

LET'S GET TOGETHER  
AND MAKE 1925  
THE BANNER YEAR!

# The Texas Spur

## THE DICKENS ITEMS

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

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### The Pittchfork Test Well for Oil Will "Spud In" About the 25th of January

Mike Mikels, of California, who contracted with the Pittchfork Ranch interests to start a test well for oil on the ranch within thirty five days from date of the contract, now has derricks, timbers and machinery on the ground, and will be ready to "spud in" within the time limit.

Mr. Mikels passed through Spur Monday on his way to Ranger and Fort Worth, and while here called in at the Texas Spur office. While a definite date has not been set, Mr. Mikels stated that he probably would have everything in readiness to begin drilling operations about the 24th day of January.

Mr. Mikels will make Spur his shipping point and business headquarters for drilling operations on the Pittchforks, and the probability is that more than one test well will be sunk should the first test prove nonproductive. The first test will be drilled to a depth of 3250 feet should oil not be encountered at a

lesser depth.

In the 24-Ranch test well, south of Spur, an oil sand 20 to 25 feet through was found at a depth of 3850 feet. In the Davis test well northeast of Spur, an oil bearing sand was touched at 2350. In Mitchell county the first oil producing sand is found at 2750 feet, and the second and most productive sand is found at 3550 feet. Geologists who have surveyed the field state that the "anticlines" run deeper in this direction, and according to their figures these oil sands will be found here some 400 feet deeper than in Mitchell county. However, the anticlines and depth of sands varies from the general trend, therefore it may be possible to hit the sands here either at a lesser or greater depth than the geological estimate.

One thing we do know, and that is that oil is here and will be brought to the surface some day.

### McAdoo is is Most Active in Building and Establishing a Real Little City

McAdoo, on the plains of Dickens county, is one of the most active towns of the county today in progressive building movements and in promoting and establishing a real little city.

The McAdoo Mercantile Company, with H. P. Edwards as manager, has completed plans and specifications for the construction of a new business house of more extensive dimensions, substantial material with a stucco finish, and in which the general mercantile business will hereafter be conducted. The Methodist church building, which has been located a mile west of the present McAdoo townsite, is being moved to the town, and Mr. Edwards has arranged for the McAdoo Mercantile Company to conduct its business in the church building while his new store building is being constructed.

Members of the Christian Church

already have the money deposited in the bank for the construction of a new church building, 32 by 48 feet in dimensions. The construction work will begin immediately.

Members of the Baptist Church are now raising the necessary funds for the construction of a church structure for the denomination, and we are informed that practically all of the necessary funds have already been subscribed, and work on this building will begin with but little delay.

R. I. Wallace, the genial postmaster and druggist, has moved his business house to a more suitable location where business is now being conducted. A number of residences have been moved to more suitable locations within the town limits, among the number being the homes of Ollie Bailey and H. C. Eldredge.

A stucco residence is being con-

structed as a parsonage in connection with the Methodist church being moved within the townsite limits.

Three new businesses and business houses have recently been built and established at McAdoo. Two gins have been operated through the fall, and the third gin will be built in time for the 1925 ginning season.

All together, McAdoo is one of the most active towns of the country in substantial building progress and improvement movements.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### MRS. ROSAMOND HAS FOOT AMPUTATED TO SAVE LIFE

W. J. Rosamond was called last week to Dallas on account of the critical condition of Mrs. Rosamond who has been in a sanitarium for some time. Mrs. Rosamond, we understand is suffering of blood poisoning resulting from diseased toes of her feet, the foot, we are told, having to be amputated in an effort to counteract the blood poison to save her life. It is hoped that Mrs. Rosamond will soon be completely recovered, and able to return to their home in Spur.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### MARRIAGE SOLEMNIZED AT GILPIN LAST SATURDAY

Miss Maggie McCulloch, of the Gilpin community, and Loyd Blankenship, of Shallow Water, Texas, were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, Rev. W. B. Bennett performing the ceremony at his home near Gilpin.

Monday of this week Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship departed for Shallow Water where they will make their home.

The Texas Spur joins the friends of the bride in extending very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship, and may the happiness of married life ever be uninterrupted and their home always enjoy prosperity.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### NEGROES SLASHED IN AFFRAY TUESDAY DOWN IN THE FLAT

Charges of aggravated assault have been filed against Pearl Gibson who is alleged to have cut and seriously injured Dimple Hill and Curtis Wray Tuesday evening in an affray which occurred down in the flat, or the negro reservation of Spur.

#### T. S. LAMBERT CLOSES OUT HIS FARMING EQUIPMENTS

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, last week sold to Chancey Lee of Dumont, all of his teams, tools, implements and farm equipments for a consideration of two thousand dollars. In making the sales Mr. Lambert stated that he had no intention of retiring from the farming business to engage in any other line of business at this time, merely making the sale in order to clear more get even with the world in an endeavor to pay all of his debts and obligations, thus starting the new year with a clean slate. We hope the new year will prosper T. S. Lambert beyond his expectations.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### WILLARD CHAPMAN ENGAGES IN THE DRUG BUSINESS

Willard Chapman last week purchased the one-half interest of Edwin Woody, of Girard, in the Roaring Springs drug business owned by Mayfield and Woody and managed by Bush Mayfield. Mr. Chapman left Spur Monday for Roaring Springs to become identified with Bush Mayfield in the management of the business.

Several weeks ago Mr. Chapman sold his gents furnishing business at Vernon, since which time he has been prospecting in many towns and sections of country for a business location, returning and again locating in this territory, no doubt thoroughly convinced that this is the best part of Texas and as a business point is not surpassed by even much larger points.

Roaring Springs is located in the heart of a rich farming and agricultural section sufficiently extensive and rich in resources to maintain a much larger town and even greater and more varied business interests, and the Texas Spur wishes and predicts for Messrs. Mayfield and Chapman even a larger trade and business in the future than the business has enjoyed in the past.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### DICKENS HI DEFEATS THE SPUR HI AT BASKET BALL

In a warmly contested basket ball game Tuesday in Spur, the Dickens High School team defeated the Spur High School team by a score of five to three. Our reporter, who is familiar with the game, states that the Dickens team had it over Spur in weight, practice and experience.

Dickens has been a leader for several years in athletics, and this year we are expecting Dickens county to not only win in the district contests but become recognized among the state champions.

—Help Spur Grow—

#### FAREWELL SHOWER

Tuesday afternoon from two to six o'clock, Mrs. C. D. Copeland entertained a number of guests at her home east of Spur, in honoring Mrs. Arnold Copeland with a farewell shower previous to her departure for Meadows where they will hereafter make their home. Mrs. Copeland was the recipient of many handsome, useful and ornamental presents from her many friends. After viewing the shower of presents, the guests were entertained with forty two, and at the conclusion of several interesting games de- with forty two, and at the conclusion of several interesting games de- with forty two, and at the conclusion of several interesting games de-

#### MRS. ROY HARKEY ENTERTAINS JOI DE VOI CLUB

On Wednesday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hill Perry, Mrs. Roy Harkey entertained the Joi de Voi Club. There were tables of Bridge, Mrs. E. L. Brown and Mrs. P. W. Jennings being the high score, while Mrs. Cecil Fox won consolations. Victrola music was played during the afternoon.

Mrs. Harkey assisted by her mother served delicious refreshments. Those present were: Mmes. W. D. Wilson, R. Dickson, F. W. Jennings, P. C. Nichols, Oran McClure, Rosemond, E. L. Brown, Cecil Fox, Algiers and Roy Moses.

Just Received a Full Car Load of  
**Oliver and P. & O. Implements!!**

Included in this shipment we have  
**Two-Row Planters for You!**

We Sell the "Dempster" Windmill

Our Stocks include Dry Goods, Drugs,  
Groceries, Farm Implements and  
All Other Merchandise to meet  
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## Spring Shoes

Fall is over with and Spring is coming. Our winter merchandise is about all sold out, and the spring goods are commencing to arrive. It seems rather early to advertise Spring Shoes, Coats and Dresses, but these are the principal Spring Items which we have received for the coming season.

The Spur Community is somewhat up-to-date and are always anticipating ahead. To keep them satisfied we must act accordingly and display the Early Spring Showings for their look over. We now have new numbers in

### LADIES FANCY PUMPS AND SLIPPERS

in the tan and two tone shades. These novelties are being shown for the first time. A pair of shoes is the first thing to be noticed on a person. Why not appear early with a new pair? Our Shoe Prices are very cheap. We have also received selections of

### Spring Coats and Dresses!

They are being shown in the new fancy colors, and are designed and modeled to meet with any lady's approval.

SHOP EARLY & BE CONTENTED

**SALEMS**  
QUALITY --- SERVICE  
DRY GOODS ----- SHOES

C. A. JONES, President  
W. B. LEE, Active Vice-President

W. T. ANDREWS, Cashier  
F. G. COLLIER, Asst Cashier

### The Spur National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$125,000.00

SPUR, TEXAS

Dear Friends:

It is very gratifying to us, and we are sure it will be of interest to you, to learn of the splendid progress made by our Savings Department.

This Department has been in operation one month today. Has more than 400 accounts, with deposits aggregating over \$20,000.00.

This means that 400 persons in this trade territory have caught the "spirit of thrift" and are now on the road to prosperity.

If you are a Savings depositor, we thank you kindly and solicit your future deposits, regularly. If not a customer in this Department, then we extend you a hearty invitation to become one.

Help us put these deposits to \$50,000.00! Thank you.

Cordially yours,

The Spur National Bank

NEWSPAPER AND EDITORS

AS-SEEN BY A SCHOOL BOY

A little boy was requested to write an essay the other day and the "newspaper" was his subject. Here is the result:

"I don't know how newspapers came to be in the world. I don't think God does either. He ain't got nothing to say 'bot them, and the editor ain't in the Bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links you hear about, and stayed in the brush until after the flood, and then stepped out and wrote it up, and has been here ever since. I don't think he ever dies. I never saw a dead one, and never heard of one getting kicked. Our paper is a mighty good 'un. The editor goes don't wear no socks, and pa ain't paid his subscription in five years and don't expect to."—Ex

ON Armistice Day in Paris there was a sad and impressive procession. It was probably the most solemn and most terrible demonstration against war ever held on earth. In carriages, on stretchers, limping, legless, armless, lame, many totally blind, 25,000 of them paraded down Champs Elysees, which was lined with silent thousands.

Premier Herriot received their petition for pensions sufficient to give them their daily bread.

There was not one in the parade but had some injury from the war, and there were few who did not represent some disfigurement. Thousands of the spectators wept openly. First came a number of wheeled chairs, and on stretchers a few carried by relatives. One legless man was carried by his wife on her back. Hundreds of blind men were led by children born while Verdun's guns were booming.

There were men without traces of noses and men with no chins. There has never been such a terrible spectacle since wars began.

It will be seen that the public has never again resorted to war as a means of settling its disputes. No better argument for the substitute of reason for force could be had than this parade as appeared on Armistice Day in Paris.

Stripped of all its glory, the spectacle of the wounded survivors of a war is an argument that comes home to men's business and bosoms.

Leslie Ericson and wife recently moved back to their town home from the farm where he made a crop the past year. Notwithstanding the fact that he made good crops, Leslie decided he would engage in other than farming pursuits the coming year, and we are hoping he may even enjoy greater returns from his labors in what ever business he may decide to enter.

A boy baby was born Saturday evening of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Pool Tyler, of Gilpin. Mrs. Tyler is reported in a very critical condition we are very sorry to note, and it is hoped that her condition may soon improve.

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 Fail 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.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the welfare of Lucile Lucas, a minor:

Mrs. Beulah Lucas, has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, Texas, an application for letters of guardianship upon the estate of Lucile Lucas, a minor, which said application will be heard by this court at the next regular term thereof to be holden in the town of Dickens, in said Dickens County, on the 19th day of January A. D. 1925, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said minor are cited to appear and contest said application if they so desire.

Herein fail not but have you then and there this writ on said 1st day of the next term thereof, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court this 2nd day of January A. D. 1925

O. C. Arthur, Clerk of the County Court, Dickens County, Texas.

Josephine Green, Deputy

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To All Persons Interested in The Welfare Of Clotilde Isabelle Rasberry, A Minor:

T. E. Rasberry has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, Texas an application of letters of guardianship of the estate of said minor, Clotilde Isabelle Rasberry, and on the 17th day of December A. D. 1924, by an order of the County Judge of said Dickens County, the said T. E. Rasberry was appointed temporary guardian of the estate of said minor, and at the next regular term of said court commencing on the third Monday in January A. D. 1925, the same being the 19th day of January, A. D. 1925, at the court house thereof, in Dickens Texas all persons interested in the welfare of said minor may, and they are hereby cited to appear and contest said application and appointment, if they so desire, and if said appointment is not so contested at said time, said appointment shall be made and become permanent.

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 17th day of December A. D. 1924.

O. C. Arthur, Clerk County Court, Dickens County, Texas.

Josephine Green, Deputy

A. M. Shepherd, of Dry Lake, was meeting friends on the streets the first of this week.

Judge F. C. Gipson, of Dickens, was one among the business visitors in Spur the first of the week, spending several hours here meeting and conversing with friends of the town and surrounding country.

J. J. Noland, prosperous farmer and leading citizen of the Midway section of country, was here trading last week. Mr. Noland is another of the farmers of this territory who never worries about rain or general conditions.

W. L. Lusk, of near Dickens, was among the recent business visitors in Spur. Mr. Lusk has just recently completed the construction of a modern residence on his place near Dickens, also establishing a filling station on the corner of his property at the intersection of the Spur Dickens-McAdoo roads.

W. T. Lovell, of Wichita, was here the past week, dropping in at the Texas Spur office to pay us his annual visit. Lovell is always taking the lead in all progressive movements. His latest diversion from the beaten paths is in placing some "Nervous Goats" on his place in connection with his livestock interests. These goats are something out of the ordinary, in that the least excitement will cause them to fall and become perfectly rigid as if paralyzed. No doubt they will prove a valuable asset to his farming and livestock interests.

Farms & Ranches Get A Home Now

The O-O Ranch of Kent County is being cut up and sub-divided into farms and small ranches

COME NOW AND GET YOUR CHOICE

See our Agent for particulars

J. H. Fulcher SPUR, TEXAS

R. L. Overstreet, one among the old settlers and leading citizens of the Midway community, was a recent visitor in Spur. Mr. Overstreet reports everything moving along nicely and satisfactorily.

Miss Lula Robinson, of east of Afton, was a recent shopper and visitor in Spur.

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? QUALITY CLEANERS Spur, Texas.

Blinding Headaches

"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. . . I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used

Thedford's BLACK-DRAUGHT

and it relieved me. "About eight years ago my wife got down with liver and stomach trouble. . . We tried all week to help her, . . . but she didn't get any better. One day I said to the doctor, 'I believe I will try Black-Draught, it helps my liver.' He said that I might try it and to follow directions. She was nauseated and couldn't eat or rest. She began taking Black-Draught and in two days she was greatly improved and in a week she was up." Try Black-Draught. It costs only one cent a dose. Sold everywhere. E-99

Joe Ericson, of the West Pasture, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week, spending some time here attending to business and meeting with his friends.

L. A. Grantham, a good citizen and successful, diversified farmer of the Red Hill community to the east of Spur, was here the past week trading and meeting with his many friends.

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Your Every need in Groceries and Fresh Meats can be supplied at our New Store. In preparing for the Halloween Season, Call on us and we will fill your bill in a real festive board.

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IF "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

SPUR FARM LANDS

A REDUCTION IN LAND PRICES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER, 20 1924

For the First Time in the History of Spur, Farm Lands Sales, we Have Lowered existing Prices.

This applies to nearly all of our property in Dickens County, and, in some instances, the reduction is as great as \$8.50 per acre.

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

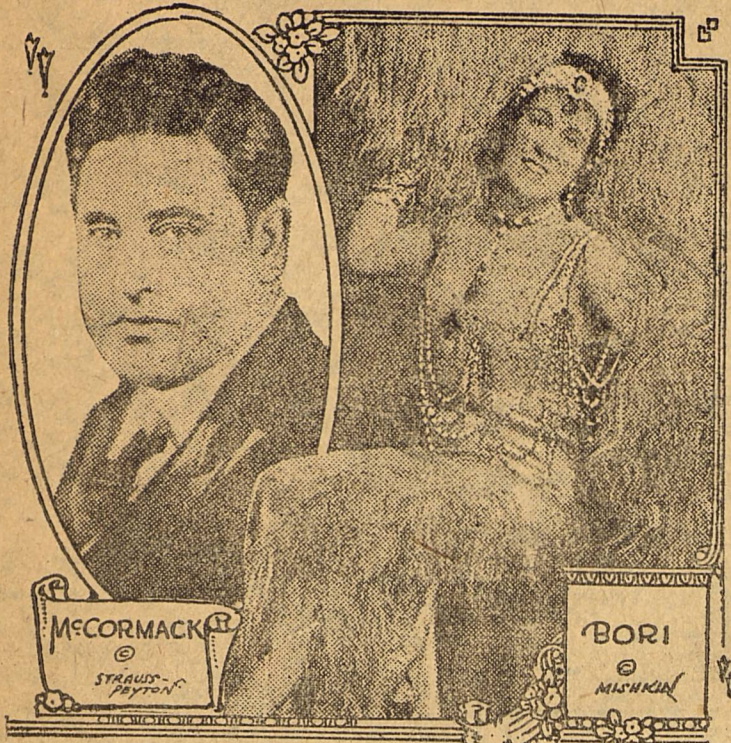
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One-fifth cash, the balance in six equal annual payments, notes payable on or before maturity, with interest at 8 per cent.

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Spur, Dickens County, Texas

**Bori And McCormack Thrill  
Unseen Millions, Paving Way  
For New Era In Radio Music**



John McCormack and Inez Bori sang to their greatest audiences on New Year's night. Millions heard their golden voices over the radio, inaugurating the first step in an extensive plan to give radio fans an opportunity of hearing the musical notables of the world.

The voices of McCormack and Bori came as a 1924 New Year greeting to a vast multitude as the result of the desire of E. R. Johnson, president of the Victor Talking Machine Company, to improve the standard of radio programs and to stimulate a taste for better music via the ether. Their voices were transmitted simultaneously from eight broadcasting stations in the United States.

Mr. Johnson arranged the plan with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company whereby America's and Europe's best artists, represented in the Victor ranks, were to appear in person before the microphone of the radio studio, beginning with McCormack and Bori. As a result of this experiment the major musical artists will be heard this year—that is, if Mr. Johnson finds that the experiment is successful, if the air audience wants something more than a jazz diet.

W. L. Pullen, of the McAdoo country, was in Spur Tuesday, and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and renewed his subscription, stating that farmers of the plains country are now getting in readiness for another crop. This year the McAdoo country made five or six thousand bales of cotton, more than in any year in the past. Another gin, in addition to the two which operated this year, will be put in at McAdoo for the 1925 season, thus denoting that farmers will go more extensively into the cotton business hereafter.

J. Carlisle, of the Duck Creek community, was among the number of visitors on the streets of Spur Monday of this week. It was said that Uncle Jonas was very "blue", not because of uninviting or general prevailing conditions, but merely because of being out some cash for which he may not get value received upon the outlay. We are hoping that later develops may prove his fears of loss to be a misapprehension.

Bill Cherry returned recently from a visit back to his old home in the Eastern part of the state, where he spent Christmas among boyhood friends and amidst the remaining scenes of youthful days. This was Mr. Cherry's first visit to the old home in the past forty years, and while no doubt the scenes had made many changes, we are confident the visit was one of pleasure.

Austin Frazier, of east of Spur, was among the number in the city the latter part of the past week, meeting with his friends and transacting business with merchants of the city.

We understand that Luther Thorn, who recently returned to the old stamping grounds of Dickens county from the far West where he has been several years past on the big ranches, has now accepted a place on one of the few remaining ranches of this territory. We are glad to have Luther back in the country, and had hoped that he might settle down in a home of his own and engage in agricultural pursuits, and thus promote the development progress in that line.

H. C. Parsons, one of the best citizens of the country and one among the oldest settlers, was in the city Saturday trading and greeting friends and acquaintances of town and country.

Lloyd Putman, who is this year in Vernon attending school, underwent an operation for appendicitis last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Putman went up from Spur to be with Lloyd through the operation. They report that although he was in very critical condition, the operation was successful and Lloyd is now doing nicely and recovering. Their daughter, Mrs. W. R. Moore, also underwent an operation recently, she too, doing nicely at this time.

Harry Patton, of the West Pasture, was in the city again Saturday meeting his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bennett and son, Ralph, of north of Dickens, were shoppers and visitors in Spur Saturday, and while here were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office.

J. B. Morrow, of near Spur, was transacting business in the city one day during the week.

**BEAUTY PARLOR**

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The largest beauty parlor in the world—has opened in midtown. It occupies the entire floor of a half block building. The furnishings and trappings are said to have cost \$500,000.

Here the lady may go to be coiffed, shingled, bobbed, manicured and massaged. Every known form of beauty treatment is employed and every hindrance to beauty is removed by competent surgeons. There are 70 attendants in charge.

Japanese pages in butterfly kimonos are on hand. The customer may go to her booth, talk to any part of the world, dictate letters to novel, send telegrams and what not restored.

If a male barber is preferred for bobbing—there are a dozen of them. One may go there and in four hours time spend a total of \$114 for various treatments. It is possible to take care of 300 patrons at the same time.

The proprietor is a former painter who, when his paintings failed to sell, talked to a group of rich men into backing him in the venture. The growth of the beauty parlor in New York has been mastodontic. Ten years ago there were only 26 listed in the phone directory.

Today there are more than a thousand, and if as someone has said, a man turns to selling insurance when everything else fails and lives happily ever afterwards, is true that most women in the same fix turn to the operation of a beauty parlor.

There are thousands of women who spend several hours a day in the beauty salons. Each new treatment is a lure. Especially among those with crepe de chine souls. They know that when beauty fades—it is the quick curtain. So they wage the desperate warfare.

Tol Merriman, of south of Spur, was on the streets Tuesday. He informed us that he was grubbing out some new ground for the year's crops, thus extending his farming acreage and agricultural resources in connection with his ranching interests. Mr. Merriman is one of the oldest ranchers and cowmen of the country, but like all others, foresees the inevitable change to agricultural resources and developments for the future, and we hope will realize more substantial profits and enjoy prosperity in much greater degree in future than in the past. Mr. Merriman has been one among the stockmen who has continued to give his attention to raising horses as well as cattle, and no doubt has realized as great profits from his horses as have the cattle men.

Frank E. Walker, of west of Spur, was among the number of business visitors here the past week. Mr. Walker, like the great majority of Spur farmers, is very optimistic of bumper crops for the coming year, and is not the least worried at the present continued dry season. The weather prophets all predict that 1925 will be the driest year throughout the entire world that has ever before been experienced. However, these predictions do not apply to West Texas, and we are all going right along with our work and preparations for farming, expecting good seasons, bumper crops and continued prosperity.

S. J. Derr, of near McAdoo on the plains, was in Spur the past week, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Derr is an "oil witch", and is one of the strongest in the belief that oil in big paying quantities is under ground in this territory. We, too, are confident that oil is here, and that some day it will be brought to the surface to enrich and prosper the entire country.

**COUGHS**

Quick Way to Stop Them

Persistent, racking coughing, which by rapidly weakening your entire system lays you open to more dangerous infections, can be checked often with the first dose of that old-time tried and proved remedy—Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. And there's a reason. Doctors say there is nothing like pine-tar to quickly loosen and remove the phlegm and congestion which are the direct cause of the coughing, while the honey both gives a pleasant taste and helps soothe irritated throats. It is often astonishing how quickly this combination relieves the stubbornest cough.

But be sure you get the original Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey, and no substitute. Dr. Bell's has been known for over a quarter of a century as the best. It is scientifically compounded of just the right proportions of pine-tar, honey and other quick-acting, healing ingredients, which the best doctors have found to aid in quick relief. Containing no opiates or other harmful drugs, so can be given even to young children—fine for spasmodic croup. If you want the best, a medicine that often relieves the severest cough overnight, make sure you get Dr. Bell's. Only 30c at any good druggist's.



J. E. Sparks and wife, of west of Spur, were in the city the latter part of last week, trading and shopping, and also visiting among their many friends.

W. G. Mayfield, of Girard, was in Spur Monday of this week transacting business affairs. Mr. Mayfield recently reengaged in the mercantile business at Girard, after recuperating for a year in California. We are glad to again have him back and identified with the business interests of the country.

Buster Bural, of the Duck Creek country, was among the recent business visitors in Spur. He reports everything progressing satisfactorily at this time on Duck Creek.

Frank Goodson, of southwest of Spur, was among the number of Saturday visitors and traders in the city. Frank has purchased a fine tract of farming land in the section to the southwest of Spur and is now making improvements, putting in more farming land and generally making preparations to live comfortably and prosper in the coming years.

Tud Arthur and Ned Bowers were in Spur Saturday meeting with their friends, and incidentally transacting business. Ned informs us that he intends to settle down to staid farming operations and is now endeavoring to secure a suitable farm for his purposes. Ned has always been a "cow-puncher", having just recently returned from Arizona and Montana where he has been several years, following the cutting up of the old Spur Ranch in 1909. The next thing to happen to Ned Bowers may be that he will induce some young lady to share his lot, and become of real moment to the citizenship and his country.

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Finis B'berry, of the Gilpin section of country, was among the recent business visitors in the trade center.

Mrs. W. R. Horn, of several miles to the east of Spur, was among the shopping visitors in Spur Saturday of the past week.

E. D. Jackson, of near Dickens, was in the city recently, trading some and shaking hands with friends. He reports everything moving along nicely and satisfactorily in farming circles.

Sim Moss, of north of Dickens, was one among the number in the city of Spur the past week. He reports everything in good shape, and while farmers in other sections may be somewhat concerned with reference to rain, Mr. Moss and others of the north part of Dickens county are thankful for the continued dry weather, thus giving them an opportunity to gather the cotton yet remaining in the fields.

J. A. Murchison, a leading citizen of the Wichita community, was among the recent business visitors in Spur. Mr. Murchison reports everything progressing satisfactorily at this time in his section.

Mrs. Marvin Gilley, last week underwent an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium. It is reported that some fears are entertained of complications sitting up, and at this time Mrs. Gilley's condition is being closely watched and attended by the nurses as well as Dr. Nichols.

County Commissioner G. A. Sloan was in town Monday from his home in the Dry Lake community. Mr. Sloan was re-elected commissioner for another term, has been sworn in, and is now renewing his activities in looking after county interests and affairs. He has a "long head" and stays on the job.

Buster Robinson, of west of Spur on the highway, was in the city Monday. He informed us that he and family had just returned from Abilene where they spent several days visiting with relatives and friends.

C. N. Kidd, of Dry Lake, was in town Monday. He was stepping high and evidently "feeling his oats" regardless of weather conditions. He is one of the old time Westerners, and they don't make any better men or citizens than the old timers of this country.

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**BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Little Miss Dorris Ruth Johnston entertained a number of her little friends with a party Saturday afternoon, honoring her fifth birthday.

Many games were played, and the guests received balloons of various colors as favors.

Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served to the following: Julia Joe and Miriam Reed, Frances Gipsen, Winifred Lea, Robbie Ruth Johnson, Nedra Hogan, Hazel Ann Wilson, Isabelle Campbell, Bubbles Mott, Hazel Jackson, Lorelle Twaddell, Margie Harris, Constance Teague, Bill Caraway, Norton Barrett and Billie Harris.

**Help Spur Grow**

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Russell left Wednesday for the St. Louis and Chicago markets to buy new stocks of good for the Love Dry Goods Co. They will be gone ten days or two weeks, surveying the wholesale markets for the choicest buys and fabrics for the trade.

**Help Spur Grow**

J. B. Morrow called in Thursday and informed us that he had purchased the old W. J. Clark place east of Midway, and where he and family have already moved and will make a crop this year.

**Help Spur Grow**

Red Mud Lambert, range boss of the Pitchfork, was greeting friends in Spur Saturday.

**Help Spur Grow**

A. M. Hoover, of the Godfrey Ranch, was among the visitors in Spur the first of the week.

**Help Spur Grow**

Mrs. H. E. Grabener, of east of Spur, is now in Amarillo with her daughters, both of whom are sick, possibly suffering of influenza. It is reported that Amarillo is now experiencing an epidemic of the flu, eight to twelve deaths being reported within one day as a result of the disease. We note from newspapers coming to our exchange desk, that in a number of places over the state that influenza is epidemic, and warnings are issued for people everywhere to use precautions in preventing influenza. Influenza is dangerous. Spur experienced one seige of it, and we never again want to witness its ravages.

**Help Spur Grow**

Sam Watson, who has been critically ill of pneumonia at the Nichols Sanitarium, we are glad to note is now reported improving and doing nicely. For several days the past week very little hopes were entertained for his recovery.

**Help Spur Grow**

W. D. Thacker, of Draper, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week. Mr. Thacker is now giving his entire time to road work in his section of the county. Mr. Thacker served as county commissioner a number of terms, is familiar with road needs and knows just how the work should be done.

**Help Spur Grow**

H. P. Bell, superintendent of the Dry Lake schools, was meeting with friends on the streets Saturday.

**Help Spur Grow**

R. C. James was in Spur the first of the week from his home out on the highway.

**Help Spur Grow**

J. M. Howze was in town the first of the week. Mr. Howze and family recently moved from their farm home in the Highway community to another farm to the east of Spur in the Red Hill country. We had noticed that he was a more infrequent visitor to town of late, but until this time could not account for it.

**Help Spur Grow**

Judge Chas. McLaughlin, of near McAdoo, was transacting business in Spur the first of the week, and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. The Judge reports everything prosperous and booming on the plains.

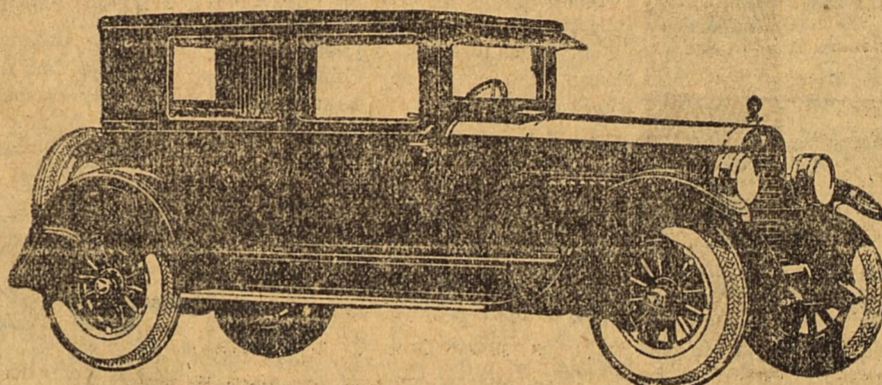
**Help Spur Grow**

W. A. Craddock returned home Saturday from Austin, where he spent a month with his family.

**Help Spur Grow**

J. L. Hutto, of near Spur, was here the first of the week trading and meeting with his friends.

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## J. L. Karr is Now Taking the Agricultural Census of Precinct Number One

J. L. Karr, of the Espuela community, is now and has been for some time engaged in tabulating the agricultural census of this part of Dickens county, including Commissioners Precinct Number Three, and the work is supposed to be completed by the first of February.

Mr. Karr estimates that the names of 450 farmers actually engaged in active farming operations within this precinct will be included in his final report. This census report will give in detail the agricultural and livestock resources of the country, including the acreage devoted to various crops together with the yearly income from each crop; the livestock, poultry, dairy cattle; and in fact every thing pertaining to the farm and its sources of income together with expenses of operation will be included in the report, which when complete throughout the country will be of real value to the country, in that it will show just what is being done, the greatest sources of revenue as well as ex-

pense in farm management and operation, thus paving the way for better farming and better returns from farm labor in future.

In making the rounds of the country Mr. Karr is likely to miss seeing a number of farmers, therefore it is urged that those missed make it a point to see him and give him the information necessary to make a full and complete report. Any one who actually farms as much as five acres of land will be included in the census report, while those owning farms and renting to others and not actually engaged in farm work will not be enumerated in the census, unless such land owner should happen to be doing the work by hired wage workers.

This agricultural census enumeration is being made not only in this precinct, but throughout the county, state and nation, and when completed will contain a comprehensive report of farming operations and agricultural and livestock resources of the country.

## Extraordinary Co-Operative Meeting Planned for The Spur Community

Sunday afternoon at three o'clock the people of Spur country are called to assemble in the auditorium of the Methodist Church. This call comes from the Spur Chamber of Commerce, Parent-Teachers Association.

Good Citizens of the Spur Community:

In all our history God has not smiled so unmistakably upon us as He has through the gifts we were able to gather from our fields during the past year. We have been blessed above other people in the year that is now gone—these virgin, under the touch of God's hand, through climate and good weather, have made us richer than ever. We thank the good God for the gift of this good and confidently hope for His continued grace.

Yet in our energy of sowing and joy of reaping we have neglected a little field out northeast of our town. There we have lain the dust of those who were more precious to us than all our other plantings.

In the light of these facts we call to you all to come as a unit and meet Sunday afternoon, January 18, at Three O'clock in the Methodist Church, then, "let us highly resolve," that we shall not longer be guilty of such neglect.

The Spur Cemetery Association has secured the opening and the grading of a street to the Cemetery Gate. This work is being carried on under the direction of Mr. W. M. Hazel and Commissioner Sloan. Five thousand two hundred feet of pipe has been purchased to carry city water to the cemetery. This work we expect to be completed by February the first.

The Association has collected from dues, \$324.15, this to apply on the proposed improvements. The cooperative meeting is for the purpose of finishing the work undertaken and to place in the treasury of the Association funds to guarantee the employment of a sexton to look after the cemetery.

Again we call to the community in its entirety to meet Sunday Afternoon at three o'clock in the Methodist Church for the purpose of finishing this important work.

Respectfully,

C. L. LOVE,  
Pres. Spur Chamber of Commerce,  
MRS. J. L. KING,  
Pres. Parent-Teachers Association,  
MRS. W. D. WILSON,  
Pres. Delphian Club of Spur,  
MRS. W. H. PUTMAN,  
Pres. Spur Cemetery Association.

J. A. Davis, of four miles northeast of Spur, was here Saturday greeting his friends.

### M. E. MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Women's Mission Society installed new officers at the Methodist Church, Wednesday night.

Mrs. Walter Sample, President; Mrs. M. E. Lea, Vice President; Mrs. Smith, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Leonard Joplin, Recording Secretary; Miss Etta Fite, Treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Morris, local Treasurer; Supt. Publicity, Mrs. A. Rogers; Supt. Young People, Mrs. Ruby Pierce; Supt. Social Service, Mrs. Hogan; Supt. Young People, Mrs. Brown; Supt. Study, Mrs. Manning; Supt. Supplies, Mrs. Fite; Social Work, Mrs. Whitner; Voice Agent, Mrs. Payne.—Reporter.

### DICKENS COUNTY AFFAIRS

**NOW IN GOOD, SAFE HANDS**

R. R. Wooten, the newly elected county commissioner from the McAdoo territory, was in Spur the first of the week. This will be Mr. Wooten's first term as commissioner, taking the place of Gill Green who had been serving several terms and refused to again serve in the place. R. R. Wooten is a level-headed, business man, and on the board of commissioners will prove to be a valuable asset to the county in the management of public affairs. All of the other commissioners, Messrs. Perrin, Sloan and Newberry, have been serving in the past, are safe and progressive as well as experienced. It is generally recognized that county affairs are in good hands for another two years.

### PROGRAM OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Following is the program to be had February 2nd by the Christian Women's Missionary Society:

Leader, Mrs. B. F. Hale.  
Hymn—Prayer—Business Period.  
Roll Call—Items of interest from world call.

Devotional period—Scripture, Romans 10: 1-15.

Special music, Mrs. Dickson.

Topic Talks—

An international disaster, Mrs. Bill Putman.

A backward glimpse and a forward look, Mrs. Lonnie Harris.

How the United Society gets its funds, Mrs. Crockett.

A distinctive contribution of the Disciples of Christ to higher education, in America, Mrs. Otho Hale.

Reading, Mrs. Tom Teague.

Hymn—Prayer.  
Time, 2:45 p. m. Place, Mrs. R. E. Dickson.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith is reported quite sick of pneumonia.

### MAN MURDERED IN JONES COUNTY SATURDAY

Sweetwater, Jan. 9.—Authorities of a score of West Texas counties are on a man hunt for 2 Mexicans who are believed to have beaten Ed Lassiter, wealthy and aged Jones County widower and recluse, to death at his farm home two days ago.

The body was discovered late Thursday by a group of school children on their way home from school. Two Mexicans who worked for Lassiter disappeared a few hours before the discovery of the body. Neighbors say they had a quarrel with the old man several days ago.

The Mexicans were traced as far as Sweetwater, having boarded the morning Orient southbound. Here all trace was lost. It is believed that they left on one of the numerous freight trains passing through this rail center.

A green mesquite tree limb was used for weapon. It was found beside the body spattered with blood.

Lassiter lived alone on his farm. His wife died some years ago. He was one of the oldest settlers of that section and was about 65. He has two daughters, but their whereabouts is unknown.

His farm was about 10 miles east of Sylvester, just over the line in Jones County. He traded in Sylvester, but was wary of banks and never deposited any cash proceeds from the sale of cotton or other produce from his large farm. He always paid in cash and was thought to have large sums in currency on the premises, which the Mexicans are believed to have taken after killing him.

A sister, Mrs. S. M. Stephenson lived on a farm near the aged man.

### A SPAN OF MULES FOR SALE

These mules are extra large, weighing 1800 to 1850 lbs., gentle, priced right. See G. W. Bennett, 8 miles northwest of Dickens, Texas. 11-3tp.

### Help Spur Grow

A. C. Hindman, of a mile north of Spur, was among the crowds on the streets Saturday.

### Help Spur Grow

Pleas Hill, of Aspermont, was a Spur business visitor the past week.

### Help Spur Grow

Mrs. Bud Morris, of Swenson, underwent an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium last week. Her father, D. C. Davis, of Lubbock, was here to be with his daughter through the operation. Mrs. Morris was reported in a very critical condition, and it is hoped that the operation will completely relieve her condition.

### Help Spur Grow

FOR SALE—Conn Cornet with case and extras, reduced price.—Red Front Drug Store. 11-2tc.

### Help Spur Grow

Dug Vinson, a prominent citizen of Peacock, was in Spur Saturday transacting business.

### Help Spur Grow

J. H. Hunnicut, a leading citizen of Jayton, was among the Spur business visitors the past week.

### Help Spur Grow

Taylor Havens, of near Jayton, was trading Saturday with Spur merchants.

### Help Spur Grow

Jud Smith, of the Afton country, was trading in Spur and greeting friends on the streets Saturday.

### Help Spur Grow

E. A. Bailey, of Steel Hill, returned Monday from Dublin where he spent some time.

### Help Spur Grow

J. J. Rogers, of Draper, was transacting business here Monday.

### Help Spur Grow

C. Earyl Senning, who is now district representative of the Star Motor Company, was in Spur this week.

### Help Spur Grow

Chas. Gunn, of near Dickens, came in early Tuesday morning, spending a short time in town transacting business.

### ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED WHEN CAR OVERTURNS

Clarence Pinrod, age 20 years, was killed and two other young men, (brothers named Gillie) were injured when the car in which they were riding turned over. The accident occurred at 10 o'clock Friday night on the public highway between Aspermont and Swenson, one and one-half miles north of Aspermont.

The car was almost completely demolished. The young men were found soon after the accident by a Mr. Ellison, who was passing and brought them to Aspermont where Clarence Pinrod died soon after arriving. The injured brothers were carried to their home near Shinery a serious condition, but both were resting well Sunday morning.

Clarence Pinrod was moved to the home of his uncle, Mr. Jack Whorton, three and one-half miles north of Aspermont, where funeral services were conducted Sunday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. W. T. North. Interment was made in the Aspermont Cemetery.—Aspermont Star.

### Help Spur Grow

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Slayden, of near Dickens, were shopping in Spur last week. It was on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Slayden that the first oil well in Eastland county was brought in, thus opening up the big oil developments which followed. The bringing in of this Slayden well was by mere chance, too. The driller on the well had been instructed more than once to pull his bits and plug the hole. However, this driller had invested all of his earnings in nearby leases, therefore insisted upon going deeper. A few hours before the well came in, the driller received a pre-emptory telegram instructing him to close down, but he continued to drill all night and brought the well in. This is just how near the Ranger oil field came to not be uncovered.

### Help Spur Grow

Tom Cherry, of Dry Lake, was among the crowds in Spur the past week and reporting everything coming good in his section.

### Help Spur Grow

D. D. Stewart, of a few miles east of Spur, dropped in Wednesday of this week and registered a kick about not receiving his Texas Spur. Mr. Stewart stated that he had not yet done anything toward preparations for farming this year, but had been studying some of the latest methods of dry farming, in view of present indications.

### Help Spur Grow

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was in Spur last week, and while here made us a very short call. Uncle Eb Shaw has been here since the year "one" and knows the past, present and future of the country. We consider him not only one of the best informed but one of the best men of entire country.

### Help Spur Grow

Big John Southworth was on the streets Saturday. Mr. Southworth is now engaged in selling farm lands being opened up by the Matadors. However, he says, since the first rush for choice selections, the sales have been very slow. However, the day is coming when any kind of first or second class agricultural lands will be taken at most any old price asked.

### Help Spur Grow

J. H. Bolch, of Dry Lake, was trading and transacting business in town one day during the week.

### Help Spur Grow

Vernon Powell was meeting with friends here Saturday.

### Help Spur Grow

Tom Spencer, of north of Dickens, was trading here the first of the week.

### Help Spur Grow

G. W. Dodson and Tom Dodson were in Spur Monday.

### Help Spur Grow

B. F. Simmons, of Dry Lake, was here Saturday with the crowds. He says everything is all a. k. in his section.

### LEGISLATURE CONVENES AND ELECTS REGULAR OFFICERS

The 84th Satt Legislature convened Monday, and sharp contests developed in the selection of officers in the organization.

Lee Satterwhite, of Amarillo, was elected Speaker of the House, over T. K. Irwin of Dallas and Hall of Houston, the klan question being one of the main considerations and Satterwhite being anti-klan.

In the Senate A. J. Wirtz, of Seaguin, defeated W. H. Bledsoe of Lubbock for president pro tempore.

Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson will be inaugurated on the 20th, and this will be one of the biggest events in the political history of Texas. Preparations are being made for the grandest ceremonial events ever before had in the inauguration of a governor, and visitors and guests will be in attendance from other nations as well as all parts of the United States.

Mrs. Ferguson was the first woman governor ever elected, and the second woman to be inaugurated, Mrs. Nellie Ross of Wyoming being the first to qualify for governor. The administrations of these two women governors will be watched by the entire world.

### Help Spur Grow—CROTON NEWS

It seems that the people are playing some kind of a game, as they are all exchanging plaies. (Perhaps Puss wants a corner.)

C. R. Brendle has sold his farm to Mrs. D. H. Dunn. Mr. Brendle is building on another place and will move to that place soon.

Little Miss Wilmer Brendle has been quite sick for some time, but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Lucille Pernel is real sick at this time.

Mrs. Dunn has moved to the teacherage and is boarding the teachers.

Rev. Crabtree filled his regular appointment Sunday and Sunday night at the Baptist Church. The Baptist people have decided to move the tabernacle to the northwest corner of the C. R. Brendle place now owned by Mrs. Dunn. It will be located across the road from the Croton store. This site will be more convenient for everyone.

The school is progressing nicely with the following teachers: Prof. Gentry, Prof. Jones, Miss Bessie Elliott, Mrs. Gentry and Mrs. Reynolds.

Mr. Bill Prestige, an old timer of Dickens county, is visiting friends on the flat.

Oscar Benson and wife have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benson.

Mr. Jack Thanish has resigned as truck driver to attend college. I failed to learn where. However, Grover Meadors took his place on the truck. Here's hoping Jack succeeds in college. Sorry to give him up from this school.

The oil derricks are getting closer as they are building one in the Pitchfork pasture. We have all hoped to see a test well on Croton Flat.

Mrs. Littlefield had a message from her daughter, Lena Mae, who is in California, saying Lena Mae was real sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter and family visited at the Richey home Sunday.

Mr. Grizzle and children are moving to Midway community. Mr. Grizzle having bought a home up there.

Mr. Joe Creamer and family are preparing to leave for their new home in Mexico. We are very sorry to give up so many good people. Also Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jackson are moving to their new home near Jayton. We hope both families succeed in their new homes.

Well, if the waste basket doesn't get this I will come again next week.—News B.

### Help Spur Grow

G. W. Allen was here Monday from McAdoo, marketing some of his staple crops.

### A. R. COPELAND'S LECTURES IN SPUR WERE INTERRUPTED

A. Riley Copeland, of Waco, who came to Spur last week to deliver a series of lectures on "Romanism," was called back to Waco after being in Spur only one night, thus interrupting the scheduled lectures.

He was called to Waco to appear before a grand jury investigating charges of criminal libel against Mr. Copeland for distributing circulars and making public charges against certain officials, charging "chronic drunkenness, immoral conduct with women and hot check poker playing, and knowingly permitting violations of prohibition and gambling laws." Eleven bills of indictment were returned by the grand jury against the Rev. Mr. Copeland, charging criminal libel and bond was made in the sum of \$6000.

In a meeting held upon his arrival back in Waco, at which it is reported as many were turned away from the Tabernacle Baptist Church as were able to crowd into it, the Rev. Mr. Copeland, again repeated his charges against the certain officials, stating that he welcomed an opportunity to prove the charges in court proceedings.

### HELP BUILD SPUR

This sounds good and there can not be any objections on the part of any one. However, there happens to be another side to this, and said slogan is the spawn of rank selfishness, and a presumption that people have not sense enough to spend their money where they please. Anyone who does not spend their money where it will buy the most is like the "Fool and his money were soon parted."

The Chamber of Commerce of Spur has appointed itself guardian of the people of Dickens County. Everyone must accept anything they put over and remain dumb on penalty of being called a knocker and having his credit stopped. I always supposed a credit account was mutual advantage to buyer and seller, and that when the account was paid the buyer was under no further obligations to the creditor. It seems not, however, according to article in last weeks Texas Spur. I presume very few goods are put out as acts of charity, as business men usually have about as much feeling as I have for one of my old range cows.

Now then, Spur business men are determined to keep County Agents, and all they care and know about is, "it helps build Spur and helps sell land." I have asked for a reason—also asked to be allowed to come before them and state my position.

They have not had the courtesy to reply. I am not alone in this desire to avoid the useless expense of County Agents. People are not talking much, but are buying groceries out of Spur by car loads, and sending most of their business to mail order houses. I do not know whether or not they save money. Spur business can not be held in the way they have been trying. I could give some pointers, but they are to wise in their own conceit.

Now listen. A poor cottonpicker bought an article in Spur for \$12.00. He could not use it, did no damage it in any way, was bus picking cotton and kept it one week took it back and the merchant charged him \$3.00 or gave him only \$9.00 for his \$12.00. I put the matter up to the secretary of the Merchants Association and have never heard from it. Such as this hurt Spur as these plain working people pass the word and it gains publicity.

I am not a knocker, or sore at the world in any way. I have as much to be thankful for as any one, and try to practice the "Golden Rule. I am my brother's keeper and I feel it my religious and civic duty to help him all I can, to have for him self and family an equal chance in life.—W. A. Craddock.

### Help Spur Grow

**The Farm Price Situation.**

A continued increase in grain prices is the feature of the price situation. The week following the election we saw new high prices realized on wheat and many traders figured a reaction would result. This belief is somewhat discounted by almost all daily reports of new high prices for grain. Wheat is now selling at a higher price than at any previous time this season, a car of high grade Montana spring wheat sold at Minneapolis for \$2.00 a bushel this week and the present Chicago price for No. 2 hard is near \$1.80.

Notice that the accompanying chart indicates a continual climb in prices since July, with the exception of a short recession in September which has brought farm prices to a higher point than they had reached in the past two years. The spread between wholesale prices of all commodities and farm products at wholesale is unusually narrow.

The final government crop report places the 1924 wheat crop at 873 million bushels against 797 million last year. This is an increase of 76 million bushels and indicates a large increase in the wheat farmer's income as prices for the year will average more than 25 cents per bushel higher than last season.

The final estimate places this year corn crop at 2437 million bushels which is 617 million bushels short of the 1923 production. Last week corn prices averaged 51 cents per bushel above the average for the corresponding week a year ago and have shown an eleven cent advance during the last month. The total value of corn crop figured on present crops would be considerably greater than the value of last year's crop.

Oats prices still remain low in proportion to corn prices although the last week average price was 26 cents per bushel above the price a year ago. Oats prices range from 50 to 70 per cent of corn prices. At present a bushel of oats is worth less than half as much as a bushel of corn which is no doubt due to the large oat and small corn crops. Latest government estimates place the oat crop at 1542 million bushels which is 236 million bushels larger than last year's crop and the third largest crop ever raised.

The cotton crop is now forecast at 13 million bales in comparison with 10 million last year. Prices are about twelve cents per pound above at this time last year and only with a better demand should be expected to advance. Reports are that demand is becoming stronger for all grades and especially so far extra staples which are selling at a big premium. The largest potato crop on record, 455 million bushels this year compared with 416 last year, has caused unsatisfactory prices to prevail. Prices are better than a month ago and not far below a year ago.

Receipts of hogs have been exceptionally heavy and prices have been held up by a good demand until they are only slightly below a month ago and \$2.10 per hundred above a year ago. Monday of this week 122,000 hogs were received at Chicago which was 25,000 more than had ever been received in one day previous.

Cattle prices are ruling lower on account of large supplies of poor grades due to the scarcity of feed. The feeder movement is considerably less than a year ago and this excess must be absorbed for slaughter. Well finished steers should bring good prices after the heavy run stops.

Fat lambs are now bringing higher prices than at any other time this season. Feeder lambs are still bringing fancy prices but are not selling as high as fat lambs as was true earlier in the season. Last week's average lamb prices were the highest since the middle of June.

A sharp advance was recorded in the price of butter during the last part of November but last week's price was seven cents lower than the recent high.

Egg prices are still strong showing advances over both a month ago and a year ago.

With an excellent demand poultry prices are holding about steady.

With stocks of wool reported low, prices continue to rise and contracting for spring clip in the west is progressing at higher prices than were paid last season.—A. F. B. F. Weekly News Letter.

Roy and Newt Harkey returned the latter part of last week from Snyder where they had been summoned to appear as witnesses in the murder case of J. E. Evans, formerly of Mason county, for the murder of Gee in Scurry county about four years ago. The trial was again continued for another term.

**MAKING WASH DAY EASIER**

Every housewife, and especially those living on the farm, consider the putting out of the weekly wash the most unpleasant, yet one of the most necessary tasks connected with the household. They have a mistaken idea that the weekly washing is a job which cannot be made easier. The hard labor connected with the cleaning of even the badly soiled work clothes, may be much simplified, and made much easier by the appliance of simple scientific measures, which are at the command of every housewife.

First, there are a number of easily compounded solutions such as soap jellies and washing fluids which should be kept on hand, as they are wonderful cleansing agents, and injure neither fabric nor color, if properly used. Soaking is a preliminary which too few women bother with, since it apparently delays the work just that much. It would be more consistently done if every housewife understood how much it softens and separates the fibers of the cloth and loosens the dirt from the fabric thus making the actual work quicker. It also dissolves any starch present and helps to remove such stains as clay, cream, machine oils and perspiration stains, all of which require proper treatment before boiling which sets permanently many stains.

Soiled clothes should never be put to soak in hot water; have the water tepid and, if hard, soften by the addition of a little borax, soda crystals or half a cup of household ammonia. Stir well and put in clothes, pressing down and let soak at least an hour, or over night if possible. Cover tub with blanket or quilt, to keep water warm.

Clothes to be soaked should be sorted and two tubs of water prepared. In the first put the clothes which need little boiling; while the second tub, along with the badly soiled clothes. If badly soiled, rub well with a handful of soap, roll up loosely and place at one side of the tub. To make the soap jelly, shave one cake of soap into two quarts of water and simmer gently until melted and remove from fire. Stir in one cup of household ammonia and it is ready for use. Apply freely to the badly soiled parts, roll up and immerse in warm water for an hour or longer, when the soap will have permeated the minute fibers of the material and loosened the dirt to the extent that it is easily removed with little rubbing, or boiling.

After the cloths have been soaked, rub lightly, wring and place in boiling suds to which plenty of soap and two tablespoons each of borax and ammonia have been added. A tablespoon of turpentine aids in bleaching. Boil twenty minutes. Punching down often helps in releasing remaining particles of dirt from the fabric. Remove and rinse, blue and hang on the line.

A thin starch makes the colored clothes easier to iron and keeps the clothes clean longer. For this stir the starch into rinsing water after the white clothes are put through.

An excellent soap solution which will prove very helpful in loosening and removing soil from work clothes is made by shaving one bar of soap into two gallons of water, simmer until melted and add one cup of ammonia, one cup of borax and two tablespoons of turpentine. Use on the badly soiled work clothes.—Kansas City Weekly Star.

**Miscellany Wants!**

POSTED—No hunting, shooting, or trespassing of any character will be permitted in any of my pastures.—J. P. Goen. 5-8p

**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.

L. G. Crabtree, of Croton, was in Spur Saturday of the past week. Mr. Crabtree is very optimistic concerning the solution of the marketing problems of the farmer through such organizations as the Farm Bureau which is in a position to withhold cotton and other farm products until such time as it is in demand, thus being in a position to ask and receive better prices more in keeping with the cost of production. It stands to reason that system in marketing will bring its compensation in more legitimate prices.

Robt. C. Jones and wife returned this week from Quanah where Mrs. Jones suffered several weeks of an attack of typhoid fever. We are glad to have them back in Spur, and to announce that Mrs. Jones has recovered from her illness.

W. H. Cherrhomes, of east of Spur, was in the city the past week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Recently he further showed his friendship to us and made us feel much better by bringing in a new subscriber for the paper.—We will not soon forget such consideration.

L. N. Stevens dropped in at the Texas Spur office one day last week, renewing his own subscription and also having the paper sent to his daughter, Mrs. W. J. Berry at Amherst, as a birthday present to her. As a birthday present we consider the Texas Spur most appropriate, in that it will make its weekly appearance in the home, thus keeping the recipient informed of the local happenings in and around the old home town.

Wanted—sewing of any kind—Mrs. F. I. Hale, Dickens, Texas

**5 1/2 Per Cent FEDERAL FARM LOANS 35 YEARS TIME**  
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Over one hundred million loaned to Texas Farmers.  
S. L. DAVIS

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kind words and deeds during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father.—Mrs. W. J. Young and children. 11 lte

W. F. Foreman, of the Espuela community, was among the number trading in Spur Saturday. Walter Foreman is a sane, substantial citizen who may be depended upon in any emergency.

**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

**W. A. SoRELLE**  
General Agent for the Spearman Lands, 18 Santa Fe Bldg., Seagraves, Gaines County, Texas, for descriptive literature, giving prices of land, terms, etc. 42-tf

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<p><b>NOTIONS AND HOSIERY</b> In this Department You Can Find What You Need in a Variety of Showings At a Big Saving!</p>	<p><b>MILLINERY</b> INCLUDING EVERY HAT! NOTHING RESERVED! Each, 98 Cents!</p>	<p><b>LEATHER VESTS AND SHEEP LINED COATS</b> EXACTLY 33 1-3 PER CENT DISCOUNT!</p>
<p><b>SHEETING AND DOMESTIC</b> 10-4 Brown Sheeting, Special, per yd. . . 34c 9-4 Brown Sheeting, Special, per yd. . . 29c Good Grade Brown Domestic, the yd. . . 10c</p>	<p><b>SHOES, SHOES! SHOES!!</b> For Men, Ladies and Children, at Reductions of 25, 33 1/3 and 50 per cent. IT WILL PAY TO LOOK!</p>	<p><b>MEN AND BOYS SUITS</b> Boys Suits, . . . . ., 33 1-3 Per Cent Discount Mens Suits at Reductions That Will Surprise You, in this Big Sale!</p>

**IF YOU MISS THIS SALE YOU WILL MISS THE BIGGEST BARGAINS EVER OFFERED BEFORE IN SPUR!! YOU WILL FIND WE CARRY THE BEST HIGH GRADE MERCHANDISE AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES!!**

**B. DAVIS HAS ARM AMPUTATED AT NICHOLS SANITARIUM**

Barney Davis, a prominent citizen of Stonewall county, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium last week for an operation, having his arm amputated because of blood poisoning. He is reported in a very critical condition, and it is not yet known if the amputation will check the ravages of the blood poisoning.

**BOGUS BANK NOTES NOW FLOODING TEXAS**

Dallas, Jan. 12.—Texas and Mexico are being flooded with bogus bank notes from bills issued by the Central National Bank of San Angelo and the First National Bank of El Paso, a warning received here today from W. Irvin Glover, assistant postmaster general, said.

Attorney W. D. Wilson left the first of the week for Austin, representing clients in the higher courts. He will probably remain over in Austin to attend the inauguration of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson and also attend the grand ball incident thereto. The inauguration of the first woman governor of Texas will be the biggest event of the kind ever before staged in Texas or any other state in the Union.

Joe Lambert came down Saturday from McAdoo. Apparently Joe is now permanently located on the plains, and gives evidence of being well content in his new home. The plains country is hard to beat. Some time in the future the plains country will be recognized as the "agricultural and commercial oasis of Texas."

**STRAYED**—one brown M horse, 6 years old, 15 1-2 hands high; one bay mare mule unbranded, 14 hands high, 10 years old. Will pay \$5.00 for their return to the Godfrey Ranch on old Owens place 12 miles southwest of Spur—A. M. Hoover 10-2p

**FOR RENT**—Front bedroom.—Phone 66. 11-2tc.

**BUILDING NEW FARM HOME IN THE DRAPER COMMUNITY**

W. L. Thanisch this week hauled out lumber and building material with which to construct another new farm house on his extensive farm holdings in the Draper community. During the year Mr. Thanisch picked, ginned and marketed some four or five hundred bales of cotton from his place, and is now making improvements in keeping with the productive resources of his broad acres.

The farm interests of Dickens county are developing, progressing and building in a most substantial manner, and in the years to come will be recognized as the richest and most highly developed sections of Texas.

**HUGH SQUYRES AND WESLEY SMITH TRADE PROPERTIES**

This week Hugh Squyres traded his twenty acre suburban home to Wesley Smith for his residence property in Spur. Mr. Squyres and family are now arranging to move to Abernathy where he has rented a farm for the year and will make a crop. For some time Mr. Squyres has had the "plains fever", but he is retaining his property here until he is more thoroughly convinced that the plains country will meet his expectations of comfortable and contented living and prosperous returns of his efforts.

We regret to see Mr. and Mrs. Squyres leave Spur, even temporarily. In the beginning of Spur, away back in 1909 and 1910, we neighbored with them and together endured and enjoyed the hardships and vicissitudes of a newly established town and developing country. There are no better people and citizens than Hugh Squyres and family. The country "off yonder" may look better and more inviting, but time will tell that Spur and the Spur country can't be beat.

**Help Spur Grow**—Thurmond Moore has just returned from a pleasure trip to Austin.

**AFTON MERCHANT REPORTS BIG, PROSPEROUS BUSINESS**

Byron Haney, of the business firm of J. N. Haney & Son, of Afton, was a business visitor in Spur Wednesday. Afton is located in the center of one of the richest, most productive and surest crop producing sections of all of Western Texas, and while it is an inland town, having no railway connections, the business men are favored with a great volume of business and trade from the immediately surrounding territory. In fact, we gleaned from conversing with Mr. Haney that his firm alone enjoyed a business of approximately one hundred thousand dollars during the year just closed, and no doubt other firms of the town enjoyed equally as extensive trade in comparison with stock carried.

J. N. Haney & Son carry a big stock of general merchandise, including farm implements, hardware, drugs, groceries and dry goods, and incidentally does somewhat of a private banking business to accommodate the customers and people of that territory. J. N. Haney & Son is a strong firm, in a position to care for the needs of customers, and the management is most generous in extending every possible accommodation to their customers and the general public.

A. J. Richey, of Croton, was among the business visitors here Monday. Mr. Richey informed us that he had completed his new farm home, business house and filling station. However, he stated that he was continuing his business of farming while Mrs. Richey looked after all other business interests now established on the place. They are selling groceries and notions as well as gas and oils, which will be of great convenience to the people of that territory.

**Help Spur Grow**—Mrs. T. R. Sizemore, of Croton, was among the shoppers in Spur the latter part of last week.

**TEACHER EXAMINATIONS ARE ANNOUNCED FOR THE YEAR**

County School Superintendent H. A. C. Brummett has announced that Teachers Examinations during the year 1925 will be held on the following dates at Dickens:

February 6th and 7th; April 3rd and 4th; June 5th and 6th; July 10th and 11th; August 14th and 15th; September 4th and 5th; December 4th and 5th.

All teachers who take the examinations are required to register names with the County School Superintendent, as heretofore, not later than the 20th day of the month preceding the examination date. Teachers are requested to preserve the above dates for the convenience and knowledge of those who desire to take the examinations.

**1050 CARS REGISTERED TO DATE IN DICKENS COUNTY**

On the afternoon of January 14, the date on which the time limit for registering cars expired, Tax Collector M. L. Jones had registered a total of 1050 cars in Dickens county. At the time we were there car owners were continuing to come in for the registration.

Sheriff Jones stated that there were approximately 1400 cars in the county subject to registration at this time, not including those registered in other counties.

The time limit for the payment of personal and property taxes is January 31st to avoid the penalty charges.

**FOR SALE**—An inside casing, guaranteed against blowout and 90 per cent puncture proof.—See L. W. Bilberry, Phone 196. 11-tfc.

C. H. Parr, of McAdoo, was recently in Spur trading a little and meeting with his friends. Mr. Parr used to live down here, but since moving to the plains has evidently become acclimated and permanently located.

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**FARM FOR SALE**—127 1-2 acres, 86 acres in cultivation, 10 miles N. W. Spur, cornering with Highway school ground, \$35 per acre. Good mixed sandy land, and the best water at 20 feet. See E. C. Edmonds or J. J. Albin, Spur, 11-4t.

**Help Spur Grow**—Sam Duke left Saturday of last week for DeLeon, where he will spend several months with his mother.

R. E. Slough was among the number in Spur the past week from Dickens. He has completed gathering his crops and is now taking life easy until time to begin another year's work.

**Help Spur Grow**—Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Greer, of Lone Oak Farm and Ranch west of Spur, returned Saturday from Swenson where they spent several days visiting his brother and family.

**JUDGE BRUMMETT OPENS NEW FILLING STATION AT DICKENS**

County Judge H. A. C. Brummett, looking ahead and observing the future progress and demands of the automobile traveling public, diverted his study of the law for a sufficient time to construct a modern, stucco finish filling station, containing a ladies rest room, with all the conveniences of such a business, located on the southwest corner of the court house square in Dickens, and on the main highway. Billy Waldrup will be general manager of the business, and being most accommodating will ever be at the service of patrons and the automobile traveling public.

Judge Brummett has not yet given the station a name, and is considering the proposition of offering a prize of ten dollars in gold to one of the patrons of the place who will submit the best and most appropriate name for the business.

Every town in Dickens county is building, improving and progressing in a most substantial manner, not the least of the number being our county seat, as will be observed by the new buildings, moves and business changes taking place at this time.

**Help Spur Grow**  
**MRS. J. E. HALL JOE DE VOI CLUB HOSTESS**

The first meeting of the year of the Joe de Voi Club was held last Thursday evening with Mrs. J. E. Hall. In Bridge Mrs. Cecil Fox won high score and was awarded a lovely apron. While Mrs. Roy Russell and Mrs. Robt. Davis cut for the guest prize.

A delicious salad course was served to Mesdames C. L. Love, Roy Russell, Robt. Davis, Tracy Gorham, E. L. Brown, Cecil Fox, Roy Moses, Jack Rector, Mack Brown, Weldon Grimes, M. H. Brannen, Lucas and Miss Mabel Harris.

**Help Spur Grow**  
**ENTRE NOUS CLUB**  
**ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

The Entre Nous Club met with Mrs. B. F. Hale last Friday afternoon. Mrs. C. B. Jones was elected President; Mrs. M. A. Lee, Vice-President; Mrs. Bill Putman, Secretary and Treasurer and Mrs. Roy Moses, reporter.

Bouquets of pink carnations were used in decorations. Other guests arrived at the close of the business session and progressive "42" was played. Lovely refreshments consisting of salad, hot chocolate and cake with pink carnations as plate favors, was served.

Members and visitors present were: Meses. W. D. Wilson, F. W. Jennings, M. A. Lee, C. B. Jones, R. F. Huie, Austin Putman, P. C. Nichols, T. H. Blackwell, R. M. Dobbins, E. J. Cowan, W. R. Lewis, Lonnie Harris, Murray Lee and Roy Moses.

**Help Spur Grow**  
**"SHOWER"**

On Thursday Afternoon, January 8th, a bridal shower was given by Mrs. Roy K. Harkey at her home in Dickens, honoring Mrs. Leo W. Petty.

Many charming and useful gifts were received by Mrs. Petty, consisting of cut glass, hand embroidery, linens, aluminum, quilts and other articles.

Among the guests present were: Mesdames Leo W. Petty, B. Y. Love, R. M. Hamby, Elmer Gay, O. Douglass, D. J., R. S., J. D., and E. L. Harkey, W. G. Crego, Luther Johnson, Fred Haile and J. H. Meadors.

**Help Spur Grow**  
**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—My home of 7 acres, well improved, 5-room house with 4 closets, 2 fireplaces, well finished inside and out, located one-half mile from Spur townsite; cistern and well, and all necessary outbuildings, carbide lights. Price \$5,500. See J. J. Albin. 11-4t.

**Help Spur Grow**  
W. F. McCarty and daughter, Maggie Pearl spent from Friday until Sunday at Paducah attending the Baptist Association.

**LICENSES, DIVORCES AND LAND ITEMS DURING YEAR**

While in Dickens Wednesday County Clerk O. C. Arthur, who is ever on the job keeping the county records straight, serving and accommodating the general public in an official capacity, informed us that he had issued during the year just closed, 1924, a total of one hundred fifty marriage licenses, thus indicating that this number of new homes have been established, and at least twice that number of individuals made happy and imbued with the duties and obligations of real citizenship.

In connection with marriages, divorces are also a consideration and factor in the life of our citizenship. During the year 1924 only thirteen divorces were granted by the courts of the county. In connection with the application and granting of divorces, it is worthy of note that the greater number affected only the colored population.

During the year, County Clerk Arthur had filed for record a total of 1064 instruments affecting real estate within the county, including deeds, transfers, mortgages, etc.

The record of births and deaths within the county could not be given, since doctors and others interested and connected therewith have failed to keep a complete record which should be filed with the clerk.

**Help Spur Grow**

**"CARROTY NELL" JAN. 30**  
"Carroty Nell" is the name of the breeze and entertaining play the Girl Scouts of Spur are arranging to present Friday, January 30th at the high school auditorium.

There may be people in Spur who do not know that our town boasts of a real, live, wide awake Girl Scout organization. But it does under the supervision of Mrs. M. H. Brannen as Captain; Mrs. D. Y. Twaddell, as first Lieutenant; and is sponsored by Mrs. Geo. S. Link, W. H. Putman and others.

This play is to be given for the purpose of securing funds toward erecting a Scout Camp House. It is directed by Mrs. Roy Moses, and if you don't want to laugh don't come. They guarantee you more laughs for the money than you have had in a long time. Remember the date January 30th.

**Help Spur Grow**

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB**

The Friday Afternoon Club met in business and social session Friday Afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. L. Love. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. J. Bryant, Pres.; Mrs. Jas. B. Reed, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Tracy Gorham, Sec. and Treas.; Mrs. Roy Stovall, Reporter.

After a delightful hour in forty two the hostess was assisted by her daughters, Misses Ruby and Dorothy Love in serving a tempting salad course to the following members: Mesdames Bryant, Busby, Barrett, Davis, Gorham, Link, Morris, Manning, McClure, Caraway, Pierce, Reed, Russell and Whitner.—Reporter.

**Help Spur Grow**

**Neglected Cough Dangerous—How to Stop It Quickly**

When the delicate tissues of your throat are raw and sore from coughing, and your strength is exhausted with the constant hacking, you may fall an easy prey to more serious trouble. So stop the cough the quickest you can, before it creeps too deep. By a very simple treatment you can stop the spasm practically at once, and relieve the heaviest cough often in 24 hours. The treatment is based on a remarkable prescription known as Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs. You simply take a teaspoonful and hold it in your throat for 15 or 20 seconds before swallowing, without following with water. It has a double action. It not only soothes and heals soreness and irritation, but it quickly loosens and removes the phlegm and congestion which are the direct cause of the coughing. With the case treated in this way, the whole cough condition goes in a very short time. The prescription contains no opiates or harmful drugs. It simply helps Nature. It is for coughs, chest colds, hoarseness, bronchitis and spasmodic croup. Very economical, as the dose is only one teaspoonful. For sale at all good druggists. Ask for



C. G. Startett, of McAdoe, was among the numbers in Spur trading the past week.

Miss Reba Doff McCaughey, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Drummond of Paducah.

**WOLFE'S BARGAIN STORE**

OUR General Line of Dry Goods is complete and sparkling with items for the entire family. Now is the time to save money on your purchases. This week and next we are featuring some extraordinary bargains in

**LADIES READY-TO-WEAR**  
**\$25 up to \$42.50 Values, Now \$12.50 to \$21.95**

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**"The Romance of America"**

Mr. Griffith, with a story written by Robert W. Chambers, went to Lexington Common and the Bridge at Concord; hung again the lantern of warning in the Old North Church; set Paul Revere again upon his famous ride; brought Washington from the repose of majestic marble into living leadership; put speech again upon the impassioned lips of Patric Henry; caught the white savagery of winter at Valley Forge; gathered the patriots into that momentous event of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; brought from obscurity those dashing Virginia heroes, Morgan's Rifles, with "Liberty or Death" upon their breasts, pets of the Army, who triumphed in the little known but most important warfare over the inland grain fields; ending with the inauguration of Washington.

**ROMANCE**

"Through it all there runs the golden thread of love—of love so that rebukes the impure—of love so constant it silences the cynic of love, that chaste element which amid all profanation, still endures—the never-resting, never-tiring redeemer of life. It makes you a little bigger, a little better, a little more human than you ever were before."—Frederick Landis, famous New York Journalist.

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**Rushing The Spring Season!!**

**THIS STORE** Takes Pleasure in announcing to the Ladies of Spur and the Trade Territory the arrival of our **MARVELOUS LINE OF**

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