicken hen or in incubators. The chicken hens will give them much better care than their natural mothers would.

### Sow Sweet Clover Seed.

You can sow sweet clover seed any time now, perhaps the sooner the better.

### Damp Beds Cause Trouble.

Damp beds are responsible for pneumonia, bowel trouble and skin diseases among pigs.

### Planting Carrot Seed.

Deep planting for carrot seeds is best. Plant them half an inch deep.

## GOOD TREATMENT OF LEGUMES IS NEEDED

Alfalfa and Clover Insist on Plenty of Lime in Soil.

Type of Material to Use Is the One That Gives the Most Calcium Carbonate or Its Equivalent of Proper Fineness.

Legumes, since they are such a valuable part of agriculture, have a right to demand, as they do, that conditions for their growth shall be as they want them. That alfalfa and red clover, for example, insist on a fair supply of lime in the soil.

If the soil contains limestone, is neutral, or even slightly acid, no lime need be added, but if the soil is very sour, lime should be put on before seeding red clover. Where clover fails frequently or does not thrive and produce a good crop, lime is usually necessary, and should be applied every time clover is seeded at the rate of one ton or more per acre in the form of limestone, or its equivalent in other forms.

Three forms of lime are in general use: Limestone, “hydrated” lime, and burned or quicklime, together with smaller quantities of marl and oyster shells.

The form of lime to use is the one that gives most calcium carbonate, or its equivalent, of proper fineness, spread on the land for each dollar paid out for lime, freight and labor of hauling and spreading.

For red clover it is usually not necessary to neutralize the acidity fully. Alsike stands more acidity, while vetch and white clover, peas and field beans, are still more resistant to soil acidity. Soy beans respond to conditions favorable to red clover. Alfalfa and sweet clover need more lime than does red clover, and it is desirable to know something of the lime content of the subsoil down to 20 to 30 inches below the surface.

### COMPOSITION OF PRESS CAKE

Dry Material Produced in Manufacture of Sugar Beets Good for Liming Soils.

The dry material of the filter press cake produced in the process of manufacturing beet sugar consists largely of calcium carbonate, according to the findings of the United States Department of Agriculture and undoubtedly affords a satisfactory material for liming soils. It also contains comparatively small quantities of nitrogen, phosphoric acid, potash and organic material.

The results of the analysis of a number of representative samples of filter press cake are set forth in Department Circular 257, “Composition of Filter Press (Lime) Cake,” by Sidney F. Sherwood, chemist in the bureau of plant industry. A copy of this circular may be had upon request from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington.

### TURKEYS RAISED FOR PROFIT

Purebred, Healthy Stock Is to Be Preferred Always and of the Large Varieties.

Not very many of us ever have stopped to think of the possibilities in raising turkeys for profit. Purebred healthy stock is to be preferred always, and of the large varieties, birds that bring down the scales to more than the required standard for the large breeds. For the large type birds, the price also is greater. The purebred Bronze or Narragansett turkeys are the largest breeds, and are as easy as any to raise. The Bourbon Reds also have become quite popular, but are not quite so large.

### “MOTHER” INCUBATOR CHICKS

To Succeed With Young Fowls One Must Be Patient and See That They Learn to Walk.

If you would succeed with incubator chicks, “mother” them a bit. Be patient with them and see that they contrive in some way to learn to work in the days of their youth—extreme youth. The mother hen, if you will observe her closely, teaches each of her children how to scratch, paying particular attention to the backward pupil. If we sma' chicks are to become great sturdy pullets and cockerels, they must early get the habit of exercise, of “rustling” for their feed.

### Avoid Needless Changes.

Don't change the positions of the roosts, nests, hoppers or water fountains unless absolutely necessary. When this is done frequently the birds become bewildered and irritated, and frightened hens lay few eggs.

### Concrete Feeding Floors.

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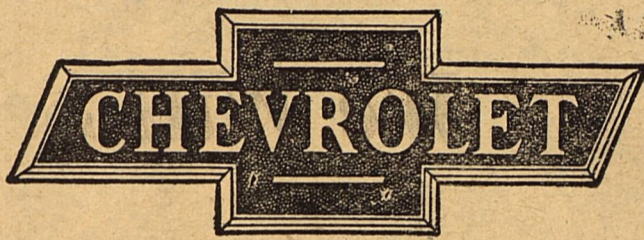
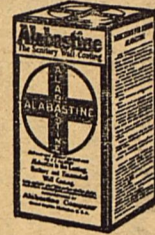
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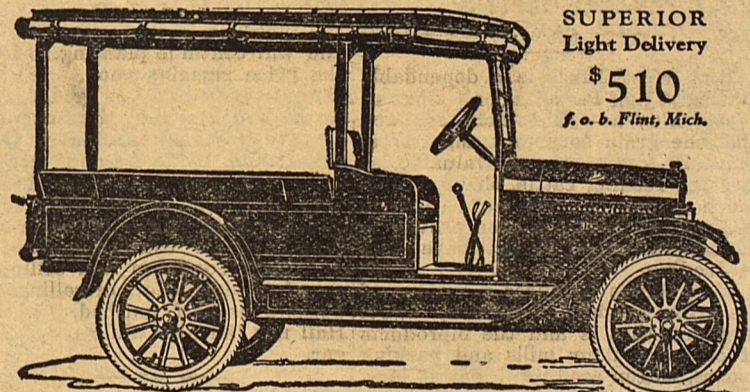
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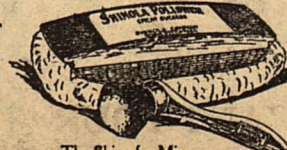
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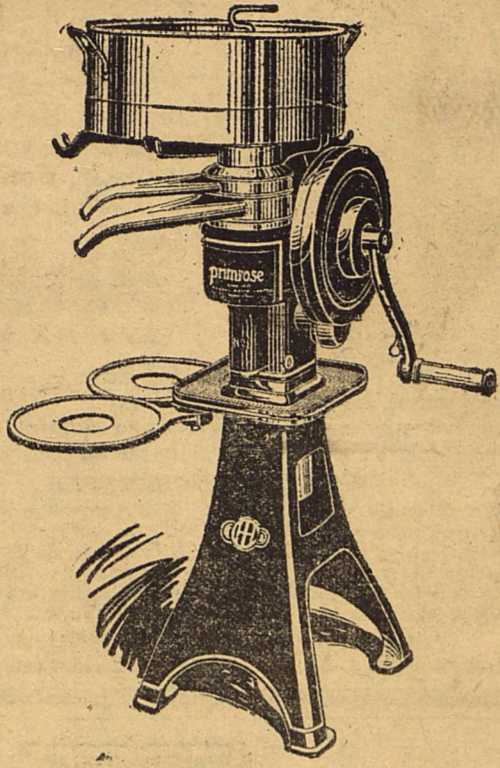
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### WEST TEXAS A DEPENDABLE FEEDING REGION

That West Texas is a dependable feeding region for all for all kinds of livestock is a well established fact. That the grain sorghums, milo, fetterita and kaffir, are as valuable as corn for feeding cattle, sheep, horses and hogs and possibly more valuable as a poultry feed has been proven to the satisfaction of all that have studied feeding.

West Texas produces a surplus of the grain sorghums, alfalfa, sweet sorghum, that is and the byproducts of oil mills, flour mills and packing houses, cotton seed meal, wheat bran shorts and middlings, and tankage. With these products a balanced ration can be made for any kind of livestock produced on the farm. This section has long been famous for the high grade feeder cattle and lambs that go to the Northern feed lots. The climate and water of West Texas is the very best for the production and finishing of livestock. With the feed and feeder stock produced in abundance in the same territory where the climate conditions are correct it seems that the limiting factors and initiation and knowledge.

There are several factors at present that keeps the feeding of livestock in West Texas from taking the place it should in our system of agriculture.

(1) A large part of area can produce cotton very profitably and will continue planting so long as the price remains good. (2) Many farmers have not yet paid for their farms and feel that they cannot afford to purchase machinery for the preparation of feed and construct feed lots. (3) Others are finding it very profitable to grow bundle feed and use it in connection with cotton seed cake for wintering cattle in first class condition and selling "off grass" as top feeders or selling to the packers as half finished. (4) Others Hail not the new while proof is meager.

No hunting, fishing or trespassing is permitted on my premises.—J. Carlisle. May 24p.

LOST—Gold ring with I. O. O. F. emblem. Liberal reward to finder.—White Swan Cafe. 27-3tp.

Miss Jennie Shields returned this week after spending several days with friends and relatives in DeLeon.

W. F. Shugart, of nine miles east of was a business visitor in Spur the first of the week.

D. J. Bolch, of the Dockum Valley Farm was a business visitor in Spur Thursday.

### 160 TRACTS OF O-O RANCH SOLD FOR TAXES IN KENT

160 tracts of land of the O-O Ranch in Kent county was sold at public auction this week for taxes, as advertised. The land was bid in by individuals, the company taking no part in the sale proceedings. We understand that the owners of the O-O lands claim the sale to be illegal, and possibly other court proceedings will follow the sale.

### SPUR HIGH WINS FROM MATADOR HIGH

Last Monday Matador High School went down in defeat from the Spur High.

In the first inning Hindman, catching for Spur, was injured and had to leave the game, Chapman going behind the bat. Horace Hyatt knocked a homer with a man on first. The scores were: Spur 7, Matador 2. Burman struck out 9 men, Stearns 5. Batteries for Spur Burman, Hindman and Chapman. For Matador Stearns and Groves.—S. Austin.

FOR SALE—Kasch & Mebane Cotton Seed, at \$1.50 per bushel.—R. J. Woods, 2 miles north of Spur. —25 2 tp.

J. E. Johnson spent several days of this week on business in Austin and other Texas cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, of west of Spur, were shopping in the city Tuesday of this week.

S. L. Davis and family, of Dickens, were in Spur Saturday visiting with friends and shopping with merchants.

FOR SALE—Registered Hereford Bulls from \$50 to \$200. All good, some extra good.—Chas. Whitener.

LOST—Solid gold Wrist Watch, with green gold plaited band, Swiss movement. Finder return to Beth Harkey. 27-1t.

Mayor W. J. Garrett, of Jayton, was in Spur Friday on business.

Dixie Smith, of Snyder, was in Spur Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Lee Rice, of Jayton, was a visitor and shopper in Spur Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. P. H. Miller returned this week from DeLeon, Texas.

## One of Love's Specials

Just Received Big Shipment Fresh Syrup, one of the Best, worth 85c

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**49c- Yellow Buckets -49c**  
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Be quick to kick  
If things seem wrong.  
But kick to us  
And make it strong.  
To make things right  
Gives us delight  
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A cup of Sunset Coffee along with a few hot biscuits made from our Supreme Flour takes a lot of kick out of you. All our goods are fresh. Call on us and make your choice.

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### LARGE INCREASE IN USE OF ONE-TON TRUCKS

Detroit, Mich., April—Predictions made early in the year that 1923 would see a large increase in the use of the one-ton truck both in commercial and agricultural fields are being borne out in the sales record of the Ford Motor Company here.

The rapidity with which the one-ton truck has become popular in delivery and hauling systems is shown in recently compiled figures which disclose that 80 percent of all the motor trucks in service in the United States are one-ton or less and indications are that high rates will be ma-

terially increased during the present year. The growth has come during the last six years during which the one-ton truck jumped from 48 percent to the 80 percent mark.

Registration figures as of December 1st, 1922, showed the total number of commercial cars and trucks in use in the United States to be in excess of 1,300,000 of which fifty-one percent were Fords.

The turn to the use of the one-ton truck for delivery and hauling purposes came quickly. Business firms who a few years ago looked to the larger trucks because of their carrying appeal soon discovered that delivery systems could be more easily

adapted to the one-ton truck at less investment and at the same time would afford more load moving units with increased efficiency and constant activity at the loading station.

Delivery systems were adapted to provide a variety of ranges so that each truck carried an average load over a maximum portion of its route and the economy of these frequent trips soon became apparent.

And while the commercial field has been constantly calling upon the one-ton truck to solve its delivery problems, those in the agricultural field are rapidly turning to it for general farm and in providing speedier and more economical transportation of

products from the farm to the city.

In adapting their delivery and hauling systems to the one-ton truck, commercial and agricultural users have found the Ford Truck Chassis comes most nearly meeting all requirements. Its ease and simplicity of operation makes it the most practical; its sure, constant operation makes it the most dependable and its adaptability to all purposes makes it the truck of greatest appeal. Then, too, its facilities are universal.

Ervin Renfdroe, of the Midway community had business in Spur Thursday of this week.

### WHY WOULDN'T IT BE A DANDY PLAN

For you and the undersigned to have a mutual understanding? You tell us that you want your clothes cleaned, repaired or pressed better than it has ever been done before and we'll understand what you mean—and do it. Our method of pressing clothes is sanitary and we absolutely guarantee unexcelled results.

IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

# In Linen Frocks

Simple Lines Feature the New Outfit for Women's Summer Wear.

Various style types are shown in linen dresses for midsummer occasions, and although the general outline of these frocks is simplicity itself, a generous selection of numbers are distinctive because of their trimming. Drawn work, yarn embroidery, silk embroidery and linen stitcheries are alternately used on these dresses.

Stitched embroidery of oriental effect is extensively used on models of tailored street appearance and fine silk embroidery trims the daintier afternoon frocks of linen. Yarn embroidery is most effective and drawn work reflects the popularity for anything hand-made. Sponge is another wash material used in the developing of tailored frocks, and some printed patterns are to be found in this group.

The kerchief mode, which has so far been confined to silk expression, is incorporated in the new trimming treatments. Some very trim gingham dresses have large organdie collars in kerchief effect and it gives an entirely new appearance to this crisp fabric, which is generally fluted. Flocked voiles seem to summarize the practical needs of cool wash dresses, and following the styles of smart summer skirts many of them are made with long girdled bodices and knife-plaited

Charmingly Simple Is This Frock of Taffeta



This winsome little frock, a Paris model, is of gray taffeta, set off by Dutch collar and cuffs of white organdie and a necktie, skirt band and girdle of black satin.

like a fabric, a beautiful brocade as it were, so cleverly is the pattern thrown to the surface.

Most of the new motor wraps are in the form of big knitted capes. It has gotten to the point on the Riviera that a woman is really not smartly dressed for informal day occasions and for out-of-door sports unless the garment she wears is knitted. Half of the popularity of this style is owing to the fact that it packs so easily and is always ready to wear and the other 50 per cent is represented in its beautiful colorings. Women dare to wear bright yellow, bright coral, cerise and green garments fashioned by the needle and the hook who would not presume to wear the same color in a woven fabric.

## Many Nice Things for the Summer Wardrobe

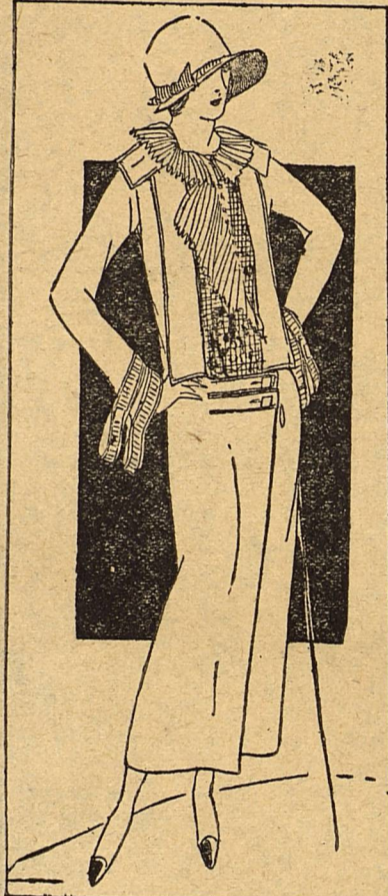
It is evident that there will be any number of beautiful but inexpensive fabrics from which women may choose their summer wardrobes, notes a fashion authority. The only difficulty is in avoiding the eccentric, for designers, both French and American, in their constant struggle for something new, have often been led into extreme and trying effects. But if a woman has taste she can, from the great quantity of new things shown, be sure of possessing becoming frocks and flattering hats. So it is worth while spending time searching for the best from among these new things.

### Long Veils.

New veils from Paris come in prodigious lengths. One in the modish all-over vermicelli pattern is nearly three yards long. These veils fall in long lengths from the sides or back of the hat. Sometimes they are wound about the neck and fall in a long streamer over the left shoulder—in fact, the mode of adjusting the veil is merely a matter of individual fancy.

### Spring Millinery.

Quantities of georgette and taffeta are being used in spring millinery. Often they are made into tricorns or very plain little hats, whose only decoration is a lace veil artistically draped.



Coat-Dress Worn Over Foulard Frock in Scarlet and Black, Filled with White Organdie.

skirts. The very fact that the majority of them are brown and dark blue means that they will require few washings in a season.

One of the very good three-piece wash dresses is made of an ecru sponge with bodice of fine tucked voile. The double tiered skirt and similar style features are to be noted.

## The Knitted Cape Is Latest Paris Fashion

The Riviera, writes a Paris fashion observer, is having a big craze for knitted goods, knitted suits, blouses and sweaters in combination of wool and silk and in all-silk. These are both hand-made and machine-made. In some of the latter the patterns look

## Broad-Brimmed Chapeau for the Larger Women

There are rumors in millinery circles to the effect that the broad hat is coming in again. We have clung so persistently to the little tightly-fitting affairs that there is no doubt we would welcome a change. Large hats are clumsy to get about in and hard to keep in perfect shape, but then they have the advantage of being picturesque and of forming frames for the faces under them that add all sorts of charm and good looks.

Broad-brimmed hats are best for the larger women. They conform to their bigness in build. Their lines fit in with the lines of the clothes that such women must wear, and the spreading shapes do everything that is pleasant by way of throwing the countenances and the figures underneath them into the proportions that they should assume.

If a woman has a large face the little, draped turban hat does not suit her at all. If she will wear a small hat it must be built to order to assume the measurements that will fit the head and properly top off the

face. Now, with the hat of large brim it is different. That is just naturally adapted to larger proportions and lines. It can be posed upon the head and it will look right at once. There need be no fussing about it.

The broad-brimmed hats of this season are made of rather transparent stuffs. Often the straw braids are so filmy in character that the hair and its dressed waves show through the crown almost as though there were no covering imposed. The crowns are round and simple, quite fitting the shaping of the head. Then the brims are flopping with wires only around their outer edges. The trimmings are flowers or ribbons or silk or velvet, or they are embroidered designs, but they are always put on with the utmost simplicity and arranged to show their own decorative effect.

### In Silver or Gold.

The bandanna kerchief has become so popular it is even invading the ballroom, and is seen in gold or silver brocade, tied in a careless knot.

## Twenty Years After

By MARTHA WILLIAMS

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Coralie sang her gayest small song, but her heart was passing heavy. Therefore Aunt Mary called to her through the open window. "Please, honey, run over and ask Madame Thompson if she can lend me a spool of black silk. Tell her she shall have it back tomorrow—I asked the mail man to fetch me a lot, but can't wait for it."

"I think you'd better," Coralie half sang, not stirring from her knees beside the carnation bed. "She won't sleep tonight fearing she won't get it. As a Christian lady you ought to have thought of that."

"Mix! That means you're too busy with those flowers," Aunt Mary retorted smiling. She had achieved her end—diverted the girl from the worrying thought. She really could make out without the black silk—much better than she could endure the liting notes that were like joy flinging defiance to sorrow.

"They tell me stories—right now I'm in the middle of a breathless one," Coralie retorted without turning her head. But after two minutes she got up, saying with downcast eyes: "I'll go—if you really—" stopping there with the faintest possible grimace.

"Never mind," said Aunt Mary, "I'd rather you made some tea cakes. I'm too busy—and if—if company comes I like to have some to hand round."

"Shut up, schemer!" Coralie said undutifully. "You'll have your trouble for your pains; the company you're hinting at isn't coming here ever any more."

"Indeed! And why not?" sharp and short from Aunt Mary. "Granny has found somebody with the price of him—that's why!" from Coralie. "Miss Benecia Benjamin—with tons of money and half a ton of nose, I hear. Also, I hear, inclined mightily to marriage—which is a slender or an appreciation, according to the way you listen."

"Who told you?" Aunt Mary's voice was dangerously low. "Cousin Nan, while we were getting the peaches this morning," Coralie flung back. "All agog over it—said Bennie was coming to stay a fortnight—gets there tomorrow afternoon—hence Mme. Thompson hoped we'd go light on our peaches, so's to make 'em last while she had such company. I thought that almost impudent—considering we give the fruit, rather than sell it—"

"We'll stop that foolishness—short," Aunt Mary burst out. Coralie shook a finger at her, saying: "We will not. She shall have all the orchard's best—and then some. Remember, I know the way to the hill orchard that has finer fruit than ours—and a bit later."

"H—m! Suppose you're making your plans to be bridesmaid," Aunt Mary interjected with lofty scorn. Coralie nodded with a smile that melted suddenly into hard bitten lips, through which she said presently in breaks: "You and Dad have brought me up to be a good loser, aunty, darling! I know you wouldn't have me be less—in the face of this."

She had grown loving Lacy Field, Mme. Thompson's grandson and sole heir, who had, however, nothing in his own right. His parents had been happy spendthrifts throughout their brief life together, so the boy had lacked equally the hardenings of thrift and the freedom of riches. He had had whatever money could buy, but always under surveillance. Freedom, man will, was the one thing madame had denied him. Indeed she had lived in and for him pretty well ever since he was born. Thrifty, almost to the degree of meanness all other ways, she had seemed to feel it a sacred duty to indulge even his slightest wish where indulgence had meant spending. It spoke volumes for the fineness of his nature, the cleanness of his soul, that the indulgence had left him unspilled.

She had made a home for him in the college town throughout his course. Afterward she had cheerfully gone globe trotting with him for two varied years. She had been doubtful about coming home. The grass country would seem a stagnant backwater, she had feared. But to her joy Lacy revealed in it. Possibly because it meant Coralie—Coralie, a hundred times more charming than the slim, freckled slip of a girl he had left.

He had written her many letters, sent her many small, pretty gifts. What wonder that her eyes welcomed him even more joyously than her lips, or that she bloomed into a new and more exquisite beauty! There had been no tiresome explanations. He had said over and over:

"This is just the beginning. But we'll wait a bit. Mustn't prove granny after all she has done for me. She can't resist you. Nothing human could. And when she understands that it is you

who have preserved me from the wiles of several and sundry ladies whose designs gave her bad quarters of an hour she'll fall on your neck and make you a thank offering of me. See if she don't. Meantime, ask Aunt Mary if I may have four more sweet cakes."

Since then time, ambling withal, had made a golden year. Madame had slipped easily into the old neighborly if something shrewish habit—had made much of Coralie, and been tolerant of Aunt Mary's heresy that the value of life and money depended on how you spent them. Not a cloud until the week back when Madame had said, apropos of Lacy's absence: "I told him to go look up a nice rich girl—if he gets that sort he'll not need to be afraid he was married for his money." To which Coralie had answered innocently: "Sure, madame, you don't think him so homely as all that?"

Here was a situation even without Benecia Benjamin. The cheeriest of globe trotters, she had quite won madame's heart—when Lacy had met her again at the seashore she had in a manner proposed herself as a visitor. Madame had rejoiced in that—she liked Coralie well enough—but the Dares were neither rich nor poor, moreover they had not the right awe of money. She did not sense how matters stood betwixt the young folk—but felt a potential menace. Benecia appeared to her as the answer to prayer; loving money next to her boy, she yearned to have more and more of it for her descendants.

Benecia was beautiful, nose to the contrary notwithstanding. It was not quite the beak Coralie had imagined it, only a bit out of drawing balance by silken masses of the blackest hair, and cast in the shade by a perfect brow with the finest thin arched lines of the richest, a figure the perfection of gracious curves, small, light-stepping feet that seemed to dance intuitively, dimples wherever dimples should properly lurk, with a sense of rhythm that made her motions a delight. She was a charmer without counting the music. She did not sing, but played piano, fute and violin as only those born to the gift can play. She was moreover even-tempered, healthy and blessed with a noble appetite. If she had not cared for her host and hostess the fare they set before her would have sufficed to make her happy.

For two days Madame was in a seventh heaven—here was the wife for Lacy—fate could not have served him better. She hinted as much to him. For answer he smiled queerly. Next day came dinner with the Dares—not fashionably late, but a hearty two o'clock affair, where it was the part of, courtesy to eat till one could hold no more. Aunt Mary was a cook, born and made, Coralie almost her equal, with black Daphne, the kitchen queen, supreme over either. Their triumphs for this occasion would fill a volume—even fuller than they filled Benecia. She exclaimed over the goodness of everything. After coffee and home-made peach liquor of age untold she left the table with the rest, flung herself into a hammock on the piazza and was almost instantly asleep. Madame frowned openly, but Lacy sighed relief. "Isn't she a beauty—now?" he asked in a half-whisper. "But look what she will be twenty years after!" taking from his breast pocket as he spoke a handful of snapshots, spoil of the bathing beach. Upon one a mountainous lady sat happily in the sand. In another an older woman, bent but bulbous, overflowed a wheelchair. Then came a short, stock person with a paunch. "Her family—mother, father, grandparent," Lacy said in a stage whisper. "Pity these fearful examples are lost on Bennie—but she says outright when she marries she means to rival her mother in weight."

Madame looked at the picture, sighing deeply, then let her gaze wander to Coralie's slender elegance. "Child, you'll look a lady when you're a grandmother," she said abruptly; then to Lacy: "Tell her we want her in the family—and make haste about it."

"Watch me mind, granny!" Lacy said, bowing, kissing Coralie with his best flourish of a bow.

### Famous "Mouse Tower."

On a long wooded island in the Rhine, near Bingen, stands the famous "Mouse Tower," or what is left of it. To this tower there attaches the legend of Bad Elector Hatto, who in a time of famine bought up all the corn and, when his good people of Mainz importuned him for bread, burned them in a barn and was forthwith chased from Mainz by the rats, who followed him to Bingen and from Bingen even to his final refuge in this tower, and there ate him.

In the chronicles of Bingen it is recorded that the tower was "built by the Archbishop Willgis as a watch-tower so as, when necessary, to bar the way of ships passing along the Rhine."

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England is beginning to get on the wagon in the same way America did. When our national prohibition law was passed by Congress, prohibition already was in effect in more than 2300 of the 2543 counties in the United States.

Mrs. Doc Ellis, of the Throckmorton ranch, has been spending the week in Spur with her daughter, Mrs. Lester Ericson, and other relatives and friends. Mr. Ellis also arrived in Spur Thursday of this week and will remain here several days meeting with his old time friends and acquaintances.



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Texas comprises 264,780 square miles of territory. It runs the whole gamut of climates. She has nearly every variety of soil. There is scarcely a product used by man for food or raiment that cannot be raised within her limits. She raises nearly a fourth of the cotton crop of the world and has more cattle than any other state in the Union, and millions of sheep.

While this is all true, Texas imports from other states cotton goods of every variety, practically all the woolen goods her people use, and her biggest meat houses are located in Kansas City, Omaha and Chicago.

It is a long way from Texas to Denmark, and 15 Denmarks could be set down in Texas, and yet leave many more square miles unoccupied than many states comprise.

Denmark lies north of Germany and south of Sweden, with the Baltic Sea on the east and the North Sea on the west, washed by the Skagerrack on the north and on the east by the Cattegat Sound.

The surface is uniformly low; and there are no rivers of importance, and much of the country is forest. It is about nine times the size of Harris County yet it annually exports agricultural produce and cattle, sheep, swine, hams, hides; wool; fish; eggs; meat and woolen goods to the amount of \$100,000,000. The farms are small, few exceeding 15 acres in area, and many comprising from three to five acres. The people have co-operative banks, co-operative warehouses and co-operative marketing.

If a man sends only three bad eggs to market in a single season he is expelled from the association. A large portion of eggs exported go to London, and they have a system of identification marks so perfect that a bad egg can be traced back to the very poultry house it came out of. A very large part of the bacon consumed in London comes from Denmark.

It raises 35,000,000 bushels of oats; 21,000,000 of barley 18,000,000 of rye and 18,000,000 bushels of potatoes. The potato crop of the United States is about 425,000,000 bushels. If we made the same crop to the square mile that little Denmark does our crop would be nine times as large. Something may have been "rotten in Denmark" in Hamlet's day, but she is evidently clean and up to date now. She can teach us much. —Houston Chronicle.

### THE FLY A PEST AND A MENACE

The fly is one of the enemies of mankind. Not only does the fly cause much discomfort but is a positive menace to health inasmuch as it breeds in filth, lives in filth and carries disease germs. Think of the dirty places the fly wallows and walks in before it explores the food on your table, then swat him.

The best way to rid a place of flies is to destroy breeding places. Clean up around the barn and other out-houses. Haul the manure out to the fields. Do not throw house garbage near the house. Screen. The number of flies will thus be materially reduced in numbers.

Like all insects, flies breed rapidly. The fight against this pest should be started early. The more flies killed early in the season and the fewer breeding places left around the premises, the fewer flies there will be during the hot days of July and August.

In destroying breeding places for flies, the appearance of the premises is improved and the home surroundings are all the more healthful and attractive.

In making the fight on flies, it is but little more trouble to make a fight on mosquitoes. Fill in low places Do not let the weeds grow. Screen the cistern carefully and empty all tin cans and bottles which have collected water. One tin can left where it will fill with water will provide a place to breed enough mosquitoes to make the life of the family miserable during the entire summer. The ordinary mosquito does not wonder much farther than 700 feet from its birth-place. It is an easy matter to lessen their number around most farm homes.

There will be recitals given by pupils of Miss Nell Higgins in the Dickens High School auditorium at eight o'clock Thursday and Friday evenings, May 10th and 11th. The public is cordially invited.

Rhode Island Red Eggs for setting, 75c for 16.—Mrs. M. P. Duncan, Spur, Rt. 1. 24-4tp.

E. J. Cowan made a business trip this week to Waco and other points in that part of the state.

Come and get the planting seed you ordered as they are going fast and I want to close up the warehouse Saturday, May 5th. Have a few cash and gin run seed also.—J. E. Johnson.

### WICHITA NOTES

Well, as every one is feeling fine we will write a little of the news.

The school closed Friday night with a fine program.

We certainly do thank Mr. and Mrs. Speer for what they have done for us and wish they would teach this school again next term.

Robert and Nathan Thacker, May Lovell, Fay Dismuke and Misses Onnie and Numa Sutt were on their way to Croton Sunday when the car turned over but did not hurt any of them, only Robert tore a hole in his new sock and liked to have worried him self to death. But May told him not to worry that the good people of Wichita would make up a purse and get him another pair.

There was a party at Mr. Hytte's Saturday night and enjoyed by a large crowd especially by Misses Ruby Autrey and Onnie Sutt and Messrs. Albert Stewart and Ernest Thannisch. Look out Robert and Riley or you all will get your times beat.

A singing was enjoyed by a large crowd Sunday night at Mr. Thackers. Mr. Autrey went fishing one Sunday and that night he started to singing and broke his car down, but has it fixed now.

They say that Andy Gump is over at Croton. We believe that Maggie and Jiggs are at Wichita when we look at Hattie and Shorty.

Riley Thacker is getting awfully scary these days, the other night after the party Ruby Autrey and Jewel Sutt wanted to accompany him as far as the school house but he backed out.

Well, as it is gardening time we will close and give room for some one else.—Speckled Birds.

The Supreme Court of the United States recently held unconstitutional an act of Congress fixing minimum wages for women and minor girls in the District of Columbia. The opinion held that the right to contract about one's affairs in a part of the liberty of the individual.

Mr. Taylor, manager of Bryant, Link Company at Ralls, and Willard Chapman, of Ralls, were business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. Ralls is one of the best towns on the plains and an immense amount of business is there transacted.

E. L. Williams, a leading citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Saturday trading and meeting with his friends here.

N. N. Morris, editor printer, linotype operator and farmer, of Ralls, passed though Spur last week on his return home from Moran where he had been looking over the newspaper field at that point. He will probably later move with his family to Moran and engage in the newspaper business at that place. Moran is in the heart of an oil producing belt and rich agricultural and livestock section. Niles Morris knows the newspaper business and no doubt will prosper in this field.

G. W. Collum presents music pupils in recital Friday and Saturday evenings, of May 11th and 12th, at eight o'clock p. m., at the Methodist Church. The public is cordially invited.

### THE J. O. B. DEGREE

A young man arrived home after having received the degree of A. M. for graduate work at college.

"I suppose Robert will be looking for a Ph. D. next," said a friend of the family to the father. "No; he will be looking for a J. O. B."—From Everybody's Magazine.



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**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS  
WILL BE SUBMITTED**

On July 28th of this year the people of Texas will vote on an amendment of the constitution which if adopted will authorize and direct the legislature to establish a state system of roads, and provide for the construction and maintenance thereof under the direct supervision of the state, without regard to county authority. In the event this amendment carries the Legislature would be authorized and directed to provide means, revenues and instrumentalities by levying and causing to be collected specific excise and ad valorem taxes. What rate of taxation would be is not mentioned in the amendment. It seems to The Enterpriser that there should be a limit for the tax rate for this purpose.—Clyde Enterpriser.

This would undoubtedly go far toward solving the highway problem for the counties, provided of course the State maintained a complete system. It would seem at first thought that the best thing for the State to do is to establish at least one good highway through Texas and call it the Lone Star Highway or some such name. Of course the route of the highway might cause some trouble; that is to say, all the counties would want it and so there would be one grand scramble. But it is for the people to decide about the state system of roads.—Reporter Abilene.

It is a remarkable thing, that Texas people shy, when it comes to voting FOR an amendment to the Texas Constitution. The one mentioned above will likely never get anywhere. The people are already weary of authority being taken away, and the proposed amendment is only another means of pulling out of the county money that will never come back and the people never receive direct benefit from. The Texas Highways are needed, but they can't be built and maintained from Austin. But some one will say that every county can get as much "back" as they vote to carry themselves. It is up to the county to build and maintain her roads and then she will have no one to blame but herself.—Hamlin Herald.

John Sneed, correspondent for the Dallas Daily News, was in Spur Monday to gather data and look over the situation here with respect to the possibilities of Spur's campaign for the West Texas Technological College. This college is the biggest proposition ever presented to West Texas towns. Some town will be awarded the location of this college. Opportunity is now knocking at our door. If we fail to take advantage of this opportunity today it will be gone forever. It behooves us every one, individually and collectively, to exert our full power and influence in this campaign for recognition.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell were called Wednesday to Big Springs on account of the death of his sister at that place.

Mrs. Thomas Morrison, of Golden, arrived in Spur Sunday for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Love.

Mrs. C. Hogan and Misses Etta Fite, Nell Higgins and Floye Richbourg returned Saturday from Snyder where they attended as delegates at the Methodist convention. A pleasant and profitable meeting is reported.

Miss Edelle Harkey and Mrs. Martin Gay, of Dickens, were visitors and shoppers in Spur the latter part of the past week.

**ATTENTION WOOL GROWERS!**

If you have any wool see D. C. Hubbard at Spur Produce. One dollar in hand is worth two in the bush.

**METHODIST PASTOR TELLS WHY  
HE IS AGAINST THE KLAN**

(Written by J. T. Howell, pastor of the Methodist Church, in Tahoka, Texas for the Lynn County News.)

"In the first place, I object to the Klan on the grounds that it is un-Christian, both in its principles and methods. If Christ is our example, then we, as Christians dare not use force to overcome evil. As citizens loyal to our government, we are obligated to see to the enforcement of laws for the protection of society, and to that extent use force, but under no conditions are we authorized to use force for the propagation of Christianity. Then, can you imagine Jesus Christ sending an anonymous epistle to the money changers in the temple, warning them of punishment, and then he and his 12 with masks over their faces on some dark night, taking these same money changers over to Gethsemane, whipping them until the blood ran down and charging them to leave the city on pain of further visitation? No, you can not imagine such without slandering Christ. His plan was to do his utmost to save men, and then if they were beyond the appeals of love to punish them in the open.

"My second objection to the Ku Klux Klan—it is un-democratic. Our government is founded upon the formerly expressed will of the majority of its citizens, and any assumption of authority upon the part of a minor portion of its constituency is derogatory to the very primary foundation of American democracy.

"My third objection is that it is contrary to the elementary principles of our federal and state constitutions. Under both federal and state constitutions every citizen has the guaranteed right, when accused of crime, to face his accusers in open court before twelve of his peers, sitting as a jury of trial, and to present rebutting evidence in his defense. And no sane man will dare say that the methods and practices of the Klan do not contravene the legal guarantees above enumerated.

"And to the above objection is the one that has nothing but mob rule to offer in the place of our legally constituted courts, which it unquestionably, to some extent contravenes. Human passion is a dangerous thing under any and all conditions, and has no more dangerous tendency in human society than under the legally unrestrained secret mob. You can not reasonably deny that passion enters less into our court procedure than it is likely to enter into even the councils of the hooded Klan. But, you answer, that our courts have failed. If so, you are responsible for their failure. And, do you think that trial by the Klan can succeed better than our courts, with the same men in its councils who are the constituency of our courts? If you Klansmen are failures as jurors in our open courts, do you mean to tell me that you will be better agents of justice under the mask and robe? If so, God help us.

"My fifth objection is that the Klan is endeavoring to use the church in its propaganda. Of course, it is following out the practice of every other propaganda with an axe to grind. But this writer will not permit his church to be used. I am a Mason, but I would, under no sort of conditions permit a delegation of my brethren to file into my church and present me with a purse and a letter of commendation. Neither shall I permit sheeted and masked members of the Klan to do so. The church has a message to every class of men, Klansmen as well as non-Klansmen, and must not be compromised by any one class to the detriment of another.

"I object also, to the mask, which has become the badge of the Klan. In a democracy that which won't permit the light of day on all of its governmental functions is not democratic. Yes I know the stock reply to that is "Free Masonry is secret, and you endorse it, why not the secret method of the Klan?" Listen, there is not a principle of Free Masonry that you may not know. Only its ritual is secret. But, Masonry does not attempt to arrogate to itself the least function of civil government, but, instead inculcates in its members the highest respect for, and unqualified observance of all civil laws. If there was the least assumption of civil authority in the Mason fraternity I am one Mason who would immediately repudiate it forever.

"My last objection to the Klan is its unsavory reputation. Its name

has become the synonym for tar-bucket, feather bags and clandestine murder. O yes I know that you deny that the Klan has ever been guilty of such a catalogue of crimes, and I know some who deny that the Klan has ever blackened its hands with the traditional tar bucket. But hold, you never heard of these things until about four years ago, when the Klan began its operations. How comes it that such has become so frequent? You say: "Others have done these things and laid it to the door of the Klan." How am I to know the truth of what you state? I know such things have been done, and by masked mobs. Have you any way of clearing your name of this foul slander, if it is slander? Will you not pardon me for steering clear of your organization, until you clear your name of your unsavory reputation? If I, as a Methodist pastor, had your reputation do you think that any true man would risk himself in my fold and company?

"If the members of the Ku Klux Klan will unmask and organize themselves into a law enforcement league I will be the first to enroll, but I shall never join hands with any organization in which I can not be known for what I am by all my neighbors, and all my conduct, which affects their interests be done in the blazing light of the high noon.—J. T. HOWELL, Tahoka, Texas."

W. G. Mayfield, leading merchant and business man of Girard, had business in Spur the past week. "Some time ago Mr. Mayfield, we think had an idea of closing out his business and seeking "greener pastures," but since it now looks like all of West Texas will be the most productive section of America, we predict that he will buy larger stocks of goods, do a bigger business than ever before and decide to stay in the game.

Ex-Sheriff Bob Goodall, of Clairemont, was in Spur Saturday of last week, spending the day here meeting with his many friends. Bob Goodall is a natural-born officer, and there are a number of his friends in Dickens county who would be glad to see him move over here and become acclimated, and when the proper time comes be drafted into official service.

A. J. Richey, of Croton, was recently in Spur trading and meeting with friends and acquaintances. Mr. Richey says that crop conditions could not be better than they now are in his section. There will be big crops produced this year in every section of the great Spur country, and if system is observed in the marketing we feel sure that good prices can be maintained. It stands to reason that if all the cotton produced in the South is marketed within three months time that prices will break, therefore a system must be adhered to of only supplying the market with its daily requirements.

W. T. Lovell, of Draper, was in Spur Monday for the first time in several weeks. Lovell is very optimistic at this time. In fact he is so certain of prosperity this fall that he not only invited us to a cigar counter but promised this fall to "lend us a helping hand" if we should make a call on him.

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**BIRTHDAY DINNER**  
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Haile entertained the Confederate Veterans and their wives with a birthday dinner Sunday, April 29th, the occasion being the seventy-fifth birthday of Mrs. M. B. Haile of Afton, Mr. Haile's mother. The party was unique in that every veteran or veterans wife present was more than seventy years of age the oldest being seventy nine. They were served with a delightful dinner by Mrs. Haile, after which, the birthday candles were lighted. The afternoon was a pleasant one, spent by the guests in discussing Civil War days, and Uncle Tom Cochran delighted everyone with his gleanings from the general reunion at New Orleans. The guests were: Mesdames M. B. Haile, Gilmore, Luce, Meadows; J. Carlisle; Nellie Davis; R. E. Dickson; W. H. Suddeth; Messrs. J. Carlisle; A. L. McClellan; J. N. Buchanan; L. T. Cochran; I. G. Van Leer; Campbell; W. H. Suddeth and Misses Kittie Powell and Ruth Glasgow.

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Friends and customers please take notice that I have moved to the west part of Spur with J. C. Keen, and where anything in the Watkins products may be had.—E. C. Golden, It.

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## The Custard Cup

By Florence Bingham Livingston

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### LETTIE IS WON

**SYNOPSIS.**—Living in a barge converted into a dwelling, Mrs. Penfield is manager of an apartment building known as "The Custard Cup," originally "Cluster Court." Her income is derived from laundry work, her chief patron being a Mrs. Horatius Weatherstone, whom she has never seen. Living with her are "Crink" and "Thad," homeless small boys whom she has adopted. They call her "Penzie." Thad tells Penzie a strange man was inquiring for her under her maiden name. A tenant, Mrs. Gusset Bosley, induces Penzie to take charge of a package, which she does with some misgivings. Searching a refuse dump for things which might be of value, Crink, veteran at the game, encounters a small girl, Lettie, who proves a foeman worthy of his steel. He takes her to Penzie, and Lettie gets adopted into the family. The stranger proves to be Mrs. Penfield's uncle Jerry. He announces he is going to remain in the vicinity of The Custard Cup.

### CHAPTER IV.—Continued.

"So do I," sighed the girl. "We 'most had a quarrel over it. You see, some friends of the Bosleys are getting it up, and there was room for two more, so Mr. Bosley invited—"

"Oh!" interrupted Mrs. Penfield, in a different tone. "Well, if I was in your place, I wouldn't think about it again. You know it's always a good idea for folks to stick to their own circle of friends, and I'll bet that was what Mr. Chase was thinking."

"Maybe," conceded Lorene; "but how I've wanted to go to Diablo with a jolly party! I expect I'll get over it," she laughed. "If you say I'd better, it'll help me to do it." She waved her hand and went on toward the Percy flat.

Mrs. Penfield turned back into the living-room; then stopped in the most profound amazement. Jerry Winston had risen and was still holding an attitude of listening, of thoughtful absorption. She tried in vain to recall anything in her light interchange with Lorene that could have had significance.

"What's the matter, Uncle Jerry?" she asked.

He shrugged his shoulders and became instantly the nonchalant, good-natured man of a few minutes before. "Nothing, Car'line. I'm naturally kind of interested in this little nest you live in."

"Wait till the children get here," she nodded proudly. "I'll bet you'll be intr'usted then. They're dears, ev'ry one of 'em."

Lettie came in first and dashed to the sink. "I got some'n now," she shrieked. "I'll bet it don't leak, neither."

There was a sound of running water. Then Lettie appeared in the door to the living-room. In her right hand she swung an old agate teakettle.

"She's a peach!" declared Lettie triumphantly. "She don't leak. Look at her!"

"O Lettie!" cried Mrs. Penfield. "Look yourself!"

The child's gaze followed the direction of Mrs. Penfield's finger. The water had percolated through the obstructions in the bottom of the teakettle and had found many holes for escape. The teakettle had become a sprinkling-pot, merrily spraying the floor.

"Jimmy!" exclaimed Lettie. "Ain't that the darndest luck?" With a flash of black curls, she made for the sink.

Jerry Winston's broad shoulders shook with laughter. "I can see she's going to be a comfort, Car'line. I'd stake my life she's got some go in her."

"Land sakes!" laughed Mrs. Penfield. "I wouldn't give a last year's carrot for a feller that didn't have some spirit. It's a motor attachment; and if you want to see one that's in good working order, you just hang around and keep an eye on Lettie."

"I'm thinking of doing that very thing," said Uncle Jerry.

### CHAPTER V

#### The Pink Sweater.

"My grateful goodness! I knew some'n was up." Mrs. Wopple, who

had straggled through the kitchen door, paused at the entrance to the living-room to emit this commentary on Mrs. Penfield, sewing by one of the windows in the midst of an unusual array of materials.

"Come right in," invited Mrs. Penfield, as cordially insistent as if Mrs. Wopple had not already done so. "Wait till I move this nice comfortable chair into the sunshine for you. Ain't it lucky you came in just's the sun did!"

She moved the best chair into the narrow shaft of yellow radiance. If the sun were not mercifully acrobatic in its possibilities, twisting its way into incredible intricacies of city architecture, it would never have penetrated into Mrs. Penfield's living-room at all; but by a marvelous astronomical provision, there was a precious hour in the afternoon when it struck her neighbor's white wall and was deflected, nearly full strength, through one of Mrs. Penfield's windows.

She took up her sewing. Mrs. Wopple's gloomy eyes fastened upon it with glowing curiosity.

"What in time you makin'?" she inquired.

Mrs. Penfield exhibited the pink garment, rich with basting thread. "This here's a sweater for Lettie."

Mrs. Wopple reached over and nipped a piece of the goods between two thin fingers. "Ain't that underwear silk?"

"It sure is. It's going to make a beautiful sweater."

"H'm! 'Tain't suitable for Lettie."

"Not suitable! Why, ev'rybody's wearing 'em."

"Not silk. 'Tain't no ways suitable to dress Lettie so fine."

Mrs. Penfield laughed. "Would you suggest my making her a calico sweater?" she asked pleasantly. "No, Mrs. Wopple, I been wishing I had some nice clo'es for that child, 'cause she needs 'em to pull herself up with. Ain't nothing going to help her so much as taking pride in something, and she's the kind that'll live up to her clo'es. Poor dear, she's always been doing it; 'tain't no wonder she hasn't riz faster."

Mrs. Penfield reached for a soft roll of white goods. "Look here. Didn't this wash fine? Couldn't anything pleased me more'n white corduroy. Yes, I saw that streak; it had an accident spilled on it, I guess. But taking that out, there's 'nough for collar and cuffs for Lettie's sweater and 'nough for a skirt, too. I'm going to let her wear it Sundays when she's been good through the week. It'll be a reform dress, if there ever was one. She's going to be the happiest child in The Custard Cup. My! I can't scarcely wait for her to get home; I want to see her as happy as she's bound to be."

"If I was in your place, Mrs. Penfield, I wouldn't count on it too much. I've always heard that if folks wasn't happy inside 'em, there couldn't nothin' make 'em happy from the outside."

Mrs. Penfield smiled. "Yes, that's so, but there's something got to start the happiness going inside 'em. Some folks have got a factory of their own, and they make their happiness fast's they can use it, and some folks have had so many hard knocks that their happiness machinery has grown rusty and set. Then it's got to be oiled up and started going. Why, look at the birds, Mrs. Wopple. You never heard a bird sing on the ground; but give him a bit of encouragement in the way of a fencepost or a bush or something with an outlook to it, and he'll sing his little head off, 'cause he's so bubbling over with joy. It's up to me to give Lettie that encouragement."

Mrs. Wopple rose. "I must be goin'. All I got to say is, it's a mercy you got such faith in Lettie. I sh'd call her an affliction if she was to my house."

So far Lettie had merely changed her allegiance and her boarding place; the routine of her days had not been disturbed. The lust for loot was in her blood; and now that she was well treated and well fed, it had become a sort of frenzy. She knew little about putting gratitude into speech, having always employed that medium for vastly different purposes. The more thankful Lettie felt, the higher grew the heaps of rubbish in Mrs. Penfield's back yard.

As another savage collects his beads and blankets, so this one collected the superfluities of human living, the by-products of organization and reorganization, the driftwood that eddied in from the wrecking of many households.

Mrs. Penfield, tolerating the instinct of acquisitiveness in Crink as a more or less natural phase of boyhood under stress, was frankly dismayed over the far stronger trait in Lettie, and she looked forward to the time when she could fill the child's life with other interests. Only in such wise could she effect a change, because a vacuum in occupation would have drawn from Lettie the abhorrence which it deserves. And surely in a few months, clothes could be accumulated and book money saved, so that it would be possible to send the child to school.

When Lettie returned, it was to the accompaniment of a mixed sound, rasping and swishing around the house and across the board walk in the back yard. She had chanced upon a scene of tree-trimming and had acquired many

branches, which she had jubilantly snaked home, to be dried and broken for the kitchen stove. The triumph of successful exploration was in her voice.

"Penzie, you oughter see what I brung now. It'll make swell kindlings." She edged into the living room, her thin chest heaving from the violent exertion. "Say, whatcher making?" She came nearer, her black eyes widening as they took in the incredible details of Mrs. Penfield's sewing.

"I'm making something for you, Lettie. Ain't it pretty?" She held it up. Lettie thrust out a grimy hand and nipped a piece of the goods exactly as Mrs. Wopple had done before her—with the same conclusion, but with a totally different emotional reaction.

"Is it silk?" she inquired, in an awed voice.

Mrs. Penfield nodded.

"And it's for me?"

"Yes, dear."

"Hope to die if you told a lie?"

Mrs. Penfield choked; then vowed the solemn vow.

"Holy Jiminety!" cried the child. "You've got me sold. Gee, there ain't nothing I wouldn't do for you." For the first time her wary reserve broke. She hurled herself into Mrs. Penfield's lap and threw her arms around Mrs. Penfield's neck. For the first time Mrs. Penfield dared to kiss her.

"Lettie, dear, I'm so glad you like it!"

"Like it! I'm beat to a frazzle."

"But listen, Lettie. You can't wear this every day, you know. It's too nice. This is for Sunday."

Lettie straightened, but took this blow rather placidly. "We-ell. Well, all right. Any more strings to it?"

"For Sunday," continued Mrs. Penfield, "when you've been good through the week."

"Oh, that's dead easy," scoffed Lettie, with great jauntiness. "You just watch me. If I try, I can beat the angels behaving."

Uncle Jerry appeared in the doorway. "Say, Car'line, I toddled 'round to see if you could give me a room."

"A room? Why, Uncle Jerry, we haven't got any."

"Yes, you have." Rolling his eyes whimsically, he jerked his thumb upward.

"The loft? My land, you couldn't sleep up there. 'Tain't fitted up nor nothing. There was a family of mice tried to live in it once, but I always thought they gave it up of their own accord, rather'n 'cause they disappeared of the trap."

"I'm smarter'n a family of mice," chuckled the big man, "and if you can't think of any greater objection, I'm going to move in. It'd seem kind o' good to be near the only folks I got a claim on, and besides, I—I got another reason. Thank you, Car'line. I'll be 'round tonight with my traps. Good-by."

"Why, Uncle Jerry— Wait—you haven't thought—"

But he was gone. His hearty laugh trailed back to her as she reached the door.

"My goodness, I'm 'fraid he's short of money," she thought. "I wish we had a room for him."

### CHAPTER VI

#### Perennial Prue.

"I can't set down, Mrs. Penfield. I just come in to borrow an egg. I didn't know I was out, but I'll get some more tomorrow."

"Bless you, Mrs. Wopple, you came to the wrong place. I ain't got an egg right now. I used the last one Saturday, and I shan't have any more till—till later."

"My landy Goshen!" cried the amazed Mrs. Wopple. "I never heard of anybody keepin' house 'thout havin' eggs constant."

Mrs. Penfield laughed. "Well, I'd hate to be so beholden to a hen as that. Seems like exalting a bird above a human being, don't it?" She thrust her darning needle placidly into Crink's stocking.

"You got an awful light way of takin' serious matters," disapproved Mrs. Wopple. "Me, I shouldn't—heavens to Betsy! What's that?" Her eyes rolled wildly toward the ceiling.

"It's my Uncle Jerry," smiled Mrs. Penfield.

"Your Uncle Jerry! What's he doin' up there?"


"Why, Mr. Bosley's riding 'round in a new car."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### Religion's Duty.

The two sentiments which most inspire men to good deeds are love and hope. Religion should give freer and more rational play to these two sentiments than the world has hitherto witnessed; and the love and hope will be thoroughly grounded in and on efficient, serviceable, visible, actual and concrete deeds of conduct.—Charles W. Elliot.

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Sowing seeds in the heat of the day  
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Yes, yes both early and late  
We must answer to duty's call  
And faithfully labor and wait  
For the harvest will reap in the fall.

Yes, we must be forging ahead  
It is right we should conquer the sad  
Indeed we must work for our bread  
But Oh! are we working for God?

Are we faithfully sowing today  
Good deeds as we journey along?  
Are we teaching the children to pray  
And lift up their voices in song?

Do we give of our substance to them  
The giver of all that is good?  
Are we fervently praying for them  
Who are living in sin as we should?

Are we doing from morning till night  
The things God would have us to do?  
For Oh! the harvest is white  
Today and the laborers are few.

There are millions over the sea  
Are we counting the bitter cost?  
Is it nothing to you and to me  
That they know not God and are lost?

Oh! the heathen woman they groan  
And with in their awful pain  
And plead to their idols of stone  
And of wood, but their pleadings are in vain.

They are lost—my friends do we care?  
Do we daily kneel down and pray  
For the ones we have sent over there  
To teach the poor heathen the way?

Oh, mother! Oh, sister! Oh wife!  
We have loved ones away from the fold  
With no love of God in their life

On the mountains of sin dark  
and cold.

They are lost! today and if God  
Should call them this life to depart

We would lay them under the sod  
With the pangs of despair in our heart.

A cry goes up from the soul  
"He is able and willing to save"  
Let us labor together with God  
To save them from Hell and the grave.

Let us labor together today  
With his blood stained banner unfurled

Oh! haste to the harvest away  
God is able to save the whole world.—Ella Kellum Bennett.

### YOU AND I HENRY

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A. Fry, of the Cat Fish country, was among the many visitors in Spur Saturday. He says everything is now in the very finest shape.

### WHEN BULLSNAKE AND RATTLESNAKE MEET

One evening in the summer several years ago, writes a contributor, while I was on my way to look at a trawling line that I had set for whitefish in the North Platte river, I observed a commotion among my sheep, which were grazing near by. I knew at once that a rattlesnake was among them, for I could hear the rattles, but a moment or two later I heard a different kind of a noise near the bank of the river. On hurrying toward the place, I found a huge bulls-nake that was lashing its head hither and thither in a frenzied attempt to disgorge an overgrown toad.

Just then I remembered the rather common tradition that bullsnakes and rattlers are deadly enemies and grabbing the big fellow and thrusting him in a burlap bag I had expected to put my fish into, I ran at top speed to the place where I had heard the rattler. I found him and he was a gigantic fellow, thickset, powerful of jaw and fully six feet long.

I dropped my bag and out came the bullsnake, free from the toad. He advanced threateningly toward me, but in a moment the rattlesnake sounded his rattles, and like a flash the bullsnake turned. Raising his head a foot or more, he remained quite motionless as if he were listening. Another buzz perhaps twenty feet away, and the bullsnake knew where his enemy was. With a rust as if he were dropping from a height, he started for the rattler, which turned and fled. Fearing that he would disappear into a hole, I ran to head him off, but the precaution was not necessary. The bullsnake quickly gained on him. When the snakes were perhaps six feet apart they stopped and remained perfectly still. At the end of maybe a minute the rattler suddenly drew himself into a coil, and the bull snake started to circle his quarry, keeping about six feet from it. Gradually the bull snake moved faster and decreased the size of his circle, and all the while there was a humming and a buzzing of rattles such as I had never heard before. The flat, triangular head of the rattler lifted occasionally, but for the most part remained almost hidden; whenever it did lift, the little eyes would scintillate and blaze with fire.

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Suddenly the bull snake made a terrific plunge, and his entire length shot to the other side of his enemy, which lay stretched in the opposite direction. For a moment both lay outstretched, then the bull snake moved weakly away in the direction of the marsh. With his head bent back double the rattler writhed in his last throes. I followed the victor, but he had not gone far before he stopped and drew his whole length into lumps almost like knots, then turned on his back. By the fading light I could see many little pricks, dark with blood. The venom fangs of the rattler had pierced him in

many places. Before long he ceased to move. I returned to the scene of the fight and there lay the rattler dead. The big toad, the unwitting cause of the struggle, was the sole survivor of the tragedy.—Youth's Companion.

### BEEKEEPING A SUCCESS

Texas has a larger number of colonies of bees than any other State in the Union and is only ranked by California in the production of honey, yet considering its large area and the wealth of nectar-bearing plants in almost every region of the State, it is obvious to those making a study of the question that Texas farmers in many sections have an annual opportunity to profit by providing a few colonies of bees to gather the nectar that is at present going to waste.

Having this condition in mind, Dr. J. H. Henshaw, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, A. and M. College, began last year to test out several hitherto untried regions as to their honey producing possibilities. He placed five colonies, or rather nuclei respectively at Spur, Lubbock, Chillicothe, Denton, Troup, Angleton and Beeville, under care of the substitution superintendent at these points. Unusually good results were noted at nearly every point. At Lubbock handsome yields of honey were taken on August 15th, although the bees had only been placed there on May 22nd. At Angleton, due to storm damage, it was impossible to note whether the region is suitable for honey production. At all of the other points results were quite sufficient to justify the recommendation to farmers that they can succeed with bees in those sections by proper management.

Of course, at Beeville it is well known that honey production is successful as beekeeping has been practiced in that region for a long time; but at most of the other points very little, or no beekeeping at all, had been practiced. For instance at Lubbock, so far as known, there were no other bees in the county when this experiment was begun, and at Spur, there were only three other colonies in the county.

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