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THE DICKENS ITEMS

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

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Everything in Readiness For the Big Fair Three Days, Opening Thursday Morning

Everything is now in readiness for the big annual fair in Spur which opens Thursday morning and continues three days, September 18, 19 and 20. Exhibits from every community are coming in Wednesday and being arranged in the exhibit hall, business men are arranging mercantile exhibits, the big ferris wheel, merry-go-round and "whip" are on the ground, show tents and various other stands are already up, and every effort possible is being put forth to make the best showing and to entertain as well as inform the thousands expected to enter the gates each day.

The entertaining program as arranged, consists of wild cow milking contests, the contestants to catch, hold and milk the cows in quart bottles; relay races, sack races, bicycle races, fat man's race, baseball, and football games.

The biggest entertaining feature of the fair will be the grand parade of decorated floats Friday at 1:30 p. m. promptly. Each of the individual communities making up the great Spur country, as well as individual business concerns of Spur and other towns, will be represented in this parade. Some of the most appropriate and beautiful representative floats will be had in the parade.

In the foot ball and base ball games, the contests will be between Silverton, Ralls, Peacock, and possibly Jayton and Girard.

In exhibits of agriculture and livestock, entertainments and amusements, the fair this year will surpass all former annual events, and a much larger attendance is expected. It is an occasion and an event in which we are all interested, the farmer, the merchant, and the stockman, and all are striving for its success in every particular and in every department.

Come to the fair and stay the three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 18, 19 and 20.

BRYANT-LINK COMPANY

George Washington said, "labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience."

We would say to you do business with a house that has kept alive that soul principle for forty years. Bryant-Link Co. is a West Texas institution born in Anson, Texas a little over forty years ago. We have watched the progress of this great country and have tried to keep pace with its developments. We have seen drouths, sandstorms, low priced cotton and various other things that we call calamities, but out of it all the people have come bigger and better; we have said before but want to repeat that West Texas is peopled as a whole with the best class of stayers that can be found, and the stayers win. We have carefully noted the difference in the success of those who stayed when the drouth came and those who run, and the stayers have always won. We have been in the class of stayers and it is our aim to finish our lives in West Texas. We like her people; we believe in her soil; we think the resources of this country are hardly touched and we feel there is wonderful opportunity for the young man of vision and grit.

Sure we are selling merchandise but we want to do more. Our doors will be open six days in every week as long as we have customers, but on Sunday they will be closed. We do not believe it is right to sell goods on Sunday. It is against the laws of our state and the laws of God too, and we kindly ask our friends to remember and do your trading in the six days which we are allowed to sell goods.

This is Fair week, yet it raining while this add is being written. You know the Fair nearly always brings rain. We believe we should have about four fairs a year so as to improve our seasons. Anyway you are coming and we want you to visit our new departments. We are proud of our stocks and equipment; for a long time we have been hampered on account of not having room, but we are in a position to serve you now.

Come on folks! Business is starting off fine. We are Thankful. We are counting on a good fall business. We have laid in large stocks and can give you right prices. You can depend on us and we know we can depend on you.

Our wish is that when the curtain drops on the scene of life we shall be remembered by service rendered rather than by possessions acquired. Come on and drink red lemonade ride the merry-go-round and have a good time and when you have tired, come to Bryant Link Co. and rest. We will have plenty good cold water and a smile for you. It's a good old world if we are looking for the good; and a bad old world if we are looking for the bad. There are mountains to climb and chasms to bridge. And there are ruts. But we are try-

ing to keep on the sunny side. We don't like a grouch, do you?

RUTS
The world is full of ruts, my boy,
Some shallow and some deep;
An every rut is full of folks as
High as they can heap.

Each one that's growlin' in th' ditch
Is growlin' at his fate,
An' wishin' he had got his chance
Before it was too late.

They lay it all on some one else, or
Say 'twas just their luck—
They never once consider that 'twas
Caused by lack o' pluck,

But here's the word o' one that's
lived
Clean through, from soup to nuts:
The Lord don't send no derricks
around

T' hyst folks out o' ruts.
We are glad it rained. Ain't you?
Stop at
Bryant-Link Company

That's all.
—Trade at Home—

Mrs. Dulaney Shuttles, of the Rocking Chair Ranch in Kent county, was among the shoppers in the city Monday of this week.

County Agent R. B. Johnston states positively and unequivocally that advertising pays. As a result of advertising placed with a limited number of newspapers last week four hundred cotton pickers responded and were placed in fields where most needed. Hundreds of letters phone calls, and messages were received by Mr. Johnston from parties enquiring of conditions, prices and quality of the cotton, all anxious to secure cotton picking jobs.

The advertising placed with newspapers cost less than five dollars and could have brought a thousand or more cotton pickers here, if needed.

The securing of cotton pickers for the Spur country each year has amounted to hundreds and even thousands of dollars, when individual farmers made trips back east and brought out their own needs in pickers. This is one item of expense to the country which cooperation and systematic methods would cure.

In the beginning of the the cotton maturing period it was thought that thousands of pickers would be needed to gather the crops, but later conditions have greatly reduced the promised production, and now possibly half the estimated number of pickers need can do the work.

McADOO SCHOOL BEGAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th

The McAdoo High School began last Monday, September 8, with the following teachers: J. T. Stalcup, of Wayland College, superintendent, Fred Arrington, who has taught in the Dickens High School for several years, principal, Miss Ollie Phifer, intermediate, she has also taught several years at Dickens. She taught in our school last year, Mrs. D. M. Stalcup, primary.

A great number of patrons were present for the opening exercises which were very interesting.

There was something over 160 pupils enrolled in the school and many more to come later.

The school building and grounds are being improved. Preparations are being made for athletics of different kinds.

The McAdoo school is already recognized as a good school, but with the following teachers we are expecting a better school than ever before.—One Present.

S. C. FALLIS IS BUILDING ANOTHER RESIDENCE IN SPUR

S. C. Fallis is this week having constructed in the west part of Spur another residence, this being the fifth or sixth residence Mr. Fallis has built and sold during the past year. The new building now under construction will be a four or five room modernly constructed bungalow, and this, too, will probably be for sale to the home purchaser who appreciates the plans upon which it is constructed.

There has never been a time in Spur when homes were not in demand, and in the past year or two hundreds of people have gone on to other places because of lack of housing facilities and ready prepared homes for the homeseeker. Mr. Fallis is to be commended for his substantial contribution to the needs of the town in this line.

—Attend the Fair—
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hunter, of east of Spur, were shopping in the city the first of the week.

A Two Inch Rain Falls Over the Entire Spur Country Last Monday Night

While local rains have been falling at intervals throughout the crop growing season, the first general rain since the second day of June fell here Monday night, the total rainfall amounting to approximately two inches over the entire country. The rain will be worth a great deal

to the maturing crops as well as cattle interests in this section. With late frost now many more bales of cotton will mature and be gathered, and grass will come to hold many more cattle on the ranges that otherwise would have been shipped out.

MRS. MYRTLE STYLES GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER; GIVEN SUSPENDED SENTENCE

ROBY, Sept. 18.—The long drawn out legal battle of the State of Texas vs. Myrtle Styles over the death of her former husband, Roy Winters, at Jayton in 1918, came to a close last night when a jury returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter and assessed punishment at two years with suspended sentence.

A trial which was reversed in the higher court resulted in conviction and ten years.

MASONIC LODGE ORGANIZED AT GIRARD SATURDAY NIGHT

A camp of the Masonic Lodge was organized last Saturday night at Girard with a charter membership of twenty men, good and true. The lodge hall will be over the new brick garage just completed by G. W. Waggoner.

Clif Lovelace and W. D. Wilson, of the Spur Masonic Lodge, went over and assisted in the organization of the Girard lodge.

—Attend the Fair—
A two inch rain which continues puts the country in fine shape.

NEW BRICK BUILDINGS RECENTLY COMPLETED IN THE CITY OF SPUR

D. H. Sullivan this week completed a brick extension of his one hundred-foot store building. Hale and Hogan, Bryant-Link Company, Morgan Brothers, E. L. Caraway, J. D. Powell, G. B. Jopling, J. E. Keller, Riter Hardware Company and D. H. Sullivan have just recently completed a total of fifteen new brick store buildings, some of which are as fine business structures as will be found in West Texas. Aside from those already completed the Ramsey Garage is covering three lots with a handsome brick structure, Geo. S. Link is building a brick structure to be occupied by the Spur Bottling Works. Other buildings are contemplated and will be built later.

No town in West Texas is building and growing more rapidly and substantially, or does more business than Spur.

THE CITY OF McADOO IS STEADILY IMPROVING

McAdoo, the little inland town on the plains, and in the northwest corner of Dickens county is keeping up with larger towns when it comes to building.

A new gin will soon be completed to help care for the cotton crops, while there is already one gin which is now running. Mr. Guthrie, manager of the West Texas Gins, is operating the property.

Mr. Meeks from Roaring Springs is building two business houses which will be used for dry goods and groceries.

A. V. Womack has almost completed a building, which will be used for a restaurant.

Other new buildings are being planned and will be built soon.

The Spur National Bank
Spur, Texas

SUBJECT: WINTER PASTURE
Farmer Friends:

A mighty good time to sow that winter pasture!

You can get seed rye from W. M. Hazel, Spur, and seed wheat from farmers near McAdoo, or from grain dealers here.

If you need financial assistance, call on us.

Your friend,
THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK

DICKENS-McADOO HIGHWAY TO BE HARD-SURFACED TO COUNTY LINE

Bids are being advertised for and will be received by County Judge Brummett up to October 21st for the grading, hauling and hard-surfacing of the highway from Dickens west up on the plains through the McAdoo country and on to the west line of Dickens county.

County Engineer J. W. Alger, who has been here surveying and superintending road work for the state highway department during the past year, has just completed the survey of this road and made an estimate of the cost of building the road and also the construction of a bridge over Duck Creek where the highway crosses.

Gravel will be used for hard-surfacing under the Cap Rock, while on the Plains to the county line, the white chalk or lime rock found in Blanco Canyon will be used for hard surfacing.

Mr. Alger estimates that approximately seventy-five thousand dollars will be spent by the highway department in this road improvement and bridge construction.

The state highway department is now maintaining the state designated highways throughout Dickens county, and will spend several hundred thousand dollars in maintenance, improvement and extensions of the highways. Dickens was the first county in West Texas to hard-surface roadways and adopt a system of main highways and secondary roadways throughout the county. The Highway Department, in taking over the highways, will make Dickens county a model of good roads construction and maintenance.

—Attend the Fair—

Mr. Busby, mother of J. H. Busby, and Miss McClellan, of Stamford, are in Spur this week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Busby at their home in the city.

FORBIS AND FERGUSON SHIP... STOCKER CALVES TO K. C.

Last week R. C. Forbis and J. F. Ferguson shipped out of Roaring Springs three car loads of stocker calves to Kansas City market. Notwithstanding uncertain marketing conditions at this time the larger cattle markets of the country are being overloaded with shipments from all parts of the country.

—Attend the Fair— NEW FARM HOME AND FILLING STATION ON ROAD TO DICKENS

W. L. Lusk is having a large and the intersecting point of the Spur-modern farm home constructed at Dickens-McAdoo roads near Dickens. The new home is one of the finest of the country. He is also building a gasoline filling station at this point on the highways, and which will probably soon be in operation.

The building progress is most substantial throughout Dickens county and the great Spur country.

—Attend the Fair— METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Study of "Women and Missions" taught by Mrs. Manning proved to be very interesting at our meeting at 8:30 on Monday. Learning of the great work of the women who pioneered the great mission work of the women of our church.

Our next lesson will be the first Monday in October.

Remember the bakery sale on the fourth Saturday.

The Tom Thumb wedding will be given on October 3, under the supervision of the Methodist ladies.—Supt. of Publicity.

—Trade at Home—
J. M. Howze, of Highway, was meeting with friends and transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

COTTON PICKING WILL OPEN UP THRUOUT COUNTRY NEXT WEEK

Cotton picking will open up in real earnest next week throughout the entire Spur country. While picking has been in progress in certain sections the past two weeks, and several hundred bales have already been ginned, yet in general the cotton is just now opening ready for

picking. Because of unfavorable conditions the number of bales formerly estimated to be ginned will not materialize. However, the general rain of approximately two inches Monday night will mature more cotton and help the country in general to a great extent.

TEXAS TO GET \$120,000 IN RED RIVER OIL WELL TAXES

AUSTIN, Sept. 18.—The state of Texas will collect \$120,000 in gross production on taxes from oil wells in the Red River section involved in the boundary dispute between Oklahoma and Texas, according to F. H. Pierson, chief of the gross receipts division of the comptroller's office. Mr. Pierson returned today from Wichita Falls, where he has been for a week checking the federal receiver's reports.

—Attend the Fair—
Mr. and Mrs. Tol Merriman, of south of Spur, were among the number of visitors and shoppers on the streets Saturday.

HOCKEY COUNTY RAISING BONUS FOR RAILROAD

LEVELLAND, Texas.—J. A. Wilson, promoter of the Lubbock & Western Railway, met a group of representative citizens here for the purpose of considering means of constructing a railroad to connect Levelland and Lubbock.

Hockey county is raising a bonus of \$250,000 to aid in cost of construction, and citizens of Cochran county also are to raise a bonus toward the cost of projecting the railroad into that county. The ultimate western terminus will be Artesia or Roswell in the Pecos valley of New Mexico.

Levelland is the newest county seat in Texas.

Two Thousand Steers Shipped Out Of Spur Monday to Seymour Pasture

Frank Corn, of the Half Circle S Ranch west of Spur, Monday drove in one thousand head of two and three year old steers and shipped them out to Seymour. Mr. Corn sold to Frank Nevill and Sons of near Seymour two thousand head of two and three year old steers for a consideration of forty-five dollars a head. The one thousand shipped Monday was the first of the herd, the second thousand to be shipped next week. The steers will be wintered on the Nevill pastures near Seymour.

—Trade at Home—

G. H. Connell, banker, cattleman and capitalist, of Fort Worth, spent several days of the past week in Spur with his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Edmonds.

CHILLICOTHE YOUTH KILLED BY BALL FROM FATHER'S GUN

CHILLICOTHE, Sept. 15.—Claude Galleher, age 14, was shot and instantly killed about three miles north of town at 12:30 Sunday afternoon, when a bullet his father fired from a .22 calibre rifle at a squirrel in a nearby tree was deflected by a limb entered his right lung, severing a large artery. The party was hunting when the accident occurred and the son was across the creek above the father, who fired from the creek bed. Death was instantaneous.

Claude was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Galleher of this city. The father is prostrated with grief. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1:00 o'clock at the Chillicothe cemetery.

TERRELL PREDICTS 4,125,000 BALEYIELD FOR TEXAS

AUSTIN, Sept. 8.—Texas cotton crop this season will be only 80,000 bales less than that of last year, according to estimates published by George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture. The crop will total around 4,125,000 bales, Mr. Terrell said. This is about 250,000 bales above the Federal estimates.

Mr. Terrell believes the splendid condition of cotton in the northwest counties will increase the production above his estimate. Reports from 200 counties show about 16,000,000 acres in cotton this year. A price of 25 cents a pound to the farmer is the lowest cotton can go this year without losing money for the producer, the report said.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The text of the Republican platform is as follows.

The Republican party of Texas, in convention assembled, affirms its fealty to the ticket and platform put forward by the Republican National Convention, at Cleveland, and urges the people of Texas to vote for Coolidge and Dawes because they represent, in the highest degree, the forces which make for their own peace, security and prosperity.

We declare that the present need of Texas is a new and a clean sweep in all of her political affairs.

We stand for these things as paramount issues:

1—A drastic reduction of the cost of Government, not merely as a campaign slogan, but as an imperative necessity. If our candidate for Governor shall be elected, he will hold the noses of the Legislators to the grindstone until they provide for it.

2—An amendment of the primary election law which will empower each party to select its own method of nomination.

3—Provision for a non-partisan judiciary.

4—Adoption of a system of road improvement through the use of convict labor which will make it unnecessary to impoverish the future for the payment of unlimited bond issues.

5—Drastic limitation upon bond issues.

6—The consolidation of all tax rendition into one system and provision for appeals which will correct arbitrary actions by boards of equalization.

7—Abolishment of the State ad valorem tax and the dedication to the State exclusively of sufficient special taxes to defray all state expenses.

8—We believe in provision for the passage of local laws which will insure a faithful reflection of the will of the whole community rather than give effect to the arbitrary will of a single legislator.

9—We favor adequate support for all of the educational institutions of the State from the rural school to the University of Texas as one harmonious system, every part of which is indispensable to the moral and material development of the State and to its steady progress toward the noblest ends of a Christian civilization.

10—We stand for the vigorous enforcement of all laws without indulgence. Federal authorities to give full enforcement as well as civic duty demands that the State should not fall behind the Federal government in the enforcement of the prohibition laws, but should rather, by the vigor of its own administration, render it unnecessary to invoke the aid of the Federal authorities to give full enforcement to these or to any other laws. All laws are too weakly enforced, and it is a sacred official duty to enforce them all alike.

11—Extension of such aid as can be given to the farmer to enable him to realize the full value of his products, without undertaking to assume control of supervision of his business.

12—Protection for the right of labor to collective bargaining, and encouragement of its just aspirations toward industrial advancement.

13—Reform of court procedure which will give speedy trials, stop government by due process of law, and swift enforcement of law and abolish the unbearable tax now levied upon all litigants for the privilege of asserting their legal rights.

14—This party pledges itself and its candidates to stand inflexibly for government by due process of law and against all groups, open or secret which attempt to take the law into their own hands. If its candidates are elected the Republican party of Texas gives assurance that no act of their will render aid or comfort to any organization based on prejudice or discrimination against any citizen for reasons of race, color or creed.

There is no place in American life for a secret political society, by

whatever name it may be known or whatever tenets it may advocate. Being convinced of the soundness of these principles, we announce our unalterable opposition to the Ku Klux Klan.

If entrusted with power the Republican party will make an honest and courageous effort to carry this platform into effect. If it shall accomplish nothing more in the next ten years than the Democratic party of Texas has accomplished in the last ten years—its main achievement being to increase the cost of State Government 300 per cent—it will then expect to be banished from power.

Attend the Fair—
J. F. Speer was greeting friends on the streets of Spur Saturday. He informed us that he and Mrs. Speer had moved to Whiteflat where they would make their home with their son who is this year teaching the Whiteflat school. He had the Texas Spur come to their new address, stating that he had not lost interest in this section and wanted to know what is going on.

Attend the Fair—
FOR SALE—House and lot in east part of Spur.—See S. C. Fallis for price and terms. 47-1tc

Attend the Fair—
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds, of the Croton country, were among the visitors and shoppers in Spur Saturday of the past week.

Attend the Fair—
Bert Brown and family are this week moving from the 24 Ranch to Stanton where we understand Mr. Brown will engage in the filling station business.

Attend the Fair—
STRAYED—One muley head and white cow branded (Spear-E) on left hip; one red white faced cow branded (Spear-E); and one red white faced cow branded HD (connected).—Robert Reynolds, Dickens, Texas. 47-2tc

Attend the Fair—
FOR SALE—Cheap for cash. Splendid bargain in residence property. One seven-room house near Spur High School, or a five room house in the eastern portion of Spur.—See J. P. Wilkes. 40-1tc

Attend the Fair—
Mrs. Paul Aiken underwent an operation Monday at the Nichols Sanitarium. Mr. Aiken brought her to the sanitarium Saturday, the operation being delayed awaiting the arrival of her father, Dr. Earnest, of Eastland county.

Attend the Fair—
M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was in Spur recently greeting his friends and acquaintances here.

Lon Kizziah, of north of Dickens, has been spending the week in Spur to be with Mrs. Kizziah who is in the Nichols Sanitarium, having undergone an operation last Saturday. He reports Mrs. Kizziah doing nicely at this time and will soon be sufficiently recovered to be removed to their home.

Attend the Fair—
A good Bridge & Beach cook stove for sale.—Mrs. I. G. VanLeer. 47-tfs

Attend the Fair—
Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, of Dickens, were in Spur Monday, spending some time here. We understand that Dr. Blackwell has purchased the Ben J. Brothers residence in Spur and he and Mrs. Blackwell will move here at an early date and make Spur their home in the future.

Attend the Fair—
WANTED—To rent a piano for the school term for the use of Dickens school.—F. S. Hale, Dickens. 44-4tp

Attend the Fair—
W. E. Gates, of Afton, was here recently meeting with his many friends of Spur and of the county. Mr. Gates is not the least disgruntled because of political misfortunes, but is expecting to harvest big crops and enjoy prosperity this fall.

Attend the Fair—
MARRIED

R. C. Jones, pastor of the Church of Christ, was united in marriage to Miss Lois Garner of Quanah, Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Jones came to Spur Monday where they will make their future home.

The Texas Spur joins his many friends in Spur in extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Attend the Fair—
E. C. Edmonds made a business trip Tuesday of this week to Seminole and other points on the plain. Aside from the banking business Mr. Edmonds is now interested in farming in that section, he having five hundred acres in a farm near Seminole.

Attend the Fair—
Mrs. J. J. Cloud, of the Soldier Mound community, was among the shoppers in the city the past week.

For First Class Repairs in Watch Makers Line

See

LEE GARRETT

at the City Drug Store
Spur, Texas

TO FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

All Farm Bureau members will take notice that our credit and shipping committee is composed of A. C. Hindman, A. Biggs, and Ed Jackson. All members feeling that they cannot ship all or part of their cotton will confer with this committee on these dates, 3rd Saturday in September and 1st Saturday in October. Please see this committee on above dates at justice office at Spur, at 3:00 o'clock.—L. G. Crabtree, Pres., D. J. Gilbert, Sec. 46-4t

Trade at Home

5 1/2 Per Cent FEDERAL FARM LOANS 35 YEARS TIME

\$25.00 or up can be paid any time—Make your own terms. Over one hundred million loaned to Texas Farmers.

S. L. DAVIS

Weak Nervous

"I was weak and nervous and run-down," writes Mrs. Edith Sellers, of 466 N. 21st St., East St. Louis, Ill. "I couldn't sleep nights, I was so restless. I felt tired and not in condition to do my work. I would have such pains in my stomach that I was afraid I would get down in bed. My mother came to see me and suggested that I use

CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

I felt better after my first bottle. I had a better appetite. It seemed to strengthen and build me up. I am so glad to recommend Cardui for what it did for me. I haven't needed any medicine since I took Cardui, and I am feeling fine. Nervousness, restlessness, sleeplessness—these symptoms so often are the result of a weak, run-down condition, and may develop more seriously if not treated in time.

If you are nervous and run-down, or suffering from some womanly weakness, take Cardui. Sold everywhere. E-105



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MONEY BACK WITHOUT QUESTION

HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap) fails in the treatment of Itch your druggist is fully authorized to return to you the purchase price.

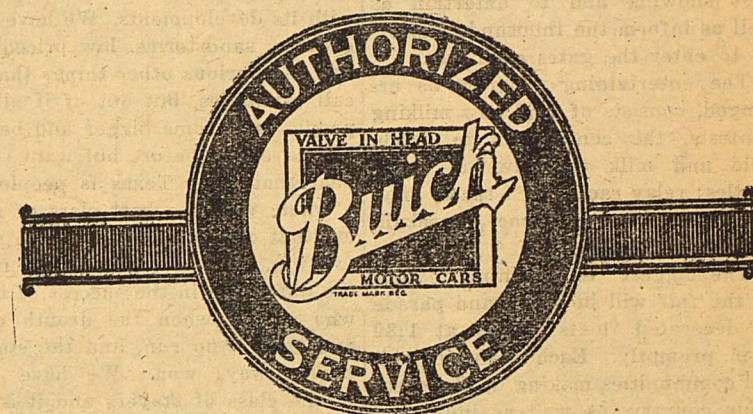
A Medford, Oklahoma man, among thousands who praise HUNT'S SALVE, says:

"Some people dislike to call it the Itch, but candor compels me to admit I had it badly. Your Hunt's Salve, however, cured me after many other remedies had totally failed."

HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap) are especially compounded for the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter and other itching skin diseases, and is sold on our money-back guarantee by all reliable drug stores.

Remember, if it fails it costs you nothing, so give it a trial at our risk.

SPUR DRUG STORE



His car's faultless performance frequently lures a Buick owner to distant and remote places - but wherever he goes Buick Authorized Service is near at hand. F-6A-NP

SPUR BUICK COMPANY

SPUR, TEXAS

When better automobiles are built, Buick will build them

Additional Spur Farm Land Offering

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 per cent interest only to date of payment.

S. M. Swenson And Sons

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

Spur, Dickens County, Texas

THE MAN OF THE HOUR

Political campaigns are generally won through the appeal of one single thought or issue. Sometimes this thought or issue is evolved by campaign managers and sometimes it seems to come spontaneously from the public. There seems to be such a thought arising in the candidacy of John W. Davis for the presidency. Mr. Davis has made a few speeches on a speaking tour that has taken him as far west as Denver. Already he is being called "The Man of the Hour." If this thought becomes anything like general all of the organization and the power of the forces opposing him cannot prevent his being swept into the presidency.

The Houston Chronicle discussing "The Occasion and the Man" goes back into history to show that leadership has always come forth when most needed. "Washington," says the Chronicle, "is a conspicuous and outstanding verification of its truth, and when the thirteen colonies appeared to be doomed to perpetual monarchical vassalage, there appeared upon the stage of political action such men as James Madison, Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton and their contemporaries and co-workers, who not only put forth a Declaration of Independence which belongs in the immortality of the literature of statesmanship, but later without guide or model, pattern or precedent, devised a form of government which has since remained as the marvel of the centuries, and framed a constitution as remarkable as is the government of which it is the organic law."

"Just when that constitution has been ratified and became the chart and compass of a young republic, John Marshall appears to have been raised up to interpret it and adapt its elastic provisions to the political and economic exigencies of that day of trial and experiment in government, and perhaps no man in civil or military life in all history ever rendered to his own people, and through them to all mankind service so remarkable and so valuable."

"It is doubtful whether any man in all the north could have performed the gigantic task which fell to Abraham Lincoln as he performed it. Yet there were scores of men in public life whose experience was far greater than his, and who were esteemed far abler."

"Instances might be recalled almost without number where suddenly and unexpectedly and contrary to political calculations and prognostications men have been called into service by sheer force of conditions, which no man could have forecast, who have been found so adapted to the needs of the hour and so equipped for the exigencies of the occasion as to suggest the thought that he must have been the product of unseen forces and influences."

"It is not to strain the imagination or indulge in hyperbole to say that the nomination of the present Democratic candidate was a result so remarkable as to justify the query, was it not more than the result of political accident or manipulation."

"Mr. Davis had no organization. He did not intrude himself upon the convention. He had used none of the usual methods of the politician to attract attention to himself. So far as concerned his attitude to the convention and the nomination it was one of most scrupulous propriety, untainted by even the suggestion of demagoguery."

"For ten days the waves of human emotion and passion ran high, and it seemed impossible that out of such a storm the ship of Democracy could be saved from the rocks and be steered into a haven of safety, but it was, and to John W. Davis we are indebted for the achievement, in the sense that in the hour of reaction from strife and clamor and turmoil the minds of the partisans of every candidate turned as of one impulse to him."—Wichita Daily Times.

Trade at Home
J. Carlisle, of Gilpin, was in the city Monday and while here paid us a pleasant call. In speaking of the cotton crop on his place Mr. Carlisle said it would probably turn out a fourth, a third and up to half a bale to the acre, possibly averaging from one-fourth to a third of a bale to the acre. His section of the country this year failed to get as much rain as in the north part of Dickens county, therefore the production will be cut short. However, Uncle Jonas will make more than enough to meet his needs and tide him over another year. Great is West Texas.

Attend the Fair
FOR SALE or TRADE—100-acre farm, well improved, 1 mile north of Spur.—A. BIGGS. 45-4tp

It is said that E. J. Cairnes claims to be the champion fisherman of all of Western Texas. While fishing recently with rod and line he received numerous bites, made an unsuccessful haul, losing both catch and bait. However, the hook landed in a tree, hooking a grass hopper and in throwing again he landed a five pound bass. Who can beat it?

Attend the Fair

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THE EDITOR'S BEAUTITUDES

"Blessed are the merchants who advertise because they believe in it and in their business for their prosperity shall increase manifold."

"Blessed are the country correspondents who send in their well written items every week; for fame of their friendly neighborhood shall go abroad in the land."

"Blessed is the woman who sends in a written account of a party or wedding, for she shall see the details of the function and the names of her guests correctly reported."

"Blessed are all those who do not expect the editor to know everything, but who call up and tell him whenever an interesting event occurs to them; for they shall have a newsy paper in town."

"Blessed are they who get their copy in early; for they shall occupy a warm place in the editor's heart."

"Blessed are all those who cooperate with the editor in his efforts in behalf of the community; for their town shall be known far and wide as a good place in which to live.—Ex.

Attend the Fair
FOR SALE—160 acre farm with or without crop, good water and fairly well improved. Price right.—O. C. Henry, 6 miles northwest of Dickens. 44-4tp

Attend the Fair
Ol Taylor was on the streets Monday. He informed us that he had picked out some cotton. He didn't state whether or not he sold, but Ol Taylor is one farmer who could hold it if he so desired and thought it would pay. Past experiences have taught many farmers to not "buck" the cotton market when it is up to forty cents or even down to twenty cents.

Attend the Fair
I AM teaching a class in expression in connection with Spur school. Those desiring to take expression, please see or call me at school building.—Miss Zura Howard. 46-2tp

Attend the Fair

J. T. Cozby, of fourteen miles west of Spur, was here selling farm products and also buying supplies of Spur merchants one day during the week.

Attend the Fair

Judge Brummett, who has been in the Nichols Sanitarium the past two weeks, having undergone another operation, was removed Monday to his home at Dickens. Judge Brummett has hit it pretty hard the past year, this being his second or third operation, each being for different troubles. In former operations the Judge states that taking ether made him so sick and thirsty that in this last operation he decided to take only local anesthetic. In this manner he knew what Dr. Nichols was doing and could feel every movement of the surgical knife which made him bounce around. His many friends will be glad to know that the Judge is now doing well and will soon again be attending his official duties.

Attend the Fair
C. Sullivan, wife and child, of Farris, Texas, have moved to Spur and are now making their home here. Mr. Sullivan will be associated with his father, D. H. Sullivan, in his grain, coal and grocery business through the fall months.

Attend the Fair
Mr. Patterson, of Stonewall county, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week.

Attend the Fair
A. C. George, of the Highway community, was trading with merchants and greeting friends on the streets Saturday.

Attend the Fair
J. A. Kerley, of east of Spur, was among the number on the streets Tuesday marketing cotton.

Attend the Fair
WANTED—Family to pick cotton.—R. L. Gilmore, 3 miles N. Dickens, on Roaring Springs Road. 47-1tp

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CROSBYTON PAVING

CROSBYTON, Sept. 14.—Construction of 11 blocks of paving in the business district is well under way. Brick laid on natural surface is the type of paving being used and should be completed by Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bingham, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, were visitors and shoppers in the city Saturday.

Trade at Home
Mr. Rutledge returned Tuesday from a trip to South Texas.

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Dickens News and Items of Interest From In and Around County Capitol

The Dickens High School commenced its 1924-25 term of school last Monday, Frank Speer, superintendent, with the following teachers: J. L. Speer, J. W. Patterson, Miss Fannie Kelly and Mrs. J. W. Patterson. The Dickens High School is recognized as a good school over West Texas, and no doubt will keep this record.

Willie Payne is reported very sick at his home in the city.

W. L. Lusk has completed a modern farm home south of town.

B. Y. Love will soon have his home completed in a few days.

Mr. Thompson of the Espuela community is constructing a bungalow in the east part of town.

C. A. Jones of near Roaring Springs has moved to Dickens for the advantages of our school.

Fred Arrington is teaching school at McAdoo this term. We regret very much to lose him, for he is recognized as one of the leading school teachers of Dickens county.

Elbert Green and Miss Josephine Cessman were married Sunday night at Crosbyton. Mr. Green is the son of T. M. Green of this place, and Miss Cessman's home is in Dalhart. She has been deputy clerk for several years. We hope them a long and happy married life.

Judge Brummett was brought home from the sanitarium Monday. He is slightly improving.

O. Douglass and family of Spur moved out to Dickens last week.

The Baptist meeting closed last week. It was a great success, several additions to the church were reported.

F. I. Hale and family of Afton have moved to the city for the benefits of our school.

Miss Parthenia Beebe of Baird will teach music and expression at the high school.

Miss Olive Meadors has been visiting in Lubbock the past week.

Trade at Home

Sealed proposals addressed to H. A. C. Brummett, County Judge, for the construction of Duck Creek bridge in Dickens County, will be received at the office of the County Judge, at Dickens, Texas until one o'clock, p. m., October 21st, 1924, and then publicly opened and read.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK TO BE DONE:

Construction of a reinforced concrete girder bridge on concrete pile bents. Approximate quantities as follows: 54.7 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled first one-fourth mile 54.7 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled second one-fourth mile, 2954.0 lbs. reinforcing steel, 305.0 sq. yds. grout ed riprap, 30.0 cu. yds. structural excavation (dry), 109.56 cu. yds. girder concrete (Class A), 41.98 cu. yds. Class A concrete, 840.0 lin. ft. concrete piling, 244.0 lin. ft. concrete bridge rail (Type C).

Detailed plans and specifications of the work may be seen for examination, and information may be obtained at the office of J. W. Alger, County Engineer, at Dickens, Texas, and at the office of the State Highway Department, State Office Building, Austin, Texas.

A certified, or cashier's check for five per-cent of amount bid made payable without recourse to the order of H. A. C. Brummett, County Judge of Dickens Co., must accompany each proposal, as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into contract and make bond in accordance with requirements of the specifications. The right is reserved by the party of the first part to reject any and all proposals or to waive all technicalities.

Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked, "Bids

for the Construction of the Duck Creek Bridge in Dickens County."

All bids received will be retained by the Department and will not be returned to the bidders.—H. A. C. Brummett, County Judge. 47-4t.

Attend the Fair

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR Road and Bridge Construction.

Sealed proposals addressed to H. A. C. Brummett, County Judge, for the improvement of certain highways in Dickens County, will be received at the office of the County Judge, at Dickens, Texas, until one o'clock p. m. October 21st, 1924, and then publicly opened and read.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK TO BE DONE: Grading, Surfacing and Drainage Structures on Federal Aid Project 443-A, State Highway No. 53. Approximate quantities as follows: 84.0 stations clearing, 84.0 stations light grubbing, 17172.3 cu. yds. earth borrow excavation, 525.6 cu. yds. solid rock excavation, 662.3 cu. yds. loose rock excavation, 71032.6 cubic yards earth roadway excavation, 454.0 cu. yds. structural excavation (dry), 65360.0 sta. yds. over haul excavation, 4368.0 lin. ft. wood guard fence, 36212.0 lbs. reinforcing steel, 327.98 cu. yds. Class A concrete, 11570.0 cu. yds. gravel surfacing hauled 1st. 1-4 mile 12320.1 cu. yds. caliche surfacing hauled first one-fourth mile, 2396.7 cubic yards clay binder hauled first one-fourth mile, 2864.0 cu. yds. surfacing hauled second one-fourth mile, 4567.4 cu. yds. surfacing hauled third one-fourth mile, 3111.2 cu. yds. surfacing hauled fourth one-fourth mile, 1896.8 cu. yds. surfacing hauled 5th one-fourth mile, 656.1 cubic yds. surfacing hauled sixth one-fourth mile, 784.5 cu. yds. surfacing hauled 7th one-fourth mile, 9858.0 cu. yds. surfacing hauled eighth one-fourth mile, 59927.2 cu. yds. surfacing hauled additional one-fourth mile, 374.2 M. Gals. water hauled first mile, 457.59 M. Gal. water hauled additional mile, 6400.0 cu. yds. earth excavation stripping material pits, 104.0 hrs. rolling surfacing, 109.25 stations scarifying and reshaping.

Bids will be accepted on the drain on the work as a whole must state in grading and surfacing, and bidders age structures separately from their proposal whether they will accept any part of the work as subdivided.

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for Sale or Trade—Six room residence with bath, sleeping porch, city water and lights, nice shade trees; 3 blocks west of Spur National Bank. See J. H. Clay at Farmers Gin, Spur, Texas. 47-tf.

SWENSON STEERS WINNERS IN FATTENING CONTEST

STAMFORD, Sept. 14.—an unusually interesting test was recently made in the corn belt region by Northern feeders between two herds of Texas cattle, the noted Swenson Hereford steers from Stamford being fed out against the Texas Brahmas.

George Tamblin marketed from his feedlots at Parkville, Mo., 23 head of Swenson interests steers that average 1,059 pounds and topped the day's beef steer trade at \$11 per 100.

Tamblin received these steers as calves at his farm in November, 1923. They averaged at that time 337 pounds each, and cost, laid down at Parkville, 34 a head. They were roughed through the winter with a small amount of grain and finished on a ration of corn, alfalfa and molasses feed. In the 267 days intervening between their arrival at Parkville and their sale at Kansas City, they made an average gain per head per day of 2.7 pounds.

They sold for \$116.49 a head or an advance of \$82.49 a head over their original cost.

On that same day, Ira Barker of Burns, Kans., marketed two carloads of steer yearlings that were out of good quality grade dams, sired by half-breed Brahma bulls. They were bred in Texas, and were received by Burns in December, 1923, at which time they averaged 505 pounds each.

They were roughed through the winter and finished on a ration of corn, alfalfa and molasses feed. During the 249 days that intervened between their arrival at Burns and their sale at Kansas City they gained an average of 345 pounds, an average gain per head per day of 1.4 pounds.

On August 12 they were marketed at Kansas City and brought \$3.75 per 100, or \$74.37 a head. The original cost of them was not made public, but to borrow a statement from the American Hereford Journal "The conclusion reached by the average feeder would be that if the Brahmas did not cost Mr. Baker anything, he did not realize as much on them as Mr. Tamblin did on the

Herefords he purchased from the Swenson interests of Stamford.

"This was the first of the Brahmas that have been handled by the Northern feeders, and the tests have not been conducted sufficiently to determine definitely what this breed of animals may be worth to the feeders of the corn belt regions. Similar tests have been made at Spur, Texas, at the State Experimental Station, to determine the comparative merits of the Hereford breed with the Brahma strain."

Attend the Fair

A PICNIC SUPPER

Tuesday evening the young married ladies of Circle Two, of the Baptist Ladies Aid, honored their husbands with a picnic supper at Wilson tank. After the delicious supper, many interesting games were enjoyed. Circle Two will meet with Circle One at the church next Monday, and Mrs. Cowan will be leader of the lesson. You are invited.—Rep.

Attend the Fair

SPUR INN DINES THE SPUR FIRE BOYS THURSDAY

The Spur Inn honored the Spur Fire Boys Thursday with the first dinner served following the reconstruction of the Inn which was recently destroyed by fire.

As a further mark of recognition and appreciation of the efforts to save the Inn from the fire, the Fire Boys were each presented with a helmet, fifteen in number.

After this week the Spur Inn will be open and ready to receive guests.

The destruction of Spur Inn was a severe blow to Spur, and we are all proud to see it reestablished and again in operation.

Attend the Fair

A good Jersey cow with heifer calf to trade for cow that will milk without calf.—J. H. Clay 47-tf.

Attend the Fair

Campbell & Campbell are keeping in the building improvement procession. They are this week double-decking their entire store, giving the building almost double capacity.

Attend the Fair

Ed Lisenby, we understand is supplying the town with more and bigger mellons than any other farmer in the country. Ed Lisenby is farming about fifteen hundred acres, and we are told that his crops are fine, but somewhat late on account of replantings.

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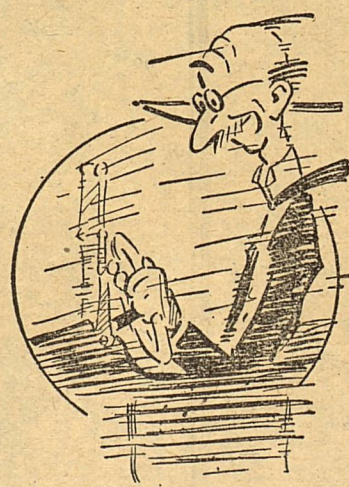
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CENTRAL MARKET

WORLD FAMOUS PUBLISHER WEARS GRAY FLANNELS IN THE OTHER WORLD PER A STORY

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Fleet Street London's world of newspaper men, is buzzing with a new sensation. The newspaper "The People," has published, in serious vein, what purports to be a long spiritual message from the late Lord Northcliffe, formerly owner of the London Times, Daily Mail and numerous other publications.

The spirit of Northcliffe, according to his former confidential secretary, through whom the message was received, described "the other world" as a most pleasant place in which he wears grey flannels and lives in a beautiful country house, works to get clothes, and has Tolstoi and Joseph Conrad for friends.

Northcliffe is quoted as saying that he was "with Conrad when he passed over." The famous novelist died several weeks ago.

The article in "The People" asserts the message was given to Miss Louise Owen, who served for twenty years as Northcliffe's private secretary, through a spiritual medium named Mrs. Leonard.

Miss Owen says that the message came verbally through the medium in Northcliffe's tones and mannerisms and the editor of the paper vouches for her sincerity.

The spirit of Northcliffe began the talk by praising the League of Nations, condemning war and declaring that the League offered the only way to end war.

Then a more personal tone was struck.

"I am glad that I passed over," Northcliffe said. "I am in perfect health."

"I had an idea that we over here floated round wearing white robes. How I should have hated that."

But it was then explained that the idea of heaven was all wrong.

"I have teeth, finger nails and everything," Northcliffe continued. "I am wearing a gray flannel suit, a soft collar and a soft shirt. We have no money, but work out everything in kind. I worked for my suit."

Northcliffe, who was ill in the later years of his life with throat trouble, is quoted as stressing the ideal health of those on "the other side."

"Persons are never ill here," he said. "They are never hurt and never depressed. I would not return to earth, for I am happy here, and there is much for me to do."

"You will be glad to know that I have chosen a country home here—not in town. I have a beautiful home with flowers and birds about it."

Irrespective of their beliefs or disbeliefs in spiritual manifestations, Londoners are taking the story with gravity. Lord Northcliffe's powerful friends and family must be considered in any treatment of the late millionaire newspaper proprietor. The shadow of Northcliffe, the British colossus of journalism, is still heavy over Fleet Street.

Furthermore "The People," presents the story as a serious news report, and Hannen Swaffer, editor of "The People," himself a well known British journalist, publishes a signed statement in which he vouches unqualifiedly for the sincerity of Miss Owen and declares that she is profoundly convinced that she talked with Lord Northcliffe. Swaffer expresses the belief that the statement from Lord Northcliffe contributes important evidence of a future life.

The publication of the article Sunday started a train of arguments, reminiscences and excitement in the Press Club, the Wellington Restaurant, the Cheshire Cheese, Simpson's and other rendezvous of newspaper men and woke echoes in Mayfair, where the brilliant personality of the newspaper owner is far from forgotten.

Perhaps he did make a newspaper man's report on affairs in the other world.

"It's just what he would do," the old timers say.

Attend the Fair—
MRS. WARNER JOINS THE FORT WORTH RECORD STAFF

FORT WORTH, Sept. 9.—Phebe K. Warner, beauty messenger to women of the Southwest, has become a member of the staff of the Fort Worth Record. Her editorials, full of the joy of all life, appear daily on the back page of the Fort Worth Morning newspaper.

Mrs. Warner, known affectionately as "the little brown wren of the Panhandle," is an ardent champion of home life and self expression for women. More than a decade ago she moved to Claude, Texas, and in addition to rearing her family under pioneer conditions, she has since been

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Trade at Home—

STRAYED—One sorrel mare, 10 years old, hiped, 15 hands high; one bay mare 16 hands, snip nose. Also three mare mules and one horse mule, unbranded. — Notify D. S. Smiley, Roaring Springs. 47-2tp

Attend the Fair—

I have just returned from a trip over a large portion of Texas and through a strip of New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma, studying agricultural conditions, and find that the supply of red top cane seed will be very short. Western Oklahoma and Western Kansas have been supplying the larger portion of the red top cane seed and the crop in those sections will make very little seed. There is little doubt but that cane seed will be scarce and high priced in the spring. Farmers that have a good crop of cane seed will do well to harvest it for seed.—R. E. Dick

Attend the Fair—
AMARILLO MAN BUYS 10,000 HEAD OF STOCK; LEASES MILLIRON RANCH

AMARILLO, Sept. 14.—William O'Brien of Amarillo has purchased 10,000 head of cattle from Shroyer & McReedy of Miltonvale, Kan., and has leased the famous Milliron ranch of 70,000 acres from the Hughes estate of Denver, Colo., according to announcement made here.

The two deals will involve approximately \$500,000. The cattle are now being pastured on the Milliron range in Cottle, Motley and Hall counties.

This is the largest live stock deal in the Panhandle in several years. The cattle involved are of the famous OX brand. This brand was originally owned by White & Swearingen of Stamford. Forty-eight hundred grown cows figure in the deal and the remainder are two-year-old heifers, yearling heifers, and calves.

Mr. O'Brien secured the entire ranch equipment, including 130 cow-horses. The Milliron ranch is one of the most famous places in Texas. For many years the late Colonel Hughes used this ranch as a home for a large herd of highbred Hereford cattle and it is well known among cattlemen everywhere as the home of good cattle.

Attend the Fair—

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return date hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Dickens County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Ralph McLaughlin, Deceased, Chas. McLaughlin has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said Ralph McLaughlin, Deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the third Monday in October, A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in Dickens, Texas, this 5th day of September, A. D. 1924.—O. C. Arthur, Clerk, County Court, Dickens County, Texas, By Josephine Cessmen, Deputy.

Attend the Fair—

John Smith, of Red Mud, was in town Monday, calling around and dropping some silver coins in our advertising till. He recently had an ad placed in the Spur for John Day who wants to sell his place in New Mexico, and we suspect that Mr. Day also wants to come back to the Spur country. Several of the old timers of this section have drifted away, but most of them are already back and others are coming one at a time. People who live here any length of time can never be content elsewhere. We know of several who stayed away years longer merely because they hated to take the back track and did not want to be laughed at by their friends. However, we all stand ready to receive them with open arms and glad greetings.

Trade at Home—

WANTED—Family to gather 80 acres of cotton on Buckner farm, 4 miles west of McAdoo. House furnished.—C. Douglass. 46-4f

STRAYED—Black Mare Mule, branded U. S. (bar underneath) on left shoulder. Strayed on A. W. Van Leer place, 12 miles northwest Spur. Owner pay for this ad and get the mule. 45-4f

Attend the Fair—

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Elliott and daughters were in the city shopping Monday from their Spring Creek ranch home to the southwest of Spur.

Attend the Fair—

R. R. Wooten, county commissioner elect of the plains country, was among the number in Spur Monday of this week. Mr. Wooten was meeting with his friends here, but he is no longer talking politics. Politics is now taboo and we are all getting down to business, at least until another election rolls around.

Attend the Fair—

LOST—One mule, hob-backed, 5 years old, bay, weight 750.—Notify V. C. Douglas, Box 53, Spur, Texas. 47-1tp

Attend the Fair—

PREPARE for winter. We will launder your quilts and blankets for 35 cents. For Service, try us.—Haskell Laundry Co. 43-4fc

Attend the Fair—

Huddle Cloud, who has been teaching school in other sections the past several years, is here spending the summer vacation months with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cloud, at their home near Soldier Mound.

Attend the Fair—

Don't divorce your wife because she can't cook. Take your meals at the Western Hotel. 42-4f

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We are agents for these lands and will be glad to take you out any time. Board and lodging free while out there. The best choice land priced at \$25.00 per acre. Ten years time, 7 per cent interest. It will go fast. You can't afford to miss this opportunity.

Parties wishing to go with the intention of purchasing, if suited. Those having no cars will be furnished free transportation. I will leave Fletcher & McCombs Filling Station at Spur, for Lamesa at 9 a. m., Tuesday, August 19, and Tuesday of each week thereafter.

Make your arrangements to go with us. We will show you some of the best cotton land on the South Plains of Texas and guarantee that you will enjoy the trip. Crops out there are very fine and a great deal of land is being sold daily. The country is full of land buyers, people buying good homes. Our lands have not been advanced in price and you can still buy at last year's prices.

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Texas Items

The rural schools in Walker county will open late on account of the gathering of the cotton crop but will be in operation by the last of September.

Walter Icke, 25 years old, of Willow City, and Edgar Smith, 65, of Round Mountain, were instantly killed when the boiler of a gin at Willow City exploded a few days ago.

During the first eight months of 1924 Lufkin building permits totaled \$337,518, according to city officials. Building permits for the month of August amounted to \$17,816.

The taxable values of Brown county have increased this year over the values of last year \$25,187. The taxable values last year were \$12,859,230 and this year the values are placed at \$12,884,417.

Solution of the dilemma confronting East Texas stock farmers is offered by J. S. Ogburn of Tyler, who operates the Lindale Canning Company, it being proposed by Ogburn to can beef on the shares for the farmers.

A trades day and fair is to be held at Bishop on October 9, with this date having been designated as a general community meeting date, it has been announced by G. C. Palmer, agricultural agent of Nueces County.

Several hundred residents of Wilacy county will assemble at Raymondville next week at the dry land citrus fruit school, which will be conducted by the Valley Horticultural Society, at the invitation of residents of that county.

Boon Swinney, army engineer with headquarters in Galveston, is making a reclamation survey of the Guadalupe River from Cuero to its mouth under a recent act of congress, of which Congressman J. J. Mansfield was the author.

Leaf worms have put in an appearance in certain sections of De Witt County, where showers have caused the cotton to put out fresh green leaves and they have literally stripped a number of fields of foliage as they did last year and the year before.

Plans for the third annual Colorado county fair are rapidly being perfected by those in charge. Announcement comes this week that tentative arrangements have been made with the George W. Loos shows to furnish entertainment during the fair week in Weimar, November 10, 11 and 12.

Examinations will be held March 3, 1925, for candidates from the Texas national guard for admission to West Point. Six candidates, to be selected by competitive examinations, will be admitted on recommendation of the governor. Members of all units of the national guard are eligible for the examinations.

All coal mines operating around Bastrop are now running practically on full time. Officials state that there is at present a scarcity of labor, especially miners. However, they hope to overcome this within the next few weeks by importing more labor into the fields to take care of the increased business.

The contract for the paving and repair of the principal streets of San Marcos has been let by the city commission to Brown & Root of Georgetown. In addition to the \$25,000 bond issue, the property owners fronting paved streets will be assessed one-third cost of paving in front of their property to complete the work.

Several farmers of Weimar have reported their fields alive with cotton worms. Some report their fields practically riddled by the pests. The presence of the worms in such hot, dry weather is mystifying everybody, as it is generally believed that cotton worms follow a long rainy spell.

F. N. Clifford, manager of the Yokum Chamber of Commerce, has been tendered a place on the statewide board to get up an exhibit of Texas products to be shown at the Grand Central Palace, New York, next January. The appointment is tendered by Porter A. Whaley, state chairman, who was appointed by Governor Pat Neff.

The tax rolls of Brazos county for 1924 in the office of Tax Collector Hoy Hudspeth show quite an increase over 1923. The total assessed valuation for 1924, including real estate, merchandise, railroads, telegraph, telephone, pipe lines, etc., shows \$10,404,752. For 1923 the total valuation was \$10,153,056, an increase for 1924 over 1923 of \$251,696.

A petition requesting that farmers of the Panhandle be allowed to kill ducks, geese and brant which are damaging their crops was signed by more than 700 farmers, cattlemen and business men of Potter county. The petition will be presented to proper authorities and requests that game laws covering the hunting of geese and ducks be rescinded or abridged for that section of the country in order that the farmers may protect their crops.

Indications are the deficit in the Texas state treasury will last until about March 15, 1925, and by that time it is expected to reach nearly \$3,000,000.

Elgin is enjoying a quality of home-grown grapes that are pronounced superior to California grapes shipped to this market. The record production has been claimed for this season's crop. The yield of all fruits at Elgin this year has been far beyond expectations in the early season. Figs and tomatoes with a large supply of the finest variety have been marketed at excellent prices.

S. W. Stephenson, of the Plains country near McAadoo, was here Tuesday trading with merchants. He reports that cotton picking is beginning in earnest this week on the plains. All farmers are expected to be picking by next week. The plains country this year has a much larger acreage of cotton and maize than ever before and these crops are better than ever before. In fact, so much cotton is being produced this year that the second gin is now going in at McAadoo and will be in operation by next week.

—Attend the Fair—

J. H. Reynolds was in Spur on business and again meeting with his friends here Monday. Mr. Reynolds has for years been engaged in business at Dickens, having recently moved to a point five or six miles to the southwest of McAadoo where he has established a gasoline filling station and supply store in connection. The new place has not yet been named, but Mr. Reynolds stated that he was considering christening the new town Ma Ferguson, Joe Bailey or some similar familiar name now throughout the country. Some day railroads will criss-cross the plains and towns will dot the landscape every five or ten miles. Some day this is going to be the greatest country in America.

—Attend the Fair—

W. D. Thacker, of the Croton section of country, was transacting business and meeting with friends on the streets Tuesday of this week.

—Attend the Fair—

WANTED—A furnished house by September 1st.—Lee Garrett, watch maker. 38-4f

STOP THAT ITCHING
Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ring Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by

SPUR DRUG STORE

C. C. Cornelius was in the city Monday from his farm and ranch home over in Kent county. We understand that Mr. Cornelius has arranged to lease out his farm and ranch another year and move with his family to Girard where he recently purchased a home and will live at least through the school year for the benefit of the good schools of that town.

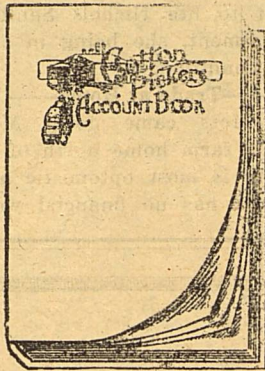
—Trade at Home

WE are again in the market for all kinds of second hand goods, paying cash for same. See us when you have anything to sell.—J. P. Wilkes & Son. 40-tfc

—Attend the Fair—

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The buying choice of this year is closed car comforts at open car cost.

Both Hudson and Essex are creations of the same engineers—they are built under the same patents—there are no differences in quality of material or workmanship—your choice will rest solely on the price you want to pay.

HUDSON-ESSEX AGENCY

Spur, Texas

C. E. Thomason, of near Roaring Springs, was in Spur Monday of this week, purchasing lumber and other building material with which to make improvements on his place.

—Attend the Fair—

FOR SALE—105 acres cotton, 6 work horses and farm tools for sale. See W. W. King on the Putman Ranch. 46-2tp

Geo. S. Link made a business trip Tuesday to Ralls where another one of the Bryant-Link stores does an extensive business.

—Attend the Fair—

Byron Haney, leading young business man of Afton, was a business visitor in Spur Monday. He reports everything lovely and the goose honking high over the Afton country.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—105 acres miles n. w. of Spur. Would like to trade for larger place. What have you to offer?—T. H. Roberts. 43-4tp

—Attend the Fair—

J. A. Mirchison, of Wichita, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week. He reports everything moving along nicely in his section.

FAIR VISITORS

Come to the Northwest Texas Fair, September 18, 19 and 20. You will be welcome and the citizens of Spur will endeavor to entertain you to the best of all concerned.

ENTERTAINMENT GALORE

The Fair produces many educational features, as well as attractions that will interest the person of any age. **Football Game, Spur vs. Silverton. This will be a hot game and will be pulled promptly on Friday at 3:30. The following day, Saturday, the 19th, we will have a top notch Baseball Game, Spur vs. Peacock. You will see games that are worth while.**

Grand Street Parade, Friday at 1:30 p. m. This will move promptly and we wish to advise all to be ready.

Visit Us While at the Fair Many New Dresses

In connection with your visit to the fair we want to welcome you to our store. Many attractive New Dresses, Coats, Hosiery and a thousand other needed items to interest the critical dresser. We trust you will make our store headquarters, you are welcome, and whether to purchase or rest, we will be glad to meet you.

See Our Line of Silk Hosiery

This store features the greatest congregation of fine Silk Hosiery shown in West Texas. We want to show you the special features of the lines we sell. All pure Silk, shades of the newest effects, and a price range for the better grades from

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Our Novelty Collection is Complete

Endless Stocks of Fancy Belts, Beads, Combs, Vanities, Bags, Handkerchiefs, Compacts, Scarfs, and Rings. You will be surprised at the extensive showing.

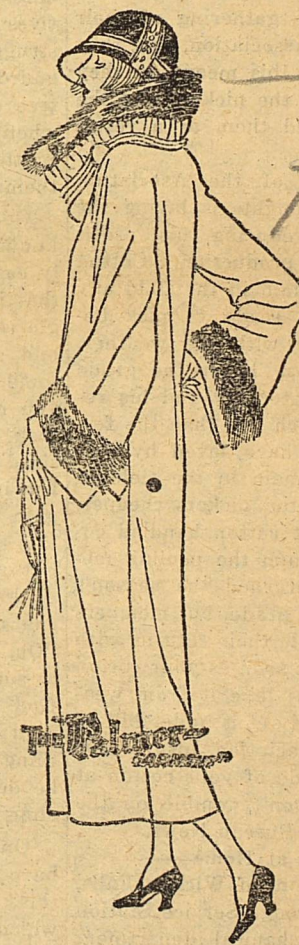
Young Men's Wants Are Here in Large Array

Youngman, come to us for that Fall Suit. Many styles in two-pants suits featured at prices from \$25.00 and up, all of Standard Makes. We are especially strong on Collegian Clothes for the better dresser. You will always find the price and merchandise with us very correct. Other strong lines for the young man are, Hats, Hosiery, Shirts, Belts, Ties, and Footwear.

May We Have Your Presence at the Earliest Date.

LOVE DRY GOODS CO.

For upbuilding of the Fair and our country in general



Prizes Awarded In the Salem Opening Guessing Contest Saturday

W. A. Kimmell and Mrs. Bell Thomason were awarded the prize of a jar full of money given away Saturday afternoon at the new store opening of J. T. Salem for the nearest guess at the amount of money contained in the jar, both their guesses being \$14.03, when the jar contained \$14.04.

Clifford Blair was the next nearest guesser with \$14.02, being given one of the best hats in the house. H. F. Morris, Austin Frazier, S. E. Grizzle and R. K. Heard each guessed \$14.00 and were given twenty-five cents each. W. S. Rutledge also guessed \$14.00 but not being present his twenty five cents premium still awaits his calling for same.

There were two thousand guesses made at the amount of money contained in the jar which was placed in the show window for all to see and examine. The guesses ranged all the way from one dollar, although a five dollar gold piece and several pieces of silver were in plain view, to sixty dollars, the highest guess.

While the three judges selected were counting the money, oranges were thrown to the throngs of people who blockaded the street and side walk in front of the store.

The two thousand or more people who visited the store and participated in the guessing contest was gratifying to the management of the new store upon its opening for business—and it is also gratifying to the Texas Spur in that the showing made was a direct result of advertising. We have long maintained that advertising is the greatest force and factor in the conduct of a successful business.

—Attend the Fair—
DON'T DELAY COTTON PICKING
From South Texas comes the report that among a few of the members there is the feeling that because they are assured of the average season's price for their crop because of their affiliation with the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, that they are delaying the gathering of their crops. Through this means do they hope to save on the pickers and the higher price paid them as a result is over.

Any member of the Association having these thoughts is laying the predicate for reducing his profit from his cotton production. Cotton permitted to remain in the field any time after it is ready to pick becomes a gamble with the weather. The elements may lower the grade of his cotton materially and his returns will be much less than the few dollars he might have saved by permitting it to remain in the field in order to get cotton pickers cheaper. It is true that cotton handled cooperatively through the pooling method will be returned the season's average price by grade, but members should not gamble their returns with the weather. As soon as your cotton is ready, pick it; take it from weather damage, and get it under bill of lading to the Association. Insure your self the full grade of your cotton at its maturity. Don't gamble on the weather.—Farm Bureau News.

—Trade at Home—
T. E. McLendon, of Wichita Falls, has leased the Dodge Service Station garage and mechanical department and now has charge of the business. Mr. McLendon is an expert and experienced mechanic, having attended a mechanical college at Kansas City and later had a number of years practical experience in one of the largest mechanical shops in Wichita Falls. He makes a specialty of electrical repairing on starters and generators. Mr. McLendon contemplates adding equipments to his Service Garage, making it one of the best equipped for electrical work west of Wichita Falls.

—Attend the Fair—
Mrs. E. L. Caraway accompanied her daughter, Miss Thelma, to Sherman this week where she will attend the Carr-Burnett school the coming term. Dr. M. H. Brannen accompanied them to Dallas for a consultation with dental specialists.

—Attend the Fair—
FOR SALE OR TRADE—Well improved 20-acre block ½ mile from school house easy terms. — H. L. Squires. 2tp.

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FATAL AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT NEAR SNYDER, TEXAS

A Dodge car carrying Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Harrison and six children of Idalou, Lubbock county, turned over on the highway about three miles east of Snyder Friday morning. Mr. Harrison and one of his sons, James, aged 7 years, were thrown from the car as it rolled into the ditch. James was killed instantly. Mr. Harrison was seriously hurt internally, but it is thought that he will recover. The other members of the family remained in the car and were only slightly injured.

A number from here went to the scene of the accident. The dead boy was taken to the Stokes undertaking parlors and the injured to a local hotel and given emergency treatment by local physicians.

The party were on their way to Brownwood to visit relatives. It is said that the car was making only 20 miles an hour, but on striking some loose sand the car suddenly skidded and went into the ditch. The car was not badly damaged.—Snyder Signal.

—Attend the Fair— MAKE YOURSELF A NEIGHBORHOOD LEADER

Get the vision, then, reader friend, young or old, man or woman. You can't be as happy as you ought to be unless your neighborhood is as happy as it ought to be. You can prosper as they ought to. Get the vision and keep the faith. Make yourself a leader in revolutionizing your neighborhood.

Hard work? We know it. Slow work? There is no doubt of it. But go to it with the foreknowledge that the work will be hard and slow. Go to it even with the knowledge that the hardest of all to bear—there will come bitter days when the very men yearns to help will judge you harshly and misinterpret your motives and you will weary of the struggle as Jonah did under his gourdvine or Elijah under the juniper tree or as Moses grew sick at heart when the Canaan-bound Hebrews muttered because he had not let them alone in their bondage.

Go to the work, we say, with the knowledge that it will not be wholly easy, and yet with the knowledge that it will be glorious in the end; glorious even if you do not see the end, but die having only inspired some one else to carry on the task you could not finish. Be glad the task is hard, be glad it is a man-sized job. There would be no heroism in doing it if it were not. You gain no strength in wrestling with the weak, be it man or job, but only in wrestling with the strong. And so you win soul strength of character, only by doing hard things. "Oh, do not pray for easier tasks," as some one has well said, "but pray God to make us stronger men." And Dr. S. C. Armstrong said a thing we should never forget when he declared: "Doing what can't be done is the glory of living."

Once again, then, kind reader, have you kept the faith? Have you this vision of a neighborhood in which life will mean more to all who are in it, where there will be more of beauty and thrift and neighborliness and intellectual vigor and worthy ambition? And have you seen how much richer and fairer and more meaningful your life will be if you will but throw your whole soul into the task of realizing this vision, achieving this ambition, for your community.—Clarence Poe, in The Progressive Farmer.

J. W. Davis, of the Soldier Mound community, called in Tuesday and helped us along the way to the extent of a year or two's subscription. He brought in a bale of cotton which he sold at the downward price of a little more than twenty one cents. It does appear that a decline in cotton prices precedes the due dates of obligations on the part of the cotton country. When the notes and mortgages have been settled and arranged for the year and the prices then may begin to rise. While cooperative organizations and systematic marketing may go a long way in solving the price problems, yet as said heretofore, we believe this problem will never be completely solved until individual farmers produce a "living at home" and are in position to either sell or keep any surplus crop they may produce.

—Trade at Home—
E. B. Shaw, of Croton, came to town Saturday and while here called by and spent a few minutes with us. Uncle Eb Shaw is a pretty accurate forecaster and prognosticator of markets, conditions and even the weather. He forecasts a further decline in prices and then an upward trend. In meeting the problems of business and obligations he advises thoughtfulness and carefulness as well as taking advantage of the experiences those who have lived and done business here for many past years.

—Attend the Fair—
J. V. McCormick returned this week from Lubbock where he has been the past two weeks under treatment of a specialist. We are glad to note that Mr. McCormick is very much improved. He will make weekly visits back to Lubbock for a time before the dismissal of his case by the specialist. His trouble comes from a diseased ear which originated in an injury sustained from a snow ball striking his ear several years ago.

—Attend the Fair—
Ben Murray Hale, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale, left last week for Fort Worth where he will enter T. C. U. for the term. Ben Murray attended Kemper Military School at Booneville, Mo., last year. Other states may have good schools, but we like the idea of Texas boys benighted in Texas colleges and universities.

—Attend the Fair—
L. A. Hindman made a trip the first of the week to Sweetwater after a new Dodge car with which to supply the demand of one of his customers. New automobiles of all standard makes are now in demand throughout the Spur country, and the several dealers of the city are kept busy supplying this demand, not the least of whom is Powell & Hindman.

—Attend the Fair—
G. W. Dodson, of the Tennessee Valley community north of Dickens, was one of the number in Spur Tuesday. Crops throughout the north part of Dickens county could not be better than they are now, and if the price don't drop too low it will be a prosperous year for all farmers of the favored sections.

—Attend the Fair—
Dr. Earnest, of Ranger, is in Spur this week to be with his daughter, Mrs. Aiken, who was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium Sunday for an operation. Mrs. Aiken is now doing nicely.

—Attend the Fair—
Southwester Bell Telephone Co. Seventeenth Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Wednesday, October 1, 1924, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, September 20, 1924.

R. A. NICKERSON,
Treasurer.

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J. D. Powell was called to Abilene Saturday afternoon on account of the critical illness of his daughter, Miss Allie Powell, whose condition necessitated an immediate operation which was performed at the Abilene sanitarium before the arrival of Mr. Powell.

—Trade at Home—
Bush Mayfield, popular druggist of Roaring Springs, came down to Spur one day the past week, purchasing one of the new Essex, six-cylinder closed cars. This may indicate that Bush is either prospering or preparing to please the fair sex.

—Attend the Fair—
Henry Elkins left Wednesday for Fort Worth where he will reenter T. C. U. for the coming term. Henry is a recognized artist in music and will finish his musical course in the college this year. He is also taking a course in journalism which will be completed later.

—Attend the Fair—
Mrs. Spraberry, of near Spur, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium for treatment, she being in a very critical condition.

—Trade at Home—
Sim Moss came down Monday from his farm home north of Dickens. He is most optimistic at this time, and has no financial worries.

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