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THE BANNER YEAR!

The Texas Spur

THE DICKENS ITEMS

MAY PEACE, PROSPERITY
AND HAPPINESS
COME TO ALL THE NEW YEAR

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Sheriff Jones and Deputy Spend Two Days in City of Spur Collecting Taxes

Sheriff and Tax Collector M. L. Jones and office deputy, Miss Olive Meadors, spent Monday and Tuesday of last week in Spur with headquarters at Godfrey and Smarts, as a convenience to tax payers in the payment of Taxes. Quite a number of tax payers availed themselves of this convenient opportunity to pay taxes. However, many others are waiting for the last days, for various reasons, to pay their property taxes.

The last day for the payment of automobile taxes was December 31st, and those who do not have the "1925" numbers on their cars on and after the first day of January are subject to prosecution and a penalty. However, because of a misunderstanding

ing on the part of many automobile owners in thinking the automobile tax could be delayed until first day of January as is the case with other property tax payments without a penalty, Sheriff Jones is deferring the penalty attached and extending the date of payment of automobile taxes until the 15th day of January, and in this weeks issue of the Texas Spur is having a notice to that effect published.

It is said that there are two sure things in life: death and taxes—and the imposition upon either the privileges of life or taxes calls for a penalty. It is the duty to our country and mankind to pay taxes promptly and live right.

SWENSON INTERESTS DID NOT OWN STAMFORD INN

In reporting the recent destruction of the Stamford Inn by fire, The Texas Spur erred in stating that it was owned by the Swenson Interests. The Swensons were backers and promoters of Stamford as well as Spur in the beginning, and built the Stamford Inn in meeting the demand for first class hotel accommodations. However, Mr. C. B. Jones manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons, of Spur, informs us that the Swensons sold the Stamford Inn many years ago, and that one fire a year is one too many. During the year the Spur Inn which is still under the ownership and management of the Swenson interests was destroyed by fire, having just recently been re-constructed and receiving guests.

We understand that the Stamford Inn will also be re-constructed under more modern plans. In the Stamford fire five deaths have resulted, W. B. Winters, Secretary of the Ralls Chamber of Commerce, who jumped or fell from a second story window, having died last week in a hospital. His wife and two children, together with a cotton buyer, were burned to death in the fire.

MAT BINGHAM BUILDING NEW RESIDENCE IN THE CITY

Mat Bingham this week hauled building material and started the construction of a new and modern residence on his lots in the northwest part of Spur. Mat recently sold his suburban home east of Spur on the highway, and upon the completion of his new residence he and family will move to town and make their home here.

AIR ANK EXPLOSION DOES DAMAGE AT MCADOO GARAGE

An explosion of the free air pressure tank of the McAdoo Garage, owned and operated by Emery Brownlow at McAdoo, which occurred Friday of last week did considerable damage to the building and injured two nearby persons. Ernest Buckner was painfully injured by a flying piece of the tank, while others were slightly injured and greatly frightened by the explosion and narrow escape from injury. One whole end of corner of the garage building was blown out, and there was not enough of the tank left for recognition as to what it had been.

A LARGE LIST OF NEW NAMES ADDED DURING THE HOLIDAYS

That the Texas Spur is meeting with favor in publishing the local news and in its endeavor to promote the interests of the country and people is evidenced in the fact that many new names are constantly being added to the regular subscription list.

Among the new subscribers voluntarily having names placed on the list during the holidays are:

C. F. Martin, S. C. Thomas, Mrs. R. C. Forbis, D. M. Varnell, D. F. Cox, Mrs. W. M. Brown, L. C. Hail, W. B. Rutledge, Paul Akir, D. D. Stewart, Lula Pinkston, Carl Hall, J. M. Maxwell, W. L. Garrett, J. E. Yentis, Shep Holly, J. J. George, Elmer Williams, Ira Allen, Claud M. Hale, W. H. Birdwell, M. Yandell, T. T. Clark, A. L. Smith, E. D. Taylor, Wylie Sullivan, A. C. Lewis, Mrs. R. E. Thrash, J. F. Ragsdale, Mrs. Hettie Ward, J. F. Tree, Andrew Giles, J. E. Yates, J. E. Shockley, W. T. Whitaker, and among those who have renewed subscriptions are the following: Mrs. J. J. Hail, L. C. Ponder, W. C. Cantrell, Sam Hemphill, Clarence Ellis, W. A. Kimmel, O. B. Sims, C. A. McClain, J. I. Hayes, I. G. VanLeer, O. Taylor, S. W. Rather, S. L. Davis, J. T. Jones, R. P. Davis, B. F. Simms, W. A. Craddock, Mrs. W. A. Craddock, H. L. Pullen, A. C. George, S. L. Cherry, J. H. Jones, J. P. Simmons, W. M. Pool, W. M. Ledford, J. H. Henson, R. F. Keene, J. B. Alexander, J. R. Hoke, M. S. Faver, and J. W. Smith.

WORK PROGRESSING ON THREE BRICKS IN SPUR

The new Year finds work progressing on three new brick business structures in Spur and matured plans for two other bricks to be under construction within the next thirty or sixty days.

Bricks are being laid and the walls rapidly going up on the large addition to the Sunshine Service Station. The walls are almost completed on the new garage and filling station being constructed by Green Turner, and the new Lyric Theatre building has the brick walls up and now awaiting the arrival of special timbers ordered to go into the structure.

D. H. Sullivan will begin at once the construction of another brick business house on the south side of Harris street, adjoining the Spur Bakery on the east. J. D. Powell will soon begin the construction of a modern brick on the lot now occupied by the White Swan Cafe on Burlington Avenue. Godfrey & Smart will soon begin the construction of a Ford service Station to cover two entire lots just north of the Sunshine Service station on the west side of Burlington. Two other brick business houses are contemplated and will probably be under construction within a short time.

The New Year finds Spur building and progressing in the most substantial manner, and no doubt the year 1925 will keep pace if not surpass the building record of the closing year during which time some twenty-five brick business houses were constructed, some of which are as fine and modern in structure as any business buildings in all of Western Texas.

Stock For the Spur Hatchery Has Not Yet Been Completely Subscribed

The proposed six thousand dollar stock for the organization of the Spur Hatchery Company has not yet been fully subscribed. There being some twenty five hundred dollars in stock yet to be taken.

In the organization of the hatchery those who subscribed for the stock had no idea or thought of competing with the individual farmer in raising chickens or poultry. In fact the prevailing idea was to aid the poultry industry of the country by demonstrating what could be done with a hatchery. As a competitive proposition a hatchery in town by town people could not survive the natural advantages of country production of poultry. The organization

of the SSpur hatchery in no way is for the purpose of competing or conflicting with poultry raising by the country, but as said before is more to demonstrate what may be done with a hatchery and to thus further encourage poultry raising in a business way throughout the country. The subscription of stock is open to the farmer as well as town man, and while the Texas Spur has nothing whatever to do with the organization of the stock company, yet we venture that those who have the matter in hand would be more than glad for the farmers of the country to subscribe for half or even more, if desired, of the stock to be sold.

H. M. JONES WILL PUSH FARM BUREAU INTERESTS

H. M. Jones, who will be county field representative of the Dickens County Farm Bureau organization the coming year, was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Monday of this week. During the past year Mr. Jones has been in Crosby and other counties of this section.

Mr. Jones reports to us that of the 1924 cotton crop in Dickens county, approximately one thousand bales would be handled and shipped thru the Farm Bureau organization. Speaking of the state organization, Mr. Jones stated that approximately sixty five thousand bales had up to this date been sold through the bureau, and that an average price of \$25.50 had been maintained by the organized method of marketing.

While the county organization has made little progress in membership or work during the closing year, Mr. Jones stated that he would stay on the job through 1925 and hoped to obtain real beneficial results.

The Texas Spur has always advocated organized, systematic and cooperative methods of marketing the staple crop of our country, and we believe the Farm Bureau, Cotton Association and other such organizations are making great strides toward solving the marketing problems.

HUNTERS HAVE GOOD LUCK AND BRING IN THE DEER

Last week J. M. Hahn and W. W. Sample went out into the "Great West" in quest of big game, and they know where to go and how to shoot and hunt is substantially evidenced by the game they brought in the first of the week. Four big Bucks were in the car, and being remembered by Mr. Hahn with some of the venison we can testify that they came from a fine range because it was the sweetest, tenderest meat we ever ate. The hunters arrived on the hunting ground one afternoon and had venison for supper. The first day two big bucks were killed and on the second day two more were killed. The fact is that they stated that they just had to quit shooting at them, and as they drove out of the hunting grounds they had to scare deer out of their way to keep from running over them.

NOTICE TO AUTO OWNERS

The automobile tax is due lot later than December 31. In view of a misunderstanding on the part of some car owners, the penalty will not be enforced until January 15th, 1925, after which date all cars not bearing the "1925 Numbers" and operating on the highways will be held up and assessed with the penalty of the law.—M. L. Jones, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Dickens County, Texas.

Incoming and Outgoing County Officers Banqueted at Dickens New Year's Eve

On New Year's eve County Judge Brummet, County Clerk Arthur, County Attorney Worswick and Sheriff and Tax Collector Jones gave an enjoyable banquet to the incoming and outgoing county officers, there being twenty four official and ex-officials present and enjoying the occasion. The banquet was had at the Dickens Hotel, and at the court house the rooms were warmed and opened for domino and forty two playing During the course of the evening speeches were made and good, friendly

spirit prevailed among the entire party.

Thursday of the week all of the new county officers were sworn in and qualified for their official duties, the new officers now being H. A. C. Brummet, county judge; O. C. Arthur, county clerk; M. L. Jones, Sheriff and tax collector; B. G. Worswick, county attorney; Mrs. H. P. Cole, county treasurer. Other precinct officers will probably be sworn in at an early date.

A Band to be Organized in Spur Strictly on Substantial Business Basis

Plans are now materializing and being consummated for the organization of a Spur band on a substantial, lasting business basis, which will result in a real asset to Spur and the Spur country. In Spur there are a number of band musicians and a number of band instruments, sufficient for the foundation of one of the best bands within all of Western Texas.

Mr. C. B. Cook, of the Spur cotton Exchange, being an old band man himself and personally interested in the success and advantages of an organized band, is taking the proposition up, and having had experience with the successes as well as failures of such organizations in the past, is in a position to lend valued aid in perfecting an organization on a substantial, firm footing. He proposes that a board of directors, a secretary and a treasurer, be selected, an instructor employed and in this manner put the proposed band in working shape within the next thirty or sixty days.

In the past Spur has had two or three band organizations, but for lack of a permanent head, business organization and management, these organizations lived only temporarily. The suggestion of Mr. Cook is of a permanent nature, and if so organized, Spur can have a permanent band organization unequalled within the entire country.

W. J. YOUNG DIED MONDAY AT HIS HOME NEAR AFTON

Again the grim reaper Death has called one of the oldest settlers and best citizens of the country, W. J. Young having died Monday night at his home north of Afton, after an illness of several months of heart and liver troubles. His remains were interred at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the Afton cemetery, a large number of his friends and the family being present to pay a last tribute to the deceased.

W. J. Young settled in Dickens county in the very early days of its settlement development, and contributed much to the material progress of the country. The country has lost one of its most substantial citizens. Truly a good man has gone to his reward. To the bereaved family the Texas Spur joins many friends in extending sincere sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

MRS. W. H. AND W. E. PUTMAN ENTERTAIN SATURDAY

Mesdames W. H. and W. E. Putman entertained a number of guests Saturday afternoon in the Putman Moore of Vernon and John Hardin of Stephenville, who spent the Christmas holidays here. Three tables for forty two and three for bridge were prepared, and after a number of pleasant games a delightful salad course was served by the hostess.

DICKENS COUNTY FARMER BUYS LAND ON PLAINS

J. R. Henkel, of Afton, dropped in one day this week and had his subscription to the Texas Spur pushed up an other year. Mr. Henkel had just returned from west of Lubbock ten miles where he bought a tract of farm land at a consideration of thirty five dollars an acre. He will have this new place improved and placed under cultivation this year but he and family have no intention at this time of moving to their plains property. The time is already here when farming land at thirty-five dollars an acre is becoming a thing of the past. The fact is that more of the improved farms sell for one hundred dollars an acre now than for thirty five dollars. We used to think when land got up to five dollars an acre that it was too much and would be a poor investment. However, we have now come to the conclusion that buying good land at a hundred dollars an acre is a good investment. In a single generation land values have advanced from one dollar to one hundred dollars an acre.

FOR SALE

A mighty good farm in Afton Community. Possession given at once See J. V. McCormick, Spur Texas.

TRIAL OF BRUCE CAMPBELL INTERRUPTED AND CONTINUED

After going into the trial of the Bruce Campbell case, charged with the murder of his mother, one of the selected jurors became ill and the trial interrupted and continued for the term.

Judge Paul Donald, of the 7th Judicial District, was here trying the case, in the absence of Judge Milam who is ill. Judge Milam suffered an acute attack of indigestion, and we understand is now in a hospital in Dallas for an operation, being reported in a critical condition. He was carried home through the country by County Clerk O. C. Arthur and Attorney B. G. Worswick.

TO DRILL FIVE NEW OIL WELLS

We received information this week that five new oil wells are to be drilled in the Justiceburg field. The material is being placed on the ground now for the derricks.

The well which was shot several weeks ago is standing with 2200 feet of oil in it, waiting for the pump to be installed.

Things are looking good down that way and it is a sure fact that Garza county has an oil field.—Southland News.

24,453 Bales of Cotton Has Been Ginned In Dickens County to Last Monday

In the beginning of the season the Texas Spur predicted that thirty thousand bales of cotton would be ginned in Dickens county this year. The prediction will come near being the actual ginnings. Up to Monday of this week there had been ginned in the county a total of 24,453 bales of cotton, at the various gins of the county as follows:

Spur	14,867
Dickens	1,707
Afton	5,629
McAdoo	3,250
Total	24,453

In the Afton country and throughout the north part of the country there remains in the fields ungathered approximately five thousand or more bales and in all parts of the country there remains some cotton yet to pick. With favorable weather conditions the most of this cotton will be gathered, and should it all be picked the number of bales may run over the predicted thirty thousand bales at the close of the cotton picking season.

Walter L. Powell and family returned this week from Granbury and other points where they spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

NEW RURAL ROUTE TO BE ESTABLISHED OUT GIRARD

S. C. Thomas, of near Girard, was in Spur Wednesday of this week, calling at the Texas Spur office and having his name placed on our subscription list. He informed us that a petition is now being circulated for a rural free mail delivery route out of Girard, and since the petition is being numerously signed and the proposed route is made up entirely of good roads, it is very probable that the route will be granted by the postal department. The proposed rural mail route is to be run about two miles south of Girard, along the highway, then to the east and thence north thru the Red Hill community, coming back around by the C. D. Copeland place and thence back into Girard.

This proposed rural route will convenience more than a hundred rural families of both Girard and Spur territories, and is most likely to be established.

Girard is one of the most progressive little cities of this territory, and is ever alive to the needs and conveniences of the people within its scope of service.

WHAT ABOUT CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

(By Robt. C. Jones)

Christian Science denies the reality of sin, sickness, pain and death. These things are declared to be illusions only. The Bible always speaks of sin as a fact, and designates an awful punishment as its penalty. All have sinned (Rom. 3: 23.) Those who say they have not sinned deceive themselves. (John 1: 10.) The wages of sin is death (Rom. 6: 23.) Christian Science claims that the soul cannot be lost. Jesus taught that the soul could be lost (Matt. 16: 26.)

Christian Science teaches that no final judgment awaits mortals, but the Bible says, "We must all stand before the judgement seat of Christ," (Rom. 14: 12.) It repudiates the blood of atonement, denying a necessity for any such thing; but the Word of God makes the remission of sins impossible without the shedding of blood (Heb. 9: 22.) This doctrine denies that Christ is a person, and represents Him as only a principle. The Bible teaches that Jesus was a man (1 Cor. 15: 22) Christian Science teaches that God did not create man, but that he is co-eternal with God. This is too unreasonable to thinking people to believe. If these things are true the Bible is false. It says "God created man (Gen. 1: 26). It says "The Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground" (Gen. 2: 7.) If he is made of the dust of the ground he must be mortal. Christian Science declares that the second chapter of Genesis is based on mere hypothesis of error. What Christian Science teaches about pain and suffering is a contradiction of common sense. It recognizes the reality of joy and exhilaration, but denies the existence of their opposites. In the heavenly state John says "Neither shall there be any more pain" (Rev. 21: 4.) Job says, "But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn (Job 14: 22.)

Christian Science repudiates all the ordinances of God, and this makes a large portion of the Old Testament and the New Testament meaningless. The vital thing that men are to believe is set aside by Christian Science represents Christ as a by Matthews, Mark, Luke and John were written that men might believe that he is the Son of God (Jno. 20: 30-31.) Men cannot please God without this faith (Heb. 11: 6.) Men may believe every other thing about Christ, but if they reject his divine sonship, they reject the only grounds of their salvation. Christian Science represents Christ as a good man, but not the Son of God in a sense higher than other men are sons of God. If Jesus was not the Son of God, he was not a good man, but an imposter; for he repeatedly said he was the Son of God.

Help Spur Grow
H. E. Grabener, of east of Spur, was in recently, and meeting us on the street favored us with a renewal of his subscription for another year. Mr. Grabener said that he had not yet finished picking what little cotton he made this year, concluding that a small crop is harder to gather even than a large one.

Help Spur Grow
J. W. Smith, of near Dickens, dropped in on us Monday and pushed a check on us in renewing his subscription, thus making the new year look brighter. He had finished picking his cotton, saying that only five or six more bales produced by the boys remained in the fields on his farms.

Help Spur Grow
M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was a very pleasant caller Monday at the Texas Spur office, encouraging us most substantially at this the beginning of the new year, by renewing his subscription. Mr. Faver reports everything all o. k. in that part of the county.

Help Spur Grow
Judge Walter L. Powell, of Dry Lake, was greeting and meeting with friends on the streets of Spur one day during the week.

Uncle Dick Holly dropped in during the holidays and had the paper sent to his son, Shep Holly of California, for a Christmas remembrance. In the beginning of Spur Shep Holly was here with us enjoying the hardships of a new town and a new country. At the time those days may have seemed hard and unpleasant, but at this time in recalling incidents and people, it is a pleasant memory—and we are confident that out in his California home, Shep also recalls the early days spent in Spur.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. Mims, of the Draper country, was among the many Christmas shoppers in Spur during the past week.

Ed Lisenby was in Spur from his farm and ranch, spending the Christmas holidays with his family. Mr. Lisenby has ginned near five hundred bales of cotton grown this year on his place, stating that he probably had some fifty or sixty bales yet to pick. Mr. Lisenby is another one of the old ranchers who are converting former ranch lands and ranges into fields and agricultural pursuits. The day of the exclusive rancher, even in West Texas, is passing, and Ed Lisenby is one among the first to see and realize the trend of the times and adapt himself to the conditions.

Help Spur Grow
S. L. Cherry was one among the number who played Santa Claus to us by pushing his subscription a couple of years. Mr. Cherry was one of the charter readers of the Texas Spur, and we appreciate his friendship throughout the years.

Help Spur Grow
E. J. Brownlow, proprietor of the McAdoo Service Station, was transacting business in Spur during the week. Mr. Brownlow is enjoying a good business at McAdoo, having his service station equipped with all the conveniences of the modern city service station.

Help Spur Grow
M. E. Tree, Newt Harkey and Albert Power returned last week from their annual hunt down in Southwest Texas. They brought back the game, having killed several deer, as well as other smaller game. They report having seen plenty deer, but being used to the open country a shot was hard to get in the timbered section.

H. L. Pullen, of the plains country near McAdoo, was in Spur during the holiday season, and while here called in and played Santa Claus in having his subscription marked up a dollar and fifty cents worth.

Help Spur Grow
Our good friend M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, dropped in to see us Monday while in the city, and altho his subscription had not yet expired he insisted upon making the world look brighter for us at the beginning of this another new year. It is such men as M. S. Faver who "make the world go round", and this the finest country in the world in which to live and do business.

Help Spur Grow
Lon Fuqua, of the Red Mud section of country, was among those in Spur the past week. Lon Fuqua is one of the very oldest settlers of the Red Mud country, the Fuqua's having been recognized among the "nesters" who first made encroachments upon the wide cattle ranges controlled by ranch barons who in devious ways worked to retard the settlement and development of the great West of unlimited agricultural resources and possibilities. These old pioneers are today entitled to wear a "crown of gold."

Help Spur Grow
A. Fry, of Cat Fish, was among the number on the streets of Spur Monday of this week. Mr. Fry is another of the old-timers of the West and a real gentleman of the old school.

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J. H. Fulcher
SPUR, TEXAS

N. Morris and family spent Saturday and Sunday of the holidays in Crosby county, near Ralls, with relatives and friends.

Help Spur Grow
W. Wilson, of east of Spur several miles, was here Monday transacting business and meeting with his friends.

We Don't Want

To feel that your outward appearance is being neglected. There is No Need Of It. The way we clean, press and repair clothes is up-to-date and our prices are within your means.

MAY WE CALL?
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Spur, Texas.

Weak Nervous

"I was weak and nervous and run-down," writes Mrs. Edith Sellers, of 486 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

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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."

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

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An overcoat was left at my house on the occasion of a party Friday night. The man who lost such a coat may call and identify some—

Rev. R. A. Stewart and wife, of Abilene, spent the holidays in Spur with her sister, Mrs. F. W. Jennings, and meeting with their many warm friends of Spur.

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We believe these new prices will fully equalize valuations over the pastures, and that they will prove Attractive.

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S. M. Swenson And Sons

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

Spur, Dickens County, Texas

C. S. Ray, of McAdoo, was in Spur recently and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Ray reports everything running smoothly in the McAdoo country following the holiday season.

Help Spur Grow
G. H. Snider, wife, and daughter, Miss Neitha, and son, Crste, returned the first of the week from Sherman and other points where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

**30 CENT COTTON
\$20.00 LAND**

Either the cotton is too high or the land is too cheap. For one acre of land will usually produce from one-fourth to one-half bale of cotton annually—worth from \$35 to \$75. One crop will frequently more than pay for the land. We will sell you the land for \$12 to \$20 per acre on long time payments and at a low rate of interest. If you are interested in securing a home for yourself and family where there is no boll weevil and where the climate is fine and the water good, write today to

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FOR SALE—Vigorous farm raised Mammoth Bronze Gold Bank strain Turkeys. Terms \$6.00.—Mrs. J. H. Farmer, Spur, Texas. 4-3tp

POSTED—No hunting, shooting, or trespassing of any character will be permitted in any of my pastures.—J. P. Goen. 5-3p

SOUTH PLAINS LAND

Easy Crop payment \$5 per acre cash assume school debt due in 1950, balance like rent 1-3 and 1-4 of crop. Write today, The Blalock Co., Littlefield, Texas 3-4p

NOTICE

All Farm Bureau Members will please meet in Justice Young's office in Spur, January 3rd, at 2:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and also a delegate to the Dallas meeting in Jan.—D. J. Gibert, Sec. and Treas.

I have about 12 tons of good heavy maize to sell at \$25.00 per ton, not delivered, on M. S. Favors' place 5 miles east of Afton. Come at once.—J. M. KEmemer. 8-2p

WHY PAY RENT?

We are cutting up the Figure 4 Ranch in Bailey county into 160 acre farms at \$20 per acre, giving 33 years to pay for same. Fine cotton and corn land. If you want good farm land at low prices and good terms, see this before you buy.—Perry & Cram, Agents, Plainview and Sudan, Texas. 6tf

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Spur National Bank of Spur, Texas, will be held in the directors room Tuesday, January 13th, 1925, between the hours of nine a. m. and four p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and to transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

C. A. JONES, President.
W. T. ANDREWS, JR., Cash.

WHAT IS SUCCESS?

It is doing your work the best you can. And being just to your fellowmen. It making money, but keeping friends And staying true to your aims and ends.

Its figuring how and leaning why. much;

And keeping always in closest touch With what is finest in word and deed. It being thorough, yet making speed;

It's going onward despit defeat, And fighting staunchly yet keeping sweet.

It's struggling onward with a will to win. And taking losses with a cheerful grin.

It's sharing sorrow, work and mirth; And making better t his good old earth.

It's being honest and playing fair, And looking up at tht stars above; And trusting God's wisdom, mercy and love

It's serving and striving through strain and stress.

It's doing your noblest. That is success.

Help Spur Grow
O. D. Blanton killed two pigs for Christmas. One of the pigs was estimated to weigh six hundred and the other seven hundred. From the two he got forty-two pounds of lard. Mr. Blanton is an old man, and he says they were the biggest pigs he ever saw killed in all his life. The Spur country produces the biggest and best of everything.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller returned this week from DeLeon where they spent the holidays with her mother. They returned by the way of Weinert where they were joined by Miss Thelma Rich who will spend some time with them in Spur.

Help Spur Grow
Miss Creola Vikers, nee Miss Creola RRichbourg, was in Spur during the holidays visiting her father, J. B. Richbourg and family. While here she gave a concert at the Methodist church which was largely attended and appreciated on the part of her many friends of the town and country. Mrs. Vikers has exceptional ability in her concert work and is gaining a wide reputation throughout the country.

Help Spur Grow
Mrs. Sam T. Clemmons and children returned Monday from Dallas where they spent the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Help Spur Grow
Mrs. Deck Barnes, Nee Miss Bill Linseby, of Abilene, spent the holidays in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lisnby.

Help Spur Grow
Ranger Koonsman, who is now situated at Stamford, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Koonsman of the Cotton country

Help Spur Grow
Miss Georgia Moore spent the Christmas Holidays with her brither at Henrietta, Texas. Miss Moore returned by the way of Abilene to attend the Chiropractic convention, reporting a pleasant time.

Help Spur Grow
Miss Mary Copeland who has been spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland, returned this week to Austin.

Help Spur Grow
Miss Virginia Forbes returned Monday to take up her school work in connection with the schools at Turkey, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Forbis in Spur.

Help Spur Grow
J. P. Wilkes, Wife and son, and Miss Blanche Miller returned this week from Gustine where they spent the holidays with relatives and friends. They report a most pleasant visit with the exception of the severely cold weather which prevailed there as well as throughout the country.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Squyres attended the funeral Tuesday of her father, W. J. Young, whose death occurred Monday night at his home near Afton. The death of W. J. Young is universally mourned throughout the country. He was among the oldest settlers and best citizens of the country.

RESOLUTIONS '25'

1
Ma I don't smoke
Hi school teacher I don't 'cuss'
Dad I'm almost broke
This is new years "fit"

2
This is the times
For our "do" and our "don'ts"
A dollar is ten dimes
In vain our wishes our wants.

3
We all have our rights
The same our wrongs
We practice at nights
List to orn Hi School songs.

4
We resolve for Spur Hi School
Each pupil to do his might
We've made a new "rule"
"Study and do right."

5
When 24 goes out
And 25 comes in
Receive it with a shout
Peace, good will toward men.

6
Many the cannons boom
And fire works crash
Give the old year its doom
To 25' the whip and the lash.

7
Slowly the shades of 24' falls
Echoes from 25' call
You've did your do
A sparkling past for you.

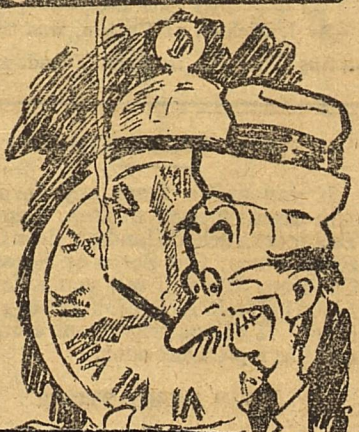
—Welden C. Alexander.

Help Spur Grow
Mrs. A. W. Jordan and daughter, Creola, complimented their guest, Miss B. Lydia Poe, formerly of Fort Worth, with a farewell party at their home Monday night. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served, Miss Poe, who has many friends in Spur, will soon return to Fort Worth.

Help Spur Grow
Misses Eula Shockley and Ila Lassiter, of the Espuela community, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Help Spur Grow
Doc Ellis and wife, of Throckmorton, were in Spur during the holidays visiting with relatives and their many friends of the Spur country. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Ellis made their home here, he being among the Spur ranch boys. Doc is now managing the Swenson Ranch near Throckmorton.

YOU TELL 'EM



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 day 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 Mary A. Davis Deceased, Charley David Bird has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said Mary A. Davis Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in January A. D. 1925 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 Fall Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at the office in Dickens, Texas this the 11th day of December, A. D. 1924.—O. C. Arthur, Clerk County Court, Dickens County, Tex. By Josephine Green, Deputy.

Help Spur Grow
Half and Half Cotton Seed, first year from originator. 1100 pounds seed cotton guaranteed to produce 500 pound bale of lint cotton. Write me for circular and prices.—Ed Taylor, Queen City, Texas. 3-12tc

**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

Mrs. Marie Arts, of Houston, returned home this week after spending the holidays in Spur with her sister, Mrs. W. S. Campbell, and brother, Webber Williams, and families.

Mrs. Henry Denton has been quite sick through the holidays, however, the Texas Spur is glad to know that Mrs. Denton is now almost completely recovered and able to be up.

BILBERRY & BILBERRY, Draymen
Hauling of all Kinds
PHONE 196
SPUR, TEXAS

INSURE IN THE OLD RELIABLE
Missouri State Life Insurance Com'ny

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Fastest Growing Company in America.

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DALLAS, TEXAS

A Texas Company for Texas people, protection on more lives in Texas than any other Company doing business in the State.

Every policy Holder a Booster—
Why?

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Let me explain.

G. W. MILLS, Special Agent
GOWAN BLDG. ROOM 3

**START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT
A CLOSED HUDSON OR ESSEX**

Prices Have Again Been Reduced!
Best Priced 6-Cylinder, Closed
Cars Made!

Delivered in Spur for Christmas:

\$1560

Delivered in Spur for Christmas:

\$1070

SEE THEM TODAY

Spur Hudson-Essex Agency
Roy Harkey, Manager

A RADIO HEALTH TALK
By Spur Red Cross Nutrition Worker

Not long ago the New York City Board of Education broadcasted a health dealing talk with children and their appetites, many do not eat—not because they are not hungry, but because they do not have time. Play or an exciting book is far more important and interesting than setting out the full time at the dinner table, when a mouthful of food will excuse them.

This is a bad habit for children to form, because children need much more food in proportion to their size than adults do. Everyone knows that children are always active—few adults use their muscles anywhere nearly as much as children. Childhood knows no eight-hour law. The sum total of the days walking is beyond Sir Herman Weber's requirement of five miles a day for good health—with this modification that much of the child's walking is done on the run. All this takes energy and energy must come from food.

In addition the child must grow and growing is hard work and uses up a great deal of food.

Muscles, fat, bones and teeth must be built. All of these impulses telegraph to the appetite asking for food and still more food.

Children should have plenty of whole milk (a quart a day is best) plenty of properly cooked vegetables, fruits, bread and butter and cereals, with an egg a day, and a little meat. Rich, indigestible foods, like fried food rich deserts should not be given them, both because the body will not be able to make good use of it, and because it will ruin their digestion later on. Care should be taken to prepare the vegetable so as to have all the substances which make children grow and keep them healthy. For this reason give raw vegetables frequently as raw cabbage, lettuce, celery. Use plenty of green of all kinds, also tomatoes, raw, cooked or canned. Cook vegetables only until tender—never any longer; most people take the most important food value out of their vegetables by cooking them too long. Use the cook water in soups, gravies or cream sauces.

Children need to make the meal an event rather than an incident, just as adults do. Some cases of apparent poor appetite can be cured simply by having the child spend the full meal at the table; by having to understand that play is to be put aside to be put out of the mind until well after the meal hour.

The adults of the family can help the child feel this way by making the meals a happy social time, so that everybody in the family will look forward to them. Be happy at meal time—forget your worries for a few minutes. It will have a wonderful effect on your health. If you put forth a little effort, you can make the meal time so interesting that children will be glad to leave their play for it.

Miss Dick Stafford came in from Fort Worth the first of the week to spend the holidays in Spur with her father, W. R. Stafford, and sister, Mrs. Lonnie Harris.

Miss Lolo Johns, of Fort Worth, is in the city a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. F. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Adams spent Christmas with relatives and friends in Haskell, making the trip through the country in their car and returning home the first of this week.

Mrs. M. P. Duncan of Twin Wells, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium Wednesday night where she underwent an operation. She was in a very critical condition and it is hoped that the operation will give her relief.

W. T. Whitaker of Roaring Springs was in Spur the past week, having his name placed on the Texas Spur subscription list. The list of Texas Spur readers is growing most substantially at this time.

C. E. SKELTON PURCHASES THE WHITE SWAN CAFE

Among the number of business changes at the beginning of the new year is that of the White Swan Cafe, Mrs. White having recently sold the business to C. E. Skelton who also purchased of J. D. Powell the building in which the cafe is doing business. This building will be moved from the lot on which Mr. Powell will construct a modern brick business house, construction on which will probably begin some time in January or February.

Recently Mrs. Hopkins and son, Mr. Miller, purchased of Mr. Skelton the Busy Bee Cafe business which they are now operating. A new brick building will be constructed for them by D. H. Sullivan on the south and east side of Harris street, where they will also establish a cafe business, operating the two places on Harris street as well as Burlington Avenue.

Texas News

An issue of \$20,000 Booker (Lipscomb County) independent school district bonds bearing 5 1/2 per cent and maturing serially has been approved by the attorney general's department.

Eureka, Smith County's newest addition to the ranks of rural consolidated schools, has opened in its newly built school house four miles west of Bullard.

Matagorda County's 25-year 6 per cent flood control bonds for \$685,000 have been sold for par and accrued interest and a premium of \$19,659.

Twenty-seven rural schools in Wood County, having the requisite 75-cent tax rate, expect to apply for state aid this term.

Ennis residents will ballot October 21 upon \$75,000 paving bond issue, according to a decision by the city commission.

According to law, old textbooks not in use are being destroyed in Brazoria County under the direction of Superintendent E. M. Glascock. More than 10,000 volumes are to be destroyed.

Extensive street improvements have been started by the city commission of Luling, more than \$15,000 having been set aside for this purpose. More than 30 blocks of street will be constructed as well as repairs made to streets already built.

By virtue of an increase in the state apportionment, by increased local taxes in the districts in the county and by a continuance of liberal state aid, it is believed that all the rural schools in Van Zandt County will have a full-time term this year.

With a total of 9600 bales of cotton ginned by the five gins of San Benito and the cotton crop 98 per cent harvested, the full 10,000 bales that have been predicted for the city of San Benito will be reached before the final closing of the gins for the season.

The Victoria County commissioners court at a special meeting recently postponed the election called for Saturday, October 11, for the submission of a \$750,000 county road bond issue to await action of the legislature with respect to the road policy of the state.

Galveston County truck farmers shipped more than 125 carlots of truck to various parts of the United States the past fiscal year, and an additional 35,000 barrels, 15,000 crates and 25,000 packages by express, according to estimates by large wholesale produce and truck dealers around Hitchcock.

The first stucco school house in DeWitt County has been completed by the Hochheim Prairie District No. 22, without a bond issue. A school rally, with dinner and supper, two bales of cotton and various donations half paid out the new school building and a maintenance tax not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100 will provide such additional funds as are needed.

Washington County, located about 120 miles from the Gulf in the southeastern part of the state, was first organized in 1837, and is therefore one of the oldest settled counties in Texas. The county comprises an area of 392,000 acres of land, the surface of which is dominantly rolling and well drained, varying in elevation from 200 to 475 feet above sea level, is generally well watered and timbered with oak, ash, elm, pecan, etc.

The commissioners court of DeWitt County, in order to stimulate buying in various district bond issues, has entered an order in the minutes exempting local buyers who purchase them from paying taxes, and instructing the tax assessor not to assess them for taxes. Of the \$135,000 bond issue in the Cuero-Westhoff road district, 29 of the bonds, of \$1000 denomination each, have been sold to individual buyers of the county.

Brazoria County, aided by its geographical location, is rapidly becoming one of the most productive counties along the gulf coast of Texas. With Houston only thirteen miles from the county line on the north and Galveston twenty miles from the eastern border, this territory is very

close to two of the best markets in the South. Besides the two ports mentioned above, Brazoria County has one deep-water port of her own at Freeport. Good hard surfaced roads are rapidly becoming a realization.

One of the most significant actions taken by Texas, since the inauguration of the state forestry work in 1915, was the purchase on Aug. 27 of the first Texas state forest, comprising 1700 acres and located four miles from Kirbyville in Newton County. With this purchase consummated, Texas at last joins a roster of twenty-four states having state forests varying in area from 583 acres for Virginia to approximately 2,000,000 acres for New York. For the past nine years the state forestry department has been obligated by law to make annual recommendations as to proper management and replacement methods.

Montgomery County is located in the third tier of counties from the gulf coast, and has excellent possibilities for agricultural and industrial pursuits. It is one of the oldest counties in the state, but in spite of this fact only about one-sixth of her area is improved for farming and stock raising, the principal industry being that of lumbering. The large saw milling interests manufacture millions of feet of lumber from the great pine forests within her borders each year. Coaroe is the county seat.

Red Cross Fighting First Aid Battle To Conserve Life

Reliable records establish the fact that more than 75,000 accidental deaths occur every year in the United States. The records show that 266 American citizens are killed every day; that 33 of these deaths are due to automobiles, 35 to falls, 19 to drownings, 16 to burns.

Facing such distressing sacrifices of life is the First Aid Service of the American Red Cross, fighting through education and demonstration to instill a consciousness of safety in the public mind and teaching approved methods which assure that competent hands will care for injured persons until the arrival of doctors. Trained service in the first few minutes is vital in serious accidents and saves many precious lives.

One of the most encouraging signs of the past year is the record of the Red Cross First Aid Insurance Car No. 1 which traveled 9,700 miles along trunk lines, stopping at 137 places. The car's staff of surgeons gave 911 demonstrations to audiences composed of 42,159 railroad men, 71,000 high school and college students, 13,000 industrial workers, 3,000 members of clubs, and nearly 15,000 policemen, firemen, and other municipal employees, a total of 147,000.

Red Cross First Aid certificates were conferred upon 13,865 persons who took the course last year, an increase of 4,000 over 1923. Telephone, gas and electric companies, public service corporations and other large employers of the country adopted the Red Cross course, and their team contests everywhere were witnessed by huge crowds with as much interest as develops at popular athletic games.

In the industrial field the growth of First Aid practice to fight to reduce preventable accidents and unnecessary loss of life has received wide recognition. The promise of an unprecedented advance in this fine cause lies in the evidence of the great strides systematic instruction in First Aid has made throughout the country through the Red Cross Chapters and the work of the experts in this service under direction of the national organization.

Sign the American Red Cross roll this year for humanity's sake.

THREE BIG FEATURES IN OUR JANUARY MAGAZINE SECTION

What is generally believed to be the last big grizzly bear in Texas was killed in the Davis Mountains of Southwest Texas. Hugh M. Lincecum, who now lives at Marfa, Texas was one of the four hunters who helped to trail and capture this big grizzly. He writes a thrilling story of this hunt in The Texas Spur Magazine Section which will appear in our issue of January 2nd.

We received an invitation this week to attend the Golden Wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Arthur at their home north of Dickens. It was a disappointment that we could not be present. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur are among the oldest settlers of Dickens county, having located and settled their present home in Dickens county twenty six years ago. They were married in Erath county fifty years ago on the 29th day of December. Twelve children have been born to them, six of whom are now living and were versary celebration Uncle Dick Arthur and family are among the very best people of the country, and the Texas Spur joins their many friends in extending congratulations in thus sailing over the matrimonial seas for fifty long, happy, useful years, and may Uncle Dick and wife live to enjoy many more wedding anniversary celebrations.

Lavina B. Conklin, Chiropractor, returned this week from Abilene where she spent the holidays visiting with friends, and where she also attended an annual convention of Chiropractors.

J. W. Blaze and family are moving this week to Lubbock where they will make their future home. We regret very much to see Mr. Blaze and family leave the Spur country. The Texas Spur wishes Mr. Blaze and family happiness and prosperity in their new home.

Mr. Haynes and family, of Childress, spent a week during the holidays with T. H. Tallent and family of near Gilpin.

Troy Morris, editor of the Lorenzo enterprise, spent a day or two this week in Spur with N. N. Morris and family. Troy reports everything booming on the plains.

A. J. Richey, of Croton, was transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

SPUR DRUG STORE

W. E. Duke, formerly of Spur but now of Lamesa, was here a day or two during the holidays. Mr. Duke last year bought a farm near Lamesa where he and family are now living. He says that Lamesa country is developing rapidly, this year producing some fifty thousand bales of cotton. The town now has a population of five or six thousand. All of West Texas is developing and prospering.

C. F. Martin paid us a pleasant call Thursday. Recently he had the Texas Spur and the Dallas News included in list of reading matter.

D. G. Odam, of the plains country brought Mrs. Odam to the Nichols Sanitarium this week for treatment and a possible operation. Mrs. Odam recently suffered injuries in a fall. She was carried to the sanitarium at Floydada, but treatment there failed to relieve her condition, so Mr. Odam brought her to Spur, where she is apparently improving under the treatment of Dr. Nichols and is hopeful that an operation will now not be necessary.

Dr. W. R. Moore was called Sunday from Vernon to Spur because of the illness of Mrs. Moore who was here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Putman. Mrs. Putman returned Monday to her home in non.

Mrs. John Hardin who has been spending the holiday season in Spur with her parents and other relatives, returned Monday to her home in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Wolfe returned this week from Dallas where Mr. Wolfe had been to purchase new stock of goods. Mrs. Wolfe had been spending some time in Dallas with her mother who had been critically ill.

Edgar Ellis and wife, of California, are in Spur spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. P. C. Ellis and family. Mr. Ellis has been in California several years, being engaged in the cafe business and is prospering. His many friends here are again glad to see him and to know that he is prospering.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

We thank the public for liberal patronage the past year, and wish All a Prosperous New Year.

TRI COUNTY LUMBER COMPANY

OUR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

When You Go Shopping for Your Groceries, You Choose From The Highest Quality of Food Stocks—Yet Choosing The Place to Buy is an Economy.

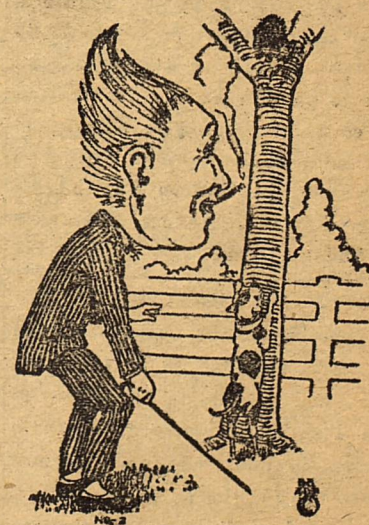
Let Us Supply Your Wants For the New Year

JOPLIN & GIBSON, SPUR

New Year's Greetings

RED PEP'S PHILOSOPHY

Make Your Resolution to trade here during 1925, and it will go a long way toward your happiness and prosperity.



"Where Quality and Service Count, I Win."

GRUBEN BROS.
JEWELER & OPTOMETRIST

"Every dog has his day—the nights are reserved for the cats."

DINNER PARTY

One of the prettiest social events of the holiday season was given Friday evening, December twenty-seven when Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love entertained with a beautifully appointed dinner party in honor of their daughters, Misses Ruby and Dorothy.

The dining room was gay and festive with suggestions of the Christmas season. The table was attractive with its center piece of American Beauty roses with red and green ribbons tapering to tall candle sticks to either end of the table.

Those present were: Misses Mildred Williams, Lucille Lucas, Thelma Caraway, Willie Richburg and Messrs Thomas Harris, Hubert Karr, E. C. Edmonds, Jr. Roy Edmonds, Baron Chapman, Hilton Manning.

MARRIED

J. H. Boothe, of two or three miles southeast of Spur, was in the city one day during the week, and reported to us that he had lost another son of his sons, and it was hard for us to determine whether he was lamenting or rejoicing. His son, J. K. Boothe, and Miss Pearl Pierce, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony Tuesday evening.

The Texas Spur extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Boothe, and wishes for them many years of happiness and much of the prosperity which abounds in this great Western country.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Uncle Dink Arthur, and wife, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in their home three miles north of Dickens, December 29th. It was indeed a joyous occasion to all present.

There were four of their children present with several grand and great grand children. Also many friends of the family from different parts of Dickens and Motley counties. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur have resided in Dickens county 26 of the 50 years of their married life. They came here in the pioneer days of the country and have helped to develop the civilization that we enjoy today. We are glad to wish them a happy and prosperous New Year, and many, many more anniversaries of their happy wedded lives.

ENTERTAINED

Mesdames Caraway, Lucas and Brannen entertained with bridge and forty two at the home of Mrs. Caraway New Year's night. Some twelve or fourteen tables were required for the large number of guests. Autumn leaves were passed as score cards among the guests, and small cups and horns with plate favors with a refreshing salad course served by the hostess at the conclusion of the games. It was our pleasure to be one among the large number of guests. It was the most pleasant and enjoyable New Year's night we have spent during the past nineteen years, being the single occasion within the time of diverting our labors of book-keeping and bill making to mix and mingle with friends in a social way.

Mesdames Caraway, Lucas and Brannen are most charming hostesses, and on this occasion the many favored and fortunate guests were most delightfully entertained and will long remember the closing hours of 1924.

FIRE DESTROYS MRS. FITE'S BARN IN SPUR WEDNESDAY

Wednesday the barn and shed containing feed on Mrs. C. Fite's property was destroyed by fire. The fire originated from thawing out a frozen hydrant for water. The fire department arrived too late to save this building but prevented the spread of the fire to other nearby out-buildings. While the fire department responding to the alarm, C. B. Jones with a small fire extinguisher, and Crate Snider with a small hose, did valuable work in preventing the spread of the fire, and but for them possibly other buildings would have been burned.

MARRIED

Christmas day, December 25th, Miss Edele Harkey and Mr. Lee M. Petty were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harkey, of Dickens.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harkey are among the oldest settlers of the country, having lived here since the very earliest days in the settlement development of the country, and are among the very best citizens. Mrs. Edele has been practically reared and educated in Dickens county, and is a young lady of the highest character and womanly accomplishments. Mr. Petty is an active, prosperous young business man of Guthrie where he and his bride will make their home in the future.

The Texas Spur joins the many friends of the bride throughout Dickens county in wishing her a full measure of the happiness in wedded life, and may Mr. and Mrs. Petty prosper beyond their expectations.

CHANGE TO "MOTOR INN"

G.M. Mageors, who recently took MAJOR-HALL MOTOR CO. WILL over the ownership and management of the Major-Hall Motor Company, is now changing the name of the business to "Motor Inn," under which it will hereafter be known and operated.

Mr. Mageors is an expert and practical mechanic himself, is a good business man, and no doubt the Motor Inn under his management will continue to build and advance in a mechanical way, as well as in favor with patrons.

FOURTH CLASS POSTMASTER EXAMINATION

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Lubbock on January 17, 1925 as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth-class postmaster at Afton, Texas, and other vacancies as they may occur at that office, unless it shall be decided in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$771 for the last fiscal year.

Applicants must reach their 21st birthday on the date of the examination with the exception that in a state where women are declared by statute to be of full age for all purposes at eighteen years, women of 18 years of age on that date will be admitted.

Applicants must reside in the district supplied by the postoffice for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Applicant blanks, Form 1573, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at the place of vacancy or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. at the earliest practical rate.

PRETTY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Bell Putman with her mother Mrs. W. H. Putman, entertained Saturday afternoon, December 27th, 1924 at home of Mrs. W. H. Putman in honor of Mesdames John Hardin, of Stephenville, W. R. Moore of Vernon, with bridge and progressive "42".

Those enjoying the afternoon were:

Mesdames Manning, Whitner, Morris, Davis, McGee, Rosamond, Caraway, Zachery, Nichols, Reed, Samples, McClure, Wilson, Thomas, Morrison, Brannen, Brown, Edmonds, C. A. Love, Jones, Perry Hardin, Moore, W. H. Putman.

Mr. Bill Putman. At the close of the games delicious refreshments of Chicken a-la-king, pine apple salad Potato chips, hot rolls and coffee were served.

A GUEST.

Miss Young, of the Eastern part of the state, in in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leslie Roberts.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY PROGRAM

January 25th, 1924.

Hymn.
Prayer—Mrs. Tom Teague.
Roll Call—Crosses From Everywhere.

Business Period.
Devotional Period.
Scripture—Acts 2:41-47, 11:20-24, 1-3.

Topic talks.
The Cleveland Convention—Mrs. W. H. Putman.

In the Home Land—Mrs. Cecil Fox
Looking Ahead—Mrs. Caraway.
The Unanswerable Testimony—Mrs. Bill Putman.

Hidden Answers.
Hymn.
Benediction.
Place of meeting: Church—time 3 p. m.

DOES IT PAY

To let grudges embitter your spirit.

To let gossipers ruin your friendship.

To let your suspicions warp your judgment.

To let your friends do your thinking for you.

To let your imagination invent trouble.

To let the world get the best of you.

To criticize others so much and yourself so little.

To envy the success of others when you should emulate the process by which that success comes.

To reap all you hear, or believe half you see.

W. C. Black, wife and daughter, of near Childress, returned home this week after spending the holidays in Spur with his mother, Mrs. Anna Black. Mrs. Black could not have all of her children with her this Christmas, but was remembered by those absent, her son John Black of the Smackover oil field in Arkansas, remembering her with a substantial check for Christmas. Altogether, Mrs. Black said that she had a most pleasant Christmas.

O. C. Henry, of Afton, was in Spur Thursday. He says they are not worrying up in his part of the country with reference to rain and moisture at this time since they are not near through picking cotton. Anyway, he says, rain along in February is plenty early and will be in plenty time to relieve all of worry concerning any prediction of drought.

Sim Moss, of north of Dickens, was in the city Monday. He had just returned from Oklahoma where he spent the Christmas holidays with relatives. He said that Oklahoma was covered with a blanket of snow and that the extremely cold weather also prevailed there.

J. T. Bryant, of the Bryant-Link Company, of Stamford, spent several days of this week in Spur with his son, Billy Bryant and family, Geo. S. Link and family, and also looking after business interests in connection with the Bryant-Link Company.

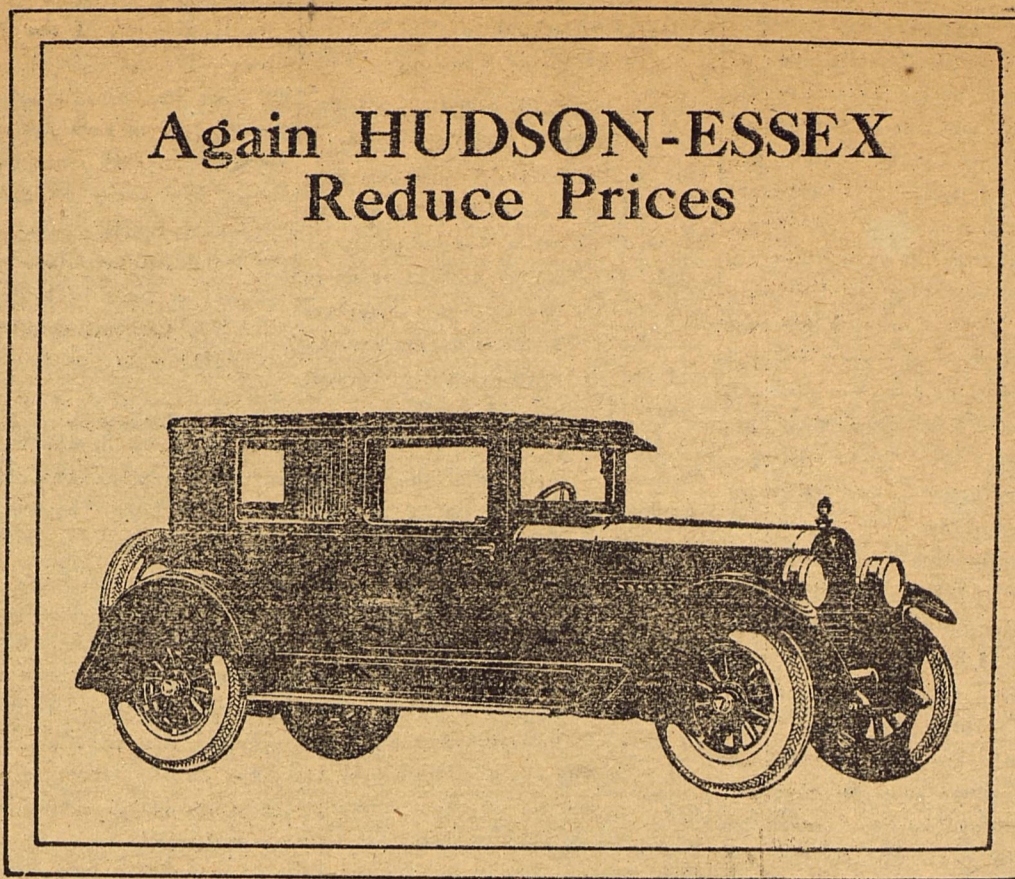
W. C. Mitchell, of southwest of Spur, was meeting with his friends and transacting business in Spur Thursday. He reports everything progressing nicely in his section at this time.

Misses Thelma Caraway and Lucille Lucas, spent the holidays in Spur with their parents, returning after the Christmas season to their respective school work in the Eastern part of the state.

John Sellman, of the Swenson Ranch near Stamford, was in Spur during the holidays meeting his many friends here. John Sellman was with the Spur Ranch for many years, and all the old timers here know him and are always glad to see him.

T. A. Tidwell, of Jayton, was in Spur during the holidays greeting his many friends here.

Herbert S. Wilks, of Amarillo, spent Saturday and Sunday in Spur with his sister, Mrs. Otto Mott.



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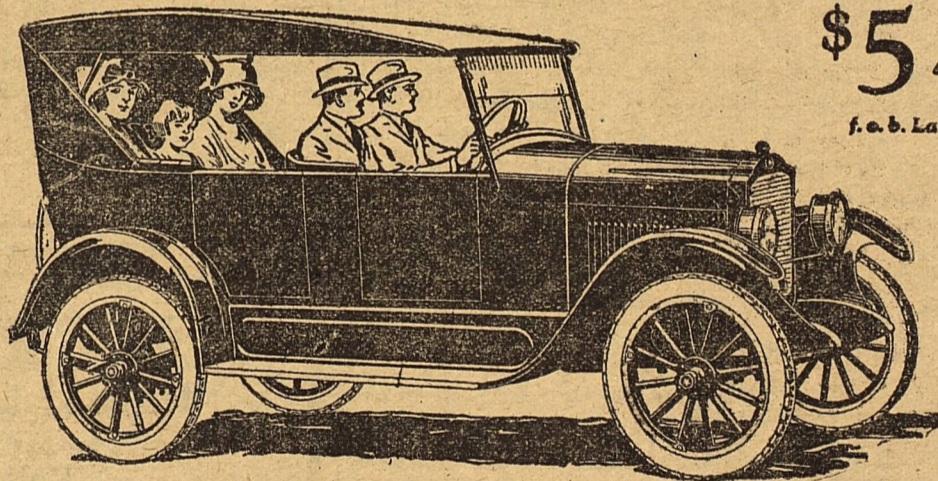
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COST OF 1924 COTTON CROP

Geo. B. Terrell, Commissioner of Agriculture, reports the cost of the 1924 cotton crop, on the basis of 4,125,000 bales, at 25 cents per pound. He regards the estimate of cost conservative.

Texas is the only state that has made estimates of cost, based on the report from a great number of farmers all over the state. The Federal government attempted it one year, and no other state has attempted it. The Texas report is based on a report from 103 cotton producing counties.

The Government's August estimate was 12,900,000 bales, and the September estimate was 12,787,000 bales. This 662,000 bales higher than the American Cotton Association. For the past three years the Federal Government has overestimated the crop by a million or more bales, with the resultant low price when the estimate is given out in the fall, when cotton is moving freely.

The world consumption of American cotton is about 12,000,000 bales. The carry-over is not large and there is really no warrant for low prices now as they are running. The crop should bring nearer 30 cents than 20 cents to the farmer.

True cotton mills the past year have not made their accustomed profit, and the northern mills especially have been hit hard. Southern mills are able to operate on closer margins. Of course, mills would like to stock now on lower priced cotton, see prices go up around the first of the year, and so recoup some of the losses they have sustained by reason of paying high prices for cotton, and seeing the price for cotton goods go down.

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Because my interests are here. Because a community that is good enough for me to live in is good enough for me to trade in.

Because I believe in transacting business with my friends.

Because I want to see the goods. Because I want to get what I buy when I pay for it.

Because every dollar I spend at home stays at home and works for the welfare of my home town.

Because the man I buy from stands back of the goods.

Because I sell what I produce at home.

Because the man I buy from shares his burdens of the town, county and state taxes.

Because the man I buy from helps to support my schools, churches, lodges and home.

Because when ill luck or misfortune or bereavement comes, the man I buy from is here with kindly greetings, offering a word of cheer and his pocketbook, if need be.—Ex. E. Bridges, of near Spur, brought his wife Monday to the Nichols Sanitarium where she underwent an operation for the relief of blood poison. A baby boy was born to them about two weeks ago, since which time Mrs. Bridges has been in a critical condition. The Texas Spur hopes that this operation may be successful in relieving her conditions, as is the usual cases of surgery performed by Dr. Nichols.

Help Spur Grow

George Harris, of McAdoo, was in the city Saturday and while here dropped in to see us. He and family are now in their McAdoo home, during the time his two children are recuperating from a severe illness of typhoid fever. Mrs. Harris informs us that they are now rapidly regaining strength and good health, and which the many friends of the family will be glad to know.

Help Spur Grow

E. C. Edmonds, Jr., left Monday for Waco where he will re-enter Baylor University. E. C. is one of the Spur boys who has a real foundation upon which to build, and there is no doubt of his progress and future development into a real citizen and man of ability and worth to the country.

Help Spur Grow

Miss Dena Whaley spent the holidays with homefolks at Anson.

CHILD LABOR AMENDMENT SHOULD BE DEFEATED

By J. W. Neill, in Dallas News

The so called Child Labor Amendment to the United States Constitution will be presented to the coming Texas Legislature for adoption or rejection. The amendment reads in part as follows: "The Congress shall have the power to limit, regulate and prohibit the labor of persons under 18 years of age."

The second section (not copied) destroys the power of the state to regulate child labor up to 18 years of age.

It should be defeated.

1. Because it applies to farms, and every farmer knows that it will almost ruin him to be deprived of the help of his children up to 18 years of age. It will ruin a great many homes in the cities. There are today thousands of boys and girls on the farms more able to work than their parents, and without their aid the parents could not live. Miss Grace Abbot, chief of the Childrens Bureau, testified before the committee that she would apply to the farms "as far as the power goes." Miss Florence Kelley declared they intended to attack the small farmer first, force him out of business and into the Socialist ranks. The promoters of this measure admit that it applies to the farms and was so intended. They admit that they want to direct all farm children up to 18 years of age and favor 21 years. They refuse to let the people vote on it, even through a convention, with the amendment the main issue.

2. Because it gives a Bureau in Washington the power to supersede the parents in the direction of their children as regards labor education, recreation and maybe their religion.

3. Because it will permit an army of Federal officials to take not from the State, but from their parents, the right to direct their children. One of the chief supporters of the measure said: "We must remove the child from the pernicious influence of the parents." How does this suit you Mr. Farmer?

4. Because it destroys the State rights and centralizes in a bureau at Washington, the chief of which is charged in Congress with being both a Socialist and Communist.

5. The idea of this amendment was hatched in Moscow, Russia, and brought to this country by Russian Socialists, Communists and Bolsheviks. These facts are shown in the Congressional Record.

6. The evil of child labor has almost disappeared. Every state in the Union has child labor laws, until there are but a few instances of an abusive nature, so the evils of long ago have been met by the states and corrected. I am in favor of protecting child labor against exploitation, overwork, dangerous or hazardous positions, unhealthy conditions and immoral surrounding, but I am not in favor of giving the power to a bureaucrat to close down on all persons under 18 years of age, because he might perchance find an isolated case here and there. Farmers should demand of the Texas Legislature a chance to vote against surrendering their rights over their homes and farms to a power they may never get rid of. People, arise, demand that the Legislature disapprove of this amendment or give the people a chance to vote for or against this surrender to the Federal Bureaucracy to right to direct their children.

Help Spur Grow

Dr. B. F. Hale and family returned this week from Greenville and other points where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

SPUR DRUG STORE

J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, came in Monday, stating that he enjoyed the Christmas season, and is now prepared to go down the line of another prosperous year. We verily believe that the "Western Spirit" supercedes even our wonderful resources in "carrying on" in all lines of endeavor. We have the greatest country and the greatest people the world has ever known.

Help Spur Grow

J. M. Maxwell, who is one of the contractors in the construction of the new brick Lyric Theatre building in Spur, left Tuesday morning for Haskell to spend a few days, while awaiting the arrival of material to go into the theatre building. Messrs. Maxwell and Harrison have demonstrated real ability as contractors and builders, and have made rapid progress on the structure, considering the unavoidable delays in shipments of material.

Help Spur Grow

H. P. Bell, superintendent of the Dry Lake Schools, dropped in at the Texas Spur office during the holidays leaving two yearly subscriptions as well as encouraging words, all of which was appreciated by us and made the world look brighter. It is wonderful how a smile or a few encouraging words may change one's aspect of life at times. If we could all more fully appreciate the power and effect of kindly encouraging words or acts, possibly we would extend them to others more often and freely.

Help Spur Grow

Mrs. F. M. Sullivan has our thanks for sending two Texas Spur subscriptions as Christmas remembrances to her friends. As a Christmas gift the Texas Spur will give the recipients a weekly reminder of the sender, as well as information pertaining to Spur and surrounding country.

Help Spur Grow

Mrs. Lydia Hindman, of East Texas, is spending the holiday season here with her sons, L. A. and W. H. Hindman, and daughter, Mrs. W. D. Stewart and families.

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Luther Thornton, who has been out in Mexico the past several years, employed on some of the big ranches, returned to Spur during the week. At the cutting up of the Spur ranch for settlement and agricultural development. Luther decided to go further West where the great open spaces would longer survive. However, he decided to come back to "civilization" and take his chances among farmers and builders than to remain in Mexico with the cowboys. We are glad to see Luther Thornton back and wish him a greater success than his expectations in the great Spur country.

Help Spur Grow

Mrs. Fennell, who has been spending the time since last June in Spur with her sister, Mrs. O. D. Blanton, returned this week to her home in Ennis.

Professional Cards

B. G. WORSWICK
ATTORNEY AT LAW
PRACTICE IN DISTRICT AND FEDERAL COURTS
IN COUNTY AND STATE COURTS

LICENSED REBALMER
AT
SPUR HARDWARE & FUR. CO.
SPUR, TEXAS

W. E. LESSING
ATTORNEY AT LAW
PRACTICE IN ALL COURTS
OVER SPUR NATIONAL BANK

W. B. WILSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
GENERAL PRACTICE
SPUR NATL. BANK BLDG.

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SPUR, TEXAS

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PHYSICIAN & SURGEON
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OFFICE NICHOLS SANITARIUM
SPUR, TEXAS

DR. M. H. BRAUNEN
DENTIST
OVER SPUR NATIONAL BANK

DR. D. H. ZACHERY
DENTIST
Dr. Brasher's Old Office
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Phone 25

Mrs. Woltman and son, of Texico spent the holidays in Spur with Uncle Tom Harkey and wife.

Help Spur Grow

W. W. Waldrup, who has been sojourning in the far West, returned to spend the holiday season among friends of Dickens county.

W. W. Flournoy and wife returned Tuesday from Rochester where they have been spending a few of the holidays with relatives and friends. Mr. Flournoy is manager of the Lyric Theatre in Spur, and is one of the best show men who has ever been here.



In gratitude for your patronage and friendship, for the satisfactory growth which we have enjoyed, our best wishes for the New Year go out to you.

As a bank and your friend we promise you during the coming year the most accommodating Banking service in our power to render.

We hope to co-operate with you to make this New Year the best we, mutually, have ever enjoyed.

CITY NATIONAL BANK

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PIG PEN TO A NEW HOME
See
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NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Not because it is the usual thing to do ; but because we really want to, we sincerely wish you and yours a New Year filled with happiness and success.
Your Friends,

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HIS CAR WASN'T RUNNING RIGHT—BUT HE JUST DIDN'T PAY ANY ATTENTION—AND ONE DAY

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GREETINGS FROM THE MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS MEN OF SPUR

TO THE TRADE AND THE PEOPLE OF THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY

*May The New Year Bring Not Only Prosperity To Each Individual But Closer Relationship,
and a Fuller Appreciation of Community Interests, and the advantages of Co-operative Service*

We, as business men of Spur, representing the various lines of business, at this the beginning of a New Year take pleasure in extending the Season's greetings to the people of the town and surrounding country, and may each individual enjoy health, happiness and prosperity throughout the year.

Especially we want to extend our thanks and express our appreciation of the liberal business, patronage with which we have been favored on the part of the trade of the surrounding country and trade territory. It has been our pleasure to serve you in the past, as it will be in the future. We want to not only serve you in our various lines of business but also to co-operate with you and ask your co-operation in promoting and furthering our community interests.

In our various lines of business endeavor we are prepared to render real service at live and let live prices and it will be our pleasure to extend every courtesy and consideration possible to our old friends and customers as well as all who may favor us with their business during the year just beginning.

COME IN AND SEE US—LET'S ENJOY CLOSER RELATIONS AND BET-
TER UNDERSTANDINGS DURING THE GOOD YEAR 1925.

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BRYANT-LINK COMPANY
The Friendly Store

SPUR NATIONAL BANK
At Your Service

WOLF'S BARGAIN STORE
The Path of Economy Leads Here

MOTOR HOSPITAL
Motor Ills our Hobby

LEE GARRETT
Spur's Exclusive Watchmaker

SMITH & CLAYTON
Plumbers

SCOTT & MORGAN
We Sell Satisfaction

C. R. EDWARDS & COMPANY
The Newest New

ECONOMY STORE
Where Your Dollars Grow

SALEM'S DRY GOODS
Quality and Service

ROSCOE McCOMBS
Hamburgers That are Better

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET
Everything in Meats

SPUR DRUG STORE
Drugs, Drug Sundries

C. HOGAN & COMPANY
We Appreciate Your Friendship and Patronage

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See Me Before You Die

JOPLIN & GIBSON
Good Groceries

MALONE'S CAFE
We Please The Most Exacting People

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Ever Ready to Supply Your Grocery Needs

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Quality, Price and Service

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Eats, That Create a Desire to Come again

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We Satisfy the Inner Man

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Cheaper Transportation

LYRIC THEATRE
Entertainment of The Better Class

SPUR BAKERY
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Ashes Can't Be Insured—Protect Your Property Now

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We Buy Everything and Sell everything We Buy

MAKE SPUR YOUR TOWN IN 1925

THE TEXAS SPUR EXTENDS GREETING TO PATRONS-READERS

At this the beginning of another New Year The Texas Spur extends greeting to its readers and patrons throughout the town and country. It is our sincere wish that the year 1925 may bring a full measure of prosperity to every business firm and institution as well as to each individual, and may health, happiness and prosperity be the lot of all throughout the year.

For fifteen years the Texas Spur, under the present ownership and management has been published in Spur without missing a single weekly edition. We have been faithful, loyal and true to the town, the country and our readers. During this time we have enjoyed a liberal patronage from the business firms and advertisers as well as from a large list of regular readers and subscribers, and which we appreciate to the fullest extent and for which we now extend sincere thanks. Our editorial policy and intent has ever been to boost, build, promote the interests of town and country and the betterment of conditions. In following this policy we have met the hearty support, co operation and commendation of all in but a single instance in which we were condemned by a few for adverse expression upon a question of public concern affecting a principle in our form of government. We regret that such difference of opinion and policy exists, or that our conception of duty demanded a public expression not alone because of the principle involved but for the sake of continued peace, harmony and uninterrupted fellowship of all the people. However, there is no animosity, ill feeling or the least spirit of antagonism toward any individual on our part as a result. We recognize and appreciate the fact that notwithstanding any differences which may arise in our ideas and opinions upon religion, politics or governmental questions, we are all working for the same ends of bettering conditions. It was our desire and sincere hope then, as it is now, and our greatest wish for the New Year is that any differences which tend to create discord and disension will be buried and that peace and harmony and good, friendly fellowship will reign supreme throughout the town and country.

Again we want to thank you for the support, the help and the many favors extended us in the past, and assure one and all that the Texas Spur stands ready and willing to go to the very limit for our town, and country and the good of all the people.

THE TEXAS SPUR
Oran McClure, Publisher.