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The Texas Spur

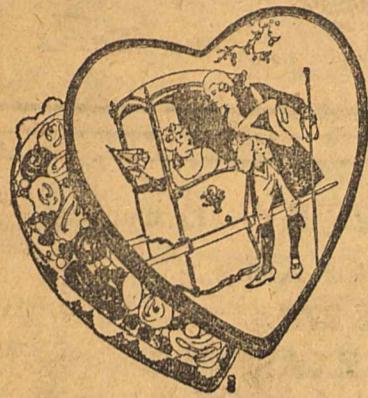
May happiness and prosperity attend every Texas Spur reader in 1926.

THE DICKENS ITEMS

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Valentine Fancies in Fresh Candies

To add to their attractiveness we have them in beautifully colored heart-shaped boxes. Send Her a box—she'll be delighted.

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Dramatic Club of Texas Tech Played in Spur Friday

Friday evening of last week the Dramatic Club of Texas Tech played in Spur to a crowded house in the high school auditorium.

The plays, "One Must Marry" and "Six and Eight Pence" were highly enjoyed. Dr. Pfeuger was director and also assisted in the program by giving an appreciated reading, as did also Mrs. E. E. White, formerly of Spur, and who is now attending Tech College. Miss Owens, who formerly was one of the teachers in Spur Schools, was also a member of the dramatic club and rendered several violin selections in connection with the plays.

—Prosperous New Year—

Next Lyceum Number to be Had in Spur Feb. 19th

The next number of the Lyceum Course sponsored by the Christian ladies of Spur, will be held at the school auditorium in Spur on February 19th. This number promises to be as entertaining as any heretofore, and the public is invited to attend, and thus not only enjoy a pleasant evening but assist a worthy cause sponsored by the ladies.

—Prosperous 1926—

14,274 Bales Cotton Ginned in Spur to Date this year

Up to Thursday night of this week the several gins of Spur had ginned a total of 14,274 bales of cotton.

In the beginning of the season it was estimated that the Spur gins would gin 17,500 bales of cotton. However the early freeze came and prevented the picking of even more than the estimated ginnings.

Ginners now tell us that possibly a thousand more bales of bolls may be ginned before the close of the season.

—Prosperous 1926—

J. I. MECOM AND FAMILY ARE MOVING TO LOUISIANA TO LIVE HEREAFTER

J. I. Mecom informed us this week that he would leave for Louisiana with the intention of selecting one of three points within that state in which to establish a new home, and that immediately upon making the selection of the most desirable point in which to establish a home, he will send for Mrs. Mecom and children.

It is seldom that a Westerner takes the "back track" and moves East, and we are inclined to make the prediction that within the course of a year or two Mr. Mecom and family will begin to long for the "free ozone" of the West to be "trekking back", where a hearty welcome will await them.

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John Elwin Law Died From Gun Shot Wounds

John Elwin Law, twenty one years of age, son of Mrs. J. L. Law of north of Dickens, died Sunday morning from the effects of gun shot wounds accidentally received Saturday night at his home.

Young Law was up during the night in the home, and in some manner a shot gun was accidentally discharged, the shot entering his leg. He was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium, but had lost so much blood from the wound, that nothing could be done to save his life, he dying soon after arrival in Spur. The remains were interred Sunday in the Dickens cemetery.

—Prosperous 1926—

Fire Destroys Three Business Houses in Dickens City

Saturday night three business houses on the west side of the square in Dickens were destroyed by fire, including the business of Bob Worswick dry goods and groceries, R. H. Eskridge blacksmith shop, W. C. Hawk tailor, and T. P. Johnson meat market. None of the businesses except Bob Worswick had insurance.

The fire is supposed to have started in the back end of the tailor shop from unknown origin.

—Prosperous 1926—

Mrs. Bill Davis, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, was among the shoppers in the city Saturday.

—Prosperous 1926—

J. A. Brown, of the north part of the county, was among the business visitors in Spur this week.

2,204 Poll Taxes Paid in Dickens County This Year

Sheriff and Tax Collector M. L. Jones informs the Texas Spur that up to the night of January 31st, a total of 2,204 poll taxes had been paid in Dickens county. This poll tax payment does not include the overs and unders. We can safely state that the voting strength of Dickens county may exceed 2,500 should the occasion arise to encourage a full vote of the people.

The poll tax payments is further substantial evidence that the county is increasing in population as well as developing in its varied material resources.

—Diversify—

Jim Walker and W. T. Wilson Exchange Farm and City Properties

Last week a deal was consummated between W. T. Wilson and Jim Walker whereby the latter came into ownership and possession of a residence in Spur, and the former the alfalfa farm just east of Spur.

The consideration for the farm was one hundred dollars per acre, while the town property was valued at thirty five hundred or four thousand dollars.

The Walker farm is one of the finest in the country, being in the Duck Creek valley and convenient to town, and for a number of years has been producing alfalfa as well as other field crops.

—Prosperous 1926—

ROOMS TO RENT at the Oliver House.

18,575 Bales Cotton Ginned in Dickens County to Jan. 16th

The Department of Commerce thru its bureau of ginning reports, announces that up to January 16th, that there had been ginned in Dickens county a total of 18,575 bales of the 1925 cotton crop.

Following is the report made for Dickens and other surrounding counties:

Dickens,	18,575
Crosby,	20,399
Cottle,	26,498
Garza,	11,556
Kent,	8,093
Stonewall,	13,213
Jones,	70,346
Fisher,	31,056
Scurry,	24,826
Motley,	16,989
—Prosperous 1926—	

See the Methodist ladies for roses and shrubs. Will have a collection of flowers in the basement of the Methodist Church, Thursday, February 11th. Don't fail to see them.

—Prosperous 1926—

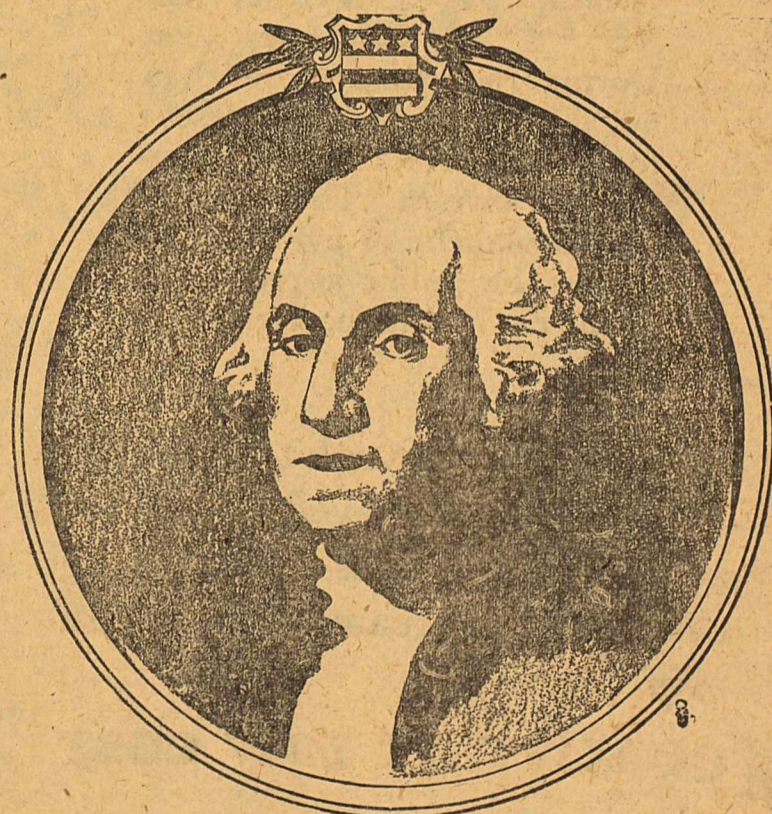
T. L. Rape, of Steel Hill community was trading in the city Saturday of the past week.

Pays \$100 an Acre For Farm Lands Nears Spur

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of east of Spur, were among the shoppers in the city Saturday. Mr. Wilson admitted that he was somewhat depressed in that he faced the proposition of having a "guardian" appointed for protection in handling his business affairs. Mr. Wilson recently purchased another alfalfa farm near Spur, paying the consideration of one hundred dollars per acre. One hundred dollars an acre for farm land may sound big to those who in years past have refused to buy lands at fifty cents an acre, but those who observe the trend of the times know that eventually this same land can not be bought even for one hundred dollars. We suggest that a "guardian" be appointed to see that Mr. Wilson holds on to this land with the assurance that the longer he holds the higher the price will go. Buying land at any price will become an investment.

Optimistic of the Oil Developments of the Country

Tol Merriman, of south of Spur, was meeting with friends in the city last week. Mr. Merriman, in speaking of the oil possibilities coming from tests and developments under way in Kent, Garza and Dickens counties, expressed optimism of the results. Out near Mr. Merriman's farm and ranch in an early day in drilling a well for water, a strong flow of gas was encountered, the drillers became uneasy and abandoned the operations. This well is said to have blown some time, tearing up the ground and creating uneasiness until evidently the gas flow bridged over. Since the discovery of oil in West Texas, old timers here have recalled this circumstance which indicates oil, since gas is a fore-runner of oil. Either by accident or intent some day a big oil pool will be uncovered here. Tol Merriman is not the only old timer who entertains optimism along this line.



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Song—"O Zion Haste."
Talk—Our first foreign missionary field—Mrs. R. E. Dickson.
Talk—Porto Rico—Mrs. Fred Reynolds.
Circle of Prayer for the Native Christians in Jamaica and Porto Rico—Led by Mrs. Stafford.
Hidden answers.
Benediction—Offering.
Place—Mrs. W. H. Putman.
Leader—Mrs. Otho Hale.
Time—3:00 P. M.
Motto: No Effort, No Joy.
—Prosperous 1926—
S. H. Nally, a good citizen of the Spur country, was among the recent business visitors here.
—Prosperous 1926—
Wanted To Rent—A farm. Will buy teams, plows etc.—J. N. Goodwin. Inquire Shrimsher Barber Shop.

John Randall, of south of the city several miles, was among the number here Saturday. In connection with the campaign recently opened up in Dickens county, we hear Mr. Randall mentioned as a possible candidate for the office of Public Weigher of this, the Third Precinct. As in the past, the Weigher's office may attract a number of candidates, and among the number John Randall will be among the "fast runners" should he decide to enter the race, since he has been here for years and is generally recognized as one of the best and most substantial citizenship.

—Prosperous 1926—
Mrs. Myrtle Harris, of near the city of Dickens, was among the shoppers and visitors in Spur the past week.
—Prosperous 1926—
Mrs. W. L. McAteer, of the Egyptian Farm on Spur-Dickens highway, was shopping and visiting in Spur Saturday.

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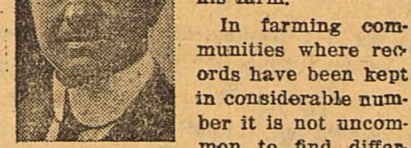
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MAKING FARM RECORDS TALK

By D. H. OTIS
Agricultural Director,
American Bankers Association.

Any one who has driven an automobile in a new country knows the value of a good road map. Farm accounts, properly kept, are a reliable road map to aid the farmer in directing the business management of his farm.



In farming communities where records have been kept in considerable number it is not uncommon to find differences in net income of \$1,000 per farm between the average and the poorer farms of the community. It is also frequently found that there is a difference of over \$1,000 between the average farm and a few of the better farms of the community. These differences of from \$1,000 to \$2,000 per farm in the net income are of vital concern to any farm in any community.

Where to Get the Facts
Farm records and inventories will reveal the reasons for these differences. The various colleges of agriculture and the United States Department of Agriculture have a collection of records and farm management surveys from which they find it possible to construct standards or guides showing actual attainments under good systems of management. Figures of this kind are available to county agents and farmers who desire to use them. It is also possible to organize farm accounting groups in a community and with the help of the College of Agriculture to develop community standards showing what the average and what the better farms are doing. These standards or examples of what the more successful farms are doing, when handled in such a way as not to divulge the identity of the owners, are a wonderful help in pointing out to the less successful farmers the weak spots in the business management of their farms.

How to Use the Facts
The farmer who keeps a careful record of the factors relating to the business management of his farm is in position to compare his farm with the average and with the best in the volume of business, as number of acres, total investment, number of cows, total receipts and total expenses. He can check on his diversity of income by comparing his income from sale of cows, sale of livestock, livestock products and sales from miscellaneous sources. His quality of business can be studied by comparing such items as income per acre or income per cow, etc.

By such a process the farmer is in position to make his records talk to him and point out the weak and the strong features in his farm operation. There is no tax that we pay today that compares with the tax we pay for our ignorance. This is true on the farm as elsewhere. Farm records, including inventories from which it is easy to form financial statements, will do wonders in reducing the tax of ignorance and placing farm business on a business basis and inspire confidence in the farmer, himself and with all those with whom he deals.

BANKERS HELP

Minnesota bankers played a constructive part in boosting the attendance at the Northwest Dairy Exposition held in connection with the State Fair in September. Five hundred members of the Minnesota Bankers Association received letters from the chairman of the agricultural committee, asking them to assist in forming delegations from their respective communities to attend the show.

The Atlanta, Ga., Clearing House gives the boll weevil no rest. In an effort to effect a concerted and state-wide poison war on the boll weevil, this institution sent letters recently to all the bankers in the state asking that they assist in emphasizing the need for a wholesale war on the pest. According to a recent survey poisoning is being done on the larger farms, but not to any appreciable extent on the small farms. According to reports by the Department of Agriculture, the boll weevil infestation is heavier this year than ever before, and if allowed to go unchallenged the crop will be destroyed. Immediate and extensive action is urged.

Over two hundred bankers in Iowa recently made an arrangement to attend the Iowa State University for a two-day period and study farming and farm problems. The bankers will sit as students under the professors in the agricultural department, and will dig right down to the bottom of the many subjects which are of mutual concern to themselves and the farmers. This action on the part of the bankers of Iowa shows a real spirit of interest and a determined intention to understand.

Clark County (S. D.) Bankers, have appointed an agricultural committee of five to aid the county agent in putting across the latter's program of work, with especial emphasis on a ten-acre corn contest and eradication of tuberculosis in the county.

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It was a balmy April morn When I wandered all alone To the topmost point on Tower Hill And sat me on a stone.	And now I look to southward And cast my gaze adown, And springing at my very feet; I see a growing town.
And let my mind to wandering Some twenty years ago When on another April day I sat on this very self-same stone.	I hear no hissing Rattlesnake I hear no coyotes howl I hear no Cowboy's lonesome yell I hear no screaming owl.
And gazed across the hills and plains The valleys and the dells And watching the lazy grazing kine And heard the Cow Boy's yell.	But there are many many sounds I hear This lonely April morn; E'en the weird shriek of the Iron Horse And the honk of the auto horn.
Indeed a lovely landscape, For miles and miles it ran The work of natures God alone Nor marred by hand of man.	And there's the puff-puff-puff of the power plant And the whirl of the grinding mills Which say so plain that man is here To conquer these plains and hills.
Ah there's a loney horseman On that ridge a mile away. I wonder what could bring him here? The first man I've seen this day	And at my feet, and Tower hill's foot As in he dreams of a mother dear, Nestles the town—the goodly town. It's name? We call it Spur.— Hicky Hix of Hickville. —Prosperous 1926—
But now I sit and smoke my pipe While my vision idly roams; But where were cows and goats and and wolves I see five hundred homes.	W. F. Cathey, of near Dickens, was trading and transacting business in Spur the first of the week.

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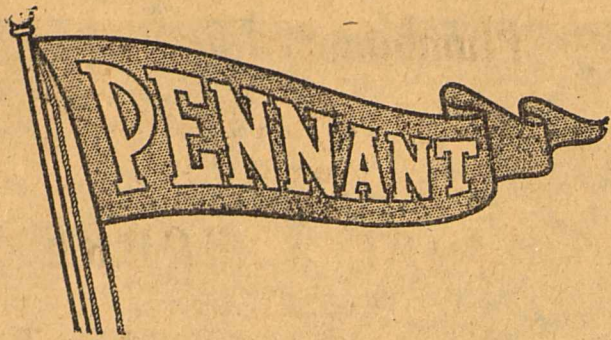
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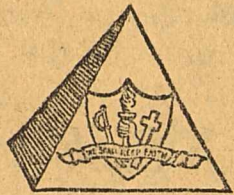
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AMERICAN CAMEL COLONY RECALLED

Project Tried by Government in Fifties.

Washington.—Escape of a circus elephant 50 miles west of San Antonio, Texas, and his efforts to get back to nature by tearing up fences and striking across ranches and farms, recall the strange project to establish a government-owned camel colony in the same region, says a bulletin from the Washington (D. C.) headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"Egypt and Asia Minor were the main sources of supply for the federal government," says the bulletin. "Two shiploads of camels were brought over in 1856 and 1857 for use in 'the great American desert,' believed in those early days to be a sort of a Sahara of the western hemisphere.

"The project was in charge of the War department, and Jefferson Davis, then secretary of war, was its most ardent advocate. The strange beasts—75 of them in all—were landed at Indianola about midway of the coast of Texas and marched westward overland. Sixty miles west of San Antonio at Camp Verde the government's camel station was established, and for some years the test marches of the camels gave the countryside the appearance of Asia or Africa.

"Uncle Sam's camel experiment was a failure not because the beasts could not live in America, but chiefly because of the human factor. After the first year of the venture, when the sicklier animals died, certain breeds became acclimated and increased in numbers. But the army muleteers detailed to the camel station declared a feud against the strange creatures from the first; only the few Greek and Turkish camel drivers brought from Smyrna had any patience with them. The ranchmen and other residents of the country shared the feelings of the muleteers, for whenever a camel appeared, horses and mules bolted in terror.

The coming of the Civil war, however, put an end to the experiment. Some of the camels were sold to circuses, some to individuals, and some were turned loose in the rough, uninhabited country of Arizona.

Hungry Girl Passes 2 Days in Subway Car

New York.—Bertha Futell, fourteen years old, who ran away from home in New Bedford, Mass., late in November because her mother remarried, has learned that of all places in New York to pass a couple of days the subway is not one.

Bertha was found huddled shivering on a seat in a downtown Seventh avenue train by Mrs. Pauline Bergmann of 797 Croton Park north, the Bronx, who noticed her misery. She approached the girl and learned that Bertha had been riding on the trails two days without food or drink.

The time between her arrival in New York and her decision to spend her last nickel for a subway ride was passed in various ways by Bertha, to whom New York was an enchanting island until that last nickel shone dully in her purse.

Bertha was fed on sandwiches and coffee at police headquarters and ate heartily until agents for the Children's society came for her. She will live there until her story is investigated.

—Diversify—

Grasshopper as Food Popular in the East

Every one knows that cats catch grasshoppers and eat them with great relish, though housewives will tell you that they grow thin on that diet. Fabre, the famous naturalist, believes that grasshoppers and similar insects would be palatable food for human beings, too, and in one of his books, says Mr. Percy F. Bloxnell, he quoted with approval this passage from General Daumas' book, "The Great Desert," explaining in a footnote that the grasshopper (cauterelle) referred to is more exactly the cricket, which must not be confused with the true grasshopper:

"The grasshopper is good eating both for men and for camels. Either fresh or pickled, it is eaten after the feet, the wings and the head have been removed; the rest is broiled or else stewed and served up in the form of meat balls. After being dried in the sun it is ground to powder, which may be stirred into milk or made into dough and then fried in fat or butter with salt.

"Camels greatly like to eat grasshoppers, which are served to them either dried or after being roasted in a heap in a large hole between two layers of live coals. The negroes also eat them cooked in that way.

"The Virgin Mary, having asked God for some meat that should have no blood. He sent her some grasshoppers. "The wives of the prophets, when anyone sent them a present of grasshoppers, always shared them with the other women.

"The Calif Omar, one day when he was asked whether the use of grasshoppers for food was permitted, replied: 'I should like to have a basketful of them to eat.'

"From all this testimony it is clearly evident that by the grace of God grasshoppers were given to man for food."

—Diversify—

ROOMS TO RENT at the Oliver House.

OUR SCHOOLS

(A Civics students viewpoint)
In this course I am trying to learn how to be a better citizen. I think I am doing it, and I hope that you will not think it presumptuous in me if I try to pass on some of the ideas to you about an element that most vitally concerns all of us—our schools.

We are now having the best of all the school years that Spur has ever had and we must keep on until we have the best or at least as good as you can find in the entire west. To have a school like this we must all help, not just a few, but every citizen of Spur.

In the making of good schools I have learned the board of trustees is the most vital factor. Then it seems that we must have a good board because we can only judge by results, and we do have a fine school. But there is one thing that I have learned and I believe it will help you. It is this. When you elect a citizen to be a member of this board, you should be sure that he knows something of the school spirit or at least is willing to learn. He must be able to interpret the best and newest methods of school procedure or be willing to have them interpreted for him by an expert. He must be a man who will at all times be for the progress of the school, regardless of personal hobbies that might sometimes be a bit antiquated. The school, as I see it, is he making of your future citizens, and the least that you should do is to be fair with them.

Now what I am going to say to the board is only what I have learned. I imagine our present board knows it already, but it will not hurt to write it down. And the matter I think the board should be most particular about is the selection of a superintendent; not to elect a man to have charge of all the children in town who is not fitted for the place just because he happens to be a good church worker. Because when you hire a man to see that the school work is carried on, you must get the man that can do the work in the most efficient way, and if he were not a good man of Christian character, he could not do this. He must be a good man, but to be a good man without having the ability to control boys and girls would no do much toward raising the standard of our schools. The main thing, as I would humbly suggest, is to get such a man and keep him. Treat us fair and think of this. If you hire a man to run your business, you get the man who can do the work, and what is more important, you keep this man. A man can not make a real success of a school in a year or two years, no more than Rome could be built in a day. It takes time. And as long as this man is making a success, the most outstanding we have had in our city, why do you want to fire him and get some one else? Good ones are too far between. Good superintendents are a rarity that I, for one, have learned to appreciate.

And then we must have good teachers who will see that the pupils do the work and do it well. I have found that when a teacher passes a boy or girl when they do not know the work, that teacher has harmed them, in fact it makes the next years work that much harder. It has been my observation for the last eleven years I have been passing and not passing that I was passed a lot more times than I should have been.

All of these things go to makeup a good efficient school system. We have all of them in the Spur High School and it is up to the people of Spur to see that we keep them until we have the best school in the West. We are proud of our school and our faculty, because they are the ones who have brought the standard of our school to a higher point. I wish to say that the students of Spur High School are proud of our teachers. And the way we got these good teachers was through the board. Mr. Watson, our superintendent, is one to be proud of. He has worked hard to make Spur High what it is



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today. I do not think that you could find a man who could fill his place. We are fortunate in having such a man at the head of our schools and it is up to you to see that we keep him so long as he is making our school as he is making it today.

The pupils of the Spur High School entreat you to help us make our school grow. Because some of these days, sooner than you think, we are going to take your places, and to a greater extent we are going to fill them well in the ratio as you give us the school we should have. We wish that we may show you more of our improvement, so we extend to you an invitation to visit us a any time.—One of Your Boys.

—Prosperous 1926—

L. V. Goodrich, a leading citizen, farmer and stockman of Stonewall county, was among the business visitors in Spur last week. He reports conditions most promising throughout Stonewall county, with good seasons for crops and grass. Oil developments are also under way in Stonewall, and since the big oil companies are doing the development it is expected that thorough tests will be made. While in the city Mr. Goodrich dropped in at the Texas Spur office, paid us his subscription up ahead of time and otherwise lent us encouragement along the way at these depressing periods. Mr. Goodrich is one of the "old timers," is a true Westerner and is solid and substantial in views and convictions as well as in material substance.

—Prosperous 1926—

A well laid out brick yard would make some Spur man a barrel of money as dirt is cheap and the element of iron in the soil of Spur is superb for brick. And we need the brick with the Spur brick o. rem

John Southworth was here Friday of last week. He has been over in Garza county assisting Beal Sneed in placing a thousand or two acres of land under cultivation, and also in the purchase of a considerable herd of cattle to be placed on his grass lands. Some time ago Mr. Sneed purchased a considerable ranch property in Garza county, and which he is now improving, placing several thousand acres in cultivation and building a number of farm houses for renting purposes, while on the non-tillable lands cattle will be run. This is in keeping with the times. On other properties Beal Sneed has heretofore demonstrated his foresight by developing and converting ranch lands into farms, and soon this Garza county ranch will be dotted with comfortable farm homes and populated with a prosperous citizenship. John Southworth returned to the ranch, but stated that he was retaining his citizenship in Dickens county, paying his poll tax while here and otherwise preparing to be recognized in the political campaign as well as other public matters of concern to all the people.

—Prosperous 1926—

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and every one for your kindness and appreciation shown us during the illness and death of our wife and mother, Mrs. J. J. Thompson.—J. J. Thompson, Mrs. J. F. Baird, Mrs. A. M. Miller.

—Prosperous 1926—

C. R. Gunn, of near Dickens, was in Spur Saturday, meeting with his friends and trading with the live wire merchants.

—Prosperous 1926—

C. D. Jacobson was trading and meeting with acquaintances on the streets one day the past week.

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Marcy Lee House Dresses, special \$1.95
They come in Gingham, Percales and Cretonne, trimmed in Voile, Buttores and Contrasting materials.

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WHAT EVERY CITIZEN OF SPUR SHOULD KNOW

(A Civics student's viewpoint)
The City School District, of Spur, offers a problem that is very different from the problems of the rural communities.
The district of Spur is just a rural district grown large, with problems that arise from the advancing of education.

Our school board has control of the public schools in Spur district. They have an educational policy they want to put over with the cooperation of the superintendent and of the parents of Spur.

In the last quarter of a century of school administration has seen an increase in the importance of the board of education as a legislative body, they have decreased its power as an executive body, and centralized its authority and responsibility in the hands of an expert known as the superintendent. The superintendent is responsible to the board and they in turn to the people.

A small board is better than a large board has been found true, for it is more efficient and can be more effective if it is small than a larger board. A small board is not apt to take up valuable time by talking and thus gets the public business done, without wasting time. A larger board puts politics before business, takes up the question of the church affairs and in general plays to the "gallery" and the press.

It used to be common and still is in the school elections, that the school board members are elected annually or bi-annually. This is not for the best for the men on the board. For the short term and rapidly changing membership is not for the best of the school, for by the time the new members have learned their duties and decided on an educational policy, their term is over and they have accomplished very little. From three to five years would seem to be the best length term for the school board members. Also if the term of the superintendent is longer, he can accomplish more than for just a short term. The school board very seldom ever receives a salary for their duties and they would not mind serving a longer term.

The ordinary citizen fails to understand why it is necessary to elect the best men in town for the school board. They think, Oh Well! I guess that an uneducated man knows as much about running a school as the college graduate does. They are mistaken in thinking this. The college man realizes the needs of the school better than the average man does. But what do they care about the school board? When election time comes they go around to the polls and vote for Tom, Dick and Harry, just because they like them and do not care who is on the school board just so we have one. They think a school board is like a car, you have got to have one; whether it is a Ford or a Cadillac, just so you have one.

The type of man generally elected is not the type for the school board. These men are upright and honest citizens, they are interested in schools and in the education of their children. They are willing to serve, but they know so little about the duties of a school board that they over step into the duties of the superintendent and try to run his affairs too.

The superintendent is an expert in his line of business. He knows what the school needs. He recognizes the things that should be done and how to do them. He has all kinds of problems in his daily school work and with the school board too. It takes a man too, for it is no easy bed of luxury to be a school superintendent.

The superintendent must be capable of being an organizer, an executive, an instructor. During his first years as a superintendent he must not become slack in his studying and fall down on the job. There are several personal qualities that are just as necessary as the fundamental education. The superintendent

must be clean, both in person and in mind; he must be temperate, both in speech and act; he must be honest and have a high sense of personal honor. These are requirements of a good school superintendent. If the school has to pay a good salary to get one, it is better to spend the money than have a poor school system.

The superintendent generally creates a sense of trust and security in his board members. They then let him go ahead and supervise the school in the way he thinks best. But some times the board takes up some petty affair and tries to settle it, without listening to the superintendent. The board sometimes lets the subject of whether a certain teacher shall be hired, because of their religion. This is a very narrow minded piece of business for any man to do. Then again a trustee will resign his office so that some of his kinsfolk can teach. The other board members generally elect these people because they like their past officer. This is not the thing to do unless it is very necessary. But some school boards have been guilty of doing this very thing.

Our boards could be improved in many more ways, these mentioned being only a few of the most important ones.—A Student of Spur High School.

Diversify— ENDEAVOR PARTY

Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock a social was given by the Christian Endeavor Society of the First Christian Church, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reynolds, celebrating the forty fifth anniversary of the Christian Endeavor.

Games, contests and music, by the Sunday School Orchestra, furnished the evening's entertainment.

In a cake, decorated with forty five candles, were a thimble, button, ring and a dime. The ones getting these prizes were: Opal Scott, the thimble, Willie Stafford, the button, S. B. Scott Jr., the ring, Addie Joe Addington, the dime.

A refreshment of sandwiches, mints, cake and tea was served to the following: Misses Jerene Coone, Estelle Collett, Addie Joe Addington, Opal Scott, Sue Scott, Edna Collett, Beth Harkey, Nellie Goff, Elnora Morgan, Bertha McKenna, Pauline Ramsey, Lena Snodgrass, Annie Mae Hale, Nig Lisenby, Willie Stafford, Syble Perry; Mesdames V. M. Baisden, Newt Harkey, R. E. Dickson, W. H. Putman, Fred Reynolds; and Messrs Carl Wester, Joe Bailey Chapman, Curtis Harkey, George Lisenby, Ben Murry Hale, Horton Barrett, S. B. Scott, Joe Allison, Bill Brown, W. C. Williams, Hall Pendleton.—Reporter.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM

The Christian Endeavor program for February 7, 1926.

Song (opening).
Scripture reading and discussion — Mrs. Reynolds.

How Christian Endeavor has helped me—Response from former members.

Solo—Kora McKenna.
Christian Endeavor Fellowship—Willie Stafford.

Christian Endeavor Service—Virginia Elliott.
Sentence prayer.

Series of talks on Testamonies — From former Endeavors.

Orchestra number, "When the Clouds Have Vanished".

Christian Endeavor Loyalties—Mr. Allison.

Ideals of Christian Endeavor—Margaret Elliott.
The growth of Christian Endeavor—Mrs. Baisden.

Diversify—
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

The Christian Endeavor, of the Presbyterian Church, met Sunday

January 31; with 14 present.
The subject studied was "The Claims, the Calls and the Duties of the Church."

Before the study several songs were sung. The meeting was greatly helped by the assistance and advice of Rev. Jas. M. McLean.



He Saved— Why Shouldn't You?

In the days of Washington, saving money was much more difficult than in the present. Yet Washington did save under conditions which would be considered impossible nowadays. He saved because he believed it to be a good thing to do. Why shouldn't you?

City National Bank

J. P. MIDDLETON AND J. F. CARTER ORGANIZE GENERAL INSURANCE AGENCY

Recently J. P. Middleton formed a partnership with J. F. Carter, of Temple, for the purpose of organizing a general insurance agency to cover at least one-third of the counties of West Texas. The agency headquarters will be at Lubbock and sub-agencies will be established thru out the entire district. Mr. Middleton assures us that a permanent agency will continue to be maintained in Spur.

Mr. Middleton is one of the best and most successful insurance men of the country, and there is no doubt but that this general agency will develop into the biggest agency of all of Western Texas.

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Prosperous 1926

TREE PRUNING

Now is the time to prune your orchard and shade trees. I have made a study of this work, and will do it right at a reasonable charge.—W. S. Hunter.

Prosperous 1926

J. D. Powell, A. Lollar, Messrs. Simmons and C. D. Copeland were attending court Monday at Anson.

SPUR FARMER MAKES MORE FROM DAIRYING THAN IN PRODUCING COTTON

D. G. Simmons, of the Duck Creek community is in the dairying business in connection with his farming operations. This year he picked fifty eight bales of cotton from his crop, but informed us that he made more money from his dairy products than from the 28 bales of cotton sold from the place.

Prosperous 1926

Mrs. Lois Lee entertained the Friday Afternoon Club members and other guests Friday evening at her home in the city.

Prosperous 1926

The class mates of J. I. and Hardy Mecom gave them a farewell party Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Forbis.

Prosperous 1926

Attorney W. D. Wilson represented clients this week both in the district court at Anson and county court in Claiborne.

Prosperous 1926

R. F. Rogers, of Dry Lake, was in town Saturday.

Prosperous 1926

H. C. and W. D. Eldredge, of the McAdoo country, were here Saturday.

Prosperous 1926

C. N. Kidd was here Monday from Dry Lake.

Prosperous 1926

MRS. J. J. THOMAS DIED.
It is with sorrow that we learned of the death of Mrs. J. J. Thomas, which occurred recently at Abernathy to which place they had gone because of her health. Her remains were brought back to Dickens for interment in the home cemetery.

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Giving the very best turn-out possible.

We also have our Maize and Corn Grinding Mills Ready.

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W. J. Elliott For County Commissioner Precinct 3

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to announce W. J. Elliott as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner from Precinct 3, subject to the primary elections to be held in July and August.

Mr. Elliott makes his announcement for Commissioner in response to solicitations of neighbors and friends, in disregard of the emoluments of the office and any personal sacrifice which might be made in his acceptance of the place.

W. J. Elliott was here before the organization of the county, and knows its history from the beginning and is familiar with its needs as well as the possibilities and resources, and as one of the Commissioners who control and administer the most important affairs and business of the county, will be in a position to render a valued service to the people not only of this precinct but the county at large.

Prosperous 1926

Mrs. W. W. Flournoy and Mrs. H. C. Johnson were called this week to Rochester on account of the illness of a sister. Later Mr. Johnson was called to Hico because of the illness of relatives there.

Prosperous 1926

Harry Ellis, who has been spending several weeks at Miami, Amarillo and other points, returned this week to his home at the Rocking Chair Ranch in Kent county.

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MAY WE CALL?
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WE CARRY EVERYTHING From Poultry to Cold Lunch Meats

Central Market SANITARY? YES!

D. A. Young for Re-Election as Justice of the Peace

We are this week authorized to announce D. A. Young as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct 3, subject to the Democratic Primary elections to be held in July and August of this year.

Mr. Young has made a fair, square justice, rendering his court decisions in accord with justice and law. If re-elected he will continue to give the office his very best services, and asks for the favorable consideration of voters of this precinct.

Prosperous 1926

M. F. Hagar for Commissioner of Precinct 3 in Kent County

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to announce M. F. Hagar, of the Antelope community, as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct 3 in Kent County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary elections to be held in July and August of this year.

M. F. Hagar has been a resident of Kent county for forty years, is familiar with conditions and knows the needs of the county. He respectfully solicits the support of the voters of his precinct, and promises if elected to the place to give his constituents and the county at large the very best and most efficient services within his knowledge and ability.

Mrs. Ollie M. Cole For Re-Election as County Treasurer

Mrs. Ollie M. Cole this week authorizes the Texas Spur to make her announcement for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Dickens County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary elections in July and August, 1926.

Mrs. Cole is now serving her first term as County Treasurer, having rendered efficient, accurate, faithful and satisfactory service, is now asking the voters of the county to favor her with the usual second term in office, and if re-elected will continue to give the same faithful and trustworthy service in the future as in the past.

Diversify

O. C. Newberry for County Commissioner Precinct 2

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce O. C. Newberry as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Commissioner of Precinct 2 subject to the Democratic Primary elections to be held in July and August.

Mr. Newberry has been serving his precinct and the county in the capacity of commissioner the past two terms and is recognized throughout the county as one of the very best men to be had for the place. He is active in the work at all times, is conservative in the expenditure of public funds, and since he is familiar with the work in hand, the voters of his precinct could not do better than to re-elect O. C. Newberry for another term.

Prosperous 1926

E. M. Hinson Candidate for Public Weigher

Among the number to enter the political campaign this week is E. M. Hinson, whom the Texas Spur is authorized to announce as a candidate for the office of Public Weigher of Precinct 3, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary elections to be held in July and August.

Mr. Hinson was among the seven who made the campaign four years ago for this office, being among the six who were unsuccessful at that time, and like Fred Hisey, refrained from again making the race two years later, thus giving way to the democratic custom of allowing two terms to the successful candidate.

E. M. Hinson is well qualified and fitted to fill the office of weigher. He is honest, will give accurate weights, and extend every possible courtesy and accommodation to his constituents should he be favored with the office in the coming elections.

Prosperous 1926

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hogan, Mrs. G. R. Elkins and Paul Johnston will return this week from Eastern markets where they have been since last Friday purchasing new stocks of goods for the C. Hogan & Company establishment.

DICKENS COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Elections to be held in July and August, 1926:

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: M. L. JONES (2nd Term) W. D. STREET

For County Judge & School Supt.: H. A. C. BRUMMETT (Re-Election)

For County and District Clerk: O. C. ARTHUR (Re-Election)

For County Treasurer: MRS. OLLIE M. COLE (Re-Election)

For Public Weigher, Pre. 3: A. M. SHEPHERD FRED HISEY E. M. HINSON

For County Commissioner, Pre. 3: H. O. ALBIN W. J. ELLIOTT

For County Commissioner, Pre. 2: O. C. NEWBERRY (Re-Election)

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. 3: D. A. YOUNG (Re-Election)

KENT COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For County Commissioner, Pre. 3: M. P. SMITH M. F. HAGAR Prosperous 1926

TO THE PEOPLE OF DICKENS CO.

In announcing for re-election to the office of County Judge and School Superintendent of Dickens County, on the Democratic ticket, subject to the July primary, I feel deeply grateful to the people for twice honoring me with this high office, and, I assure you that I will feel just as thankful again if you favor me with re-election. As to my qualifications, I can only refer you to my record in office and ask you to be the judge. I respectfully solicit the good wishes, influence, and votes of every man, woman and child in Dickens County. Respectfully, H. A. C. Brummett.

Prosperous 1926

WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

In recounting and referring last week to prospective candidates for the various offices, the Texas Spur included the name of T. C. Birdwell as being mentioned in connection with the campaign for sheriff and tax collector. However, Mr. Birdwell has informed us that he would not become a candidate.

Before coming to Spur Mr. Birdwell made a record as sheriff of Jones County, and possibly because of his having served with distinction as an officer of the law heretofore his name naturally became connected with the campaign for sheriff in Dickens County.

Prosperous 1926

Half Section of land in mile and half of the Texas Company's Well, now being drilled in Kent County, Texas, 3 miles North and 8 miles West of Clairemont; subdivided in to ten acre tracts for the benefit of the small investor at ten dollars per acre. An investment of One Hundred Dollars might make you wealthy. If you would like to take a chance, phone or write, D. C. Scogin, Clerk County Court, Kent County, Clairemont.

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Shoes for the whole family!

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DICKENS COUNTY BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT REPORT

The results of the Dickens County Basket Ball Tournament held for the high schools: Dickens, Croton and McAdoo and the rural schools: Wolf Creek, Duck Creek and Midway, at Roaring Springs, January 30th.; are as follows:

- 1. Dickens vs. Croton; 21 to 11, in favor of Dickens.
2. Midway vs. Wolf Creek; 21 to 13 in favor of Midway.
3. Midway vs. Duck Creek; 22 to 10, in favor of Midway.
4. Dickens vs. McAdoo; McAdoo forfeited game to Dickens.
5. Dickens vs. Midway; Midway forfeited the game to Dickens.
Dickens won the County Championship and Midway won the Rural School championship.

Diversify

GIRLS BASKET BALL NEWS

The Girls Basket Ball League, of Dickens County; Dickens, Croton and McAdoo; in competing for the banner have the following report:

- Schedule and Score
1. McAdoo vs. Croton; 42 to 6, in favor of Croton.
2. Dickens vs. Croton; 24 to 20, in favor of Croton.
Croton was declared winner of the school Banner.

The Girl's County Championship will be held at Dickens, February 5, 1926. All schools take notice. Time 2:00 P. M.—R. L. Gibson, Reporter.

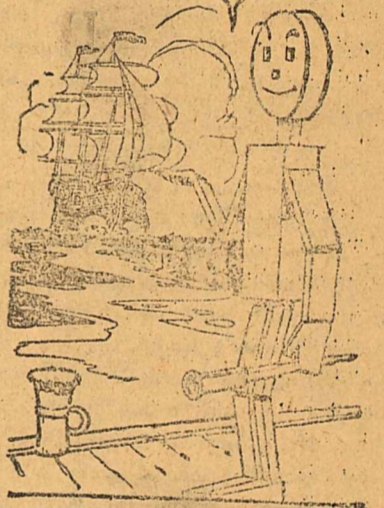
Prosperous 1926

J. T. Walden was here marketing a bale of cotton a few days ago and dropped around and dropped some silver coin in our subscription till. Mr. Walden has several more bales of cotton in the field, but does not depend entirely upon cotton, since he grows considerable truck for the markets as well as for home consumption.

Robt. Reynolds, of the Croon section of country, was in Spur Saturday. In meeting him and making enquiry as to whether or not he would be a candidate this year for the Clerk's office, no definite answer was given. However, we presume that he may later be persuaded to make the campaign. Mr. Reynolds was in the run-off primary for this office two years ago, being defeated by a small margin of votes.

Bill Dingley:

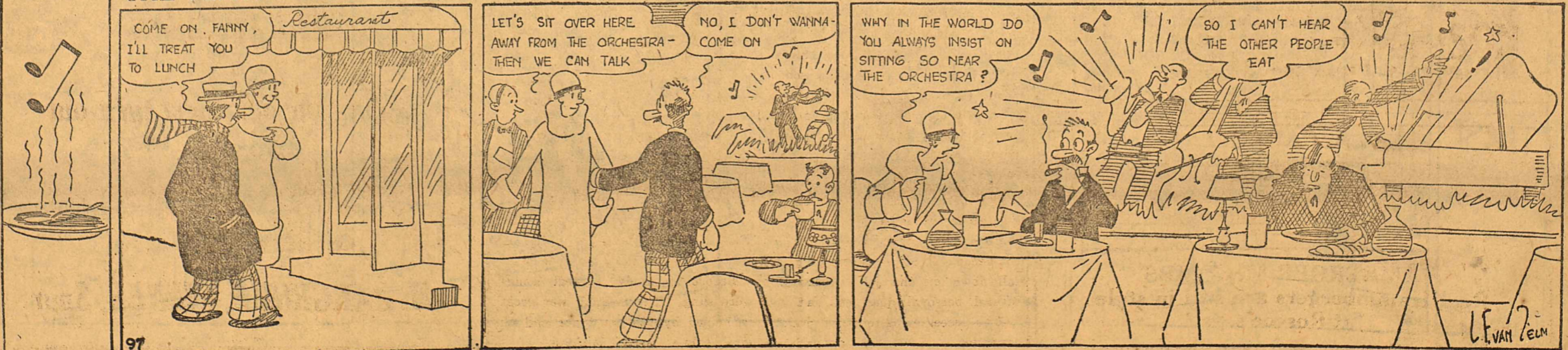
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We are glad to note that Dr. Brannen is now able to be out of the Nichols Sanitarium where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. At the time of the operation grave fears were entertained for Dr. Brannen in that the operation developed what is termed a "pus case." However, the usual surgical skill of Dr. Nichols was evidenced in this instance and Dr. Brannen will soon be back in his office prepared to do dental operations.

—Prosperous 1926—

Walter Jordan, who recently traded his farm in the Duck Creek community for a farm near O'Donnell, and where he and family now reside, came down and spent the week end here visiting with his brother, A. W. Jordan and family, and also looking after business affairs. Mr. Jordan is a solid, substantial citizen, and we regret to lose him from our midst, but wish him much success and prosperity in his new home on the Plains.

—Prosperous 1926—

L. F. Edwards, of Elton, called in at the Texas Spur office last week and had us send the paper to a friend in Oklahoma. Mr. Edwards is one of the ranch boys, now being with the Pitchforks. About the time of opening up Spur Farm Lands to settlement and the establishment of Spur, Mr. Edwards drifted further West, spending several years in Arizona or Wyoming. However, the pulling power of the Spur country, regardless of the changes, was irresistible and he is now again one of the boys in helping and promoting further developments.

—Prosperous 1926—

Why not enlarge on wheat growing and invite some enterprising men to put up a flour mill at Spur to grind wheat and maize and kaffir. We have a corn mill.

Rank Health With Three "Rs" Is Plea

By MARIE K. JOHNSON

As an educational subject for children, health should hold equal rank with the three "R's" in the curriculum of public schools. Doctors declare that without a healthy, sturdy body it is impossible for the child to have a healthy, happy mind.

Neglect of childhood defects may result in permanent physical impairment later on. Many childhood ills are traceable directly to malnutrition.

High school students especially need a variety in foods for at this age their growth is rapid. The protein or "building food" should be abundant for high school boys and girls. When they buy their luncheons, high school pupils are apt to display a preference for chocolate sodas, cream puffs and candy. An appetizing luncheon put up at home is much to be preferred to the sort the boy or girl might obtain at the corner store near the school.

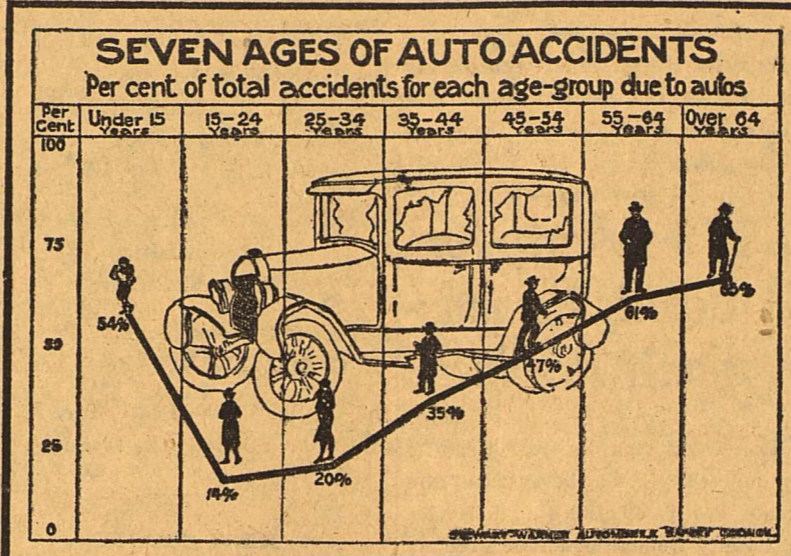
Meat is all right for the school luncheon but it should be put up in tempting form. If sliced thin it is more appetizing in sandwiches than if in thick pieces. Beverages or soup may be carried in thermos bottles but the bottles must be carefully washed and aired daily after using. Milk is recommended for an important place in the boy's or girl's diet because of its proteins, minerals, phosphorus and calcium, necessary for the development of the body and in the case of calcium and phosphorus for the building of bone and teeth. Evaporated milk has come into favor as a health builder for children as well as adults because by removal of 60 per cent of the water it is rendered more than twice as rich in food value as ordinary milk and by a process called homogenizing more digestible than bottled market milk.

Crisp lettuce and celery, carefully washed and dried, may be so wrapped in oil paper that they will be fresh and in good condition at lunch time. Lettuce should not be used in sandwiches for wilted lettuce is almost indigestible.

Marie K. Johnson.



Shakespeare Up-to-Date Tells Motorists' Terrible Toll



SHAKESPEARE'S seven ages of mankind made no reference to the number who were cut off in their prime by automobiles. If he had, suggests the Stewart-Warner Safety Council, it might have run something like this parody on his famous lines:

At first the infant,
Killed by a truck while in his nurse's arms,
And then the careless schoolboy with his marbles,
Playing in the streets after his lessons
Are over. And then the lover,
Absent-minded, walking with a box of candy
Under his arm, to see his loved one,
Is struck by a taxi and hurled to the ground.
Next comes the gay young blood
Out for his evening's entertainment, whom
Sixty miles an hour lands forty years too soon
Upon a slab in some unfriendly morgue.
And then the banker, full of worldly pride and honors,
Jay-walks across the street between two mighty deals of finance
And wakes to find Saint Peter quizzing him.
Next, the family man, with years upon him,
Confused and jostled in the crowd,
Missteps, and dies amid thanksgiving
That his last premium was paid up.
And last, hoary age, tottering and feeble,
Perhaps with crutch, or eye too dimmed with time,
An easy victim for some selfish motorist.
Sans care, sans thought, sans skill, sans everything—but speed.
The chart above shows what proportion of all accidents happening to each age group are automobile accidents. The toll is highest for the very young and very old. This situation is explained partly by the heedlessness of the young and the infirmity of old age. Moreover, these two groups are least involved in industrial accidents which makes their automobile casualties constitute a larger part of their total accidents.

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A brood sow upon good pasture before she farrows will never have weak and hairless pigs. A brood sow should have from one to two pounds of grain for every one hundred pounds live weight, with good pasture or hay through the winter before the pigs are born.—B. W. Fairbanks, livestock specialist, Colorado Agricultural college.

S. C. Rawlings, of the Highway community, was here the past week trading, transacting business and meeting with friends. Mr. Rawlings is a successful farmer, made good crops even the past year, and in fact is becoming so prosperous that he has purchased city property and may move to town and retire from further active labors except in superintending.

—Prosperous 1926—

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Powell, of the Dry Lake community, were shopping and visiting in the city the past week end.

W. C. Messer, was among the number in Spur the past week transacting business, making his staple produce and buying a few luxuries of the Spur merchants.

—Prosperous New Year—

J. A. Stone, of the Dry Lake community, was a recent business visit or in the city.

—Prosperous 1926—

Jim Smith came in Saturday from his Dry Lake farm, spending the day here with the crowds of visitors and traders. Jim states that every thing is now looking good, and the prospect is for bumper crops again in 1926.

—Prosperous 1926—

W. A. Craddock is making good improvements to his "poor farm", including a big fish reserve, filled with a lot of fine game fish. Many farmers can grow lots of fish if they desire such luxuries.

—Prosperous 1926—

Col. Payne, of the Sherman Nursery, is here making his usual round selling fruit trees. By all means plant an orchard. Help Texas grow.

—Prosperous 1926—

E. J. Lassetter, of west of Spur a few miles, was on the streets recently discussing politics and trading

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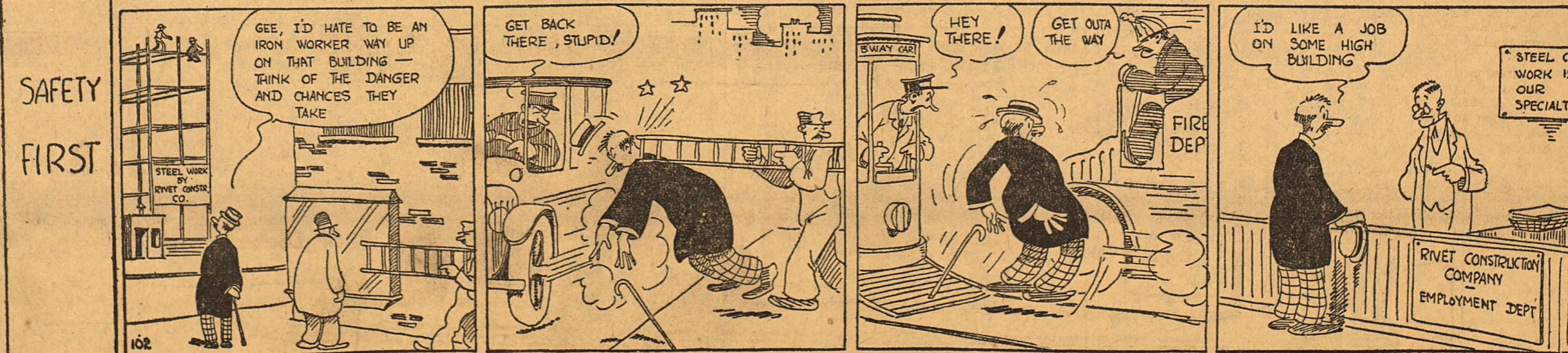
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POULTRY FACTS

GRADING OF EGGS
BY THE PRODUCER

W. H. Lapp of Iowa State college, in discussing this problem, recommends that the grading of eggs be put on a basis of simplicity and practicability to the producer by adopting two grades on the eggs which he sells to the dealer rather than the more complicated grades into which the eggs are finally divided before going to the trade. These grades are: No. 1, which shall be eggs of good quality, of clean shell and fair size; grade 2, shall consist of all small eggs weighing less than 19 ounces to the dozen, also all dirties, cracks and washed eggs.

All eggs are of equally good quality when laid. However, if they are to reach the market in good condition the first step must be taken by the producer in seeing that they get proper care and handling. The kind of eggs produced is influenced by the quality of the poultry. A standard-bred flock is necessary if the eggs are to run uniform. In selecting eggs for incubation it is equally essential to keep the type of egg in mind so as to improve the uniformity of the eggs laid by the flock.

The primary factors affecting quality of eggs are soundness, cleanliness and color of shell; the size of the egg, uniformity in size and color of shell. Other factors that influence quality are proper storage, frequent marketing and the production of infertile eggs. Infertile eggs are especially desirable in summer for the heat often starts fertile eggs to incubating with a resulting loss in quality.

Attention to the packing of eggs for market is also a means of reducing loss. Generally the best plan is to use the 30-dozen containers or the ordinary egg cases. This is better than bringing the eggs to town in baskets which results in heavy breakage.

Lice and Mite Control Helps Egg Production

To get the most out of your poultry, it is essential that the hens be kept free of lice and mites, as they hinder egg production, and lower the vitality of the birds. Now is the time to rid the flock of all pests. Sodium fluoride has been found to be the most effective treatment.

Sodium fluoride may be applied by what is known as the pinch method. A small pinch of the fluoride is carefully rubbed into the skin on different parts of the body. One pinch should be applied on the back, one on each thigh and one under each wing. This treatment will destroy all lice in four or five days. One pound will cost about 35 cents and should be enough to apply by pinch method to about 100 birds, says D. H. Hall, extension poultry husbandman at Clemson college.

The chicken mites make their home in the house and nesting quarters, so it is necessary to treat these in order to keep the mites in check. The best remedy for mites is old auto crank case oil thinned down with an equal part of kerosene. The roosting and nesting quarters should be thoroughly sprayed in order to prevent the mites from living over the winter. A good dusting and spraying now will save a great deal of trouble next spring.

Provide Green Food for Poultry While Confined

The best way to supply green food for fowls that are confined in yards is to have two yards for each flock. In one of them may be grown any kind of green food, such as oats, rye, wheat, corn, mustard, millet, etc. Turn the fowls on the green food and then sow the other plot, so as to permit it to grow during the time the hens are consuming the green food on the first plot.

In this manner a large amount of green food can be provided at a small cost. It is not only the large animals that improve and give good results on grass, vegetables and clover, but the hens will also be benefited as well if given the liberty of a good range over clover.

A grass plot in which clover predominates is really better than one of mixed grasses. The large proportion of nitrogen and lime in clover helps induce the hens to lay and keep healthy.

Elements for Alfalfa

Since alfalfa when inoculated can gather its nitrogen from the air, a sound policy is to supply it with the other mineral elements in a commercial form rather than through manure, because the manure can usually be used more profitably on other fields which need nitrogen. Nevertheless it is very important to apply manure when alfalfa is seeded.

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A. J. Slaton, fo north of Spur several miles, was here trading and on other business the past week.

—Diversify—
Rev. A. L. McClellan is in Abilene this week having his eyes treated.

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."

CARDUI For Female Troubles

"I began looking around. I knew that Cardui was for women. I decided to try it for her as all else had failed. She couldn't eat, she couldn't sleep, and I was desperate. After taking a few doses of Cardui, we were so glad to note that she wanted something to eat, and with each bit of nourishment, and each day's doses of Cardui, she grew stronger and got up out of bed. She is now able to cook, and stronger than in a long time."

Cardui has been in successful use for nearly 50 years in the treatment of many common female troubles.

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Oriental in Hawaii Take English Names

Honolulu.—Girls in Hawaii do not wait for marriage to change their names.

An account given recently by David Akana, of the Territorial birth registration bureau, says that upon entering the teens, Chinese and Japanese children give themselves English names.

According to Akana, the same must change when the native costume does, and oriental flappers and shells search for names that will be better suited to the dash of American sport clothing. Consequently the names of Yoshi, Yuki, and Haru become incarnated in Elsie, Daisy, and Rose. Girls are more fickle than boys in the matter of changing their names, and when oriental parents register a birth, the officials encourage them to give the baby an American name, to obviate any later changes. However, the majority of the parents, especially the Chinese, are insistent that their children follow the old names.

Following an ancient custom many oriental babies are named after holidays if the birth occurs then. Consequently some oriental children in Honolulu have such names as Easter Sunday, Armistice Day and Victory Day, and so on, down the list.

Trade Follows Wales

London.—Trade follows the prince of Wales. Four trainloads of British window frames have just been bought in Argentina, which before the prince's visit purchased such goods in the United States and Germany.

Artist Scored a Point

"Well, old man," said the artist, "what did you think of that latest picture of mine? I should like to have your candid opinion." "My dear fellow, it's absolutely worthless!" replied the critic. "Yes, yes. I know that, but I should like to hear it all the same."

Only Two Cases of Chicken Pest

Losses in All Instances Have
Been Caused by Common
Ailments.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Fear of recurrence of European fowl pest, which appeared in the United States for the first time about a year ago, has caused many poultrymen in the Central West to feel alarmed at any sign of sickness among their birds. Numerous investigations have been made by representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture during the past two months at the request of poultrymen in these states. In all instances the findings have been that the losses, which in a few shipments have been quite heavy, have been caused by some of the common ailments, such as roup, or by diet disturbances, apparently the result of hardships attending the transportation of birds, aggravated by improper feeding and confinement in insanitary quarters.

Only Two Outbreaks.
Only two outbreaks of fowl pest have occurred since last spring, one in New York and the other in Delaware. In the former state the disease made its appearance about July 1 in a flock of 900 chickens near East Hampton, on Long Island. In the latter state about 200 chickens on a farm near Dover were involved early in August. The usual slaughter and disinfection methods were employed in combating these outbreaks and there has been no subsequent spread.

While the department does not wish to minimize the importance of watchfulness for fowl pest by the poultry raiser, it is desirous of impressing on those engaged in concentrating and distributing poultry the importance of maintaining their plants and equipment in a sanitary condition and improving their feeding practices. Some progress has been made, says the department, but much remains to be done. Many of these common ailments which have worried the poultrymen might largely be avoided by exercising greater care to create sanitary conditions and to adopt approved methods of feeding.

Keep Close Watch.
Veterinary inspectors employed at the department's substations maintained for animal disease and meat inspection work in each of the chicken-raising states are keeping in close touch with the producers, distributors, and slaughterers of poultry. When any unusual losses are reported to the bureau of animal industry of the department, employees experienced in poultry disease work are detailed to investigate. The bureau is prepared to act quickly in the event there should be a recurrence of either fowl pest or infectious bronchitis.

—Prosperous 1926—
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Cave Discovered When Quarry Bottom Falls

Hagerstown, Md.—Collapse of the bottom of a stone quarry during blasting operations, in the vicinity of Rohersville, south of Hagerstown, revealed a cave of rare beauty.
The cave is on the farm of C. C. Keedy. The walls are of many colors, as revealed when lanterns played upon them. The cave was filled with many stalagmites and stalactites.
Several years ago farm workers fell into a hole on the farm of E. E. Hutzell, between Boonsboro and Keedysville, and a cave running nearly a mile into the earth was found, with many wonderful formations.

W. L. Gragson, of Steel Hill community, was on the streets greeting friends one day the past week. He reports everything now in fine shape in that section.

—Prosperous 1926—

See the Methodist ladies for roses and shrubs. Will have a collection of flowers in the basement of the Methodist Church, Thursday, February 11th. Don't fail to see them.

Night Coughing Quickly Stopped

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Night coughing, with its distressing loss of sleep and dangerous sapping of strength and vitality, can now be almost instantly checked through a simple but wonderfully effective treatment that is economical, too.

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The Dr. King's New Discovery prescription is for coughs, chest colds, sore throat, hoarseness, bronchitis, spasmodic croup, etc. Fine for children as well as grown-ups—no harmful drugs. At all good druggists. Ask for



E. N. Hinson, of the city, is being mentioned as a possible or probable candidate for Public Weigher in the present campaign. In the election four years ago there were seven candidates for the Weigher's office, and the indications now are that this number may be exceeded in this campaign. The office is considered a good paying one, and as a consequence invites candidates.

—Prosperous 1926—

R. M. Duboise was among the business visitors in Spur the past week, coming in from his place out on the rural mail route.

—Prosperous 1926—

S. W. Williams made the world look brighter the past week by dropping in and renewing his subscription to the Texas Spur.

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Fuel Consumers Association Organizing in Spur

A Fuel Consumers Association was organized at a meeting held in Spur Saturday afternoon. At the meeting Judge Powell, Wright Henson, Forest Martin, W. T. Wilson and Luther Carr were appointed as an organizing board for the association. The association proposes to buy gas and oils in car lots for distribution to members at cost plus handling expenses.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mat Refro, of Sonora, was here last week visiting his sister, Mrs. G. W. Bennett, and other friends and acquaintances of this section. He reports the Sonora country now in fine shape, having had plenty of rain and six inches of snow recently. The Refros are in the sheep business in the Sonora country, and their many friends of this section will be glad to know that they are meeting with success in the business.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowery, of Tye, were guests last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Horn of the Midway community.

—Diversify—
 Mr. Carriker, of the old Cross Ranch in Kent county, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week. Mr. Carriker was most optimistic concerning the oil tests now in progress in both Kent and Garza counties, stating that the well on the 24 Ranch is now down some fifteen or sixteen hundred feet, and that the test is sure to be completed without unnecessary delays.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mr. and Mrs. Al Bingham, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, were in Spur Monday, shopping and visiting among friends.

MRS. NEWT HARKEY TO MARKETS FOR B. SCHWARZ

Mrs. Newt Harkey leaves for eastern and northern markets as buyer of ladies ready-to-wear, millinery and novelty dress goods for B. Schwarz & Son, Spur, Texas and Hempstead, Texas.

While away Mrs. Harkey, and Mr. Harry Schwarz, will make a close study of market conditions which will enable them to serve the people of Spur and its trade territory in a helpful and profitable manner, and your needs in all lines of Spring and Summer merchandise will be anticipated and you will find here everything in Dry Goods men's, women's and children's ready to wear, shoes and hosiery. Not only will we be able to supply you with the latest creations where style is a factor, but we will offer all kinds of merchandise at a distinctly favorable price basis.

At B. Schwarz & Son you will find a store where those whose taste will not be satisfied with less than the latest creations, from the style centers of fashion, can satisfy their wishes with selections from our Millinery and ready to wear department.

During the short time we have been in Spur we have endeavored to serve our patrons in a helpful and profitable manner. We are pleased that our customers are constantly increasing and in appreciation of the patronage they have given us we shall put forth our best efforts during the coming year to serve you just as faithfully.—B. Schwarz & Son.

—Prosperous 1926—
 W. F. Bradshaw, of McAdoo, was in Spur Thursday of this week, on business. He reports everything in fine shape on the Plains.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Nyles Montgomery and Pinkie Williams are in Wichita Fall where they are employed. A letter from them says to tell "the bunch hello."

DICKENS ITEMS

Mr. J. F. Speer was carried to the Nichols Sanitarium at Spur for treatment.

We regret with sorrow to report the death of John Elwin Law which occurred Saturday morning at 7 o'clock. John Elwin was up about three o'clock Saturday morning getting medicine for his sister when he stumbled over a gun and discharged it, and shot him in the calf of the leg. Doctors from Roaring Springs were summoned, but failed to relieve him. He was buried in the Dickens Cemetery Sunday at 12 o'clock. We extend our heart felt sympathy to the bereaved family and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Speer from Whiteflat visited in town the week end.

Miss Beryl Harkey visited in Guthrie the week end, the guest of Mrs. Leo Petty.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Meadors on January 20th, a fine boy. Cecil is very proud, as he likes to be called papa.

Mr. and Mrs. Willow Street of near Roaring Springs visited in town the week end.

Mr. Jake Ballard and Miss Ewell were married last week. They are out on their farm in Croton Breaks where they will make their home.

The Dickens High School Boys easily won the County Championship in Basketball Saturday at Roaring Springs. Our girls lost to Croton by a score of 20 to 24. The County Championship for Girls will be played off Friday at Dickens.

The Dickens County's Teachers defeated the Motley County's Teachers Saturday morning at Roaring Springs. The scores were 4 to 0. Dickens County line up was as follows: Fred Arrington, Dickens, and James Boyd, McAdoo, Forwards; Harvey Lovell, Croton, Center; T. B. Atkins, Dickens, and Willow Street, Chandler, Guards.

The Dickens High School wishes to thank the good people of Roaring Springs for the use of the Gym Saturday to play the Basketball Tournament.

Fire destroyed the Dickens Tailor Shop owned by W. C. Hawk, and the R. H. Eskridge Blacksmith shop, the R. L. Worswick dry goods and grocery, and Thomp Johnson's meat market, on the west side of the Square. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Koonsman of Croton were visiting in town Sunday.

—Prosperous 1926—

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT.

A basketball tournament will be held January 30th at Roaring Springs to determine the County Championship of Dickens County. The committee ordered the tournament to be held at Roaring Springs on the indoor court on account of the weather conditions at this time of the year, and also because the representatives of the county is to be decided earlier than was expected. There will be an admission charge of 50c which admits to all games. Eight teams have entered some for practice only and others for the championship. Each school represented receives 10 tickets free.

The McAdoo, Croton and Dickens Girl Teams will play for a banner. The above games will start at 10:00 o'clock a. m. and probably finish at night. At present it seems that no less than 9 games will be played.

This promises to be the biggest affair of its kind ever held for Dickens County. The winners will represent not their schools only in this district contest, but are to represent Dickens county.—Frank Speer, Director of Athletics, Dickens County.

—Prosperous 1926—
MONEY TO LOAN.
 I am in a position to make an unlimited amount of farm loans in Dickens and other counties. See Clem A. Hrkey, at Ramsey Garage or Dennis Harkey, Dickent, Texas.

—Prosperous 1926—
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Manager Flounoy of the Lyric Theatre has been one of the lucky managers of theatres of the state, in closing a contract with the G. Bert Davis Play which will appear here Wednesday night, February 10th. This production has had a long run in New York, and comes highly recommended, with an all-star cast, a metropolitan production of romance money and baseball. It will give the devotees of Spur a chance to pass comment. It is not a moving picture.

—Prosperous 1926—
 We are glad to note that J. B. Yantis, of Elton, who has been quite ill since returning to that place, is now very much improved, being able to be up and about at this time and looking after his business interests. Mr. Yantis was engaged in business in Spur up to the first of the year at which time he moved to Elton and again took charge of the business at that place. Soon after removing to Elton he became ill and has been confined to his room and bed much of the time since. Mr. Yantis is well known throughout Dickens county, having for years served as county treasurer, and his many friends and acquaintances will be glad to hear of his recovery from the illness.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mrs. Hallett Holly, of north of Dickens, was brought to the Nichols Sanitarium last week where he underwent an operation at the hands of Dr. Nichols. The operation was very successful in every particular, and The Texas Spur is glad to note that Mrs. Holly is now reported doing nicely and recovering most satisfactorily.

DICKENS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL.

First Grade—Lois Speer, Lucile Miller, Dudley Brummett.
 Second Grade—Dyalthia Bradshaw Ruth Gay, Lorene McKnight, Dorris Arthur, Ita Brummett, Lindell Holly, Burton Love, Thomas Cobb.
 Third Grade—Raymond Harris, Edgar Mueler, R. D. Holly.
 Fourth Grade—Oran Payne, Jack Jones, Edward Anglen.
 Fifth Grade—Jack Foreman, Nonella Campbell, Carlos Brummett, Woodrow Harris, Anibel Speer, Winnie May Cole, Lawrence Green, J. B. Hawk.
 Sixth Grade—Frank Gay, Lewis Kennedy, Ralph Cobb, Leo Speer, Ione Payne, Tressie Foreman, Louise Durham, Joyce Faye McIlhaney.
 Eighth Grade—Loren Harkey, Gady's Arrington, Ione Payne.
 Ninth Grade—Odus Lusk.
 Tenth Grade—D. R. Harkey, Ethel Hulsey, May Roberts, Dannie Street, Linnie Havens.
 Eleventh Grade—Iris Borden, Lynnie Harkey, Kanna Stephens, Jackie Spencer.

The above pupils made A on all subjects, which is 90 per cent for the month of January. We hope to see many more new names for next month. Parents should see that your children are on it or find out the reason why they are not.—Reporter.

—Prosperous 1926—
 C. D. Byrd, of Matador, was in Spur Wednesday of this week, shaking hands with friends and acquaintances. He reports everything in good shape in and around Matador at this time.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Horn, of east of Spur, were in the city Saturday of last week.

19-Cent Sale Proves A Big Success at J. P. Wilkes

The 19-Cent Sale instituted and advertised last week by J. P. Wilkes & Son, was a most decided success in that the goods were completely sold out the first day. It was such a decided success that Mr. Wilkes informs us that he will put on another sale at an early date.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Jeff Smith, of the Dry Lake section of county, was here trading and greeting friends one day during the week.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ellis, of the Rocking Chair Ranch in Kent county were visitors and shoppers in Spur Wednesday.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Porter McClain, of the Cat Fish country, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week.

—Prosperous 1926—
 A large number of people of the north part of the county, as well as other parts, are strongly soliciting F. C. Gipson to make the race for county judge. He is considering the solicitations but has made no definite statement.

—Prosperous 1926—
 Mrs. G. W. Bennett, of the Midway community, was a shopper and visitor in Spur Saturday of the past week.

—Prosperous 1926—
 M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was in Spur Monday on business.

—Prosperous 1926—
 M. O. Hawk, of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday.

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