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DRILLING CONTRACT CLOSED FOR OIL TEST WELL ON J. C. JONES RANCH OPERATIONS TO BEGIN AT ONCE

This week J. C. Jones closed a contract with drillers for an oil test well to be drilled thirty five hundred feet deep on his ranch property seven miles northwest of Dickens in the northwest part of the county. Material is now being hauled to the ranch, and just as soon as all machinery and materials are assembled and a standard derrick erected, actual drilling operations will be commenced, probably within the next thirty days.

The territory in which this test well for oil will go down, has been surveyed by several geologists and pronounced oil territory without a doubt. Geologists can discern oil territory, but as yet have been unable to designate the exact spot on which to sink a sure test. We understand that the contract made by Mr. Jones is to the effect that should the first test for oil fail to develop oil within the thirty-five hundred feet, that a second test, at a different location on the ranch shall begin immediately. In other words, knowing that an oil pool is within that territory, tests will continue to be made until it is uncovered.

Other drillers have been in Spur and the surrounding country, also during the past week. Mr. Robbins, an oil scout for the Texas Company of Midland, spent two or three days here, securing data and obtaining the log of both the 24 Ranch well and the Davis well. He made no definite statements, but conveyed the impression that this territory is now being considered for wildcat operations by his company.

Messrs. P. G. Arnold and George Williams, of Nocona, were also in Spur, and if proper lease contracts can be made will drill one or more test wells in the territory to the north east as well as northwest of Spur. Mr. Williams was the first driller to begin developments in the Nocona field, being recognized as an able as well as successful wildcatter and real developer. Mr. Arnold is also a driller of a number of years experience, and should they undertake operations here the work will progress without interruptions.

With the Pitchfork test now going down, the contract let for one or more tests on the Jones ranch, and scouts here seeking other acreage contracts, Dickens county is assured of a thorough test for oil during the year, and from one or more of the tests to be made, we are sure that something will develop, because we are very confident from other incomplete tests as well as geological reports that somewhere in this territory a great pool of oil exists.

Here is hoping that 1925 will witness the uncovering of this pool.

Help Spur Grow

R. M. Hamby came over Monday from Dickens, spending some time here on business. Mr. Hamby owns some valuable residence property in Spur on which he is now planning to build a fine residence. We will be glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Hamby back again as residents with us.

OIL DEVELOPMENT PROSPECTS GOOD IN KENT

Mrs. Ernest Mayfield, Jayton, was in Spur the latter part of last week, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Maples. In conversation with Mrs. Mayfield she informed us that the people of Kent county had great hopes and indications of real oil developments within the immediate future, there being several representatives of oil interests "pussy-footing" around Jayton at all times. The fact that gas has been encountered on the Pursley ranch in a shallow well drilled for oil, has considerably encouraged the thought that the Jayton territory is a fair and open field for development is universally entertained by the home people and being recognized also by the oil fraternity. There is no question in our mind but that there is greater wealth in the underground resources of this country than has ever been developed on the surface, and it is our firm conviction that, within the next year or two these underground resources will be developed and brought to light.

COMMUNITY CLUB ORGANIZED

Thursday, February 12th, ten ladies of Dry Lake met with Mrs. Hollingsworth, at the home of Mrs. Bell, a community club was organized and the following officers elected: Mrs. George Sloan, President; Mrs. A. M. Shepard, Vice-President; Mrs. Buren Smith, Secretary; Mrs. Walter Powell, Club Leader; Mrs. W. Oscar McCrary, Reporter. After a short business session, Mrs. Hollingsworth gave a very interesting talk on "making a dress form." A dress form will be made the next meeting at the home of Mrs. Walter Powell, Thursday, Feb. 26, 2 p. m.

Each woman in this district is urged to be present, not interested and become a member of this club. Not only is it a privilege but a duty you owe yourself and family.

Mrs. Hollingsworth has reserved second and fourth Thursday afternoon in each month for the women of Dry Lake. Let all respond to this call and make better homes and a better community in which to live.—Reporter.

MONK RUCKER COMPLETES RESIDENCE AND MOVED IN

Mr. and Mrs. Monk Rucker this week completed their new bungalow residence in the east of Spur and are now living at home and enjoying the pleasures and satisfaction of home ownership.

At the present time there are four or five new residences under construction in the city, all of which are nearing completion.

The people of Spur believe in home ownership, and today there are more fine residences, modern homes and neat bungalows than in any other town the size and age of Spur in all of West Texas.

J. A. BRAWLEY PURCHASES THE "MOTOR INN" BUSINESS

Last week a trade was consummated whereby J. A. Brawley came into ownership and possession of the "Motor Inn" business, trading to Grady Mageors a well improved 160 acre farm to the west of Spur.

Mr. Brawley now has charge of the Motor Inn, while Grady Mageors has gone East for a visit and to recuperate before taking charge of his farm property and interests.

Mr. Brawley also purchased the J. P. Hart residence in the east part of the city, where he and family are now domiciled, Mr. and Mrs. Hart having temporarily taken up their residence at the Western Hotel.

BANKER DIES AT RALLS

Tuesday news came to Spur of the death of Frank McLaughlin, active vice-president of the Guaranty State Bank of Ralls, following a brief illness of pneumonia. The McLaughlins are among the leading and most substantial citizens of the plains country, and the death of Frank McLaughlin is a real and material loss to Ralls and the Ralls county.

AUCTION SALE OF HOGS CALLED OFF SATURDAY

As was advertised in the Texas Spur, the auction sale of hogs for last Saturday was not had because of influenza developing among the hogs shipped here by Geo. P. Lillard of Arlington.

Geo. P. Lillard is widely recognized throughout the state as one of the biggest and most dependable hog raisers and dealers of the state. In making his shipment of hogs to Spur for this auction sale, they caught cold and contracted influenza, Mr. Lillard refusing to sell at any price a diseased or sick hog, therefore the sale as advertised was not held.

Mr. Lillard is a breeder of Duroc Jerseys, and for twenty-five years has been widely known and recognized in the business.

ANNUAL FEEDERS MEETING IN SPUR WEDNESDAY, MAR. 4, AND PROMINENT SPEAKERS TO BE HERE

A Feeder's meeting will be held at the Spur Experiment Station on the afternoon of March 4th at which time the results of a long line of experiments in connection with the feeding of cattle and lambs will be made available for the public. The Spur Station for the past ten years has been conducting experiments to determine the relative feeding value of the grain sorghums and it is largely through this system of experimentation that the grain sorghums (Milo, Kafir and Feterita) are selling on a par with corn in the grain markets of the country.

The feeding experiments at the Spur Station this year are the largest and most comprehensive in the history of the Station and includes twelve tests with lambs and muttons, and four tests with cattle. The Experimental Station officials

CLEAN-UP AND HEALTH PROMOTION WEEK IN APRIL

Selection of the week beginning April 5 for a state-wide Clean-up and Health Promotion Week is announced by the State Board of Health. The first day, Sunday April 5, is to be observed by churches and civic organizations with sermons and lectures on various "clean-up" and health subjects. The program for the remaining days of the week is arranged as follows: April 6, Health Appraisal Day; April 7, Clean-up Day; April 8, Insect and Rodent Control Day; April 9, Child Welfare and Birth Registration Day; April 10, Disease Prevention Day; April 11, Food Day. County health officials, mayors, schools, and civic organizations are urged to cooperate with the State Board of Health in cleaning their towns from cellar to attic. Programs outlining a definite campaign will be mailed to city officials. Information on any of the topics suggested for the days of Health Week may be secured by writing to the State Board of Health, Austin.

TWO SCHOOL GIRLS INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Misses Allen, grand-daughters of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen, were painfully injured Tuesday morning while coming to school, when the Ford car in which they were driving was overturned, going into a deep ditch along side of the road near the H. O. L. bin place. One of the young ladies was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium where her injuries were dressed, and will probably not be able to attend school for several days.

MUSICAL RECITAL

The V. O. Stamps Quartet of Jacksonville, Texas, composed of Trigg, Wear and Fincannon, will give a musical recital at the high school auditorium in Spur, Friday night February 27th. An admission of 25 and 35 cents will be charged, and 20 per cent of the proceeds will go to the Parent Teachers Association.

THE BANK FAILURE AT GIRARD DEMONSTRATES THE ADVANTAGES OF KEEPING MONEY AT HOME

G. W. Waggoner, garage man of Girard, was transacting business in Spur one day last week. In speaking of the prevailing conditions in Girard and the Girard country Mr. Waggoner said one not there daily could not fully appreciate how much the entire country was affected by the recent closing of the bank at that place. Business is being conducted entirely without cash, and people are only buying a little meat and bread and other necessities. In illustrating, Mr. Waggoner stated that before the financial crash came he had four or five men employed in his garage to care for the trade, whereas now one man could almost look after the business. Business is almost paralyzed, and those farmers who have been depending upon the bank for assistance are going to have to suffer great inconveniences in making another crop unless the bank affairs be adjusted and reopened for business. Spur as well as other surrounding towns, have also felt the effects of conditions at Girard. However, none of the Girard people are disheartened. They are just merely inconvenienced and deprived temporarily of a circulating medium. Another thing which has been thoroughly demonstrated in this stringency, is in the uncontrovertible evidence that it pays to trade at home and support home institutions. Where a community of people spend their money out of town, the same results will come about and affect the country as disastrously as if a bank failure had occurred, and we venture that the people of Girard and the Girard country will hereafter more fully realize and appreciate keeping finances circulating in the home town and community.

A TOTAL OF 16,200 BALES COTTON GINNED IN SPUR THIS FALL

During the fall season, and up to last Saturday night there had been a total of 16,200 bales of cotton ginned by the six gins of Spur, as follows:

Hargrove	2,868
Long	1,852
Rosamond	1,937
Baker	2,644
Haves	2,217
Johnson	4,682
Total	16,200

The ginning season is practically ended, and there will be only a very few more scattering bales ginned. The ginnings of Spur during the year represent approximately one half of the cotton produced and ginned at the several other gins of the county.

The early estimates of ginnings in Spur were 15,000 bales, and as will be noted from the above report that 1,200 bales more than the estimate have actually been ginned.

BURL HIGHT IS BUILDING NEW RESIDENCE IN CITY

Burl Hight, manager of the Tri-County Lumber Company, is building a modern bungalow home in the northwest part of the city, and will soon have it completed and ready to move in.

This is the second residence to be built in Spur by Mr. Hight during the past twelve months, evidencing the fact that he is a real builder and booster as well as lumber salesman.

W. F. Godfrey made a business trip to Guthrie, Padenah and other points this week. While in Paducah Mr. Godfrey visited with his father.

BUILDING AND IMPROVING ON CROTON FARM PROPERTY

Monday of this week E. B. Shaw was in Spur and hauled out lumber and building material with which to construct new buildings and make improvements on his farm home in the Croton country.

In every section and community of the great Spur country, the building and improvement progress has been unparalleled in the history of Western Texas development. One can rarely pass a farm on which there has not been some buildings or improvements. The same is true of the towns. Not a town in the country but is experiencing an era of unprecedented building.

MAKE THE PARK

Texas Spur: Please "press the button" on the great importance of developing our county park around Dickens Springs and thereby put Dickens county on the map. Read the County Park law enacted in 1915 and never "let up" until our County Judge and Commissioners cut develop and beautify our Dickens Springs park where the whole people can enjoy an outing at will. It would improve all values real and increase all business and put Dickens county on the map. Let the court wake up!—F. N. Oliver.

Cash Variety Store Enlarging Stock

We are adding Ladies Ready-to-wear, Millinery, underwear, full line of thread, also Children's wash dresses, men's work clothing, underwear, and many articles that we have not had. Have about half of our new goods in and hope to have a full stock by last of next week.

Come in and look through our goods and see the many bargains.

J. T. McILLOCH, Prop.

DIED

Finis Frazier, the fourteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frazier died Saturday at their home in the west part of Spur, the remains being interred in the Spur cemetery. Finis was sick only a few days, becoming ill Thursday of pneumonia, and death relieving his suffering three days later. He attended school the first of the week, and was one of the number appointed by his teacher to look after the fires and see that the school room was kept warm during the week.

The Texas Spur extends sincere sympathy to the parents and relatives in this sad and unexpected bereavement.

Oil Has Been "Brought In" And Big Development Under Way at Justiceburg

T. S. Lambert last week made a trip to Justiceburg where they are developing a real oil field and the pumps now placing in storage tanks more than one hundred fifty barrels of high grade oil from the one well brought in the field. A number of other wells are now going down, and the prospect is that before many weeks a number of wells will be pouring oil into storage tanks. Many speculators he says are taking advantage of a sure developing field by buying leases in adjoining territory ranging in lease price of five dollars an acre and up. Geologists have traced the "run of oil" through from Electra to Justiceburg, and on into Mitchell county, passing through the Spur territory. Some where along this line great gushers are predicted, and some day men are going to make millions" along this line. This territory is sure of development in the immediate future. So far as we are individually and personally concerned, we have invested all the money we ever expect to in wild-cat oil propositions. The man who is not in the oil business stands only one chance in twenty of making anything by getting in the oil game, while the man who knows the business can make money out of the wildest of wildcat schemes. Oil development is as much of a business as merchandising or printing, and those who do not know the game had better stay with the business he knows and understands, or expect merely to make a contribution to the developments. We are holding some beautifully engraved oil stocks, also have interest in leases and royalties in a real oil field, and yet we are getting no dividends, therefore it is very evident to us that oil developers work on their own propostions and give little consideration to the other fellows propostions or hopes.

CENTRAL MARKET CROWDED WITH BUYERS LAST SATURDAY

In response to his proposition to return the amounts paid on all purchases at the Central Meat Market during a fifteen minute period between five and seven o'clock Saturday afternoon, Lonnie Harris and his assistants were crowded in making sales. During the designated fifteen minutes there were nine cash purchasers, each of whom was refunded money paid on purchases. Those who were fortunate in buying at the right time were:

Mrs. C. Fite, at 5:47, 25 cents.
W. J. Hoyle, at 5:51, 65 cents.
Will Walker, at 5:45, 70 cents.
W. W. Pickens, at 5:55, 60 cents.
Pearl Hodge, at 5:49, 55 cents.
R. P. McCombs, at 5:51, 50 cents.
T. S. Lambert, at 5:47, 25 cents.
R. C. Rea, at 5:51, \$1.50
R. A. Harrison, 6:00, 40 cents.

Throughout the two hours and even before and after the designated two hours, many purchases were made, some buying four and five dollar hams and other meats worth the money, even though they failed to make the purchase at the proper time to be refunded.

Next Saturday a similar sale will be conducted between the hours of four and six o'clock, and during a certain fifteen minutes within this time all who make purchases will be refunded the purchase price. Mr. Harris will write down and seal in an envelope the fifteen minute period in which purchases will be refunded, and at the hour of six the envelope opened and the money of purchasers within the designated time paid. This is a novel scheme, and one in which no one but the meat market is the loser, because each purchaser gets value received whether or not he is refunded the price of purchases.

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

W. T. ANDREWS, JR., Cashier
F. C. COLLIER, Asst. Cashier

The Spur National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, \$125,000.00

SPUR, TEXAS

Dear Friend:

It is not what you earn but the amount you save that really counts.

We believe every person has an ambition to SAVE, and they should have that ambition put into effect. However, it is just a little difficult to get started.

Our interest in this community and in the individuals composing it prompted us to open a Savings Department on December 15, 1924. To date about 500 persons have taken advantage of this opportunity to put their idle dollars to work. Deposits in this department alone, are now more than \$38,000.00.

If you are not a customer in this department we want you, and extend you a hearty welcome.

Why not begin today to save for a definite purpose, for instance:

- For a rainy day, or the day of adversity, which is sure to come.
- For that summer vacation.
- For that boy or girl's college education.
- To meet that note due next fall.
- We pay 4 per cent on Savings Accounts.

If you do not fully understand this Savings Department ask us for full information the next time you are in the bank.

Your Friend,

The Spur National Bank

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT CONVENTION AT SLATON

The district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held March 12th at Slaton, and members of all local chambers of commerce within the district are urged to attend this meeting which will be of material interest to this immediate territory in that questions of moment to the commercial and agricultural interests will be discussed.

Monday of this week R. A. Highsmith, district convention manager for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and Frank Phillips, of the agricultural department of the Canyon Normal, were in Spur to invite and encourage the attendance of the membership of the Spur Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Phillips is also field correspondent for the Progressive Farmer and was here to get data from farm interests for a write-up of this section for the Progressive Farmer.

The district convention at Slaton will outline plans for the encouragement of dairying, raising hogs and poultry in connection with farming in this section. In other words, the district chambers of commerce will encourage diversified farming to the end that the country will enjoy greater prosperity, and the disadvantages of the one-crop system overcome even through a temporary "drouth."

While we all recognize that the membership of chambers of commerce is made up principally of commercial interests, yet there are those who are familiar with agricultural interests and who can give beneficial advice to be handed on down for the consideration of actual farmers. The commercial and agricultural interests are mutual. When agricultural interests fail, all other interests are affected, therefore commercial interests make a study of agriculture and are in a position to render assistance and make recommendations worthy of consideration by those engaged in the farming business.

BUCKEYE RHODE ISLAND REDS

Can supply few settings at \$1.50 per setting now.—Mrs. Mace Hunter.

GROCERIES AND MEAT

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

SCOTT & MORGAN

FOR HONOR SYSTEM WHICH WORKS IN TEXAS

Austin, Texas, Jan. 17.—Texas is taking its convicts out of prisons and putting them to work manuring and doling up twenty State parks. Already the experiment has proved a success. At Boerne, 80 miles from here, twenty prisoners, serving terms all the way from five years to life, have been beautifying a park with a State Ranger acting more as "straw boss" than a guard. The Ranger, Martin Koonsman, 25 years old and the youngest in the Ranger force, permits the men, after working hours, to come and go as they please and in the three-month period the twenty have been under him not one has escaped or attempted to escape.

Last Christmas young Koonsman wanted to go to his home 400 miles away in Dickens County for a week's vacation. But wouldn't he be fair to the State? He argued with himself, to enjoy the holidays while these twenty prisoners worked, so he put the matter up to them. He thought it not worth while to take the subject up with the Governor of Texas or the Adjutant General, who has control of the Ranger force.

"See here boys," he told them when they gathered two days before Christmas. "I want to go home for the holidays. If I let you go will you all return in just one week?"

"Sure thing," said Red Parker, who had a contract to work for the State fifteen years without pay. "Of course we will come back, Martin," spoke up "Buck" Lanning. Buck had disagreed with some of the ethics of society and at request of a District Judge he was putting in ten years.

Martin Koonsman, cowboy, border Ranger, noticed his little problem. Experts in criminology would have warned young Koonsman not to do such a thing. But Koonsman knows more about men than he does about laws, society and criminology and he knew those twenty men would be back at Boerne when they said they would.

While he was at Dickens all of the twenty prisoners from their various homes sent Koonsman Christmas cards, and when he returned they were all there waiting for him. He took it as a matter of course and was not in the least surprised.

"Have a good time, boys?" he asked. "Sure, hope you had the same, boss," was Buck's greeting. "Now we will proceed to furnish up this park so it will suit Governor Neff, as well as 'Ma,' said the Ranger.

Koonsman was somewhat surprised when a newspaper man hearing of the incident pressed him for details and seemed to think it unusual for twenty prisoners to be allowed to go home at the same time and return at the same time.

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

Sideache Backache GARDUI The Woman's Tonic. I have been taking Gardui... Gardui has relieved many kinds of pains and distressing symptoms caused by female trouble. It should help you, too, in the same way. Why not give it a fair trial?

"Why, these boys are all right," he asserted. "I reckon they must have made a mistake and got caught at it. But here we all work together and I never guard them. They do the work mighty well. I never thought of exacting from each of a promise to return. All I wanted from them was an understanding as to the date. I treat them like men and they reciprocate. That's all there is to this convict business."

There are 3,600 convicts in the Texas prisons, and lately the State Government has been increasing the number of its parks. But Texas, the largest State in the Union, with a dozen big oil fields and the biggest cotton crop of all Southern States, is shabby and down at the heels financially. Texas has a deficit of \$2,000,000 at present, and sometimes it goes as high as \$6,000,000.

About a year ago Governor Neff was forced to borrow \$800,000 outside the State to keep the penitentiary system running. So the State, having no funds to employ a large group of park caretakers, intends to increase the number of convicts under the Koonsman plan until groups of them are placed in all of the parks. This plan, Governor Neff believes, will go far in solving the Texas prison problem, and Koonsman agrees with him.

Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, Governor-elect, and her Prime Minister husband, James E. Ferguson, are fully in accord with the plan, and in fact will go Neff one better for their sympathies are all with the convicts and want them to work in the open. Ferguson, when Governor, made penitentiaries his hobby and was far more liberal in giving pardons than was Neff. Ferguson while in the Governor's office, issued pardons to 3,000 convicts, while Neff, in his four-year term, has extended pardons to two men. The former was criticized in the last political campaign for being too lenient and the latter being lampooned for being too strict.

Texas is also experimenting with an "honor farm" located at Sugarland, near Houston. This farm was established in October by Governor Neff and has 150 prisoners, sent there from every prison in the State. The guards were transferred, the bloodhounds were taken away and the men informed that they were free to go and come except during working hours, and they have an eight-hour workday. They are never locked up and may use their leisure time for any purpose. But the honor farm doesn't match up with Koonsman's park squad.

POLITICAL REVIEW OF THE WEEK

The child labor amendment to the Constitution is all but lost. Its defeat is certain. Fourteen states have voted against it and only one in favor of it. The bill has been attacked both for its aims and for its provisions to carry out those aims. Its weakness is in its provisions. They have been made specifically clear. Industries employing young children in the mills have used the language of the bill to circulate propaganda declaring that if the amendment were carried farmers' children would not be permitted to do the chores. A good many have been foolish enough to believe the nonsense. The serious thing is that it will be even harder in the future to get a proper measure through. It is well enough to argue that this kind of legislation should be left to the states, most of which have their own child labor laws. But those states dominated by industries employing children never will fall in line. It happens that this is an instance in which there should be national legislation, because some states cannot be depended upon to do the right thing.

The postal pay bill has been juggled about the last week. The senate bill, which undertook to raise a large part of the revenue from new sources—or advances in rates already operative—to meet the increased pay to postal employees, has been sent back by the house. The claim is that the senate has no constitutional right to originate legislation affecting the revenues. Meanwhile the house has prepared a similar bill providing for still more revenue. It is understood the President is in favor of this bill, or at least that he would sign it if passed, because it would provide substantially enough additional revenue to meet the increased pay.

The so-called opium session of the League of Nations has all but blown up. The American delegates, who were unofficial members of the conference, but prepared to enter into agreements for the abolition of the opium traffic, have withdrawn.

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

cause of the hopelessness of the situation. The stumbling block was Viscount Cecil, the British representative, perhaps the foremost spokesman for the futile league, and his interests lay, of course, in the big and profitable traffic in opium, particularly in India. Thus it is demonstrated once more that the League of Nations is powerless when it encounters important nationalistic interests. It cannot, by international agreement, end even the minor, but terribly pernicious, opium evil.

THE BABY—A FEW THINGS TO DO

- 1. Feed him at regular hours. Breast milk is best. 2. Give him a couple of table-spoonfuls of boiled, cooled water twice a day between feedings, after the first month. 3. Keep the flies away. The fly's feet are not clean. 4. Let the baby have exercise. Take off most of his clothes and let him kick. 5. Have your baby's birth registered at his own birth. A few don't's: 1. Don't play with the young baby. He is not a toy. The first months of life should be spent in eating, sleeping and growing. 2. Don't shake the baby after feeding. 3. Don't rock the baby. 4. Don't expect the baby to sleep in an unventilated room. He needs plenty of fresh air. 5. Don't keep the baby too warm. 6. Don't overdress the baby in hot weather. 7. But, don't let the baby get chilled. Change his clothes to suit the season. 8. Don't use a rubber diaper. 9. Don't give the baby tastes of adult food—Red Cross Nutrition Worker. Help Spur Grow

THREE MEN CONVICTED AT ANSON RECENTLY ESCAPE

Three prisoners who escaped from the Jones county jail at Anson Saturday night had not been apprehended Tuesday morning, it was reported at the courthouse here today. The prisoners had been tried at the present term of court and each had received a penitentiary sentence. All of the prisoners were young men. Two had been sentenced for highway robbery and a third had received a 6-year sentence, it was said.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hunter, of east of Spur, were among the shoppers here Saturday.

H. E. Brooks, a prosperous farmer of near Girard, was trading in Spur Monday. The people of the Girard country are all experiencing a financial stringency as a result of the bank at that place having recently closed its doors with something near a hundred thousand dollars on deposit at the time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Marshall, of the Duck Creek community, were among the many shoppers in Spur Saturday.

A New Drive-In Filling Station!! At Dickens, Texas (LOCATED S. W. CORNER OF COURT HOUSE SQUARE) Let us Serve You in Gas, Oils, Etc. LADIES REST ROOM Service—Convenience—Accommodation

OIL WELL WORK WILL NOW PROCEED IN STONEWALL

Mr. Elder J. Nance who has been here for some time superintending the drilling of a wildcat oil well on Section No. 136 Block D, this county has returned from New York where he spent several days on business and in conference with the head of the company for which he is drilling. As Mr. Nance came home we understand that he made arrangements for a string of cable tools which will be placed in this hole and drilling resumed. Drilling was stopped just before Mr. Nance went to New York. They were at that time using a rotary rig and had reached a depth of 1,000 feet. It is generally understood that there was a very favorable showing at a 1000 feet and again at 1600 feet. If this be the case Stonewall county will soon have come into her own.

For months there have been geologists coming in who explores into all oil. Many favorable locations have been reported and it is the general opinion of all oil men who have looked the country over that this is undoubtedly one of the greatest oil countries in the world.

Big companies have their scouts in here regularly, leases have been changing hands quite rapidly and in fact the general attitude has been that of an oil field in its incipency. Town property is changing hands at a very nice rate and there is really a demand for town property that has not been known before in the history of the town. Aspermont Star.

Help Spur Grow

CAR THIEVES KILL OFFICER—Ranger—Jim Daniels, 33, said to be one of the nerviest officers of the West and who served through the West and who served through killed Sunday morning while returning home from duty in a fight with men presumed to have been automobile thieves.

Help Spur Grow

J. T. Salem made a business trip this week to Paducah and other points in that section of the country.

Help Spur Grow

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hindman this week made a trip to Abilene and Sweetwater, on business and where they were also the guests of friends.

JAY RESIDENCES BURNED RECENTLY AT CLAIREMONT

The Jay residence, one of the first and finest residences constructed in the early days of Claremont, was totally destroyed by fire Sunday, February 8th. The origin of the fire is unknown, and there being no fire-fighting equipments in Claremont people could only stand by and watch the building go up in flames.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire in this manner to express our thanks and appreciation to each individual who contributed and made it possible for my wife to have an operation, and also to those who assisted us in any way. My wife is now recovered and able to be removed from the Nichols Sanitarium to our home. We will ever have a warm place in our hearts for the people of Spur—Mr. and Mrs. Warm.

Help Spur Grow

Miss Maudie Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Stephens, of Roaring Springs, underwent an operation last week at the Nichols Sanitarium and at this time is reported to her home. During her confinement in the sanitarium Mr. Stephens has been making trips to Spur to be with his daughter.

Help Spur Grow

Tom Greer was in the city one day this week.

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OUR BEST FRIEND GONE

Judge J. F. Ward, father of the publisher of the News, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Gentry, in Las Cruces, New Mexico, at 12:30 p. m., Monday, February 9th.

The remains were taken to Parker, Kansas, where they are to be interred in the family burying ground, this afternoon.

The deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Gentry and Mrs. I. V. Bundy, both of Las Cruces, N. M. and one son, the writer.

The publisher of the News returned from his sad visit last evening, but leaves tomorrow for Apache, Oklahoma, to look after the business affairs of his late father.—Motley County News.

Help Spur Grow

Oliver House, has rooms to rent. 14-5tp

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WEEKLY SERMON

By Robt. C. Jones

POWER OF THE WORD

1. The Power of God's Word Was First Manifested in Creation
"For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast; by the word of God, so that things (Ps. 33:9.) "Through faith we understand that world were framed which are seen were not made of things which do appear" (Heb. 11:3).

2. The Word of God Produces Spiritual Growth
"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever" (1 Peter 1:23). "Of his own will begot he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures" (Jas. 1:18). The word of God is the seed of the kingdom (Matt. 13:23).

3. The Word of God Promotes Spiritual Growth
"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4). "As new-born babes desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2).

4. The Word of God Has Power to Produce Faith
"So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17).

5. The Word of God Has Sanctifying Power
"Sanctify them through thy truth thy word is truth" (Jno. 17:17).

6. The Word of God is the Sword of the Spirit
"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (Eph. 6:17). "For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword" (Heb. 4:12).

7. We Shall at Last Be Judged by God's Word
"He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him; the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last days" (Jno. 12:48).

8. The word of God must be obeyed.
"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass; for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was" (Jas. 1:23-24).

9. The word of God is sufficient for all our spiritual needs.
"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isa. 8:20).

B. F. Davis returned last week from a trip to his farm property in Yoakum county. He brought back several ears of corn grown the past year on his farm, and which was absolute evidence that corn will grow and produce abundantly in Yoakum county. Mr. Davis has a 320 acre tract of land, will clear up the greater part of it for cultivation, and will this year put on Ford tractor plows with a view of cultivating the entire acreage to cotton and feed. The past year twenty five bales of cotton was picked from forty-five acres on his, thus also evidencing that Yoakum is a good county as well as corn producing county.

E. H. Blakley, a leading citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Monday. Mr. Blakley has been in the county fifteen years and says that the first year he came was the only year he has had to buy feed. Mr. Blakley grows corn as well as maize each year for feed. Many people have the idea that this is not a good corn country, but the fact that Mr. Blakley has made a corn crop for fifteen successive years is evidence that corn can be successfully produced without failures on the sandy lands. Mr. Blakley is recognized as a good farmer as well as among the best citizens of the country.

C. D. Copeland made a trip the latter part of the week to Meadows, west of Lubbock, where Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Copeland are now located. Their little son returned home with Mr. Copeland and will remain here with them for a time.

Jim Smith was there Saturday from Dry Lake, meeting with his friends and trading with merchants.

THE WORLD DIDN'T END

Little bands of religious zealots, scattered from coast to coast, sat up Friday night waiting for the second coming of Christ. Mrs. Margaret Rowen of Hollywood, Cal., had predicted the "end of the world" would come at midnight. But nothing happened. Some, who took the "prophecy" literally, have lost their faith. Others declare the millennium still is near—that the destruction of the world is at hand.

According to Robert Reidt, leader of the thirteen faithful at East Patchogue, N. Y., all the believers were to be caught up and wafted to San Diego, Cal., from whence the 144,000 chosen ones were to take-off for heaven by way of Jupiter and other planets where they would pick up the faithful of those worlds. Reidt declares "the end" merely has been delayed a week.

The cult had representatives in College View, a suburb of Lincoln, Neb., in Kansas City, in Washington, in New York and in Hollywood. They call themselves Reformed Adventists. They are denounced as "fanatics" by the regular Seventh Day Adventist church.

Although some members of the Nebraska group, led by Joe Gammel, prayed and fasted Friday, many of them continued with their regular work, despite the fact their homes virtually were stripped of furniture. Gammel plodded away at his usual work in a large Lincoln dental office, where he is utility man.

Mrs. Gammel said she did not expect the earth would be swept away to its doom "in the twinkling of an eye," predicting it would take seven days.

At first there will appear a cloud in the sky," she explained Friday, "no larger than a man's hand. That will be Christ on His way to earth from heaven. It will require seven days for Him to reach us. He has stops to make on the way. One of these stops will be on the planet now visible to any earthly person. That is the planet nearest heaven. These arrangements will be made to feed those saints whom Christ takes back with Him to earth. The journey back will take seven days and there will be stops at various points where more saints will be gathered in."

Gammel displayed this telegram he had received from Mrs. Rowen: "The service of placing guilt on the scapegoat takes place a midnight, February 6. After that hold the standard. Do not flee until compelled to do so, or otherwise directed by God. He will remember his people wherever they are. Tell others. Revelation 3, verses 11 and 12."

Mrs. Rowen's prophecy was interpreted by some to mean the world would end in one great cataclysmic crash. Other followers took a more conservative view and suggested "a sign in the sky" might be the only evidence vouchsafed the faithful that the modern world had entered upon its last lap—a course of disintegration likely to consume years.

Having sold all their possessions, sometimes at a sacrifice, and given up their jobs, the members of the cult were looking around this week for means to continue residence on earth. One of the East Patchogue, colony wisely had kept a string on his job. Another had sold his furniture, but retained an option to buy it back at the sale price.

Newt Cravey, of several miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Monday. Newt is also preparing to clear up more land and make other improvements on his place.

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SPUR BANK HAS 469 SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Spur Feb. 15.—Dec. 15, 1924, the Spur National Bank opened a savings department. Authorities who had studied the subject advised W. B. Lee, active vice president of the bank, not to undertake a venture of this kind in a section of the country not fully developed and where the payroll was not large.

On Feb. 11, there were 460 accounts in the department with a total of \$36,536.15 on deposit, with the number of accounts and the amount of deposits increasing daily.

The Spur National Bank is the only institution between Abilene and Amarillo that has a savings department.

One farmer who has been spending his money every year just about as fast as he could sell his crops has deposited \$1,500 in the savings department and says "I won't borrow money this year."

The Spur National Bank is taking much interest in the boys and young married men in the Spur trade territory and is educating them to save and invest wisely.

A. V. Womack was in Spur Monday from McAdoo. He says McAdoo is rapidly being converted into a real center of activity, new buildings going up and others planned every day. A new Christian church structure was started this week, the construction of a mercantile and banking building are being planned, while a number of residences have been built and old ones moved into town. A forty acre block of land has been cut up into town lots and the streets being graded, and most of these lots have already been sold.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cherryhomes, of two or three miles east of Spur, were shopping in Spur Saturday, spending the afternoon here meeting with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Cherryhomes came to the Spur country and purchased a place last year, making their permanent home here with us.

A. Fry came in Monday from his farm and ranch home on Cat Fish, reporting everything still in good shape in his part of the country, regardless of the continued dry weather which has prevailed.

George Harris, of McAdoo, was in Spur Monday. Mr. Harris reports that while members of his family have now completely recovered from recent illnesses, there is much sickness throughout his section of the country at this time. Two of his children suffered a protracted illness of typhoid fever earlier in the season.

THE MISSING CYLINDER OF A COMMUNITY

The progressive town is like a fine six or eight cylinder car, purring a long even as it carries its passengers, the residents of the community over the hills that stand in the way of prosperity.

But sometimes a good looking town like many beautiful cars, will roll along evenly while the roads are level, but upon reaching a hill of business adversity, will slow up, knock and jerk, and finally come to a dead stop before it reaches the top.

A missing cylinder, you say? Yes, and that missing cylinder is the man or woman who knows no interest in home town business or in the welfare of the community.—Exchange.

H. L. Pullen, who recently moved from the north part of the county to the Steel Hill community, was among the business visitors in the city Saturday. Since moving Mr. and Mrs. Pullen have had a very sick child who is now reported very much improved, we are glad to note.

W. M. Ledford returned Saturday from San Antonio where he had been spending a few days with his family who are wintering in that salubrious climate. In making his trips to and from San Antonio Mr. Ledford visits customers in the wholesale representation of the famous Busby gloves.

Al Bingham, of the Spur Ranch headquarters was among those in the city Monday on business. He reports that their time now on the ranch is occupied in hauling feed, all the cattle now on the range having to be feed.

G. W. Allen, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of the plains country near McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur Saturday of the past week.

County Commissioner G. A. Sloan, of Dry Lake, was among the crowds on the streets of Spur Saturday.

J. W. Smith, of near Dickens, was meeting and conversing with friends on the streets Monday.

Mr. Stephens, of near Girard, was among the business visitors and traders in Spur Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cairnes were shoppers in Spur Monday from their home over in Kent county.

Roy Edmonds, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Edmonds, has been quite sick of the flu, threatened with pneumonia.

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THE FARMER'S SURPLUS AND ITS PROBLEM

If the 6 million and more farmers of the United States knew as definitely what the outcome of their planting each year would be as does the clothing manufacturer when he cuts up a bolt of cloth the problem of adjusting production to consumption needs would be enormously simplified.

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Pure Mebane and Kasech cotton seed for sale at my farm, \$1.50 per bushel.—W. M. Hunter. 13tf.

FOR SALE—Tom's block on Harris Street, a block and a half from Spur National Bank.—L. T. Cochran. 13-4t.

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FOR SALE—Avery Gang Plow, 14 inch. See me at "Motor Inn"—J. O. Colberg. 14-tf.

I have three houses and lots I want to sell or trade. Get right and own a home. See J. P. Wilkes, at store. 14-tf

FOR SALE—Good team and planter with the rent of 73 acres of farm land. See Will Stacey of Dry Lake.

LOST—Will the party who picked up a pool of galvanized wire Wednesday on the Dickens Hill road, please return to Tri-County Lumber Co. of Spur.—Jess Powell, Afton. 16-2tp.

he has to guess at both, and a mistake in his estimate of either may be disastrous.

We shall never be able to guess even remotely at the extent of the harvest very far in advance of the ripening of our crops. That is too late to alter production. Either we must be satisfied to let prices fluctuate widely with the seasons or set about in some way to control the flow of our products to market, holding back when there is more than can be used at a reasonable price and letting the excess be disposed of abroad or absorbed in reducing plantings the next season.

No other product are so essential to life, health and happiness as are food and clothing. No other products have such universal demand and uniform outlet, yet it is true, and strange tis true, that in no other product does the price fluctuate so widely. There is greater variation from season to season and from month to month in the price of corn, wheat, hogs and cotton than in the price of flying machines, silks, point lace and diamonds.

Only a short time ago a bushel of wheat would buy five bushels of corn, now it takes only a bushel and a half of wheat corn. If men's clothes followed corn in its price fluctuation, a suit might sell at \$50 one season and \$10 the next. A pair of shoes keeping pace with wheat in price fluctuations would be worth \$4 a pair at one season and \$8 at another of the same year. But there is no open season on shoes or clothes or other such materials. Week by week and year by year the price of such articles remains about steady while that of farm products fluctuates violently.

There can be but one explanation for this difference in the stability of our prices. In the one case production is balanced evenly with consumption, and in the other it is not and probably cannot be so balanced. In the case of manufactured materials there is orderly selling or the withholding of commodities from the market when prices are falling, and in the case of farm products there is disorderly selling and the dumping of the product regardless of the price and demand.

We are told that the farmer should not withhold his products from the market. That would be tampering with prices and be sinful, it is said. Only recently a 600-million-dollar corporation, controlling bakeries and bread distributing plants from one coast to the other was organized. It is with one exception—the steel trust—the largest trust in the world. It is an undisguised attempt to control the production and distribution of bread, and if successful will constitute the most potent single factor in fixing the price of the farmer's wheat.

While no feasible way has yet been devised for stabilizing agricultural prices, yet upon the success of this undertaking the future of agriculture in the United States depends. Clearly unless we set out to do that thing we shall never accomplish it. That it is difficult goes without saying; otherwise it would have been done a long time ago. Until this time the farmer has been thinking around this problem and straight into it. While continuing to produce economically and efficiently he must concentrate his mind on the means of stabilizing the price of his products on a level with other American prices.—H. J. Waters.

Help Spur Grow—M. E. Moses, of Paducah, was here Wednesday seeking a location for a variety store. Mr. Moses has a number of stores in West Texas and it is possible that he may locate here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moses left Wednesday for Ralls where Roy will have charge of the dry goods department of Bryant-Link Company.

W. E. Lessing left the first part of the week for Waco on business.

A NUMBER OF NAMES BEING ADDED TO TEXAS SPUR LIST

We are this week adding a number of new names and renewal subscriptions to the Texas Spur list, among the number being the following: Hud House, Bert Duncan, O. C. Henry, Russ McLaughlin, W. L. McAttee, Fred Fite, J. H. Reynolds, A. M. Rasberry, Mrs. W. R. Stafford, Ellis Draper, J. E. Shockley, Jim Bob Eldredge, Mrs. Jack Ward, S. C. Stevens, L. B. Haile, Dr. H. L. Duval, D. F. Christopher, B. F. Davis, Spur Paint Shop, C. D. Jacobson, W. N. Norris, J. E. Berry, Fred Hisey, Mrs. Myrtle Harris, L. A. Grizzle, Lillie Mings, Mrs. E. Luce, P. F. Lee, J. R. Karr, C. C. Ward, Mrs. Joe Ragsdale, A. E. McEroom, Bert Brown, A. A. Allen, Harvey S. Holly, W. S. Boggs, Wayne Van Leer, T. A. Bailey, W. L. Lusk, W. F. McCarthy, H. T. Garner, W. L. Pullen, O. C. Newberry, E. Underwood, J. D. White, W. H. Nichols, H. E. Grabener, W. D. Eldredge, E. W. Basham, A. L. King, J. N. Luce, W. M. Pool, W. D. York, Rob Davis, J. J. Youngblood, H. E. Bennett, Joe Williams, Mrs. C. H. McBride, Ralph Karr, A. T. Bural, Frank Goodson, Albert Powers, Mrs. S. Williamson, W. G. Martin, Eli Sprayberry, C. C. Rutledge, G. R. Woods, J. L. Morrison, Ira Slayden, Mrs. Chas. Van Green, Office of Publicity of Austin, Texas.

SPUR MUNICIPAL BAND WILL HAVE CONCERT MARCH 18TH

The Spur Municipal Band will give its first public concert in the new Lyric Theatre building Wednesday, March 18th, at which time the audience will be entertained with moving pictures as well as band music.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors Mr. Walkerson was employed as band director for three months. Within three months, we are informed by Manager Cook, that the Spur Municipal Band will be in position to render concerts in as able and expert manner as any band of the country. In fact, the band, he said, would probably attend the district convention of the W. T. C. C. at Slaton, March 12th, and there compete with other bands for musical recognition and honors.

CLUB MEETING

The Highway Home Demonstration Club met last Wednesday with five members and one visitor present. On account of being called away on other business our Demonstrator, Mrs. Hollingsworth couldn't be with us very long. We will meet next Monday with Mrs. Tree. Everyone is invited to come.—Reporter.

Help Spur Grow

Miss Ida Black, who has been the guest of Mrs. Tracy Gorham, together with Mrs. Ruth Morrison and little daughter, left Wednesday for Fort Worth where Miss Black will be a guest in the Morrison home before returning to her home in Oklahoma. Mesdames Jim Edd Holl and Rob Davis accompanied them to Abilene, driving through the country in their car, and where they spent a day the guests of friends.

The little son of Mrs. Denton in the northwest part of the city, is reported sick of the flu.

Mrs. Hicks is reported quite sick this week at her home in the city.

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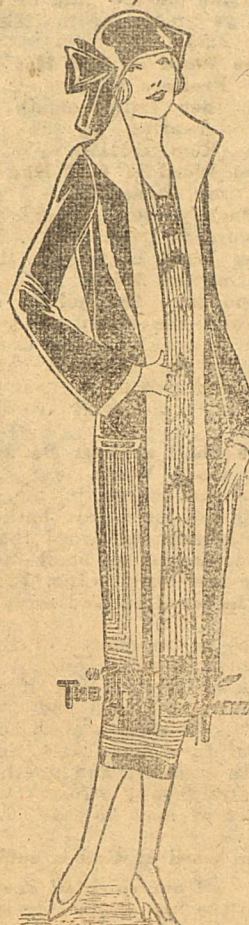
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G. M. Mageers and Clarence Bilyberry are spending the week in Waco and other cities of that part of the state, on business and pleasure. Help Spur Grow—J. E. Koonsman and son, Martin, were in Spur the first of the week. Martin Koonsman, who is now guard on one of the "honor state penitentiary farms," is here visiting his parents at their home on Croton. Help Spur Grow—Miss Helen Latham, of Abilene, is the guest this week of Mrs. Roy Moses. Miss Latham formerly taught in the Spur Schools and has many friends in Spur who are again glad to meet her. Help Spur Grow—Mrs. Hindman, who has been here several months visiting her son and daughter, L. A. Hindman and family and Mrs. Stewart and family, returned this week to her home at Willispoint. Help Spur Grow—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodson, of southwest of Spur, were in the city Saturday visiting among their friends and shopping with merchants. In meeting us on the street Frank was so elated over the oil news and prospects here that he forced us to take another year's subscription with the injunction to keep "Spurring" along. This is substantial encouragement in that direction and we will endeavor to fulfill the injunction. Help Spur Grow—Harve Blanton and wife are both sick this week of influenza at their home in the city. Mrs. Ruth Morrison and daughter, little Mrs. Flora Love, of Fort Worth, arrived in the city last week, and are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Love, and other relatives and friends in the city. Help Spur Grow—J. I. Mecon is this week suffering of an attack of influenza, being absent from his place with J. P. Wilkes & Son and confined to his room and bed. Help Spur Grow—Tom Cross this week sold several head of stock cows and three and four year old steers to Will Barron for a consideration of twenty dollars for cows and forty dollars for steers. This was a remnant of a former sale to other parties who paid forty five dollars for steers. Help Spur Grow—Miss Jewell Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium Monday where she underwent a minor operation at the hands of Dr. Nichols. The Texas Spur is glad to note that Miss Jewell is now reported doing nicely and recovering. Help Spur Grow—W. A. Valentine, of west of Spur, was among the business visitors in the city Tuesday of this week. He reports that A. Valentine and family who formerly lived west of Spur, recently moved to Roaring Springs where he will make a crop this year. Help Spur Grow—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of east of Spur, were among the shoppers in the city the latter part of the week. G. F. Stephens, secretary of the Roaring Springs Chamber of Commerce, was in Spur the first of this week to visit his daughter, Miss Maude, who recently underwent an operation and is now confined in the Nichols Sanitarium. Mr. Stephens reports everything progressing very satisfactory at this time in the town of Roaring Springs and surrounding country. Roaring Springs is located in the center of a rich and productive agricultural section. Help Spur Grow—L. V. Goodrich, of Stowall county, was in Spur recently, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, giving us a check to push his subscription up another year for the Texas Spur. Mrs. Goodrich, who has been spending some time in California, returned home the past week, thus relieving Mr. Goodrich of the discomforts of keeping "bachelor's hall." Mr. Goodrich is engaged extensively in farming as well as ranching, and is one of the best fixed men of the entire country. Help Spur Grow—J. Anderson Davis, of four miles northeast of Spur, came in Tuesday and spent a short time in the city meeting with his friends and trading with Spur merchants. Help Spur Grow—Mr. Emery, of New York City, who is connected with the Swenson interests, spent one or two days of this week in Spur on business and the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones at the Spur Inn.

FAMOUS DETECTIVE CASES

By Cleveland Moffett

Story of a Dishonest Bank Messenger Whose Theft of Currency Led to a Series of Unusual Adventure

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writing for the five hundred dollars paid to him.

Other members of the family recalled the fact that a few days after the robbery Crawford had left in his aunt's store room a valise, which he had subsequently called for and taken away. None of them had seen the contents of the valise, but they remembered that Crawford on the second visit had remained alone in the store room for quite a time, perhaps twenty minutes, and after his departure they found there a rubber band like those used at the bank. The detectives also discovered that on the 15th of May, 1888, eleven days after the robbery, Crawford had rented a safety deposit box at a bank in the Fifth Avenue hotel building, under the name of Eugene Holt. On the 15th of May he had exchanged this box for a larger one. During the following months he made several visits to the box, but for what purpose was not known.

On presenting this accumulated evidence to the Adams Express company, along with his own deductions, Robert Pinkerton was not long in convincing his employers that the situation required in Central America the presence of some more adroit detective than had yet been sent there. The difficulty of the case was heightened by the fact that Crawford had established himself in British Honduras, and that the extradition treaty between the United States and England did not then, as it does now, provide for the surrender of criminals guilty of such offenses as that which Crawford was believed to have committed. Crawford could be arrested, therefore, only by being gotten into another country by some clever maneuver. The man best capable of carrying out such a maneuver was Robert Pinkerton himself; and, accordingly, the express company, despite the very considerable expense involved, and fully aware that the result must be uncertain, authorized Mr. Pinkerton to go personally in pursuit of Crawford.

Mr. Pinkerton arrived at Balize, the capital of British Honduras, on February 17, 1890, nearly two years after the date of the robbery. There he learned that Crawford's plantation was about ninety miles down the coast, a little back of Punta Gorda. Punta Gorda lies near the line separating British Honduras from Guatemala, and is not more than a hundred miles from Spanish Honduras, or Honduras proper, directly across the Gulf of Honduras.

Difficulties confronted Mr. Pinkerton from the very start. People were dying about him every day of yellow fever, and when he started for Punta Gorda on a little steamer, the engineer came aboard looking as yellow as saffron, and immediately fell ill, so that he had to be taken ashore. Then the engine broke down several times on the voyage, and the heat was insufferable. As the boat steamed slowly into Punta Gorda it passed a small steam craft loaded with bananas. "Look," said one of the passengers to Mr. Pinkerton, not aware of the nature of Mr. Pinkerton's mission, "there goes Crawford's launch now."

Landing at once, the detective waited for the launch to come to shore, which it presently did. The first man to come off was Marvin Crawford, whom Mr. Pinkerton recognized from a description, although he had never seen him. Then he saw Edward Crawford step off, dressed smartly in a white helmet hat, a red sash, a fine patterned linen shirt, blue trousers, and patent-leather shoes. Mr. Pinkerton approached and held out his hand.

"I don't remember you," said Crawford; but his face went white.

"You used to know me in New York when I examined you before the bank officials," said the detective, pleasantly.

Crawford smiled in a sickly way and said, "Oh, yes; I remember you now." Mr. Pinkerton explained that he had traveled five thousand miles to talk with him about the stolen money package. Crawford expressed willingness to furnish any information he could, and invited Mr. Pinkerton to go up to his plantation, where they could talk the matter over more comfortably. Seeing that his best course was to humor Crawford, Mr. Pinkerton consented, though realizing that he thus put himself in Crawford's power. They went aboard Crawford's launch and steamed up the river, a very narrow, winding stream, arched quite over through most of its length by the thick tropical foliage, and in some parts so deep that no soundings had yet found bottom. The plantation was entirely inaccessible by land on account of impassable swamps, and the crooked course of the river made it a journey of twenty-three miles from Punta Gorda, although in a straight line it was only six miles away.

Mr. Pinkerton was surprised at the unpretentious character of the house, which was built of cane and palm stocks and roofed with palm branches. Mr. Pinkerton remained at the plantation for forty-eight hours. On the second day he had a long interview with Crawford, questioning him in the greatest detail as to his connection with the robbery. Crawford persisted in denying that he had had any connection with it, or had any knowledge as to what had become of the stolen money. Argue as he would, Mr. Pinkerton could not beat down the stubbornness of his denials. All direct approaches failing, at last he tried indirect. He spoke of Burke, the absconding state treasurer of Louisiana, who, along with a number of other American law-breakers, had fled to Central America. "Burke had a level head, hadn't he?" said he.

"How do you mean?" asked Crawford.

"Why, in going to Spanish Honduras. You know the United States has no extradition treaty there under which we could bring back a man who has absconded for embezzlement or grand larceny. Burke is as safe there as if he owned the whole country."

"Is that so?" said Crawford, looking significantly at his brother Marvin, who was present.

"Yes," said Mr. Pinkerton, "it is. I only wish the fellow would come up here into British Honduras; then we might do something with him."

Here the subject was dropped. Next Mr. Pinkerton exhibited to Crawford a sealed letter written by James G. Blaine and addressed to the chief magistrate of British Honduras, pointing to the seals of the State department to assure Crawford of the letter's genuineness, and hinting mysteriously at the use he proposed making of this document and at the probable effect that would follow its delivery.

With this the interview closed, and Mr. Pinkerton announced his intention of going back to Punta Gorda.

Toward evening of the second day Crawford and his brother got the launch ready, and took Mr. Pinkerton down the river back to Punta Gorda, where they said good-by. At parting Crawford made a brave show of treating the whole matter lightly. "I may see you in New York in a couple of months," he said to the detective as they shook hands.

"If you see me in New York," said Mr. Pinkerton, "you will see yourself under arrest."

On landing, Mr. Pinkerton proceeded, with all the obviousness possible, to call at the house of the British magistrate, which was so situated that Crawford from the launch could not fail to see him enter. This seems to have confirmed the impression he had been striving to create, that British Honduras, though in truth a perfect refuge for a criminal like Crawford, was none. Crawford, apparently thoroughly frightened, and thinking he had not an hour to lose, steamed back in all haste to his plantation, gathered together, as subsequently appeared, his money and other valuables, and then, under cover of night, dropped down the river again, put out to sail forthwith, and crossed the Bay of Honduras to Puerto Cortes, in Spanish Honduras, the country of all Central America in which Mr. Pinkerton preferred to have him. In short, Mr. Pinkerton's stratagem had worked perfectly.

As soon as Mr. Pinkerton learned of Crawford's flight, he hurried in pursuit, crossing the bay to Livingston, in Guatemala. In so doing he risked his life, first by putting out to sea in a little dory, and then by trusting his safety to a treacherous Carib boatman, who, when they were several miles out, evinced a strong disposition to take possession of the detective's overcoat, in order, as he explained with a cunning look, to turn its silk lining into a pair of trousers. At this, Mr. Pinkerton carelessly produced his revolver, which had a quieting effect upon the fellow, and the voyage was completed in safety. But soon after landing Mr. Pinkerton suffered an attack of fever, and being warned by the doctors to return to a Northern latitude, he got the government machinery in motion for the apprehension of Crawford. Had photographs of the former bank messenger spread broadcast through the country, and then having called the New York bureau to send responsible detectives to take his place, he sailed for New Orleans.

Mr. Pinkerton was succeeded in Central America by detective George H. Hotchkiss, one of the best men in the country, who arrived in Balize on the 18th of March. A telegram from Pinkerton's former employer, now chief of the secret police in Honduras, informed him that Crawford had been seen in San Pedro, Spanish Honduras, on the previous Saturday, and was being closely pursued by Spanish soldiers accompanied by Pinkerton men. Hotchkiss sailed at once for Puerto Cortes, where he learned from the American vice consul, Dr. Ruez, that Crawford had left San Pedro hastily the previous Monday night. On further investigation the detective discovered that a San Francisco bully and former prize fighter, "Mike" Neiland, had called at Crawford's boarding house on Monday, and warned him that detectives were pursuing him from Puerto Cortes on a hand car. Neiland had pretended to be Crawford's friend, and said he would keep him out of the hands of the detectives. Crawford, very much frightened, grabbed up some of his luggage and left the house with Neiland. It was generally believed

that Neiland had designs on Crawford's money, and would not hesitate to kill him, if need were, in order to get it.

Hotchkiss immediately requested Mr. Bert Cecil, at Tegucigalpa, the capital, to cover all telegraphic points, and, if possible, have Crawford and his companion arrested on some trivial charge. The day after he reached San Pedro, on March 22, he received a telegram saying that Crawford and Neiland had been arrested and taken before the governor at Santa Barbara. They had been searched, and about thirty-two thousand dollars had been found on Crawford's person. The money was in old and worn bills that in every way resembled those in the stolen package. Whether they were the identical bills or not it was impossible to say, as the bank had not recorded the numbers.

On receipt of this news, Hotchkiss, accompanied by Jack Hall, a guide, set out across the country for Santa Barbara. The journey was accomplished, but only after the most terrible suffering and many privations and dangers. Moreover, the fever got its deadly clutches upon Detective Hotchkiss; and when he had finally dragged himself into Santa Barbara, he cabled the New York office:

(Continued to next week.)

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SALEM'S

Mrs. Joe Edwards, of the Afton country, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium Friday of last week where she underwent an operation. Mrs. Edwards was reported in a very critical condition, and it is hoped that the operation will give her complete and permanent relief. Mr. Edwards has been spending the week in Spur to be with his wife through the critical period of the operation.

Help Spur Grow—
Mrs. W. C. Chapman and Mrs. J. Penny, of Roaring Springs, were visitors and shoppers in Spur Tuesday. Mrs. Chapman came down to superintend the removal of her household goods to Roaring Springs, while Mrs. Penny shopped with the Spur merchants and department stores.

Help Spur Grow—
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cross were in the city Monday from their farm and ranch home over in Kent county.

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Activity in Oil Developments in Kent and Stonewall

J. C. Jones, a leading citizen of Jayton, was among the number of business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. There is very noticeable activity in oil interests and developments throughout Kent and Stonewall counties at this time, resulting from bringing in oil well at Justiceburg and also most favorable indications in the well near Aspermont in Stonewall. The fact is that the people in Stonewall think the drillers have already hit the oil there at a depth of approximately seventeen hundred feet. Drilling has temporarily suspended while the drillers are changing the rig. Lands around this rig are leasing now from ten dollars on up, one man having paid ten thousand dollars for a thirty day optional lease and five thousand dollars more for a thirty day extension on a nearby ranch tract. Around Jayton leases are selling from one dollar to ten dollars an acre. We are told that all the lands within twenty-five miles of Justiceburg are being leased at prices from five to fifty dollars an acre. While the well at Justiceburg has not yet been completed, it is now pumping one hundred fifty barrels of high gravity oil per day. There is no further question but that Justiceburg is an oil field, and there is little doubt but that a big shallow field will be developed in Stonewall. Oil interests are being revived everywhere, and 1925 will witness much wildcat drilling throughout the entire country. In the beginning of oil developments at Justiceburg several years ago, Edgar McGee of Spur, and brother Walter McGee, took over the leases and operations but misfortunes forced them to turn the operations into other hands. Their geologist predicted that a well of one hundred barrel capacity would be brought in, and the first producing well of 150 barrels was brought in only a few hundred yards from the hole which they abandoned. The McGee brothers also touched sand in the Davis well near Spur, but misfortunes also here prevented them from "bringing in" the well. It is only a question of time now until other more fortunate drillers will come along and also get production here.

Help Spur Grow—
Messrs. W. H. Steele and H. A. Parks and families, of Fort Worth and Haskell, are moving this week to Spur and will make their home here in the future. These gentlemen will be associated with C. C. Hails in the promotion and management of the Spur Mutual Life Insurance Association business. Numbers Two and Three of the Mutual Association will add the double indemnity and accident clauses to their policies, thus making the association as desirable as old line companies. With Messrs. Steele and Parks as associates a strenuous campaign will be inaugurated for new membership, and with the additional clause in policies it is very probable that the Spur Mutual will double and triple its membership within the next few months. Since C. C. Hails assumed management of the association as its secretary, the Spur Mutual has gained the confidence of the public, and with his new associates the interests of the organization will be enhanced and advanced, since they are gentlemen of recognized ability and experience.

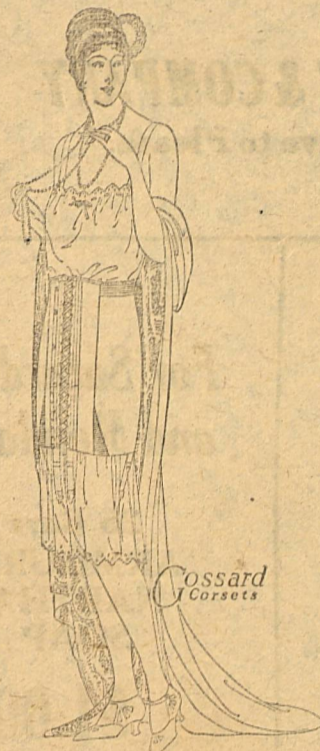
Help Spur Grow—
Hill Perry and Oscar Maples made a business trip to Lubbock the first of the week.

Help Spur Grow—
LOST—3x4 1-2 tube and package of connecting rod bearings for big truck. Finder please return and be rewarded.—Will Walker. 15tf

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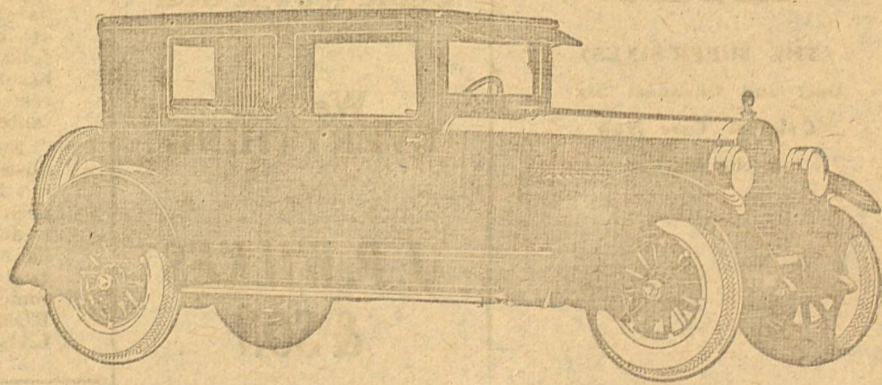
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Judge B. P. Vardiman, of the Cat Fish country, was among the business visitors in Spur during the week. During the past year or two, he just returned from a trip out into New Mexico where he purchased a load of peanuts, beans and other Mexican products, and which he was retailing to the people of this and other sections. While here he enhanced our subscription funds and will continue to keep up with the happenings within the great Spur country.

Help Spur Grow—
W. A. Stevens, of the Highway community, was among the business visitors in the city Monday of this week.



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You have often heard the remark: "IT TAKES ALL SORTS OF PEOPLE TO MAKE A WORLD," and this is true in a sense. That means, of course, that you will find all manner of characters, good, bad and different and people representing all sorts of trades, professions and business in almost every community.

With this in mind, have you ever stopped to consider WHAT AN IMPORTANT PLACE THE FARMER HOLDS IN THAT LIST.

You see him away from his fields of growing corn and cotton, and his acres of growing grain; probably meet him in town on Saturday afternoon all dolled up in his overalls and a week old crop of whiskers, and amidst the hum and bustle of business life, he doesn't seem to cut much figure: BUT WITHOUT HIM, WHAT SORT OF A FIX WOULD YOU BE IN?

OUR FARMERS ARE THE REAL CREATORS OF WEALTH. Our business men and others help to conserve that wealth, but the farmer, with Nature's help, creates it. He is responsible, year after year, for millions of acres of crops—corn, oats, wheat, hay, etc.—to say nothing of the enormous quantities of potatoes, fruit, melons and vegetables. What he produces in the fields is also directly responsible for the pork, poultry and eggs, which largely make up those things we must rely upon for our daily sustenances.

So, no matter how he looks, TAKE OFF YOUR HAT TO THE FARMER AND GIVE HIM A SQUARE DEAL TODAY AND EVERY DAY. Next to your own home and fireside, Dickens County farmers are proud of Spur, and justly so. Spur is coming right along and direct cooperation between the farmer and business man is something greatly to be desired. Bring the two closer together. In cooperation wonders can be accomplished, but when its "EVERY FELLOW FOR HIMSELF AND THE DEVIL TAKE THE HINDMOST," all is chaos, confusion, misunderstanding and loss.

Business men, all over the country, are recognizing this vital point and are now constantly seeking the opportunity of meeting the farmer face to face and mingling with him at picnics and other public gatherings. This makes for wider acquaintance and brings about a sense of good fellowship by reason of which great good is accomplished. By this means we are better able to understand one another and to establish closer relations and confidence: LET'S KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. UNITED EFFORTS WILL WORK WONDERS.

We should show a united front in working for good roads. There never was a community that did not need still better roads, for here is the connecting link between farm and market—the link that bridges many a difficulty. In line of advancement all through the state, Dickens County is holding her own. The farmer is no longer isolated as in days gone by. He has his daily mail, his telephone, and it won't be long until every farm worth while will be equipped with radio and thus in direct connection with the outside world.

We do not wish to be classed as boasters, but we want the world to know that we are getting along pretty well here in Dickens County and are mighty well satisfied. It is at least satisfying to feel independent. Do you know, folks, that with the exception of just a few things called luxuries, Dickens County could shut herself off from the rest of the world and jazz right along, peacefully and contentedly through ages to come.

But folks, no matter how high a place we hold in the industrial, agricultural or manufacturing world, we should not forget that TRADE AT HOME HABIT. Outside competition is going to hammer away at our doors constantly, so don't let the fact that Dickens County is really one of the banner counties of this great State have any but the right kind of influence on your minds. We must, of course, do some trading elsewhere, but let us all decide to PATRONIZE HOME TRADE JUST AS LIBERALLY AS WE POSSIBLY CAN TODAY AND EVERY DAY.

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A MAN IS KILLED NEAR STAMFORD

Tuesday night about dark there was a fatal shooting out south of town, when S. E. McClurkin, a farmer, was shot, three shots said to have taken effect.

Finis Goree, who is connected highly in the neighborhood, a son, W. T. Goree and wife, is detained by the officers.

The body of Mr. McClurkin was shipped to Denton, his former home, for burial. Deceased is also prominently connected, having well-to-do relatives in and near Denton.—Leader.

McADOO HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETING

The McAdoo Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hickman, on February 8th, elected new officers for the following year. Fourteen being present, had for our lesson tailored finishing and a study of the house dress. Our next meeting will be on February 20th at the home of Mrs. Austin Rose. Every body invited.—Reporter.

Help Spur Grow

C. H. Scott, of Duck Creek, was on the streets Monday with his friends and looking after business affairs. Mr. Scott, being a diversified farmer is not the least worried concerning the continued dry spell, secure in the knowledge of getting returns from some one or more of his varied resources on the farm. There might have been a time in this as well as other sections of the country when a "drouth" would have meant a total failure in crop production, but not so now, because of crops and resources. The farmer with pigs, poultry, and a cow or two has little fear of suffering from a drouth.

Help Spur Grow

Buster Robinson was in the city Monday from his place on the highway west of Spur. He is one of the many farmers who are putting in new lands for cultivation this year. Several hundreds of acres of new land will be added this year to the agricultural area of the country.

Help Spur Grow

W. R. Simmons, of the Dry Lake section of country, was greeting his friends on the streets Monday of this week.

Help Spur Grow

W. H. Taylor, of Duck Creek, was among the number on the streets Monday, meeting with friends and transacting business affairs.

Help Spur Grow

John Miller, of near McAdoo, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

Help Spur Grow

J. J. Hickman, of the plains country near McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week.

Help Spur Grow

Soljon S. Caple, of San Pedro, Cal., is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Fleming.

STILL BEING UNCOVERED OVER IN STONEWALL CO.

Sheriff Bingham captured another big still Friday of last week, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff McLaurry. This still was located about 15 miles northeast of Aspermont in Salt Fork breaks. The sheriff informs us that he had had a man watching this still for several days in order to catch the man who was operating it. Evidently the men that were making the whiskey were tipped that the still was being watched.

The mash was passed the stage to make whiskey. 12 barrels of mash 60 gallon copper still and copper worm. The barrels were all destroyed by the sheriff and copper can and worm brought to town.—Aspermont Star.

Help Spur Grow CONTRACT IS LET FOR NEW 50-ROOM STAMFORD HOTEL

Stamford, Feb. 3.—A. C. Cooper has just closed a contract for a 50-room hotel to take the place of the old Stamford Inn, recently destroyed by fire when four lives were lost. The new Stamford Inn will have 50 rooms, it will be thoroughly fireproof and modern in every respect. There will be 27 rooms with baths. The old foundation will be used. The hotel will accommodate more people than the old one, though there will be eight rooms less.

Some of the features will be sample rooms in basement, laundry, dancing and party place on roof and bandstand and audience room for more than 100 persons. The actual work will be well under way March 1, and the hotel will be completed September, when the postponed Cowboys' Christmas ball will be the opening card. That event, was to have taken place the date after the old hotel burned on December 24, 1924.

Help Spur Grow

White Moore, of west of Spur, was on the streets Saturday. He reports the cattle on his ranch doing well, he having had to feed but very little up to this time. Mr. Moore is another one of the ranchers who contemplates engaging more extensively in farming operations, and will probably eventually devote the greater part of his ranch lands to farming operations. Tillable lands are now becoming too valuable on which to graze twenty dollar cows and calves, when it can be made to produce two bales of cotton to the acre by "dry" farming methods.

Help Spur Grow

J. J. Nolan, of the Midway community to the north of Dickens, was among the number in Spur Monday. In speaking of the continued dry weather, Mr. Nolan said that he never commenced farming until a month or two later anyway, and therefore he had not yet become the least concerned because of no rain. The biggest crops ever made in this country was in years when it failed to rain until April or May. This country could do without rain until June and then mature bumper crops. It is the most wonderful county in the world. It can do without rain longer and produce more in a shorter time than any other country in the world.

Help Spur Grow

Glover Overstreet, of the north part of the county, was trading in Spur Monday of this week.

Help Spur Grow

County Commissioner O. C. Newberry, of Afion was among the business visitors in Spur Saturday of last week. He reports everything progressing satisfactorily in the Afion country.

ONE CAUSE OF MALNUTRITION

The physical signs of malnutrition are: Pale, lined under eyes, flabby muscles, round shoulders, stooping position, prominent abdomen and too great thinness for height. Certain nervous signs accompany these physical signs—restlessness, irritability, an always tired feeling, crying easily. We say the child is run down, trail, anemic, growing too fast—that he will get all right in a little while. He may "get all right," or he may not; at least he is losing a great deal by being malnourished for even a little while. If the condition is neglected the chances are that he will never be so strong as he should be. He may acquire some disease, like tuberculosis, or at least remain under-developed all his life. It is a condition we cannot afford to neglect.

The causes in order of importance are: physical defects, lack of home control, over-fatigue, faulty food habits and improper and inadequate food, faulty health habits.

Are you not a bit startled at the second reason. It is not enough for the mother to know what foods the children should eat and what he should do to keep healthy—he must do those things.

It is right that the children should be allowed a choice about many things; in no other way can he develop his personality. Nothing is more pitiable than to see some one trying to make children all alike, tyrannizing over them, making them do exactly as she or he says about everything.

On the other hand, there are certain things which the parents should decide alone—those things having to do with the physical well-being. These should be made so much a matter of daily routine that the child takes them for granted.

If you start when the child is a little baby, this is easy. It is easy then to teach him to rest at certain times, eat regularly, and eat proper foods.

If you grant the child's whims you will have a hard time later. It is easier to continue control than to regain control after indulging the child. If parents would make a game out of health, as the schools do, they would find it much easier to get their children to keep the health rules. Children are more sensible than we sometimes think. Explain that eating the right food and resting and other health make them strong; that they cannot be strong unless they do follow the health rules. See which child can drink the most milk, learn to eat the most vegetables, or leave the cleanest plate. You might even award a prize to the one who best kept some rule—as washing the hands before meals.

And don't forget that if you want your children to do those things, you must do them yourselves. That does not mean always eat "children's food." There are some foods which are not good for children, but which do not harm adults; this can be explained to the children. It does mean the parents must obey all the laws of cleanliness they expect their children to live up to, keep regular hours, eat well balanced diets, including milk, vegetables and fruits and not eat between meals.—Hellen Gillette, Red Spur Nutrition Worker.

INQUIRY MAKES EXPOSITION INTO TEXAS PRISON DEATHS

Austin, Texas.—Charges that Joe Furey, said to be a noted confidence man, who was captured by Frank Norfleet, was virtually starved to death while in the Texas penitentiary, were made Monday before the joint legislative prison investigation committee. The witness was Dr. E. H. Boaz of Memphis, Texas, who was sentenced to five years for manslaughter from Dallas.

Furey told Dr. Boaz, according to the testimony, that he had taken considerable money to the prison. Furey mentioned \$40,000, the witness said.

C. F. Diller, another prisoner, was permitted to bleed to death through a "mistake" in treatment by the prison physician.

Dr. Boaz continued. The witness also asserted he had seen a negro on the Ramsey prison farm killed when struck with an iron sledge by a guard. He said that the body was thrown into some water and it was reported to the officials the negro had drowned while attempting to escape.

Dr. Boaz is a nephew of Bishop H. A. Boaz of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, Dallas, he told the committee.

Help Spur Grow

Red Mud Lambert, now range boss of the Pitchforks, was among the number on the streets Saturday. Red Mud is now engaging in the oil speculative business on the side, having acquired leases acreage near the Pitchfork test well for oil now drilling. It may be possible that within the year the Pitchfork ranges will be converted into oil field of unlimited magnitude.

Help Spur Grow

LOST—Christmas week one large grey hound color gray looks like stag hound. Suitable reward. Write Walter Craddock, Box 124, Feb. 24.

Help Spur Grow

Bill Rucker was in the city Monday from the Red Rover Camp on Cat Fish. Many of the cattle have been removed from this camp, and the few remaining are being fed at this time.

Chickens!

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Here Paradise is restored, Heaven opened and the gates of Hell are disclosed.

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It should fill the memory, rule the heart and guide the feet.

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It is given you in life, will be opened at the judgment, and be remembered forever. It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.—Contributed.

Help Spur Grow

The Murdock brothers of near Girard, we understand are now in New York to adjust a recent inheritance of a million or more dollars left them by a relative recently deceased. We are certainly glad to hear of this good fortune for Messrs. Murdock. They have been in this Western country many years, endured the hardships of an undeveloped territory, and know how to enjoy a fortune and make it beneficial to themselves as well as to others.

FOR SALE—A Carbide light plant and am confident it will produce as much light power as those put out by the company today. Have no house here so will sacrifice at \$125.00 cash or safe note, due this fall, then will extend in case of crop failure.—C. S. Leatherman, 4 miles east of Spur. 16-1tp.

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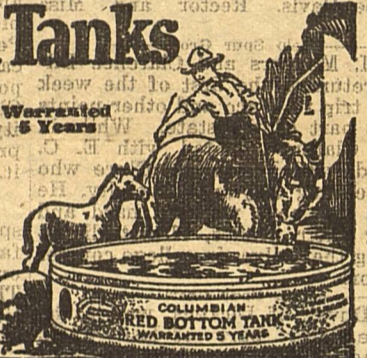
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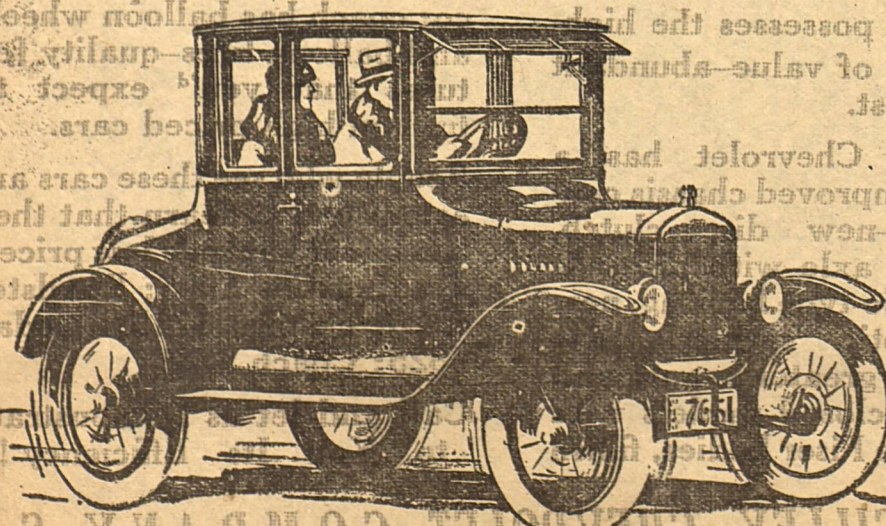
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Use the following coupon for your convenience, and deposit it before leaving the market.

Name.....
 Time of Purchase.....
 Amount of Purchase.....

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Slayden, of near Dickens, were among the shoppers in Spur the latter part of last week, and while here called in and renewed their subscription to the Texas Spur, and also sending the paper to relatives in Eastland county. Some time ago Mr. and Mrs. Slayden lost their farm home and household effects by fire. However, they are now living in the new home, rebuilt, immediately after the loss by fire.

—Help Spur Grow—
 E. B. Holland, who has been spending the past two years in the mechanical department of a garage at Plainview, last week moved to McAdoo where he will take charge of the garage department of the Brownlow filling Station at that place. While in the city the first of the week Mr. Holland called in and had us send the Texas Spur to him at his new address. We are very glad to have him back in the great Spur country, and feel confident that he will prosper in his business at McAdoo.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Albert Power, of Afton, was in Spur the past week, striding and on other business. While here he gave us his check in renewal for a year's subscription to the Texas Spur and seven other periodicals. There is no other man in the country who keeps more and better reading material on hand than Albert Power, and he is one of the best posted men of the country on all public matters.

Hudman House, who for five years has been with Bryant-Link Company grocery department in Spur, moved this week with his family to Ralls where he will assume the management of the grocery department of the Bryant-Link Company establishment at Ralls. Some eighteen years ago while in the newspaper business at Eastland, Hudman House was our "devil". He is straight in every particular, and worthy the confidence and esteem of those with whom he is associated. If given a free hand in the management of the grocery business at Ralls, we are confident he will build up and increase the business in a most substantial and permanent manner.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Chas. Lee last week closed out his Busy Bee Cafe business at Afton, moving to Spur where he is now conducting a restaurant business in the stand next door to the Chevrolet Motor Company on Burlington Avenue. During the week Mrs. Lee has been quite sick at their home in the city, and since Mr. Lee was detained at home, Frank Williams has been managing the business. Mr. and Mrs. Lee formerly lived in Spur, and we are glad to welcome them back as citizens with us.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Mr. Fox, the barber, is this week having a front porch added to his home in the west part of town. The building and improvement progress continues uninterruptedly throughout the town and country.

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST AMONG THE SOCIAL CLUBS

P. M. W. CLUB
 Mesdames Otto Mott and Ray Sanders entertained the P. M. W. Club and other guests with a party honoring Mrs. S. C. Fallis. The Valentine motif was carried out in the decorations. The score cards were large hearts and each score was a small heart. After the "42" games, they served delicious refreshments of tea, salad, heart shaped sandwiches and heart cakes.

The following guests were present: Mesdames Lois Lee, Abernathy, Sneed Twaddell, Edgar McGee, Holcomb, E. J. Cowan, P. C. Nichols, Bill Putman, Elmer Brown, E. J. Sanders, Jehn Hazelwood, Eric Ousley, Foy Vernon, Cal Martin, S. C. Fallis, Lee Davis, Jas. Reed and H. P. Schrimsher.

—Help Spur Grow—
CLUB MEETING
 The Entre Nous Club met with Mrs. Frank Laverty Thursday, Feb. 12th. The house was lovely with Valentine decorations. Eight games of progressive "42" were played after which the President, Mrs. C. B. Jones called the club to order for a short business session. Plans were discussed and made for the year. Mesdames E. C. Edmonds, Webber Williams and Murray Lee were elected to membership in the club. The club accepted with regrets Mrs. Roy Moses resignation. At the close of the business session assisted by Mr. Hill Perry hostess served delightful refreshments of pressed chicken, nut bread angel food cake olives and hot tea to Mesdames W. D. Wilson, M. A. Lee, Bill Putman, Roy Harkey, Hill Perry, Foster, Nichols, Moses, Rector, Zachry, Jones, Senning, Turvin.

The club will meet with Mrs. Kate Senning February 19th.—Reporter.

—Help Spur Grow—
MISSIONARY SOCIETY
 Program for Christian Ladies Missionary society for March 1st.
 Leader—Mrs. Otho Hale.
 Place—Mrs. Crockett.
 Time—3 p. m.
 Hymn.
 Prayer—Mrs. W. H. Putman.
 Devotional service, Business period, Roll call, items of interest from word call.
 Psalm 46.
 Topic Talks.
 Teaching to Win—Mrs. W. H. Putman.
 Adventuring for God in Tibet—Mrs. Cecil Fox.
 Evangelizing in Australia—Mrs. R. E. Dickson.
 Charles Reign Scorrille—Mrs. Edgar McGee.
 The Church with a World Vision—Mrs. Bill Putman.
 Hymn.
 Hidden Answers.
 Prayer.

—Help Spur Grow—
METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY ENTERTAINED

The Young Ladies Missionary Society entertained the Ladies Missionary Society on Monday night at the Methodist Church. Games and contests were enjoyed by the members after which delicious refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames Morris, J. E. Johnson, Fite, Evans, C. Hogan, C. Whitener, McGrary, S. I. Powell, T. W. Morgan, J. K. Lane, I. A. Smith, M. E. Manning, Leonard Joplin, J. E. Morris, J. C. Payne, W. S. Campbell, G. B. Joplin, J. E. Abernathy, Geo. S. Link, Ruby Pierce, Murray Lee, Otto Mott, Lewis Lee, R. B. Johnson, Roy Moses, Jack Rector, Mack Brown, D. H. Zachry, and Misses Georgia Jameson, Kitty Powell, Nell Higgins, Rena Higgins, Lera Albin, Leah Smith, Hickman and Etta Fite.

—Help Spur Grow—
MRS. LAVERTY ENTERTAINS ENTRE NOUS CLUB

The members of the Entre Nous Club enjoyed a meeting with Mrs. E. F. Laverty on Thursday afternoon. The rooms were made lovely with the decoration of hearts and three tables enjoyed progressive "42" under the soft light produced from heart covered shades. After several games a short business session was held. Mrs. C. B. Jones, president presiding. Among the items of business the club arranged for a banquet on March 12th for the members of the Club and their husbands. This will be held at the Spur Inn. At the close of the business meeting dainty refreshments, carrying out the color scheme, Valentine decorations, were served to Mesdames W. D. Wilson, Kate Senning, M. A. Lee, P. C. Nichols, J. M. Foster, L. H. Perry, C. B. Jones, Roy Harkey, D. H. Zachry, Roy Moses, Jack Rector, and Bill Putman.

The club will meet with Mrs. Senning next Thursday evening.

JOI DE VOI CLUB
 Mrs. Jack Rector was hostess to the Joi de Voi club Wednesday afternoon. The Valentine idea was suggested with heart shaped talley cards and dainty red heart trimmed baskets of salted nuts on each table. Bridge was the game of the afternoon. The hostess assisted by Mrs. Mac Brown served delicious refreshments consisting of pineapple salad, heart shaped sandwiches, cakes and coffee. Those present were: Mesdames L. H. Perry, C. L. Love, Algers, Roy Harkey, D. H. Zachry, Murray Lea, E. L. Brown, Cecil Fox, Roy Moses, Jack Jeppus, Tracy Gorham, Mac Brown, Mrs. Tom Morrison of Fort Worth and the hostess.

—Help Spur Grow—
SENIOR EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM FEBRUARY 22, 1925

Subject—Our Latest and Longest Mission Field—Siberia Manchuria
 Leader—Anna Stroman
 Hymn—"I Love Thy Kingdom Lord"
 Prayer
 Hymn—"The Kingdom Is Coming"
 Scripture Readings
 Map Talk About Siberia Manchuria—By Leader
 The Coll of Siberia Manchuria—Neitha Snider
 The Opening of Our Mission Work in Siberia Manchuria—Milton Foreman
 The Growth of the New Field—Lee Snodgrass
 The Needs of the New Field—Nell Higgins

—Help Spur Grow—
THE SOCIAL CLUB

The Social Club met with Mrs. H. J. Gray, on Thursday, February 5th, a pleasant day was enjoyed by all. Little Helen and Ora Gray sang, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder" and Ora Gray and Oattie Mae Denson gave a reading.
 Those present to enjoy the occasion especially the good dinner were: Mesdames M. L. Meadow, M. Patton, J. J. Lilly, J. R. McMahan, G. R. Woods, Roy Patton, A. C. Hindman, C. A. Denson, H. L. Burnam, A. T. Ballard, H. J. Gray.

The club meets with Mrs. J. J. Lilly, Thursday, March 5.—Reporter.

—Help Spur Grow—
HOME IMPROVEMENT CLUB

A business meeting of the Dickens Home Improvement club was held at the home of Mrs. B. Y. Love, Friday, February 13th. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: Mrs. B. Y. Love, President; Mrs. Eli Harkey, Vice-President; Mrs. R. Harkey, Secretary; Mrs. M. L. Jones, Club Leader; Mrs. H. A. C. Brummett, Reporter.

Refreshments were served to the following guests: Mesdames R. Harkey, Hamby, B. Y. Love, Meadors, H. A. C. Brummett, Hollingsworth, Home Demonstration Agent, and J. T. Mitchell of Fort Worth.

The next regular meeting of the club will be with Mrs. R. Harkey, Friday, February 27.—Reporter.

—Help Spur Grow—
VALENTINE PARTY

Mrs. Sol Davis delightfully entertained Friday afternoon from 3 to 5.

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Valentine suggestions were effectively used, and refreshments were served to the following guests: Mesdames Reed, Manning, Whitener, Stovall, Link, Wilson, Edmonds, Snider, Brown, Morris, Love, Whitting, Gorham, McClure, Forbis, Hight, Rob and Lee Davis. Rector and Miss Black.

—Help Spur Grow—
 G. M. Mageors and Clarence Bilberry returned the first of the week from a trip to Waco and other points in that part of the state. While in Waco, Clarence visited with E. C. Edmonds and Weldon McClure who are attending Baylor University. He reports the boys working hard and making their grades, if not distinguishing themselves in college courses and work.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Dr. Duval, of Dickens, was in the city the latter part of last week, spending a short time here on business. The doctor reports having been called on more than one occasion last week to give surgical aid and medical treatment in cases of injury by violence and accident. In one case a negro had been severely injured in an accident, while in another instance a negro had been injured in an altercation. In these instances the doctor wielded the surgeons knife with skill, and used the needle and thread in sewing up wounds as expertly as does a seamstress in her regular avocation.

—Help Spur Grow—
 A. J. Richey, of the Croton country, was in Spur Monday, spending a short time here on business. He reports everything flourishing at Croton. Croton is a new town recently established, and the prospect now is that other businesses than a general mercantile store, filling station and blacksmith shop will be added to the town.

—Help Spur Grow—
 John Luce is this week improving his home in the city, having a sleeping porch added and other improvements made. Everybody is building and improving.

Clarence Ellis, who recently purchased a place near Lubbock and moved from Spur, was here Tuesday on his return from a business trip to Abilene. Clarence purchased eighty odd acres of land about one mile from the new Tech College grounds, and immediately adjoining small blocks now selling for \$250 per acre. People are "flocking" to Lubbock because of the college location, and the possibility is that within a short time Clarence Ellis will have the opportunity to double and even triple the price paid for his land, in reselling it.

—Help Spur Grow—
 R. C. Forbis came down Saturday, spending Sunday in Spur with his family. He reports cattle doing well on his ranch to the north of Afton. There is sufficient grass in that section to take care of cattle without feeding.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Sheriff M. L. Jones came over Wednesday from the county capital reporting everything moving along smoothly in official circles.

—Help Spur Grow—
 County Attorney B. G. Worswick was in the city Wednesday meeting with his friends here.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Jno. D. Hufstetter, of the Dockum Valley Farm, was meeting and greeting friends in the city Wednesday.

—Help Spur Grow—
 J. E. Sparks, of west of Spur, was here meeting with his friends Saturday. He is going right ahead with his farm work in preparation for planting, just the same as if it had been raining every week.

—Help Spur Grow—
 J. H. Meadors is planning to build a brick or stone business house in Dickens.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Johnson and children visited with relatives at Post last week-end.

—Help Spur Grow—
 Miss Blanche Miller, has been sick for the past several days is able to be back on her job at Wilkse & son.

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