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Railway Surveys Being Made Though Dickens and Kent Counties

Surveyors for railway companies have been making surveys through both Dickens and Kent counties, and the natural inference is that a railroad will be constructed through either one or possibly both of these counties.

Surveyors for the Santa Fe Railway Company are now surveying a line from Post City through the south part of Kent county, the corner of Fisher county and on into Jones county, direct to Stamford. W. B. Storey, president of the Santa Fe, has stated that this railroad intends to build a road direct from the Plains to Fort Worth.

A survey has already been completed from Floydada through Dickens to Benjamin and on to Seymour, and this route has just recently been gone over again. This route leads directly from Floydada to Seymour where it would connect with the Gulf, Texas & Western Railway. And it is announced upon good authority three other railway companies are negotiating for the purchase of this road which runs a hundred miles southeasterly to Salesville, the terminus.

For some time there has been a demand for the construction of a direct line of railway from the Plains through this section to Fort Worth, and since other railway companies have been making surveys for such a proposed line, it is sure to be built. Some fifteen or eighteen years ago the Santa Fe made this old survey through Dickens county, and since it is the most practicable for railway construction and a direct route from the Plains to Fort Worth, it will probably be given preference over other surveys. In fact, there are old timers of Dickens county who, since the survey was first made, have been secure in the conviction and have never wavered in the thought that some day a "trunk line of railway" would run from the East to the West through Dickens county.

Such a line of railway will mean much to Dickens county, and will put us on the map of the world. Railroads may not be built with "hot air," but it will do no harm and may mean much for the people of Dickens county to let the railway builders know that we want such a road, will appreciate it and are willing to work and cooperate with them as well as lend our resources in its establishment and construction through our rich and developing territory.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

West Texas Fair at Abilene Sept. 21-26

The West Texas Fair at Abilene will be held September 21st to 26th. Exhibits will be shown from every quarter of the great Western Empire, and entertainment and amusement in great variety will be on the grounds. The world's fastest automobile and horse races will be had. Let's all take in the West Texas Fair at Abilene, the biggest and fastest growing West Texas city.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Miss Dahlia Link, of Aspermont, is in the city visiting her father, Geo. S. Link and family.

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SANTA FE MAKING SEVERAL SURVEYS

During the past three weeks the Santa Fe surveying crews have been making several surveys in different parts of the country eastward.

According to reports they are surveying this week out of Post eastward. A few weeks ago they were making surveys out of Floydada and Crosbyton. It was announced some time ago by the president of the Santa Fe, that this system would build a line east to Fort Worth, when conditions justified, and it is thought that these surveys, is a preliminary to this building program, in determining the most feasible route for this extension.—Crosbyton Review.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Calcium Arsenate Recommended in Poisoning Worms

The cotton leaf worm is with us in damaging numbers. The cotton boll worm is present in small numbers.

Calcium Arsenic applied at the rate of four pounds to the acre will dispose of the leaf worms working at that time. Perhaps twenty-five to fifty per cent of the boll worms present will also be killed.

Numerous field inspections made by myself and others show that the leaf worm is present in all stages. I mean the egg, worm, resting stage and miller.

I definitely recommend poisoning with Calcium Arsenate to prevent the worms from damaging the cotton plants. Both the leaf worm and boll worms are eating squares and bolls. I have observed that the leaf worms are working on the forms to some extent where the tender top leaves are eaten.

Lamps in the fields are not recommended to catch the millers. Perhaps more harm than good is done by destroying beneficial insects.

Do not waste your time and money trying poisons not recommended by entomologists who have spent their lives studying insects and their control. Again, common sense will tell you that they are not going to advise harmful practices.

Calcium Arsenate is as near fool proof as government experts can make an insect poison. Use ordinary precautions and you should have no trouble.

There is a false rumor circulating that cotton poisoned for worms is dangerous to cotton pickers. I wish to assure pickers that they need have no fear whatever from this source. Thousands of fields have been poisoned for years farther east for worms and also boll weevils. If there was ever any person hurt by picking in poisoned fields, I never heard of it.—By Fred S. Reynolds, County Agent.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Cotton Crops are Loaded With Fruit

Recently we happened along the highway between Spur and Dickens, and noticing Farmer as well as Ginner Hargrove out inspecting his cotton crop we stopped to see what success he was having as a farmer. A single stalk of his cotton was pulled up, and on the stalk were 56 bolls and squares. This was an average stalk of the field, not being selected, and if the worms or hail don't get it, he is sure for a bale to the acre.

Crops all along the way from Spur to Dickens and on to Afton is as fine as has ever been produced since the establishment of Spur.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Hail Accompanying Rains Does Damage to Crops

Hail accompanied the rains of the past week, doing damage in small areas. Several crops to the east of Spur were considerably damaged, including the crops of G. H. Snider, L. C. Ponder, Will and Jim Walker, A. W. Watson and J. P. Middleton. Two or three of these crops is said to be almost completely destroyed, and without insurance.

It is reported that hail accompanied the rain Sunday night also did damage near Floydada, destroying crops in a wide scope of country.

County Commissioners in Regular Session at Dickens

The County Commissioners have been in regular session this week at Dickens. Aside from the regular monthly business the commissioners have been giving much consideration to lateral road improvement and construction work, and while actual cash funds have been exhausted the road work is being carried on by the issuance of warrants.

The commissioners are now completing the work of grading the highway from Dickens to the east county line, and placing this roadway in acceptable condition for turning over to the State Highway Department, when it will be hardsurfaced and made a link in a through state highway.

A new roadway is also being opened up west from Spur, through the Putman ranch and going up on the Plains at the old Leatherwood crossing. The opening of this roadway will not only convenience a number of Plains farmers but means much to Spur in that it will bring a thousand bales of cotton to the Spur gins and market and greatly increase the volume of trade this fall.

Detour roads from the highway to the north of Dickens are being opened up and graded, in furnishing the people of the north part of the county with passable roads while the highway is under reconstruction. About one and a half miles of the east detour road will have to be clayed, and since the county funds are exhausted this work may not be completed in first-class shape unless Spur voluntarily renders assistance in its completion—and since it means a greater volume of business to Spur, it would be wise to cooperate with the commissioners in carrying this work on to completion.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Check McLaughlin Seriously Cut in Wire Fence

Check McLaughlin, a young man of the Red Hill community east of Spur and near Girard, is now at the Nichols Sanitarium seriously if not fatally injured from barbed wire cuts, resulting from his horse running into the fence Saturday night while he and a party were on a wolf chase.

Young McLaughlin, with other members of the party, were riding after the dogs in the wolf chase when in the dark they struck a wire fence, others of the party being thrown from their horses over the fence, while the horse ridden by McLaughlin turned down the fence line with the result that the barbed wire almost completely sawed through his leg near the hip joint. He was brought immediately to the sanitarium here where twenty seven stitches were necessary to close up the wound. At this time evidences of both blood poison and gangrene are noted, and grave fears are entertained for his recovery.

This is the third young man of that neighborhood, all associates, to have recently met with misfortunes. Young Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Watson, recently died following an operation for appendicitis. Young Horn, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Horn, was stricken with appendicitis and underwent an operation; and now this misfortune to Check McLaughlin—all young men, just in the prime of life and arriving at the age of useful citizenship. It is hoped that the gravest fears in this instance will prove unfounded.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Inviting Conditions to Hold Property Here

W. L. Bullock, of Avoca, came to Spur Sunday to look after his Spur property interests, and since he was water-bound here, spent the time with O. D. Blanton and family. Mr. Bullock came up, we understand, with the intention of selling his property here. However, upon finding conditions so promising, and development progress of the town and country so rapid and substantial, he decided to hold his property interests in a growing, developing town and country. One would have to ride far and long to find a better, more progressive and rapidly developing town and country than Spur and the great Spur country.

Dickens County Fair Posponed to October 7, 8, 9 10th

The Dickens County Fair, scheduled for September 24th, 25th and 26, has been postponed to October, and will be held four days instead of three, October 7th to 10th, inclusive.

This action, we understand, was taken Tuesday of this week at a meeting of the committeemen having active charge of the work of the fair this year, because of the inability of the concession and entertainment committee to secure a carnival company to play the fair on the dates first scheduled.

In agricultural, livestock, poultry and all other exhibits, the fair this year promises to be the very best ever shown, and it is hoped that the postponement will give the best entertaining features along the "midway". The farmers of the country this year certainly have something to show, and at a time when the entire country was in the grip of a protracted drouth and almost unsurmountable disadvantages were overcome with the result that the very best products of years are now maturing, and will be conveying to the skeptical that West Texas is the most wonderful producing section of America.

Come to the fair, October 7th to 10th, and bring somebody with you.—Meet Me at the Fair—

From One to Two Bales Cotton to Acre

Cotton prospects in the Spur trade territory have not been better at this time of the year since 1914, the year in which approximately twice as much cotton was made as was harvested. Farmers over the country in general are very optimistic, most of them expecting to harvest a bale of cotton to the acre with favorable conditions prevailing during September and October. There are any number of farms in the bottom lands that have prospects in portions of the farm for two bales to the acre.

It is customary to figure that cotton which blooms by September 15th will produce open white cotton. From September 1st to 15th will be the heaviest blooming period of cotton for this season. Cotton started blooming about July 15th, but was cut short by dry weather. The rains falling the latter part of July and 1st of August started new vigorous growth in the cotton plant, resulting in a new crop of bolls being set starting August 15 to 20th. There was approximately one fourth of a bale of cotton to acre set on the plants the middle of July. This cotton was started opening and is practically an assured crop. There has been another one-fourth of a bale of cotton set on the plant the latter part of August which should have little difficulty in maturing. An additional one-half a bale of cotton to the acre will set on the plants during the first two weeks of September and will have 45 days to reach maturity before the average killing frost in the fall which comes on October 20th. On several occasions the killing frost has come as late as November 15th and in case it should do the same this year with the weather conditions favorable a bale to the acre the country over could be expected.

The boll worm of the cotton leaf worm has not done damage to the cotton plant, however there are quite a few in the feed crops and in all probability the next generation, which should appear before the middle of September, will do some damage especially if weather conditions are favorable for the development of the insects. A heavy infestation of worms will be necessary to keep the farmers of Dickens and adjoining counties from making a half of bale of cotton to the acre.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

District Court to Meet at Clairemont September 28th

District court will convene Monday, September 28th, at Clairemont. There are no cases of special interest on the criminal docket, the greater number of suits apparently being for delinquent taxes.

Work on the Duck Creek Bridge Will Commence This Week

COTTON CROPS FALL OFF 250,000 BALES IN 15 DAYS

Figures just released by the Department of Agriculture at Washington estimate that the yield of 13,000,000 bales predicted on August 16th has fallen to 12,740,000 bales within a period of fifteen days. Drouth and high temperatures is given as cause of the decline.

The condition of the crop on September 1 was 56.2 per cent of a normal, indicating a yield of 141.5 lbs. per acre. On August 16 the condition was 62.0 and indicated a yield of 144.1 pounds. The September 1 condition last year was 59.3 and the final yield per acre last year was 157.4 pounds.

Cotton of this year's crop ginned prior to September 1 totaled 1,892,549 running bales counting round as half bales, the census bureau announced. To that date last year 947,494 bales had been ginned and in 1923 ginning to that date totaled 1,142,660 bales.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Dickens High School Opened Sept. 7th

The Dickens High School commenced its 1925-26 term of school Monday, September 7th. A large crowd of patrons and pupils were present at the opening exercises. The program was as follows:

Song, America; Devotion, Bro. Victor Crabtree; Address, Bro. Schütz; Reading, Miss Willie Richbourg; Address, Judge Worswick; Talk, Supt. Speer.

There is no reason why the Dickens school will not be a success with the following teachers: Frank Speer, Supt.; H. T. Atkins, Principal; Fred Arrington, Intermediate; Mrs. H. T. Atkins, Primary; Miss Kelly, Primary. Miss Willie Richbourg of Spur, will teach music and expression and Miss Brannen of Littlefield will teach art.

The Dickens High School is recognized as one among the best schools of West Texas. Many pupils have gone to affiliated high schools and colleges and the work done in Dickens High School was satisfactory and acceptable in every instance.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

New Stucco Business Building Going up in McAdoo

As evidence that McAdoo is building rapidly, substantially and permanently, one will only have to drive through to see new buildings on every side. During the year two new church structures have gone up, and some four or five new business houses, with a number of residences.

At the present time H. P. Edwards is having a large stucco finished business house constructed for his mercantile business, and expects to be in his new place of business to care for the fall trade. Mr. Edwards does a large volume of business, possibly running up above a hundred thousand dollars a year, and more room and a better place in which to do business was made necessary to meet the demands of the trade in his varied line of merchandising.

Every town in Dickens county is building, increasing in importance to the trade and growing most substantially in extent and volume of business.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

M. Yandell Purchases the Girard Theatre

We received a letter from M. Yandell, of Girard, this week stating that he had purchased the Girard Theatre, and would endeavor to give to the Girard show goers the very best pictures in filmdom. Among the pictures to be shown at an early date are, "Ten Commandments," "Peter Pan," "Thundering Herd," "North of '36," "Sinners in Heaven."

These are Paramount pictures and some are the very latest and no one will make a mistake by seeing them all.

We are sure Mr. Yandell will enjoy an immense trade in his new business.

Bridge material is now arriving and being hauled out for the reconstruction of the Duck Creek bridge recently washed out on the Spur-Dickens highway, and construction work will begin immediately. One span of fifty feet will be added to the bridge to cover the washed-out abutment on the north side, and the bridge will be ready for use by the time cotton hauling begins.

This work is under the supervision of the State Highway Department, and has been delayed awaiting arrival of necessary materials.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Good Rains Fall Over the Entire Spur Country

Thursday night of last week and again Sunday night rains fell over the country, registering a total amount of 2.04 inches in Spur, while in other sections the rainfall was estimated as much as five inches. At any rate it was heavy enough to wash out roads and bridges. The bridge to the west of Spur on the Plains road was washed out, as was also the abutments to the bridge over Cat Fish on the Spur-Post road. In Dickens the dirt was washed from culverts on the new highway just completed through the town, the rainfall in Dickens being estimated at three and a half inches.

The rains extended throughout West Texas, being reported as much as fourteen inches at points on the plains.

These rains completely breaks the "drouth" throughout the entire country, and the country as a whole now has a good season.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Average Rainfall of 14 Years is 20.70 Inches

The average rainfall of Spur, as recorded by the Experiment Station during the past fourteen years, has been 20.70 inches. During that time the driest year experienced was in 1924 when only 11.09 inches of rain fell; while the wettest year was in 1916 when 36.86 inches of rain fell.

Up to the present time this year we have had 22.79 inches, giving us more than the average with three and a half months record yet to be made. The rainfall by months this year is as follows:

January .34; February .16; March .19; April 4.77; May 2.75; June 1.74; July 3.43; August 7.37; September to date 2.04; making a total of 22.79 inches.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Department of Labor Can Supply Cotton Pickers

A letter recently received from the Department of Labor, U. S. Employment Service, Fort Worth, Texas states that the department will be in position to furnish cotton pickers needed. Further requesting that people who desire pickers place orders not before needed, since pickers will want to begin work immediately upon arrival.

Only one bale of cotton has been ginned in Spur to date, and cotton throughout the country is opening very slowly at this time. It may be several weeks before cotton begins to come in fall season proportions.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Dickens Keeping in the Building Progress

As evidence that Dickens is keeping in line with other towns of the county, 2 new businesses have been recently established. C. A. Gladish who recently returned from Bowie has purchased the old Shorty Reynolds property, remodeled the store building and has opened up a staple and fancy grocery business. A new drug business has also been established on the court house square.

Dickens is scheduled for a real boom, and when it gets the Santa Fe trunk line railway together with the through state highway already designated, the town will grow so fast the smoke of metropolitan development will be observed throughout the country.

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 Taloga, Okla.—With broomcorn buyers in Western Oklahoma making advance bids of from \$150 to \$200 a ton for broomcorn, farmers who grow this staple are getting more optimistic of a revival of profitable prices following the past year of depression in the broomcorn market. The yield of broomcorn, which is a drought resisting plant and especially adapted to the climatic condi-

tions of the semi-arid Southwest, in which this section of the country is included, was not injured by the dry weather early in the year, and yields approximating those obtained in other years are being reported, compensating in a small degree for the decrease in the acreage. The better prices, combined with the average acre yield, will go a long way in retaining the center of broomcorn production in Western Oklahoma.

STORE ROBBED AND CAR STOLEN AT JAYTON

Last Friday night while the pleasure loving population of Jayton after a hard day's work were taking their evening recreation at the Lankin show some ingenious and conscienceless cuss or maybe two of them broke in through a back window into the big Bryant-Link Store and gathered to himself the following described valuables:

Two Black Big Four Stetson hats, Four Compacts, Two Strings of Beads, some Flash Lights and Watches and fifteen dollars from the cash drawer in the grocery department. Same night and it is believed same party or parties stole a Ford car belonging to Rolly Bilberry. The stolen car was found Saturday at the side of the road beyond Peacock, abandoned and with one wheel jacked up indicating that the thieves had had tire trouble, and started to repair the tire, became alarmed and fled. No clues to the guilty parties have been found, however there was strong indication in the way of disarrangement of certain goods that there must have been a female hand in the bunch.—Jayton Chronicle.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
 J. Carlisle came in the past week from his farm home on Duck Creek.
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 Poet Hagins, a leading citizen of the Gilpin country, was among the business visitors in Spur the first of the week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jas. F. Williams and son, Frank, spent Monday and Tuesday in Paducah, visiting Mr. Williams' brother and family of that city. Mr. Williams states that Paducah is one of the liveliest towns of the country, doing an extensive business in various lines, and all business interests prospering.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
 J. C. Jones, a leading citizen of Jayton, was in Spur during the week transacting business affairs.

T. S. Lambert came in Tuesday from the Draper country where he is farming, merchandising and operating a gasoline filling station. Evidently he has decided that if diversified business interest will also pay great dividends.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
 Mesdames Milton S. and C. C. Lawrence, of Jayton, were in Spur Saturday of the past week, shopping and visiting among friends.

CRACKS—WISE & OTHERWISE

(By Hicky Hix, of Hickville.)
 A hick is one who sees himself as the biggest, brightest and most valuable man in his town, or community and feels the inferiority of all others with whom he comes in contact. We will liken him unto the little, tiny chip of a diamond, that the jeweler cuts off as he shapes the real stone for its setting, and brings the little bit accidentally under the microscope and gives it a momentary appearance of a great big jewel of immense value, but to all other eyes it is so small that it can not be seen.

 When you get so you can look beyond yourself and see other men, and other women and see the good they are doing, without searching for an ulterior motive and finding none successfully resist the temptation of creating one with a slanderous, gossiping tongue, you are really beginning to grow big.

 "There was a young man who came from Borum,
 Who bought a pair of pants and he wore 'em
 He slipped and fell on a raft, and then felt a great draft,
 'Twas then that he knew where he tore 'em'".

 They had been married but a week and were honeymooning at a mountain resort. It was an Autumn day and about mid afternoon, when wishing no company other than their own, they had wandered far up the side of the mountain which towered majestically Heavenward at the rear of the hotel. He was one of those dapper little fellows that make ideal "hen pecked husbands," while she was of athletic build, though dressed as a flapper. They had reached a ledge of outcropping stone forming a precipice some six or seven feet high and barred their further progress, when she expressed a desire to scale this obstacle he gallantly assisted her to clamber over its edge, but being unable to ascend himself he stood patiently at its foot, while she stood on its brink just above his head and gazed in rapture at the scene below and feasted her poetic soul on the panorama which seemed to unfold as her eyes swept the valley between the hills in the distance. There was the ever present gurgling brook, winding in and out like a silver thread among the live oak motts, with the green grass fairly dipping into its sparkling waters, with the lazy kine bedded on the shady banks and standing in its crystal depths, patiently switching at the tormenting flies. And there across the brook and up an arroya is a hunters cabin, with a thin wisp of smoke curling upward and losing itself in the general haze. And over there on the left, on the side of another mountain is the ruins of an ancient Pueblo where the Cliff Dwellers lived thousands of year ago. "Ah!" She exclaimed as if in a trance.

"What a lovely scene. What a lovely scene." And then as if suddenly remembering where and who she was she looked down at her small, but patient young husband standing timidly below her feet and murmured, "can you see any thing from where you are dear?" He looked up shyly and—blushed.

COMPANY URGES PRIVATE OPERATION AIR MAIL SERVICE

Washington, Sept. 12.—Private operation of the entire air mail system was asked of President Coolidge today by officials of the National Air Transport Corporation.

The delegation said the corporation was ready to bid for operation of a route from Chicago to Dallas by way of Kansas City, but also desired an opportunity to run the New York to Chicago overnight line which has not yet been offered by the government for private operation.

Explaining the corporation's proposal Howard E. Coffin, its president, said it was the definite plan "to operate a line between Dallas and New York by way of Chicago over which we will carry mail and express."

"We ask no subsidy," said Mr. Coffin, "direct, or indirect. We made it clear that the group who have subscribed the capital to this company want to go into this business on a business basis and hope ultimately to make it a commercial success, but realize that it is a long and difficult task and that it can succeed only if it has the sympathetic support of all government departments."

—Meet Me at the Fair—
 E. C. Edmonds, Jr., left Sunday for Waco where he will re-enter Baylor University for the fall and winter terms. E. C. has this year been honored and distinguished as "Yell Leader" for Baylor, and will attend all the foot ball and other games of the University season.

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ORIENT RAILROAD CASE WILL GO TO HIGHEST COURT

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—Meet Me at the Fair—

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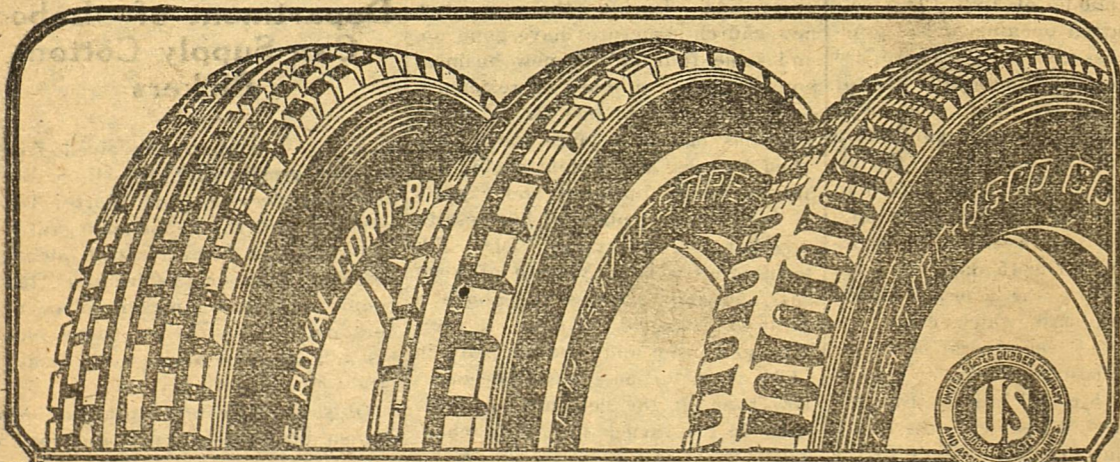
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Builds up Modern Successful Public Service Institution

When a town is reported prosperous and is in a good healthy growing condition there is always a group of prosperous healthy growing men connected with and backing the town. This is true of Spur. Spur has enjoyed a splendid citizenship since the town was opened in October 1909 but it was 11 years later that Roy Stovall came to Spur with rich experience in electrical engineering but with very limited funds to take over the light plant which at that time was run in connection with one of the local gins and was giving about the kind of service that one could expect under those conditions. There was always a scramble to get to bed before 11:00 o'clock because the lights were turned off at that hour if not earlier. Many of the business houses and homes had their own little lighting plants, because they were more dependable.

Stovall had a hard task before him. He had to create a demand for electric current, gain confidence of the people of Spur and give service to stimulate confidence and create demand. That he has succeeded in doing this is shown by the fact that the town has been without current less than a total of 120 minutes in the last five years, that the plant is supporting ten families where it supported two when Stovall came to Spur. The plant was housed in a small building made of second hand galvanized iron and consisted of one small engine. It is now in a large brick building with several large engines and complete equipment. Current was furnished about 8 hours a day during the week and all of Thursday morning to accommodate the housewife who wanted to use electric current in ironing. There is probably not another town in Texas that is making as complete a use of electricity as Spur is making at the present. One, however, is not so much interested in the fact that these things have been done as he is in, "How were they done?"

The remarkable success of this enterprise is summed up in three words, Confidence, Service and Ability. The business had not been in operation long before Stovall took into partnership Bob Lea a young electrical engineer and the two of them started in to build up the business. A cheap house was constructed of second hand material, but it was neat, clean, modern and attractive. Before the first summer was half gone the little park about this plant was the beauty spot of Spur. There was not a crooked or leaning light pole in town, the slack had been taken out of the wires, bad connections which had been a source of constant trouble had been repaired and the people of Spur were getting service. Hand power and gasoline engine power machines were discarded and electric motors installed in their places. Oil, coal and wood stoves were replaced by electric stoves, home lighting plants were taken out and connections made with the Spur Light and Power Co.

The Spur water supply has always been abundant. J. C. Nagle, formerly dean of the School of Engineering of the A and M College of Texas told the Locating Board for the Texas Technological College at the time they were visiting various towns in Western Texas seeking a location for the College that Spur's water supply would be adequate for the city of Dallas, yet Spur was not getting the water it needed and the service was poor. The City officials gave Stovall and Lea a contract to furnish Spur with water with the result that in short order and with little expense Spur became one of the best and most completely watered towns in Western Texas, and again the service became perfect.

Until 1924 Spur was dependent on Stamford, Abilene and other towns for its ice supply. Stovall and Lea constructed an ice plant in connection with their power plant, put in large storage rooms and are thoroughly prepared to take care of perishable products more especially the large number of turkeys which are dressed at Spur. A few years ago the expression "No ice till the train comes in" was very common at Spur, and there are only three freight trains a week, so at times

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during the hot summer months Spur was frequently without ice. Spur now has abundance of ice and is supplying near by towns.

Spur's phenomenal growth has been due to the prosperity of the large farming territory tributary to the town, the enterprising business men and to its potential agricultural and livestock resources. Nothing goes so far to make a happy, prosperous and energetic community as an abundance of electric current, a pure and dependable water supply, and a never failing supply of ice. Without these things the future of a town is questionable.

We are giving Tickets for the Picture Show Wednesday, Sept. 23rd at The "M" Grocery. Ask for them.

Meet Me at the Fair

Mrs. Goss D. Cobb, who has been spending the past week in Spur with her mother, Mrs. Kate Senning, returned Saturday to her home in Albany where Mr. Cobb this year has a position in the Albany schools.

Meet Me at the Fair
Don't forget to ask for your Free Matinee Ticket for the Picture Show Wednesday, September 23rd.—At The "M" Grocery.

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Bulldogs district champs '25.

Their next game will be with Falls here during the fair. Oh! you fans come on out and show your spirit.

You oughta see that line.

Coach Laine is putting the boys thro a stiff workout. The boys have got new suits, blankets the material for a winning team, the school board and the merchants behind them. Now all they need is every man, woman and child in Spur and the surrounding country to come out and make standing room scarce.

Lisenby's our "fullback."

All our players are back with the exception of Travis Burnam and Huling Robinson. With all our old players and new material too, the line looks like a "stonewall."

Edmonds, is a "halfback."

Here are some of the players: Manning Bros., Edmonds Bros., Gibson, Lewis, Putman, Davis, Ward, Stafford, Whitener, Rogers, John Davis, Mecam, Forbis, Watson, McCormick, Billberry, Smith, Brown, Ensey and Lisenby.

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Spur will play Lubbock during the South Plains Fair, at Lubbock. Lets all go with them. We mean business now. Pep up, all you football fans, baseball season is over with us.

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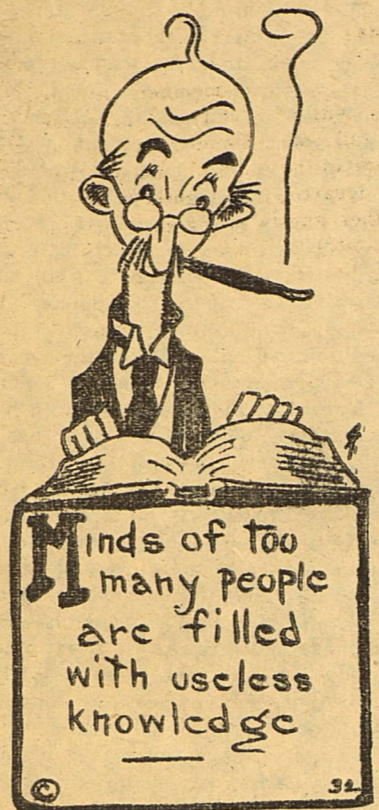
Bulldogs! Bulldogs! Bulldogs!

Lets go to Jayton Friday.

W. C. A.

Meet Me at the Fair
R. C. Forbis spent the week end in Spur with his family. He has been engaged in buying calves for shipment to Northern and Eastern States for feeding pens. Some cattle will be shipped to feeding pens in West Texas. This is the greatest feed producing country in America and there is no legitimate reason why West Texas should not become the greatest cattle feeding as well as producing section.

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Meet Me at the Fair
E. C. Edmonds spent Thursday in Abilene on business.

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Dickens Items

Mr. Roy K. Harkey and family of Arizona, are visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. O. C. Arthur has gone to Marlin wells for his health. We hope he improves rapidly and returns home to his duty.

Mrs. B. G. Worswick visited in Lubbock last week.
Mrs. Steve Dawe of Gonzales, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Worswick.

A new drug store is being installed on the east side of the square in the Jay building. C. A. Gladdish has finished remodeling a building on the north side of the square for groceries. Dickens is improving as well as other West Texas towns.
Bro. L. S. Bilberry has finished a new farm home one mile southeast from town.

Miss Beryl Harkey visited in Abilene the first of the week.
Miss Virginia Worswick gave a bridal shower Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Helen Meadors the bride-to-be to Mr. Jimmie Cozby of Lubbock. Many nice presents were received.—Reporter.

Meet Me at the Fair

FOR SALE

160 acres, 150 in cultivation, 5 room frame house, good barns and lots, plenty good water, 8 miles north of Spur on main highway.—Harvey Holly. 43-4tp.

Meet Me at the Fair
Don't forget our guaranteed shoes for less at J. P. Wilkes & Son. 45tf.

Meet Me at the Fair
O. B. Mimms, of the Espuela community, was in the city Tuesday. Some time ago Mr. Mimms informed us that he wanted to sell his farm. However, he has now decided to not sell out. In fact he has such good crop prospects that he has concluded that his farm is worth as much to him as to any one else. It is possible for him to make almost enough out of this year's crop to pay for a farm.

Meet Me at the Fair
Special Gillette Razor Sale at the Red Front Drug Store.

Meet Me at the Fair

Jess Clendenen, of the Plains country, was in the city Wednesday of this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Clendenen stated that the people of his community desired to haul their cotton and do their trading in Spur, stating that here could be found any character of merchandise in the variety of stores, and that the compress together with good markets gave the people all that could be desired. A new road is being opened up through the Putman ranch to that section of the Plains country, thus making Spur more accessible and convenient to the trade.

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CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many friends and neighbors for the kindness, thoughtful consideration and sympathy shown us in the death of our husband and father. May God's richest blessings be with each of you and shield you in like hours of sorrow and bereavement.—Mrs. W. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Phillipps, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Smith, Mrs. and Mrs. D. S. Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Baird and Calla Smith.

Meet Me at the Fair
FOR SALE—Four Piano Boxes, will hold a bale of cotton each, price \$1.50 each.—F. N. Oliver. 46-2t.

Meet Me at the Fair
E. N. McCracken, of the Plains country, came down Wednesday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He came down, incidentally to trade some, but especially to get information about poisoning worms. However, worms are not yet doing any great damage in his section, but following up the old adage, "a stitch in time saves nine," he is getting poison and preparing for the worst. Following the big rains of the past week, considerable fear is expressed concerning the possibility of worms coming in greater numbers.

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We are this week opening up a Grocery business on the east side of Burlington Avenue in a part of the brick building formerly occupied by the Candy Kitchen, and where we will be glad to meet and serve our many friends and the public in general. We will keep in stock fancy and staple groceries, and fresh fruits, vegetables, etc., in season.

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MISTAKEN IDENTITY GIVEN BLAME IN WOUNDING OF FIVE

Amarillo, Sept. 10.—Mistaken identity was blamed Thursday for the shooting of five persons near Shamrock Wednesday.

Perry Coonse, farmer, who is held at Wheeler in connection with the case, is reported to have stated that he fired into an automobile as it passed his farm, under the belief that it carried young men who had waylaid and whipped him several days ago. He fired five shots from a shotgun. He declared he did not

know the occupants were his friends and neighbors.

It is reported three of the victims have substantiated Coonse's statement.

Cecil Rook, an oil driller on the Coonse farm, is the most seriously wounded. Mabel and Mattie Emler, as well as Rook, are said to be in danger of losing their sight.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
O. C. Henry, of the Afton country, came down the past week and spent some time here trading, greeting his friends and exchanging ideas, confidences and optimism in general.

Town Guessers and Farmer Boosters

As the season approaches for the man on the farm to realize on his years work, and his cotton crop begins to show signs of helping him pay some of his debts, or maybe have a little money left when it is gathered and sold, the town man and commercial clubs begin to howl "bumper crop," best ever made, two bales to acre, etc. Cotton prices stayed around 25 c while the farmers were buying supplies to make it, but as soon as new cotton began to sell down goes the price \$20.00 or more per bale.

The cotton producer certainly has everything to make him gray headed. The varying seasons of drouth, wet, bugs, worms, hail, storms, etc., but the things that hurts him most is the little berg guessers and booster howlers, also the darn fool farmers who come to town boasting of his wonderful crop. Cotton is hard to judge as it grows, and is extremely uncertain in its probable yield. The Spur territory cotton, September 5, has just begun to blow and worms are appearing everywhere. Great damage may result. Anyway there is certain to be a large percent of it bollies and may not be salvable. It will pay everyone to be conservative. It will take a bumper crop at not below 20 cents to pay debts already contracted. In the drouth district some of the chambers of commerce advised to suppress the truth about the bad crop and conditions as it hurts business. Some of them sent out reports of high cotton yields and this with West Texas Chambers of Commerce have reduced the price of cotton at least \$20.00 per bale and on a normal yield for Dickens county would mean a loss to the farmers of 5 or 6 hundred thousand dollars and of course that much loss in purchasing power with the business interests.

The writer does not object to a fair estimate, but all this hot air about the biggest crop ever made cannot do any good, but has and is reducing the price. It ought to be considered that we practically had no crop up to last day of July and much of the land had no stand. Also that the cotton must grow a stalk and then set forms and fight against weather conditions, worms and an early frost.

Swat the fly, poison the leaf worm and shoot the gusser and booster and get me on the jury. "Me" and "Ma" will see that you go free.—W. A. Craddock.

P. S. Since writing above my attention has been called to what Mr. Karper had to say about the cotton crop of West Texas. I saw his statement as published in Fort Worth Star Telegram and Texas Spur and I presume this statement was published by the many cotton exchanges throughout the country. Mr. Karper was mentioned as being an expert in judging cotton.

Any one ought to know that cotton only 30 days old had only a big stalk and many leaves and only squared and very few blooms could not at this late date expect a two bale crop or any crop at all for sure. Then what good can it do the farmers to send out such reports.

Williamson county according to her bankers will not make more than 5,000 bales and that of very short staple. A normal crop of this county is 100,000 bales. Many others of the big producing counties are in the same condition as Williamson. Everything indicates a short crop for Texas. However, these howling boosters of West Texas seem determined to keep the price down. Let there be no closed season on crop boosters and boosters. Round them together and I will be there with my old blunderbuss and I shall see that more of these so called experts escape.—Craddock on Poor Farm.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cross and little son, Tom Griffin, passed through the city Tuesday on their way to Abilene on business, and to Buffalo Gap where they will visit with relatives and friends.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Alec Bilberry was on the streets one day the first of the week, meeting with friends and transacting business with merchants.

TEXAS COTTON CROP TO BE 1,000,000 BALES UNDER 1924

Austin, Sept. 10.—Texas' 1925 cotton crop will be approximately a million bales short of last year, George B. Terrell, commissioner of agriculture, declared in his crop report made public last night. He estimated the 1925 crop to be 3,677,000 bales.

Reports from correspondents indicate that all crops will be short of last year because of the extensive drouth, some boll weevil and leaf worms, the report says. Mr. Terrell said that cotton should bring at least 25 cents a pound, while cotton seed should sell for \$40 to \$45 a ton. Grain sorghums are reported "reasonably good in the western part," and extra good in some of the plains counties where they will make a surplus for feed sale. Peanuts, peas, hay, sweet potatoes, sorghum cane and ribbon cane have all been improved by recent rains in some parts of the state, especially in the eastern part. An average of 1.63 inches of rain fell during August in widely different parts of the state which benefited late cotton and late feed crops, but which did not help old cotton and damaged all open cotton where the rains were heavy. Pastures were benefited and stock water replenished where good rains fell, the report says.

"Cotton picking is well under way in the eastern and northern parts of the state, while the crop is practically gathered in the southwestern part of the state," according to the report. "Great Numbers of cotton pickers have gone from the drouth stricken areas of central Texas to the eastern and northern parts of the state and some have gone to Louisiana, where they find ready employment picking cotton at an average price of \$1 a hundred pounds. The crop in east Texas will be gathered earlier than ever before, and the surplus cotton pickers will have to move on to the western and northwestern parts of the state."

The report says that Ellis and Williamson counties have heretofore led in cotton production, but owing to the drouth, Collin or Hall county probably will be the heaviest producers this year.

In eastern Texas it is estimated that 635,000 bales will be produced in 48 counties in northern Texas 15,000 bales in 17 counties in western Texas 435,000 in 53 counties; in central Texas 532,000 bales in 34 counties; in southwestern Texas 355,000 bales in 38 counties, and in northwest Texas 956,000 in 62 counties. The condition of cotton is given as an average of 58 per cent with central Texas the lowest with 24 per cent and eastern Texas with 74 per cent, the highest.

NEW STATE AUTO LIGHT LAW IS NOW IN EFFECT

Dallas.—The new law requiring automobiles and motor vehicles in Texas to be equipped with approved lighting devices properly adjusted to eliminate glare, went into effect Tuesday. It requires that the vehicles have lights adjusted at official test stations as to tilt, focal adjustment and general efficiency, and be equipped with lighting devices which have been approved by the State Highway Commission.

In some counties announcement was made that strict enforcement would begin Tuesday. In others a few days more in which autoist may have their lights tested and adjusted were granted because of lack of official test stations to care for the work. A car may be registered up on presentation of a certificate of proper light equipment and adjustment. Penalty for failure to have properly adjusted and equipped lights in a fine of \$5.00 to \$25.00 for first offense and \$25.00 to \$200.00 for subsequent offenses.—The Star Telegram.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Buster Robinson, of west of Spur, was here Tuesday meeting with friends and talking good times.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
D. D. Hagins, of Duck Creek, was a Spur business visitor the past week.

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Planning to Kill Boll Worm Millers by old Time Method

W. L. Thanisch, of the Draper country, was in Spur first of the week. Some time ago when the worm situation first became threatening in his community and throughout the country, Mr. Thanisch ordered a hundred specially made lamps attached to pans as containers of water or other doctored fluid, as a catcher and killer of "millers." It was the intention to place the lamps throughout his cotton fields at night, lighting them up to attract the millers and drown them in the fluid contained in the pans. Mr. Thanisch thinks this the most successful manner of combating boll worms, since

they can be poisoned successfully after becoming working worms. We can remember years ago when this method of "miller killing" was successfully practiced in many communities and the cotton crops saved from complete destruction. Later, should the boll worm millers appear in threatening numbers, it might be a wise idea for other farmers of the country to follow the plan of Mr. Thanisch, in burying lights and killing the millers before becoming worms, and then use poison in getting all the worms possible. It would be a calamity to permit worms at this time to destroy the most promising cotton crop prospects, and no efforts spared or ideas overlooked in combating them.

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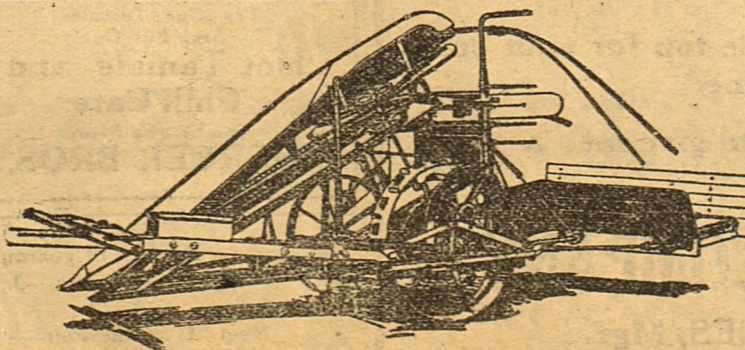
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Social Events of the Week

SOCIAL CLUB HAS ENJOYABLE MEETING WITH MRS. ROGERS

Thursday of last week members of the Spur Social Club were entertained by Mrs. R. F. Rogers, and a most enjoyable occasion was reported. There were fifty eight present and at the noon hour a sumptuous dinner, made up from a singedish brought by each member, was served. The day was spent by the ladies in sewing, piecing quilts, knitting, briar stitching and in enlightening, edifying social converse to the pleasure and benefit of all.

Mrs. Wood, president of the club since its organization two years ago, and a real leader in social club uplift, announces that the membership will meet Thursday of this week with Mrs. M. Hargrove, and Thursday the 24th with Mrs. J. J. Lilly.

Social Club Number 2, composed of the younger people, met Friday with Mrs. R. P. Bell at Dry Lake, refreshments being served during the afternoon and a most enjoyable meeting reported.

MISS JETTIE WINDHAM ENTERTAINS KOLONIAL KARD KLUB

Miss Jettie Grace Windham entertained the members and guests of the Kolonial Kard Klub with a lovely party at her home Friday evening, September 11th. Annis Albin won high score prize and Pauline Brown won cut prize among the girls, while Hubert Karr won high score prize and Carl Wester cut prize among the boys. The color scheme of yellow and white was carried throughout the party. The most delicious cream and cake were served to the following members and guests: Annis Albin, Lera Harris, Ermal Lisenby, Thelma Caraway, Lucille Lucas, Ruby Love, Mildred Williams, Dick Stafford, Pauline Brown, Willie Richbourg, Lois Lee, Dorothy Love and Mrs. Floyd Barnett, Messrs. Ben Murray Hale, E. C. Edmonds, Floyd Barnett, S. B. Scott, Hilton Manning, George Lisenby, Mack Rash, Carl Wester, Bar on Chapman, Elzy Watson, Francis Clay, Hubert Karr and John Albin.

Spur School Board Entertains Faculty

Friday afternoon of last week at the fair grounds the Spur School Board entertained members of the faculty with a "chicken barbecue feast," all board members as well as teachers of both high school and grade departments, together with a few other guests, being present and enjoying the occasion.

Such occasions as this are not only pleasant to those participating, but evidences a closer, cooperative association in school matters as well as socially, and will result in benefit to all in promoting and advancing educational interests and institutions.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
HUSBANDS ENTERTAIN FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB MEMBERS

Friday afternoon of last week the husbands entertained the members of the Friday Afternoon Club with a chicken barbecue at the fair grounds. The chickens were barbecued by Messrs. Billie Bryant and Roy Stovall, and very evidently in the years gone by these gentlemen had practical experience in "chicken roasts", for they were done to a golden turn and flavored to a "queen's taste," served on plates with bread, pickles, coffee, lemonade and followed up by ice cream. Chas. Whitener, who sponsored and supervised the feast, also had cigars which were passed to the men as an after-dinner consideration. After the feast the ladies were escorted to the Lyric Theatre where forty eight seats had been reserved for the play.

The occasion was one of real pleasure and enjoyment, and its climax dispelled the thought that no longer in the land is there "romance between husbands and wives."

Among those present and enjoying this social event were Messrs. and Mesdames W. T. Andrews, Jr., E. C. Edmonds, E. A. Russell, M. E. Manning, C. L. Love, Faust Collier, Roy Stovall, J. E. Morris, E. L. Caraway, R. E. Dickson, Leland Campbell, C. Hogan, Geo. S. Link, J. B. Reed, Oran McClure, J. W. Alger, G. A. Welch, W. W. Sample, Chas. Whitener, Lawis Lee, W. J. Bryant, and Mesdames Forbis, Hight, Davis, Gipsion, Morris, Pierce and Miss Dahlia Link, and little Misses Francis Manning, Uda Mae Whitener, Francis Morris, Francis Gipsion, Wynell McClure and Devere Luke and Max McClure.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

KOLONIAL KARD KLUB

The Kolonial Kard Klub met with Miss Willie Richbourg at the home of Mrs. Jack Rector last Thursday afternoon, at 4:00 o'clock. The color scheme of red and green was carried through the party. At the end of the bridge hour Dorothy Love was awarded high score prize, Adriene Attebury guest prize, and Pauline Brown cut prize. A delicious course of iced tea, salad, crackers, olives and potato chips were served to the following members and guests: Ruby Love, Dick Stafford, Mildred Williams, Dorothy Love, Lera Harris, Ermal Lisenby, Lucille Lucas, Thelma Caraway, Adriene Attebury of Amarillo, Pauline Brown, and Mrs. Floyd Barnett.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

ENTRE NOUS CLUB

A very pretty party of the week was that of Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Kate Senning was hostess to the members of the Entre Nous Club and friends with a rainbow party. Eight tables were arranged for "42." Each table having a cover some shade of the rainbow. Tiny baskets tied with different color malle bows and filled with nut meats adorned each table, the tally and score pads were indeed pretty, being handpainted each carrying out the rainbow motif. At the conclusion of the "42" hour a lovely refreshment of salad, tea and devil food was served to the following guests: Mesdames T. H. Blackwell, R. B. Johnston, M. H. Brannen, Nellie Davis, E. C. Edmonds, Roy L. Harkey, John L. King, Frank Laverty, Bill Putman, Hill Perry, Page Golihar, D. Y. Twaddell, C. Martin, W. S. Campbell, Charles Whitener, Sneed Twaddell, R. Stovall, M. E. Manning, Lonnie Harris, Oran McClure, J. H. Grace, E. J. Cowan, Pay E. Dickson, Faust Collier, McGee, Jim Edd Hall, C. A. Love, Tracey Gorham, Goss D. Cobb of Albany, Misses Jennie Salem, Adelaide Senning, Julia Mae Hickman, Lorene Ledford.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

A SURPRISE SHOWER

A pleasant surprise to Mrs. Goss D. Cobb, nee Miss Carol Senning, who was here for a few days visit to her mother, Mrs. Kate Senning, before going to her new home in Albany, was that of Thursday afternoon when her friends presented her with a lovely basket of gifts at the conclusion of the party given by her mother on that afternoon.



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SPUR DELPHIAN CLUB

Mrs. W. T. Andrews was hostess to members of the Spur Delphian Tuesday evening, September 15th. At the business session quite a number of interesting things were discussed for the club year. In the absence of the leader, Mrs. Bill Putman conducted the lesson on "The Land of the Pyramids."

Mrs. Clifford B. Jones and Mrs. Malcom H. Brannen were elected regular members in the club. Mesdames Mac Brown, Roy L. Harkey, Faust Collier associate members. A delicious salad plate was served at the close of the meeting to Mesdames Ray E. Dickson, E. C. Edmonds, Bill Putman Duke Daniels, L. W. Langston, James B. Reed, Oran McClure and the hostess, Mrs. W. T. Andrews.

Mrs. Blackwell will be next hostess. Mrs. Geo. M. Williams leader.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Don't forget to ask for your Free Matinee Ticket for the Picture Show Wednesday, September 23rd.—At The "M" Grocery.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Special Gillette Razor Sale at the Red Front Drug Store.

JOI DE VOI CLUB

Charming indeed, in every detail was Mrs. Jim Edd Hall's bridge party on Thursday evening at her lovely home, where four tables were arranged for that interesting game. Mrs. Cecil Fox winning high score received an unusual duster in blue with a beautifully hand painted handle, and for consolation Mrs. Tracy Gorham was given a dainty box containing sandwiches recipe, guest prize a lovely glass jar was given to Mrs. Hill Perry.

Mrs. Hall's plate favors were attractive cases containing tiny powder puffs for Mesdames G. A. Welch, P. W. Alger, F. W. Jennings, C. A. Love, M. H. Brannen, Dan H. Zachary, Murray Lea, Tracey Gorham, Faust Collier, Roy Harkey, Jack Rector, Cecil Fox, Williams, Hill Perry, Elmer Brown and Bill Putman.

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Rev. J. V. Bilberry was in Spur Wednesday from Stonewall county, calling in at the Texas Spur office and having the paper sent to him at Jacksboro, Texas, stating that he and Mrs. Bilberry are moving this week to that place.

Miss Forbis Entertains with House Party

Miss Virginia Forbis entertained the past week with a house party at the Forbis Ranch on the north of Afton. Among the guests enjoying the occasion were Miss Jettie Windham, Ben Murray Hale, Weldon McClure and others.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
M. E. Tree returned last week from the Eastern part of the state where he spent some time with a sister who had been ill and recuperating from a recent surgical operation. In speaking of the crop condition and situation, Mr. Tree was of the opinion that the possible production had been overestimated, and that West Texas gave promise of greater production than any section through which he passed—and the worms now threaten to reduce production in the West.

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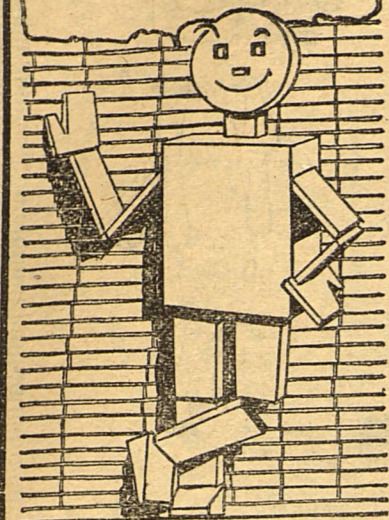
Zane Grey is probably the biggest name in modern American fiction. Every one of his books sells over a million copies. "The Call of the Canyon" is the second Zane Grey story to be produced by Paramount. It ran as a serial in the Ladies Home Journal and has since been published as a novel. It is a story of Fifth Avenue and the Mojave Desert, of frivolous New York society and the stern life of the Western ranges, of a pair of society wasters—a man and a beautiful girl—and the effect which the great open spaces of the West has upon their souls and their love. The contrasting backgrounds of New York jazz parties and the struggles and feuds of the Arizona cattle county, the man-to-man fights and the love rivalries, and the rapid fire thrills with which the plot is packed, makes this in every respect an outstanding picture of any season.

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS IN STATE COTTON CONTEST

We are in receipt of advices from Mr. Victor H. Schoffelmayer, Agricultural Editor of the Dallas News, and Editor of the Cotton Contest, in which the various Dickens County entrants in the State Cotton Contest will be vitally interested.

"In order to safeguard the claims made by entrants in the cotton contest, we are asking each entrant to keep six average stalks of cotton from his five acres, and to leave the entire five acres intact after it has been picked; to allow no stock to graze in it; nor to plow up the stalks, so that in case of dispute a field inspection of the burr on the stalks can be made.

"The weights of both seed and lint cotton of each contestant are to be supported by the ginners' affidavit."

—Meet Me at the Fair—

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Harris, of McAdoo, were in Spur the past week shopping and visiting among friends. While in the city Mr. Harris was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, informing us that everything on the Plains, and especially within the McAdoo territory is now in the very finest shape with prospects of bumper harvests and general prosperity this fall. Ward Harris is one of the most prosperous citizens and successful farmers of the country, and a whole-souled gentleman in every respect.

So Weak Couldn't Stand

"My wife's health broke down and for years she was just a physical wreck," says Mr. Thomas Glynn, of Gibson, La. "We did everything we knew, yet she seemed to get worse and worse. She was so weak till she couldn't stand, and had to be carried like a baby. It looked like nothing would save her that had been done."

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FOUR VOTES FAVORABLE AND FOUR ARE AGAINST METHODIST UNIFICATION

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 10.—Of eight annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, south, from which the vote on unification with the Methodist Episcopal Church has been received by Southern Methodist headquarters four voted in favor of and four against.

The Cuban conference cast an unanimous vote for unification; Baltimore 138 for and 141 against; Illinois 17 for and 28 against; Denver 24 for and 2 against; West Virginia 66 for and 8 against; Kentucky 87 for and 88 against; Brazil 47, unanimous vote for, and Central Brazil unanimously for.

All of the foreign conferences are believed by Methodist leaders to be in favor of the plan of union of the churches, while the five southern Methodist bishops opposing unification have within their combined episcopal area three-fourths of the approximately 10,000 votes to be cast.

ROAD BONDS CARRY IN SATURDAY ELECTION

In the election held last Saturday for the issuance of \$35,000.00 worth of bonds in the Road District No. 3 of Crosby County, being the Ralls trade territory, the bonds carried by 16 votes over two to one.

A light vote was had, very little interest being taken in the election for it to be a bond issue proposition.

Usually the natives become intensely interested when tax measures are involved, but this time the proposition did not "wax warm" either for nor against.—Ralls Banner.

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NEW OUTBREAK OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Galveston, Sept. 12.—Discovery of a new outbreak of the foot and mouth disease on the Fred Benson place south of Dickinson will mean the killing of about 6,000 head of cattle in the closed area between the interurban and Santa Fe tracks south of Clear Creek, Dr. A. H. Hughes, who is in charge of the quarantine offices here, said today.

The infection of the cattle was discovered Friday, and rounding up of the herds began this morning. The number will include about 2,000

head of dairy cattle near Arcadia, and Algoa, and will cut off a part of Galveston's milk supply, Dr. Hughes said.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
John Havens, of the Espuela community, returned the first of the week from Collin county where he had spent a few days visiting with relatives.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
C. Hogan made a business trip the first of the week to Abilene. In returning he encountered mud and water, being considerably delayed and possibly harassed in his overland trip.

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—Meet Me at the Fair—
C. H. Scott, of the Duck Creek country, was in Spur the first of the week.

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I wish to say that I'll buy your cotton as in the past and will try at all times to give all as good service as it is possible to get in both ginning and the handling of your cotton.

So now thanking you one and all for the fair part of the gin business that you have given me since I've been in the business in Spur and hoping to share the same this season I bid you a prosperous and bountiful harvest.

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WORK STARTS ON HIGHWAY AT DICKENS COUNTY LINE

State Supervisor, A. U. Swearingin informed the Review man the other day that work was started on the highway at the Dickens county line and work will be pushed west as fast as possible.

Two twelve foot graders are being used in the work on this road, said Mr. Swearingin, making a 26 foot crown, and its going to be a good one.—Crosbyton Review.

Miss Mary Copeland, who has been spending some time with her father, C. D. Copeland and family, returned the past week to Austin where she is completing courses for degrees and also taking special courses in the State University. In order to get her degrees, Miss Mary has refused several offers of lucrative positions.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Marion Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jordan left Sunday for Hico where he will attend school for the term.

Ferguson Talks of Pardons, Politics, Cotton Crops and Things in General

"The Governor likely will pardon 100 more deserving convicts on Thanksgiving Day," former Gov. James E. Ferguson said Monday afternoon. "There is now great activity and keen rivalry among the prison inmates to get on the honor roll. Some wonderful cotton picking records are being made." In an earlier statement to newspaper men the former Governor defended his wife's pardon record at some length. There will be no special session of the Texas Legislature this year to provide drouth relief nor for any other purpose under conditions now existent, James E. Ferguson, husband and chief counsellor of the Governor of Texas, said in Dallas Monday. Mrs. Ferguson has not considered the question of becoming a candidate to succeed herself, the former Governor said.

"Notwithstanding a statement in a Dallas newspaper to the contrary I have not stated anything to anybody as to whether or not my wife will seek to be re-elected Governor," Mr. Ferguson said. "Nor have I discussed the matter in connection with any attacks that have been made or that may be made upon my wife's administration.

"My wife and I have been so busy with state affairs that we have made no announcements nor given any serious consideration to the matter of next year's election," he said. "We feel that the people are entitled to a rest from politics, especially in 'off' years, and for that reason, if no other, no announcement coupled with any conditions can or will be made at this time," the former Governor concluded.

On the subject of drouth relief, Mr. Ferguson said that the constitutional limit of taxation already had been reached, and that no appropriations could be made for relief. An extension or remission of tax payments would not help those most sorely in need of aid, but would benefit chiefly the large land owners fully able to take care of themselves, he declared.

The State prison farm system will be able to extend some relief, Mr. Ferguson said, through the furnishing of cotton seed at half price. "The prison system can furnish 200,000 bushels of seed," he said, "which will plant 400,000 acres. There are about 3,000,000 acres of cotton land in the dry districts, which will require 1,500,000 bushels of seed for the planting of another crop. I can not say there will be no special session for drouth relief, for I can not foretell what conditions may arise, but at the present time I am certain the Governor will call no extra session." Governor Ferguson said the Texas cotton crop had been greatly over-estimated. He is a cotton planter,

himself, and expressed the belief that the crop would be but 3,000,000 bales instead of 3,900,000 as had been estimated. "Crop reports are in error in referring to the yield in the drouth area as a 'short crop,' he said. "As a matter of fact, there will be no crop at all in the large part of the drouth area."

Mr. Ferguson put himself in the same category as other sufferers from the drouth when he said that on 800 acres of Bell county land, which produced 235 bales of cotton last year, but twenty-five bales would be picked this year. He came to Dallas, he said, in connection with extension notes on some of his land holdings, and that he was in the same shape as many Bell county farmers who would be unable to meet the interest payments on their notes.

"There is a lot of talk about the pardons granted by the Governor," he said, "but if those who criticize the liberal policy of my wife in this respect will investigate each case they will find ample warrant for her action. The novel situation is presented of the preachers and religious people leading the attacks on a policy of mercy toward prison inmates in Texas. An investigation will show that in practically every case where a pardon has been issued that it was recommended by the trial judge, district attorney and other county officials in the county where the conviction occurred."

The state prison system now has about 12,000 bales of cotton made, Mr. Ferguson said, and if dry weather continued probably would make 15,000 bales. "Barring in a tropical storm, the prison farm system will show a substantial surplus in the prison fund by the first of the year." At this juncture Mr. Ferguson made the statement that another 100 pardons probably would be granted on Thanksgiving Day to deserving convicts.

The State Highway Commission will early next year give consideration to the building of the proposed Dallas northwest highway to Rhome, he stated in connection with an observation that the city was showing remarkable growth. The new highway would enable traffic to pass around Dallas from east to west thus measurably relieving traffic congestion, and would also afford the major link in another road to Fort Worth.

Mr. Ferguson conferred while here with former Gov. O. B. Colquitt. Both said there was no political significance to the meeting. Mr. Ferguson will go from Dallas to Bosque county Tuesday night.—Dallas News.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
GOD'S REMEDY FOR BOLL AND LEAF WORM

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord. (Promise.) I will open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. (Second promise.) I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field saith the Lord." God said the Nation had robbed him, and he said that we were cursed with curses. (See the Prophet Malachi 3rd 9-11.) Hear King Solomon, the son of David: "Honor the Lord with thy substance and with all thine increase. So shall thy barns be filled with plenty." (See Proverbs 3rd 9-11.) Remedy: Return unto me and I will return unto you, saith the Lord, and because we ill not, or have not returned the following curses have been visited upon us: "I have withheld rain, I have sent blasting and mildew, the palm worm. I have sent among you the pestilence of Egypt." Question: What was the pestilence of Egypt? Hail, thunder and fire, and locusts. What did these things destroy? Flax and barley. The flax was in the boll.

Let me say brother farmers, to all, God is the same God yesterday and forever. The great teacher Paul said in the tenth chapter of First Corinthians and eleventh verse, all these things happened unto them for example, and are written to admonish us to live soberly and righteously and Godly in this world a man had just as well try to stop the thunder or rain, snow or hail, light or darkness, as to try to stop the boll worm or any other pest by burning lamps in the field or dragging brushes or mixing poison to destroy. God said: "Return to me, and I will return unto you." A man of God can see Him in all his ways.—From Espuela.

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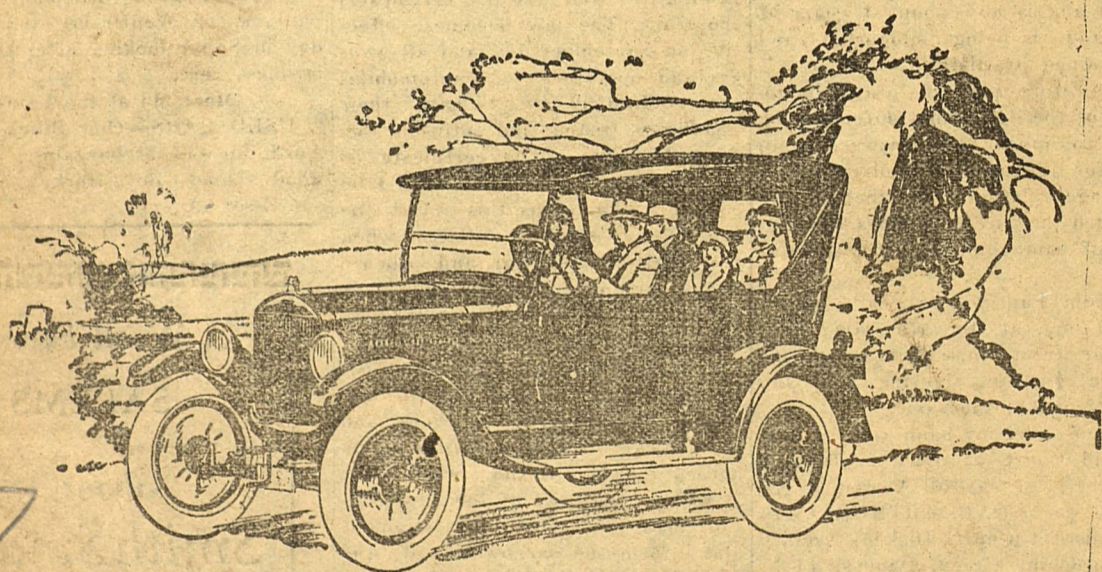
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Matt and Elmer Renfro, who have been spending several days here visiting with their sister, Mrs. G. W. Bennett and family, and other relatives and friends, returned the latter part of last week to their home at Sonora. We understand that George Renfro and family are now at Sonora and will be associated with his father and brother in the sheep business. Conditions are reported good in the Sonora country, and the many old time friends of the Renfroes in both Dickens and Kent counties will be glad to know that they are prospering in their new home and business.

G. W. Bennett, of the Midway community, passed through Spur Saturday on his way to Marlin where he will spend some time taking the Marlin baths and treatments, and recuperating his health. For some time Mr. Bennett has been suffering of rheumatism, and it is hoped by his many friends of Dickens county that the treatments will effect a permanent rapid cure.

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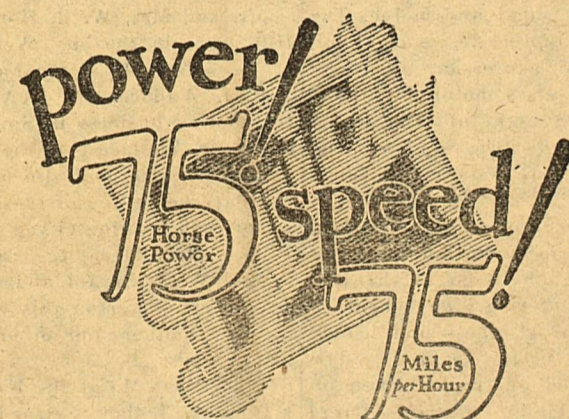
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The seventeen days "Normal School of Music" at Midway, conducted by Prof. R. H. Cornelius of Fort Worth, closed Friday afternoon, August 28th with a short program. It was with saddened hearts that we met for work Friday because we realized that we would separate at the close of the day, not to all meet again for many months. But we are glad of the opportunity of attending such a school and of learning something of the language of heaven, for we shall all sing when we cross over on the other side.

Prof. Cornelius is a great man, one who loves his God and fellow-man, and believes in scattering all the sunshine in the paths of others that he can. We feel that our paths have been made brighter by his coming. He is a good singer and the best teacher in the south. Yes, and the north too. His sunny disposition, and the good gospel songs he used had a great influence for good over his class of 85 pupils and under his training they were able to do some good singing. At the close of the school some who had never attended a school of music are now able to lead songs. We feel very fortunate in securing the service of such a man, and very grateful of the fact that he will return next year and teach another school, beginning August 17th.

We are very grateful to all who helped in any way to make our school a success and we especially want to thank the business men of Spur, who so generously assisted with the dinner, at the all day singing given on Sunday, August 9th. They furnished bread, pickles, potatoes for salad and coffee. The community appreciates such kindness and as an expression of their gratitude the class motored to Spur on the closing night of the school and rendered a program at the Baptist church to a large audience. At the close of the program the class was very agreeably surprised by receiving an invitation from the Commercial Club to go to the Bell Cafe. On entering we beheld a table laid for 41 guests and loaded with a feast fit for a king. The menu consisted of fried chicken on toast with cream gravy, large plates of crisp lettuce, sliced tomatoes, English peas, hominy and light bread, iced tea with lemon, all prepared and served in a most pleasing manner. This being followed by the most delicious strawberry ice cream. "We can say that the people of Spur know how to entertain and make people feel at home in their town. We will long remember the kind hospitality extended us by every one. Those enjoying this occasion were: Prof. R. H. Cornelius, Messrs. and Mesdames G. W. Bennett, L. K. Pettigrew, E. D. Horn,

J. F. Smith, Bee Nichols, Mrs. O. S. Harvey, Misses Maydell Peters, Otausa Smith, Vera Webb, Naomi Blakley, Lucy Parker, Edna and Gertrude Horn, J. H. Mayo, Iona Blakley, Oleta Smith, Jewel Pettigrew, Gussie Simpson, Earl Pettigrew, Lola Simpson, Lillie Smith, and Messrs. Ralph Bennett, Marvin Grizzle, Jesse Bradley, R. T. Atchison, Emm Dobbs, Robert Parker, Eldon Webb, Dick Arthur, Cleo Hazel, Dean Arthur, Sam Bransford, C. L. Lassiter, Lee Mimms, Lee Roy Horn, J. B. Reed of the City National Bank as host.—A member of the Class.

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Mrs. Geo. M. Williams was called last week to Dallas on account of the illness of Mr. Williams who has in that city on business when stricken with the illness. A minor operation was performed, we understand, and Mr. Williams is now recovering.

G. A. Welch left Wednesday for Olney where he is attending court, he having a suit pending for oil and mineral leases and rights in that oil belt.

Mrs. Mattox and daughter, Miss Melba, Mrs. Rogers and Mr. C. B. Clark, of Greenville, are in Spur visiting their sister, Mrs. B. F. Hale and family.

J. B. Morrison and J. H. Biggs, were in the city Wednesday.

Newt Cravey was here Tuesday from his farm home on Red Mud.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Horn, of Red Hill, were in the city Wednesday.

R. I. Wallace, of McAadoo, was transacting business in Spur Wednesday. Mr. Wallace is in the drug business at McAadoo and also postmaster, his place being one of the most popular of that growing city.

Mrs. W. J. Bryant and son, W. J. Jr., are in Silverton this week visiting her mother and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. A. Lollar returned the first of the week from an extended visit with her sister in Abilene.

Clarence Bilberry returned this week from Archer City, where he has been employed for the past several months.

The services of the Protestant Episcopal Church will be held on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the Presbyterian Church in Spur, by the Rev. Percy W. Jones, Sept. the 20th.

**City Drug Store Install
New Furniture and
Fixtures**

The City Drug Store is this week installing new furniture and fixtures of the latest and most modern pattern and design, including fountain fixtures as well as drug and prescription conveniences. When completely installed the City Drug Store will be one of the finest and most handsomely furnished drug businesses of all Western Texas.

The City Drug Store under the management of Cal Martin has ever been a most popular place, and in the present handsome surroundings and inviting surrounding will become even more popular and attractive in the future.

In every line Spur is pardonably proud and boastful of her modern and handsomely furnished and equipped places of business.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
THE STATE OF TEXAS

No. 192.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:—

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To all persons interested in the welfare of Ada McCarty and Lorene McCarty Minors Mrs. Jennie McCarty, has fled in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for Letters of Guardianship upon the persons and estates of each of said Minors which said application will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the third Monday in October A. D. 1925, the same being the 19th day of October A. D. 1925 at the Court House there of, in Dickens, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minors, may appear and contest said application, if they see proper to do so.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Dickens this the 31st day of August A. D. 1925.

O. C. ARTHUR, Clerk
County Court Dickens County, Tex.
By Josephine Green Deputy. 44-3t

CANNED PEACHES

Direct to consumer famous East Texas Elberta Peaches sweetened, ready for table use Size No. 2 cans at \$1.75 per dozen and No. 3 cans at \$2.25 per dozen. F. O. B. Mount Vernon, Texas. All orders shipped c. o. d. in case lots. You may club orders and save freight. Order now for October delivery.—**MARTIN & JOYCE, Mt. Vernon, Texas.** 45-2tc

FARM FOR SALE—80 acres, three miles south of Afton. See A. M. White, Afton, Texas. 45-4tp.

Bob Cross and family, of three or four miles to the southwest of Spur, returned the past week from a visit to relatives and old time friends at Cross Plains.

WANTED—Girl to work for room and board while going to school. Address Box 123, Spur, Texas. 45tf.

Special Gillette Razor Sale at the Red Front Drug Store.

Do not buy shoes until you have looked our stock over. We sell for less.—J. P. Wilkes. 45tf

FOR SALE Cheap—Coal range and coal bath heater, good condition.—Chas. Whitener. 44-tf.

Good Ford Truck for sale. See T. P. McGraw at Spur Compress, if.

E. A. Russell Jr., recently returned from Mississippi where he had been spending the summer with his grandparents. His grandfather accompanied him home, returning to Mississippi after spending a short time here with his son, E. A. Russell and family.

T. E. McLendon, who recently left Spur for Peacock where he established a Chevrolet Agency in connection with a garage business, came up Thursday and spent a short time in Spur on business and meeting with friends.

J. M. Hahn, of Highway, was here Thursday.

District Judge J. H. Milam, of Seymour, was in Spur Tuesday of this week, meeting with his friends.

**Floyd Blackwell award
ed Kitchen Cabinet
at Lyric**

The capital premium, a handsome kitchen cabinet, given away during "Paramount Week" at the Lyric Theatre last week, was awarded to Floyd Blackwell of near Girard. Mr. Blackwell was just recently married and no doubt this premium was appropriate at this time and appreciated.

Each night during "Paramount Week" a number of handsome premiums were given away by leading merchants of the city.

"Paramount Week" at the Lyric may not have been all that was desired with reference to attendance on the part of the management, but the nightly programs were of the very highest class, and those who attended not only appreciated the pictures but were benefitted in wholesome lessons portrayed as well as from the number of premiums awarded.

For next week the Lyric has arranged for two special features to be shown as will be noted from an advertisement appearing elsewhere, these features being late Paramount productions from the leading fiction writer, Zane Grey.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
THE STATE OF TEXAS

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

You are hereby commanded to summon Jerry Lewis by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, on the Fifth Monday in November A. D. 1925, the same being the 30th day of November A. D. 1925, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the day of August A. D. 1925 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 867, wherein Ada Lewis is Plaintiff, and Jerry Lewis is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were legally married on the 23rd day of August A. D. 1919, and that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 15th day of March A. D. 1920, at which time the defendant without any provocation, just cause and without the consent of plaintiff, left her with intention of abandonment, and with the intention of never living with her again, since which time she has not heard from him, nor had any communication with him, and during all of said time defendant has in no way contributed or offered to contribute to her support.

That on or about 6th day of September A. D. 1920, plaintiff gave birth to a female child, the defendant being the father of said child, that said child is named Virginia Lewis and is now about 4 years of age, and is being supported and maintained by plaintiff. Wherefore plaintiff prays judgment of the court, that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, and that she be awarded the care, custody and education of said child, and for general relief.

Herein Fail not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Dickens this the 31st day of August A. D. 1925.

O. C. ARTHUR, Clerk
District Court, Dickens County
By Josephine Green, Deputy. 44-3t.

Mrs. Fogleman, of Anson, is in the city visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell.

Mrs. J. H. Busby, who has been in the Nichols Sanitarium following an operation, was sufficiently recovered to be removed to her home this week.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
I have purchased the old Highway Garage known now as the Motor Inn, and I take this method of soliciting a part or all of your business. Our motto will be honest and square dealings to one and all alike.

I have in stock a full line of Good Year and Vacuum Cup Tires and tubes, Magnolia Gasoline and Oils, Columbia Hot Shock Batteries, Seven and Nine Leaf Springs for Fords, accessories and can give you quick service on parts for Stars and other makes of cars. Be sure and pay us a visit during the fair.

Yours for business.—T. M. Maples at the Motor Inn.

Hurrah!! Hurrah!!

**WEST TEXAS FAIR
ABILENE**

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WEST TEXAS' OWN GREAT EXPOSITION

Beginning Monday, September 21
Runs through Saturday September 26

ENTERTAINMENT

The Great Gold Medal Shows
The Red Hussar Band
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Automobile Races
Football

Sham Battle, with 500 National Guardsmen

EXHIBITS

Agriculture
Sheep, Poultry, Hogs, Horses, Mules, Cattle
Manufacturers
Automobile Show
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Educational
Womens Work of all Kinds
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SEPTEMBER 21-26, 1925

ABILENE

NOTICE

In compliance with the Texas Automobile Headlight Law the following have been designated as official county Test Stations for Dickens County: Godfrey & Smart Spur, Texas; E. L. Caraway, Spur, Texas; Ramsey Garage & Service Station, Spur, Texas; Gilley Chevrolet Company, Spur, Texas; The Dickens Filling Station, Dickens, Texas.

All of these County Test Stations are now ready to test automobile headlights and issue certificates therefor. The law becomes effective on September 1st, and all owners and operators of automobiles are required by law to have their headlights tested and adjusted before this date. The certificate issued by the Test Station should be carefully kept, as this must be presented to the Tax Collector when you register your car and procure license numbers for next year. A fee of twenty-five cents is fixed by law. Any repair work or mechanical work necessary to be done before the lights can be tested, and charges for said repair work and mechanical work, is a matter to be agreed upon before the work is done. It will be the duty of the Test Station man to inspect the equipment and inform the car owner of the probable cost of any repair work that may be necessary. In the vast majority of tests no repair work will be needed, and the total costs will be only twenty-five cents. The purpose of the law is to eliminate the glaring, blinding headlight, which is the cause of many accidents resulting in the loss of lives and property and should be cheerfully complied with by every automobile owner.

H. A. C. BRUMMETT, County Judge. 45-2t

A. M. Shepherd, of Dry Lake, was among the many business visitors here during the week.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds, of Croton, were among the visitors and shoppers in Spur the past week.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
We sell guaranteed shoes for less.—J. P. Wilkes & Son. 45tf

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Mrs. Clark Forbis was shopping in the city Thursday from the Forbis ranch north of Afton.

O. D. Blanton last week spent several days on the Plains with his daughter, assisting in farming operations.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
Alf Glasgow returned this week from Dallas. Miss Ruth Glasgow, who had been spending her vacation in Spur visiting with relatives and friends, accompanied him back to Dallas where she is regularly employed.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
J. C. Pinson, district manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Spur looking after the local business here.

—Meet Me at the Fair—
USED CARS—One Buick 4, one Ford, for sale at bargains. Both in good shape.—Roy Harkey at Hudson-Essex Agency. 46tf

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**Smith Smart
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