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The Texas Spur

THE DICKENS ITEMS

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SALEMS BULLETIN

We Have Special Prices on Shoes

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Picking Cotton, Cutting Stalks and Planting All at Same Time In Spur Country

While making a trip out in the country one day the past week, J. J. Albin informed us that he saw in one field hands working, some picking cotton, others cutting stalks, while still others were planting cotton, all at the same time. While it is a well established fact that West Texans do things in a big way, yet this is the first instance we know of where a cotton crop was gathered, hauled out and marketed, the land prepared and a new crop planted all at the same time.

There are a number of farmers now pulling bollies and being delayed in preparing their lands for planting. However, mesquites have not yet greened out and the delay may be beneficial as well as profitable.

The ground soaking rains of this and past week have given the country an ideal season for the beginning of new crops, and conditions at this time of the year were never more favorable or promising of bountiful harvests and production of every variety of crops.

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Miss Edmonson Suffers Injuries and Broken Bones Falling From Horse Saturday

Miss Edmonson, of northwest of Spur two miles, was painfully injured Sunday week in being thrown from a horse while riding. One arm was broken in two places and collar bone dislocated. She was brought immediately to the Nichols Sanitarium where an X-ray picture was taken of the fractures and the bones properly reset. Miss Edmonson is now reported doing nicely.

Diversify

John Aston was here Thursday. It is said that he has offered his resignation as a member of the Hunters Association, assigning no reason, but it is said he was unable to keep direction in mind during the night runs.

Exact Locations and Distances of Tests for Oil Within the Spur Territory

In view of the fact that all are interested in the progress of oil developments in this territory, and many are continuously asking the locations and distances of the tests, we are in position to give, through the courtesy of Surveyor Geo. M. Williams, the exact locations and the distances from Spur.

The Texas Company test on the 24 Ranch, is located in the northwest part of Section 131, Block A. Waco & Northwestern R. R. Co. survey in Kent county; 18 1/2 miles south and 1 degree west from Spur on an air line. The hole has past the 3,000 foot depth and now drilling without interruption, under a new contract to a depth of 4,500 feet.

The Deep Rock Company test on the Swenson Ranch in Garza county, is in the center of Section 36, Block Number 2, H. & G. N. R. R. Co., in Garza County; and is 16 miles south and 64 degrees west from Spur on an air line. This hole has past the 1,600 foot depth and drilling is in progress.

The Clancey & English, et al, test in the Davis blocked acreage, is located in the center of Section 311, Block 1, Dickens County, and is six and three-fourth miles north and 51 degrees east from Spur in an air line. The derrick is up on this location, the drillers are here and the test is expected to spud in within the next week.

The Mike Mikels and associates test on the Pitchfork Ranch, some ten miles east of Dickens, has now past one thousand feet in depth, and drilling without interruption.

With these tests for oil under way this territory is assured of a thorough and complete drilling campaign and within the year it will probably be determined whether or not oil pools exist here.

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Spur Farmers Delayed on New Crop Work in Pulling Out Bollies

While a majority of farmers of the country have their lands all prepared and ready for planting at this time, yet there are a great number who have been delayed and are still delayed by pulling bollies. J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, called in Wednesday and informed us that he still had a thousand pounds of cotton in the field, and with only a portion of his land prepared for planting. However, he was enthusiastic, and said you can tell the world that it sure rained one time in this country and the ground is wet to the bottom.

There could not be a better season and there never was better crop prospects than now prevails throughout West Texas, and especially in Dickens county and the great Spur country. There is nothing but a hail storm now to prevent the biggest harvests ever known.

Work of Raising, Re-Grading and Graveling the Spur-Dickens Road Under Way

The road building and improvement work in the north part of the county has been completed, and the working crews have been moved to the south end and are now rebuilding, grading and graveling the highway between Spur and Dickens.

G. L. Barber has the contract for this work. The road is being widened in gravel surface, raised above the water washing level, and it is very evident that when completed this section of the highway will also be numbered among the best first-class roadways of the Western part of the state.

Dickens county has ever been a leading county of West Texas in the construction of good roads and permanent highways. In fact, Dickens was the first county in West Texas to adopt plans and a complete system of highway and road construction, and now has hardsurfaced highways leading from the north to the south and from the east to the west county lines, with first-class lateral roadways from every community into these highways.

The recent muddle with the State Highway Department encourages the suggestion that our highways also be treated to a "coating or topping of asphaltum" which is said to cost only ten cents a square. With the asphaltum topping Dickens County would have as smooth and inviting highways as any of the macadamized and concreted roadways of the state.

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Dickens High School Closes Most Successful Term This Week

One of the most successful school terms in the history of Dickens will close Friday this week. The school has been a success from the beginning to the end, which we are, indeed, glad to report.

Miss Willie Richbourg presented her music and expression pupils in a recital Monday evening to a large audience.

The Senior play, "Tony the Convict," will be presented Tuesday evening. These are good programs and it will be worth your time coming to see them.

There will be from fifteen to twenty pupils from our school to attend the Interscholastic League of this District, which will be held at Lubbock Friday and Saturday. Here's hoping we bring back honors to our school.

The graduating class consists of the following: Linnye Harkey, Jack Gipson, Jackie Spencer, Kanna Stephens, Guy Goen, J. B. Sudberry, Iris Borden, Lorine Graves, Harold Blair, Linnye Harkey is valedictorian and Kanna Stephens, salutatorian.

The Alumni Association will entertain the above graduates with a banquet May 1st, to be held at the Spur Inn. All ex-graduates should pay their fees in the next few days to Mr. Fred Arrington, Secretary.

Diversify

R. L. English, of the Dockum Valley community, was among the many in Spur the latter part of the past week.

McAdoo Shipping Car of Ochre-Sand to Dallas Factory

Several years ago a deposit of "ochre sand" was discovered on the Ralph McLaughlin farm a few miles north of McAdoo on the Plains in Dickens county, and as a result of this discovery of valuable mineral a new and important industry is likely to later spring up at McAdoo.

This week a car load of this ochre sand was shipped out of Roaring Springs to a Dallas factory where it will be used in the manufacture of a fine cleansing compound to be known as "Shin-eze". This factory is expected to use one or two car loads of the ochre sand each week in the manufacture of this cleansing compound. A Chicago firm has also ordered one car load of the material to be tried in a manufacturing plant.

The discovery of this "ochre sand" will recall to the minds of old timers the fact that for twenty years or more an "ochre bed" has been sought by a man who in the long ago found a bed of pure ochre consisting of two colors, recognizing it then as a highly valuable mineral, but because of its isolation then from all transportation and civilization, he bided his time for future development. However, upon returning after railways arrived and the country settled, his "bearings" were lost and to this day has been unable to again locate the place of the ochre deposits. Several years ago, W. T. Lovell of Wichita, hauled this gentleman now old in the pursuit of the lost mine, over the country for two weeks, again without success. It is said the rich ochre bed is along the break of the Cap Rock, the only place where the old gentleman could recall being three small peaks or mounds, from which he could go to the location of the bed.

It is said that pure ochre is used in the manufacture of fine paints and for this purpose the raw product is worth from one to two dollars per pound. Should this rich ochre bed be rediscovered it would mean much to Dickens county, as possibly will the "ochre sand" deposits on the McLaughlin place.

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County Court Convened Monday and Number of Cases are Tried

County Court convened Monday with County Judge Brummett presiding and Attorney Worswick prosecuting.

The following cases were tried and disposed of as follows:

State vs L. L. Harrison, swindling boarding house keeper, found not guilty.

Harkey & McClure vs Fred Hill, et al, debt, judgment for plaintiffs.

C. L. Love vs Sam Brown, et al, debt and foreclosure, judgment for the defendant, Brown.

A. J. Ritchey vs R. H. and R. M. Pernel, distress judgment against R. M. Pernel and for R. H. Pernel.

D. W. Hughes was appointed permanent administrator of the estate of John Elvin Law, deceased.

Court was adjourned Wednesday.

Dickens County Interscholastic League Meet at Dickens Saturday

Following are the results of the Interscholastic League meet of Dickens County, held at Dickens, Texas, April 16, 1926:

Senior Boys.

120 yard high hurdles: First Edd Slough, Dickens; 2nd Jack Gipson, Dickens; 3rd, Richard Thacker, Dickens. Time 17 2-5 seconds.

220 yard low hurdles: 1st, Jack Gipson, Dickens; 2nd, Odie Lusk, Dickens. Time 28 1-5 seconds.

100 yard dash: 1st, Spencer, Dickens; 2nd, Finley, Dickens; 3rd Harkey, Dickens. Time 10 4-5 seconds.

220 yard dash: 1st Spencer and Finley tied; 3rd, Jones, Midway. Time, 23 1-2 seconds.

440 yard dash: 1st, Harkey, Dickens; 2nd, Arthur, Midway.

880 yard run: 1st Goen, Dickens; 2nd, Blair, Dickens. Time 2 minutes 25 seconds.

1 mile run: 1st Spencer, Dickens; 2nd, Holloway, Espuela. Time 5 minutes 54 seconds.

12 pound shot: 1st Goen, Dickens; 2nd, Thacker, Dickens; 3rd, Spencer, Dickens. Distance 44 feet 2 inches.

Discus: 1st Slough, Dickens, 2nd, Goen, Dickens; 3rd, Lusk, Dickens. Distance 104 feet 9 inches.

Javelin: 1st, Gipson, Dickens; 2nd, Goen, Dickens; 3rd, Harkey, Dickens 4th, Parker, Midway. Distance, 119 feet 3 inches.

Broad jump: 1st, Thacker, Dickens; 2nd, Gipson, Dickens; 3rd, Harkey, Dickens. Distance 21 feet.

High Jump: 1st Thacker, Dickens; 2nd, Slough, Dickens. Height 5 ft. 8 inches.

Pole Vault: Slough and Gipson. In this event the vaulting pole was broken while trying for 9 feet 6 inches.

Junior Boys.

50 yard dash: 1st, McAteer, Dickens; 2nd, Edgar, Dickens; 3rd, Peters, Midway; 4th, Hawk, Dickens. Time, 6 seconds.

100 yard dash: 1st, Davey McAteer, Dickens; 2nd, Edgar, Dickens, 3rd, Peters, Midway. Time, 11 3-5.

440 relay: 1st, Dickens; 2nd Espuela. Time 61 seconds.

Broad Jump: 1st McAteer, Dickens; 2nd, Edgar, Dickens; 3rd, Billberry, Espuela. Distance 16 ft. 7.

Running High Jump: 1st, McAteer of Dickens, 2nd, Billberry, Espuela; 3rd, Peters, Midway.

Pull up: 1st, Cobb, Dickens; 2nd, Bingham, Espuela. 23 and 21.

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Lyric Theatre Shows Us Old Ireland and Lake Killarney

Through the courtesy of W. W. Flournoy we were permitted Wednesday night to enjoy the program at the Lyric Theatre. The show was "Irish Luck" and in the scenes we were carried through old Ireland and viewed "Killarney". It was an interesting as well as educational show, permitting us to tour Ireland's important points at much less expense than a trip overseas.

The Lyric Theatre is continuously showing the best pictures, and it is a real treat to all who attend the nightly programs.

Ground Soaking Rains Gives Spur Country an Ideal Season for Crops

Monday night of this week, Tuesday and Tuesday night, the rains descended to the extent of approximately three inches, covering every section of the entire country. In fact, Dickens and surrounding counties are now blessed with the best and most promising season for crops ever before known at this time in the beginning of a crop year.

The rains covered all of Western Texas, in some sections reaching "flood" proportions. At Snyder a deluge fell, while at Slaton it is said the streets were navigated in skiffs. Cloud bursts occurred in other sections, one or two being drowned at Midland, and one man was killed by lightning at Lubbock.

In Dickens county and the Spur territory the rain was worth a million dollars—even more than would an oil well have amounted to in its place. The wheat crops of the country, though limited in acreage, are coming out to the very best advantage and a bountiful harvest is assured—so much so that the market price has already declined. The two hundred fifty acres already planted and to be planted to alfalfa is now assured of becoming well rooted and an abundant alfalfa hay crop will result—no more appropriate season could have been selected to start alfalfa production in the county. Those farmers who have planned to diversify crops now have a season to encourage the planting of varied field crops as well as garden truck, with the assurance of meeting with profitable success in their undertakings.

The total registered rainfall, as recorded at the Spur Experiment Station, was 1.62 inches in March, and 2.83 inches at this time in April. March and the first days of April are usually dry months in this country, and the abundant rainfall at this time is assurance of a seasonable and bountiful crop year.

Diversify

Thoroughbred Chickens Found Staked Out in Mesquites

Monday of this week G. C. Collum phoned the Texas Spur that he found four Rhode Island Red hens staked in the mesquites back of his home in the west part of Spur. The hens were tagged, indicating ownership or their registration. The owner is requested to call for them.

We have been informed from other sources that boys have been seen catching and hobbling chickens on the suburbs of the city, possibly with a view of coming later and removing them. Chickens have become a valuable asset to individuals as well as to the country, and the theft of poultry, whether through mischief or for gain, is a real injury to the owner of the property.

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See the Methodist Ladies for bedding plants; on Main Street, Saturday, May 1st.

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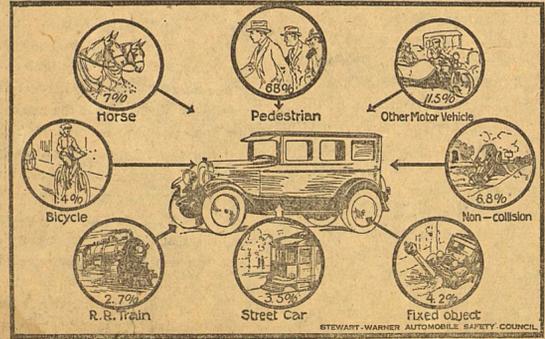
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A. K. McAllister, of near Girard, L. L. Arnold, of the Duck Creek was in Spur the past week. He in-country, was among the number in formed us that he had been staying Spur during the week. Mr. Arnold close in at home the past several is having a nice four-room farm months, he having recently traded home constructed on his place in the his eighty acres of land for a larger Duck Creek community, and which farm, paying the difference which is now nearing completion.

—Diversify— Mrs. M. H. Brannen is on an ex- tended visit with her sister and other relatives at Robert Lee.

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R. I. Goodall extended his campaign for sheriff of Kent county over into Spur the first of this week. Spur is the trading center for many Kent county voters, therefore a good campaigning headquarters for Kent candidates.

—Grow Alfalfa— Miss Bessie Elliott, who is teaching school near Paducah, spent the week end in Spur with her sisters here, and also with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Elliott on the Spring Creek Farm and Ranch.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mrs. W. E. Putman left Sunday for Childress where she will attend the District Federated Womens Club Convention, as a delegate from the Spur Delphian Club.

—Grow Alfalfa— Sheriff M. L. Jones was over one day this week looking after official matters and also doing a little campaigning for re-election to the sheriff's office.

—Grow Alfalfa— Ned Bowers was in the city Wednesday from ranch headquarters to the northeast of Spur.

—Diversify— Albert Power, of Afton, was here the first of the week trading and meeting with friends.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wilson left Friday of last week to attend the funeral of her father who died at his home in Waxahatchie, Thursday night.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sullivan left last Sunday for Panhandle where they will spend some time. Ira, we understand, contemplates putting in a branch tailor shop in order to get some of the "cream" of a new and booming oil field.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mrs. Dan Martin, of Dublin, visited her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Harkey, last week.

—Grow Alfalfa— Charlie West, of Dallas, visited Miss Reba Dott McGaughy in Spur last week.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mr. Fitzpatrick, of Colorado City, passed through Spur Wednesday on his way to the Deep Rock test for oil. Mr. Fitzpatrick is one of the promoters of this drilling, and is optimistic of the outcome.

—Diversify— J. H. Farmer, of four miles to the northeast of Spur, was among the number here trading the first of the week.

—Grow Alfalfa— Wayne Van LLeer, of near Spur, was here trading one day the past week.

—Grow Alfalfa— Cal Cade, County Commissioner of Kent County, was among those who attended the meeting in Fort Worth last week for the purpose of drafting a bill intended to correct the road district bond muddle. Kent county issued road district bonds, and should a protest be filed would be effected by the recent court ruling invalidating such bonds.

—Grow Alfalfa— Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McAteer, of north of Spur on the Egyptian Farm, have been spending several days visiting with relatives in New Mexico and the extreme Western part of the Lone Star State.

—Diversify— W. F. Cathey, of near Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday meeting and conversing with his friends of the town and surrounding country.

—Diversify— Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Marshall, of the Duck Creek community, were in the city Monday shopping and visiting among friends here that day.

M. Hargrove and Othar Thompson returned the first of the week from a tour of the Eastern part of the state and also Oklahoma. He states that the country as a whole is in fine shape with abundant season and most promising prospects for crops, especially in West Texas and Oklahoma, the Eastern part of the state having been somewhat "drowned out" by excessive rains and with no crops at this time.

—Grow Alfalfa— Will Watson, of nine miles east of Spur, was a recent business visitor in the city.

—Diversify— W. F. Godfrey returned last week from Paducah where spent several days with his relatives and friends of that section.

—Diversify— C. W. Fincher, a substantial and leading citizen of the Girard country, was meeting with his friends in Spur Monday of this week. He reports everything in ideal shape now in and around Girard, and the prospect is that bumper crops will be harvested in that section as well as throughout West Texas.

—Grow Alfalfa— J. P. Goen, of northwest of Dickens, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

—Grow Alfalfa— J. P. Middleton, who now has his district insurance headquarters at Lubbock, came down this week and spent a day or two here meeting with his friends and looking after his insurance business in this territory. The reports the whole country now in tip top shape with the best season and the best crop prospects ever before known at this season of the year.

—Diversify— Dusty Rhodes and wife, of the Cat Fish country, were visiting and shopping in Spur Monday of this week.

—Diversify— C. C. Cornelius was in Spur the past week from his farm and ranch home in Kent county.

—Diversify— J. A. Kerley, of east of Spur six or seven miles, was among the number on the streets Monday of this week.

—Diversify— R. R. Wooten, of McAdoo, was in Spur the past week, looking after his political fences in the campaign for county judge.

—Diversify— Mrs. W. A. Harris and daughter, of near Dickens, were among the number of shoppers in Spur Monday of this week.

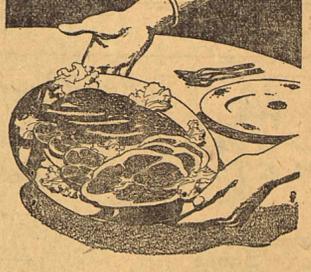
—Grow Alfalfa— Mrs. Edwin Woody spent several days of the past week with friends in Lubbock.

—Diversify— Fred Clay, who has been here a week or two visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clay, left Wednesday to resume his work of constructing derricks in the oil fields of the country.

—Diversify— Dr. Lyons, of Afton, was a business visitor the past week in Spur, spending several hours here meeting his numerous friends and acquaintances.

—Diversify— Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter, Miss Helen, are visiting relatives in Greenville an other points in the Eastern part of the state.

—Grow Alfalfa— Last week two officers from New Mexico spent a day or two in Spur looking over the town and country and conferring with local peace officers.



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Up to the present time it appears that the candidates for all offices, from governor down to the county and precinct offices, are more interested than the people in the campaign. The fact is that no real campaign issues, as yet, have developed, and unless an "issue" is launched the voters can not be expected to become over-enthusiastic. In the governor's race Ma, Moody and Davidson are all anti-ku klux, therefore the Klan will not be an issue in this instance, leaving the voters to exercise a personal preference, while in county campaigns it has always been more of personal preference than upon issues—nevertheless the personal preference issue is usually pretty strongly in evidence, especially with reference to county judge and sheriff, and it may be so again in the present campaign.

—Diversify— Roy Harkey, R. P. Rhea, Chas. Windham and Tom Russell went to Justiceburg Sunday to investigate the report of a five hundred barrel oil well being brought in at that point the past week. They found that the report was unfounded. However, the old well which has been producing for a year or more, is being drilled deeper with a view of bringing in a bigger producer. The well is now producing only about ten barrels a day.

—Diversify— Robert Nichols, of McAdoo, was in Spur Monday of this week. He had just returned from Dallas where he attended the ginners convention, reporting an enjoyable as well as beneficial trip.

W. A. Craddock, of southwest of Spur some ten or twelve miles, was in the city Monday of this week. In speaking of his candidacy for the county judge's office, Mr. Craddock stated that he was in the race, but that he was not prepared just at this time to make his public, official announcement, intimating that his finances were somewhat depleted—and wondering if bankers would as readily "back-up" a political campaigner as that of a merchant or farmer, dependent upon the results of the undertaking. However, Mr. Craddock said that later on he would make dates for campaign speeches and endeavor to at least visit every community on a speaking tour before the primary election on the 24th day of July. Should Mr. Craddock come in to the campaign, it will make six candidates in the field for the judge's office, those already having announced being H. A. C. Brummett for re-election, R. R. Wooten, F. C. Gipson, Jas. F. Williams and G. W. Bennett. Thus it will be readily recognized that this race will also become very interesting before the polls close on the night of the 24th of July.

—Diversify— M. L. Nichols and Ed McArthur are leaving the latter part of the week for the Eastern part of the state to attend court in one of the number of auto theft cases in which they assisted in working up and made recovery of cars. They will probably be gone all the coming week in the cases to be tried.

—Diversify— Will Tallent, of south of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

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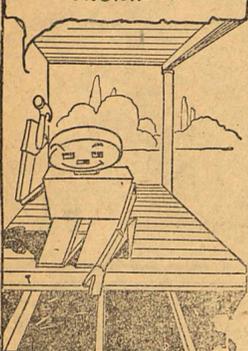
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USE CONCRETE

Ed Fuqua, of the Red Mud country, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

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Headache dizziness

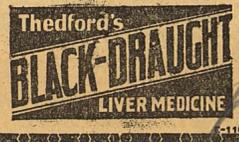
"I HAVE headache once in a while, usually coming from constipation or torpid liver," says Mr. L. A. Morphis, of Pottsville, Ark., "and the very best remedy I have found to correct this condition is Thedford's Black-Draught. It acts quickly and easily, and it just can't be beat."

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C. B. Jones has been suffering of influenza the past several days. At the Fort Worth meeting for the purpose of drafting or outlining a bill looking to the validation of the road districts bonds of the state, Mr. Jones was appointed head of a committee to present the draft to Governor Ferguson for approval in calling a special session of the legislature to act upon the proposition. However, being ill, Mr. Jones could not act upon the committee.

Grow Alfalfa

Governor Ferguson may call the special session to act upon the proposition of validating road district bonds—but we doubt it. There are too many after the Ferguson scalp, and the legislative meeting would offer too fine an opportunity to resolute thereon. And then, too, as Moody says, there is no occasion to start action until some county refuses to assess and collect taxes to pay such bonds.

Grow Alfalfa

Mr. McCrary and wife, of Breckenridge, arrived in Spur Monday and will be temporarily located here in the future. Mr. McCrary will have charge of the drilling operations on the test well for oil to be drilled on the Davis blocked acreage to the northeast of Spur. They will make their home in Spur during the time of the drilling operations, going back and forth to the location.

Diversify

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Woods and son, Ford, of just north of Spur, were visiting and shopping in Spur the first of this week.

J. B. Jay, of Girard, was in Spur the past week. He is selling oil rights in three blocks of his land situated in Kent county where oil developments are now under way, there being two oil test wells now drilling and contracts made for others to be drilled in that territory. The big oil development companies now have their eyes on both Kent, Dickens and Garza counties, and there is sure to be real and extensive drillings made in exploring for oil pools. Oil men and geologists have long ago decided that somewhere near the rim of the Cap Rock the "mother pool of oil" would be uncovered, and it may be possible that the drilling campaign has already begun for this oil pool—and it is sure to be uncovered before operations are abandoned.

Grow Alfalfa

Edwin Morris is one among the number of fishermen who are making good catches out at the big lake just south of town. It is said that fish weighing two and a half pounds are being caught, and they are as fat as mud. The mystery is how such large fish get in the lake. But old fishermen tell us that fish will bury up in the mud and remain there a year waiting for the time when water again comes and they will dig out and begin feeding.

Grow Alfalfa

Mr. and Mrs. Dunlap, of the Afton country, were the guests of Mr. and R. A. Hodges, the first of this week, at their home in the city.

Diversify

Miss Adelaide Senning spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Carol Cobb of Albany.

YOU MAY HAVE PELLAGRA

AND NOT KNOW IT

EARLY SYMPTOMS—Nervousness, stomach trouble, despondency, shortness of breath, burning feet, constipation, brown or rough skin, tingling sensations, smothering spells, diarrhoea, loss of sleep, loss of weight, dizziness or swimming in head, general weakness with loss of energy.

You do not have all these symptoms in the beginning, but if you have any of them YOU MAY HAVE PELLAGRA. My FREE BOOKLET, "THE STORY OF PELLAGRA," will explain. My treatment differs from all others, and is endorsed by a State Health Department, physicians and hundreds who have taken the treatment. Write for Questionnaire and FREE Diagnosis.

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HAMBERGER McCOMBS Real Hammbergers are still in style at Roscoe's.

Wade McDaniels, of Cross Plains, returned this week to Spur. He is now hauling out lumber and building material for the construction of a fine farm home on his place three or four miles southwest of Spur. The present building on the place will be torn down and a portion of the lumber used in the construction of a second and more modern farm home on the place. As soon as these two buildings are completed Mr. McDaniels will move his family here and make this their permanent home in the future. Mr. McDaniels owns some very valuable oil producing lands in the Callahan county fields, and he is investing the income from oil properties in lands in the Spur country. He had two reasons, he informs us, for coming to the Spur country. One was because he recognized the fact that the soil of this territory is rich and productive. The other reason was to get away from the undesirable conditions generally prevailing in an oil producing territory. However, in this latter reason he may encounter disappointment in that the Spur country may also later become an oil producing territory. At any rate, we are glad to see the improvements he is making and to welcome Mr. McDaniels and family to the Spur country, and regardless of our oil possibilities, his citizenship will be a real and material asset to the country.

Grow Alfalfa

J. M. Thomason, of north of Spur on the Star Route, was among the business visitors here Monday of this week.

We last week received a letter from John Shrader, requesting that we hereafter mail the Texas Spur to John Anz at Anson, Texas. Recently Messrs Shrader and Anz quit the garage business in Spur. John Anz and wife moved to Anson where he has a position with an Anson Motor Company. John Shrader is in Port Worth where he also has a good position. Messrs. Anz and Shrader are good mechanics and will hold their own anywhere they may elect to go.

Grow Alfalfa

W. C. Guthrie, of the Girard section of country, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

VOTE FOR WALTER MALONE FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR



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DICKENS COUNTY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held July 24th, 1926:

For District Attorney, 50th Dist.:
WM. B. COMBEST, of Paducah
(Re-election, 2nd term)

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

For County Judge & School Sup't.:
H. A. C. BRUMMITT (Re-election)
F. G. GIPSON
R. R. WOOTEN
JAS. F. WILLIAMS
G. W. BENNETT

For County and District Clerk:
O. C. ARTHUR (Re-election)
ROBT. REYNOLDS

For County Treasurer:
MRS. OLLIE M. COLE (2nd term)

For Tax Assessor:
W. F. McCARTY (2nd term)

For County Attorney:
B. G. WORSWICK (Re-election)

For Public Weigher, Precinct 1:
W. W. WALDRUP
R. H. ESKRIDGE
J. A. AKINS
J. L. (Jeff) ELMORE

For Public Weigher, Precinct 2:
GEO. P. SIMMS

For Public Weigher, Precinct 3:
A. M. SHEPHERD
FRED HISEY
E. M. HINSON
J. J. RANDALL
TOM RUSSELL
JESS FLETCHER
A. W. PHILLIPS
W. H. YOUNG
J. BOYD, JR.

For County Commissioner, Pre. 1:
W. J. (Joe) CLARK
AUSTIN C. ROSE

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

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

For County Commissioner, Pre. 4:
CHAS. PERRIN (Re-election)
W. L. THANISCH
F. L. TERRY

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. 3:
D. A. YOUNG (2nd term)
F. N. OLIVER

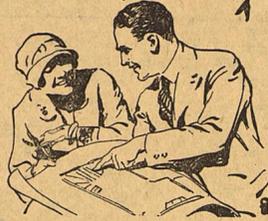
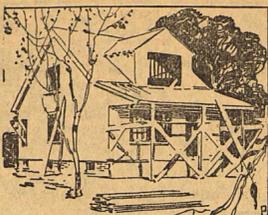
For Constable, Precinct 3:
M. L. NICHOLS
W. S. HUNTER

KENT COUNTY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pick of the house
M. P. SMITH
M. F. HAGAR
W. H. SMITH

T. G. Bass, of Dry Lake, was in Spur Wednesday.



Look Over Our House Plans

In the varied array of plans you will be certain to find a house that exactly fits your needs. And when you have decided upon the plan you like, we can tell you to a dollar just what the materials will cost. Stop in any time and look them over.

Musser Lumber Co.
Spur, Texas

Billy Bryant, formerly with Bryant-Link Company of Spur, but who is now manager of a new business just opened in Hamlin, was here the first of this week. The Bryant-Link Company business at Hamlin is one of the biggest and finest stores in the chain of several, and under the management of Billy Bryant will soon advance to the head of the list in volume of business.

C. J. Smith, of the Highway community, was in town recently trading and mingling with the crowds here daily.

M. E. Tree was here the first of the week, having been absent several days.

F. A. Walker, of the Highway section of country, was here recently on business.

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FIRST-CLASS BARBER WORK
REASONABLE PRICES

Hot or Cold Baths Same Old Stand

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Spur Nat'l. Bank Bldg. Spur, Texas

EXPOSES WILES OF FAKE STOCK SALESMEN AND PROMOTERS

Latest Methods of Confidence Men Described by American Bankers Association Official—Declares That Shrewder Schemes Than Ever Before Are Taking Peoples' Savings.

By W. R. MOREHOUSE,
Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.

ARTICLE NO. I

MUCH of the distress of many people in America today is due, not to the fact that they have not had an opportunity to earn and save money, but to the fact that they have lost their savings in fraudulent schemes of one kind or another. Many a widow is in financial difficulty not because she was left penniless by her husband but because she lost her inheritance by investing it in "gold bricks." Many a bank depositor who once carried a fine balance is penniless today not because he did not know how to save but because he did not know how to invest.



W. R. Morehouse

Perhaps if I relate some wild-cat promotions that give an insight into the activities of investment sharks it will quicken a relentless determination to provide depositors with much needed advice in investment matters. I have come in personal contact with many cases, some of them almost unbelievable because of the very crookedness of the schemes to defraud, yet thousands of our hard-working savers have been led to invest their savings in these promotions. In giving the high lights of certain cases I am not drawing in my imagination in the least, nor am I relying on hearsay, but giving first-hand information.

Unbelievable but True

Many millions of dollars have been lost in oil. The sum is staggering. Into every corner of the United States the mails carry high-powered sales talk of great riches to be made in oil. Carried away by these promises, depositors quietly withdraw funds from their banks and send them on to wild-cat speculators. Not one out of a hundred has ever recovered the money he invested. Still wild-cat promotions continue to flourish, with a new crop of victims coming up to take the place of those who are forced out of the

excitedly back to the derrick, wrench in hand.

"We have drilled to the 'Bell sand!'" the lecturer shouts, bringing cheers from every high-pressure salesman, followed by a chorus of voices from the surprised audience. "We can bring in a 5,000 barrel well if we care to, but if we go deeper to get a 12,000 well!" he says. "Go on deeper! Go deeper! Go deeper!"



The Fake Oil Stock Sale Was Opened With Prayer

on down!" shout the salesmen almost in unison, followed by cheers from the listeners.

The zero hour is at hand. The time has come for the high-pressure artists to sign up the listeners for units. "The salesman 'hit while the iron is hot.' Nearly every listener is signed up. The few who hesitate are forgotten only moments

running because they have already lost their savings.

Listen to this one! It is a typical case. A tract of land, just ordinary land, nothing about it to indicate there is oil beneath the surface. An oil rig, a few tools, half a dozen strings of pipe are close at hand. A large show tent filled with chairs that will seat several hundred people. It is 10 a. m. The sun is shining brightly, and it is a glorious day.

Presently several large busses draw up loaded with people ranging in age from fifty years to eighty. A corps of high-pressure salesmen rush out to greet the arrivals and to assure them that they are most welcome to what will be the next great oil city of America. The aged and feeble minded are tenderly conducted to comfortable chairs under the big tent. In plain view of those seated as they peer out through the flap of the tent stands majestically the oil rig spattered with crude oil and nearby is the big oil sump also filled with oil. Through an ingenious circulating system oil from the sump flows into the well and back into the sump through a pipe in full view.

Religious Revival Methods

Presently the official lecturer calls the meeting to order. The impression he creates is that he is either a minister or has studied for the ministry. He opens the meeting with prayer for the success of the venture in oil. After prayer this sanctimonious gentleman tells how he has invested all of his own earnings and all of his children's savings in the venture, so confident is he that it is to be an oil gusher and all are to be made rich.

He charms his audience with his oratory. He impresses them with his honesty. He calls their attention to oil in plain view, intimating that it is from the well. And while he is painting before them, figuratively speaking, luxury and old age comforts if they invest in the "A-A" Oil Company, the foreman of the rig rushes in, his clothes spattered with crude oil. He is excited and almost out of breath as he reaches the sanctimonious lecturer. A few words are whispered. The lecturer's face registers great delight at the news. He turns back to his audience, a smile of victory on his face. The foreman rushes

rily, for the tables are brought in and the big free lunch made ready. As all sit down at least one salesman is at every table. The work cut out for him is to sign up the few who escaped the first "pulling of the net," and you may take my word for it few escape.

One by one these old people, under the spell of being rushed into the deal, pay over their cash, sign notes or turn over good securities for units in the "A-A" Oil Company.

This picture of an oil speculation may seem too crooked to be true, but it is a real story of how thousands of savings depositors, all past the age of fifty, lost over half a million dollars. This story is one of many hundreds that might be told, all of which have ended disastrously for millions of investors.

(Article II will reveal further fraudulent schemes for robbing workers of their savings.)

Truth and Advertising Have Made America Great

Truth in news columns and advertising is the foundation of America's prosperity, Melvin A. Traylor, Second Vice President American Bankers Association, recently said, adding: "Continuance of our prosperity rests chiefly upon continuation of the greatest of all causes for our present good times—truth in news columns, truth over the store counters and truth in advertising. World-wide acceptance of great discoveries and inventions has been due to the fact that the newspapers truthfully described them and the manufacturers truthfully advertised them. If deceit had been the general rule, if the motto had been 'sell quick and let the buyer beware,' the public would have turned against the new things. I recall one particularly large firm which three years ago began advertising its wares falsely; it is today hopelessly bankrupt.

"Wise advertising costs nothing. You have only to increase the sale of your products to the point that covers the advertising charge to enjoy the enlarged business without cost. The natural saving in overhead is extra profit for dividends or for further expansion."

CLASSIFIED ADDS.

Choice Feterita for sale on Hisey Farm, half mile south Experiment Station. Roy E. Henley and J. A. Crafton. 20tf.

Four good residence lots at a bargain.—See W. E. Putman for particulars. 1

The Maples Garage is exclusive agents for Western Weld Tube Patch which is guaranteed to stick and to hold anything in rubber. Try it and you'll use no other.

WOOD FOR SALE at \$3.50 per load on place or \$5.00 delivered.—Phone or see W. J. Elliott. 15tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE for Mules—20 acre block, No. 5, south of Spur. See or write Andy Wooten, McAdoo, Texas. 4tf.

ROOMS TO RENT at the Oliver House.

Some very choice lots for sale.—See W. E. Putman.

PURE Bred Buff Orphington eggs \$1 per setting, \$5 per 100. Also White African Guineas, eggs and stock, for sale.—Mrs. E. V. Rogers Spur, Texas. 23-4tp

LONG STAPLE COTTON SEED

I have the long staple cottonseed for planting, at \$2.50 per bushel. This staple brought four cents premium on the market last fall. I also have Kasch seed at \$1.25 per bushel. Will have a truck load of long staple seed at D. H. Sullivan's grocery each Saturday.—W. T. Wilson. 23-4tf

One business lot for sale.—See W. E. Putman, Spur, Texas.

STRAYED—One cole black horse snip nose, weighs 1000 lbs., 4 years old; also bay mare 12 years old, branded M on left shoulder and E D on hip, weighs 900 lbs. Phone F.W. Mahoney, or write E. L. Duncan at Roaring Springs if horses are located. Been gone two weeks. 23-3t

The Maples Garage is exclusive agents for Western Weld Tube Patch which is guaranteed to stick and to hold anything in rubber. Try it and you'll use no other.

Strayed—Yearling Jersey bull, light color, no marks or brand, at my place at Soldiers' Mound.—J. W. Davis. 24-3c

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The Tailor

THE ONLY (MODERN)
TAILOR SHOP IN
SPUR

WE CALL AND DELIVER



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SPECIAL AT SPUR DRUG STORE
\$1.50 bottle Ben Hurr Toilet Water
and \$1.00 box Ben Hurr Face Powder—Both for \$1.00.

Grow Alfalfa
TAKE NOTICE.

I have a pair of good, fast stepping mare mules on my farm at Girard that I will sell for \$250 cash. Or would trade for new or slightly used Ford car or truck.—M. Hargrove, Spur, Texas. 25tf

Grow Alfalfa
Southern Memorial Co.
Awarded contract
for Cowboy Mon.

The contract for the building of a monument, costing \$30,000, to the Old Time Trail Drivers of Texas, which is to be placed in Alamo Plaza, was awarded Monday afternoon to C. L. Moore, manager of the Southern Memorial Company of Yoakum, Geo. W. Sanders, president of the Old Time Trail Drivers Association, acted for the committee.

The design selected for the monument is a statue of a typical cowboy horseback, in bronze on top of the memorial. On the face of the memorial is a bronze plate showing a herd of cattle on the trail, with a remuda of horses and typical chuck wagon, with the necessary horse wrangler, wagon driver and cowboys handling the herd.

Diversify—J. M. Hahn was here Wednesday from the Highway community.

Grow Alfalfa—Buell McDaniels, of four miles to the southwest of Spur, was here trading Wednesday.



YOUR DREAMS
Can Come True!

Sometimes they will without any assistance from you—but the most certain way to make them come true is to lay aside regularly a specified amount of all money you earn. Then when opportunity comes, whether in the form of a dream or otherwise, you are in a position to take advantage of it!

THOSE WHO BANK WITH US ARE
ASSURED OF EVERY COURTESY
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WITH SAFE, SANE BANKING!



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BARGAINS FOR SATURDAY & MONDAY**

- 8lb. Bucket Lard, 1 bkt. to customer, \$1.29
- 1 Gallon Mary Jane Syrup 67c
- 1 Gallon Solid Pack Apricots 75c
- 2 lbs. Shilling Coffee \$1.00
- 6 lbs. Box Crackers 75c
- Sally Ann Bread, 9c

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PAY US A VISIT WHEN YOU ARE IN TOWN!**

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**Closing Exercises of
Dickens Schools Being
Held This Week**

The closing exercises of the Dickens High School are being held this week, closing a most successful term under the superintendency of Frank Speer.

Monday night Miss Willie Richbourg, who has been teaching expression in connection with the school, gave a recital by pupils, and also assisted by Miss Nell Higgins in the musical program. A large audience enjoyed the program which was well rendered and evidenced careful training on the part of the pupils.

On account of rain the Tuesday night's program was postponed, the Senior Class Play, "Tony the Convent", being given Wednesday night to a crowded house. The graduating exercises and presentation of diplomas was had Thursday night, while Friday night the Grammar

school exercises and Primary program will be had.

Friday the High School boys and girls will attend the District Inter-scholastic Meet at Lubbock and contest for the medals.

All Dickens people are in accord in stating that this term of the Dickens Schools was very successful in every way, not a single instance of discord coming about to detract from the work.

Grow Alfalfa
Sim Moss, of north of Dickens, was here Thursday. Notwithstanding the big rains and optimistic airs of the country, he appeared glum and depressed. We don't know whether to attribute it to politics or the flu.

Grow Alfalfa
J. C. Dopson, of near Spur, came in Wednesday, smiling with the others because of the ground-soaking rains of the week. Everybody is now in a most optimistic mood, and feel sure of crops.

Building Progress Continues in Spur and the Spur Country

As evidence that the building progress of the city and country continues uninterruptedly and substantially, note the buildings now under way in different parts of town and surrounding country.

H. A. Booth is now completing a six-room with basement residence of attractive stucco finish in the west part of Spur.

J. C. Hix is building a four-room with basement, stucco finish home.

Austin Bell is constructing a four room frame residence of bungalow type in the west part.

Joe L. Lambert is building a five-room frame bungalow residence.

Mrs. Annie Baxley has just completed a residence in the northwest part of the city.

Birl Hight has a five or six room modern home under construction in the west part.

G. R. Elkins is completing a ten thousand dollar residence in the east part of the city.

Mrs. Black is making improvements to her home.

W. B. Lee and others have bought lots in the west part and are having them cleared up for building purposes.

L. L. Arnold has completed a four room, modern farm home on his place south of Spur.

Wade McDaniels is building two modern farm homes on his place to the southwest of Spur.

There are probably other buildings under construction which have not been reported, however, the number mentioned is sufficient to show that substantial building progress is under way.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist Church. There were sixteen present. We had a very interesting meeting, as our delegates, Mesdames Sample, Rector and Smith, gave their report from the conference they had attended at Lubbock.

Eleven of our members attended the conference.—Reporter.

Diversify
Four lots right in the city.—see W. E. Putman, Spur, Texas.

Grow Alfalfa
SPECIAL AT SPUR DRUG STORE
\$1.50 bottle Ben Hurr Toilet Water and \$1.00 box Ben Hurr Face Powder—Both for \$1.00.

MRS. NED HOGAN ENTERTAINED FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Mrs. Ned Hogan entertained members of the Friday Afternoon Club and other guest Friday of last week at her home in the north part of the city. Following a number of interesting games of 42, a business session of the club was had and at which time Mesdames Sullivan and Duke Daniels were elected to the club membership. After the entertaining features and business session the hostess served delightful refreshments to the guests.

MRS. FRED D. REYNOLDS ENTERTAINED 1925 BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Fred D. Reynolds was hostess Wednesday afternoon to members of the 1925 Bridge Club. Three tables were laid and four engrossing games played in which Mrs. Nellie Davis won high score and was awarded a vamp-face hand mirror and powder puff. Mrs. Jennings was consoled with a vamp face powder puff, and Mrs. Cecil Fox received the high score guest prize, a pair of vamp-face garters. Refreshments of chicken salad, wafers, sweet pickles, cut cake, hot tea with lemon and cream, and potato chips. The plate favors were vamp face pencils. Those enjoying the hospitality of the hostess were Mesdames Hill Perry, R. E. Dickson, F. W. Jennings, C. L. Love, E. C. Edmonds, Nellie Davis, C. B. Jones, Julian Alger, Jas. B. Reed, Oran McClure, Cecil Fox and Roy Harkey.

MISS MILDRED GIPSON HOSTESS TO THE SENIORS

Friday evening of last week, Miss Mildred Gipson was hostess to the Senior Class of the Dickens High School and other invited guests at her home in Dickens.

Four tables were arranged for the fascinating games of "42". Very unique were the tally cards and the manner of progression and getting partners. The rooms were lovely decorated with the class colors of purple and white.

The game hour was highly interesting with a delicious salad plate, cherry punch and cake served made it a most enjoyable evening for Misses Katherine Blair, Maud Slough, Lexie Terry, Linnye Harkey, Kanna Stephens, Iris Borden, Beryl Harkey Messrs. Guy Goen, Richard Thacker, Jackie Spencer, Earl Bailey, Doc Griffin, Harold Blair, Archie Green, Jack Gipson and Fred Arrington.

ESPUELA HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Espuela Home Demonstration club met at the home of Mrs. A. B. Morgan on April 8th.

Due to the inclemency of the weather and sickness in the community, only a few members were present. The subject was transplanting and alteration of dress patterns.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. A. Murphy on April 22. The subject will be: Embroidery stitches.

Grow Alfalfa
G. W. Odum, of near Floydada, was a recent business visitor in the city of Spur.

Grow Alfalfa
J. W. Smith, of near Dickens, was in Spur Thursday.

Grow Alfalfa
E. L. Caraway and Luther Hindman returned Wednesday from a business trip to Sweetwater.

Grow Alfalfa
Attorney W. E. Lessing, of Abilene, was in Spur this week on professional business and attending the session of county court.

Grow Alfalfa
Attorney A. J. Folley, of Floydada, spent several days here this week, being water bound.

Grow Alfalfa
E. C. Edmonds and Cal Martin started to Sweetwater on business this week, but turned back on account of rain and bad roads.

Grow Alfalfa
J. C. Jones was here Monday from Jayton.

Grow Alfalfa
H. C. and Willie Eldredge were here Thursday from McAdoo.

WATSON ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Crafton and family, who have all had the flu are just able to be up. Last Thursday Mr. Crafton was able to visit his mother, who is still very low, but returned home to the bed. Monday he was again called to the bedside of his mother, who had become much worse.

One day last week our school was dismissed on account of small pox. There were two successful looking oil men in Watson one day the past week.

It is still raining over here and the farmers are smiling big.

Miss Minnie Byrd, of Hereford, who is here visiting with her sister, Mrs. Joe Gilmore, is entertaining the small pox but is doing nicely.

Messrs J. F. Crump, H. N. Springer and W. B. Ford were practicing up on "42" one day right recently.

Mr. J. Gilmore, our commissioner, was seen on his way to Crosbyton the first of the week.

Mr. Gilmore is in favor greatly of having a telephone here. He says he needs it in his business which we are sure is true, since it saves lots of trips to Crosbyton, just to say a few words.

Last Saturday, Miss Ada Crafton came home from Mrs. Stull's but returned Sunday to again be with her and also help take care of her grand mother, Mother Crafton. Mrs. Stull is just recuperating from the pneumonia.

There were two gin men down last week seeing to matters concerning the gin to be built here.—Corespon.

WICHITA NEWS

As it is quiet and raining we will come again.

Bro. Plant filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The singing at Mr. Mimms was enjoyed by all present, Sunday night.

Miss Ollie Pierce, of Oklahoma, and Thelma Thacker, of Dickens, were the guests of Miss Eola Lambert, Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Lois Lee was the guest of Miss Bill Thannisch Saturday night. Misses Bill Thannisch, Lois and Veda Lee and Mr. Earnest Thannisch were in Spur Sunday.

Mr. Harvey Lovell chaperoned the Volley Ball Girls to the show Saturday night.

Mr. Huli Giddins and wife, of Chillicothe, and Miss Pierce and son and daughter, of Baswell, Oklahoma, were in our community Sunday.

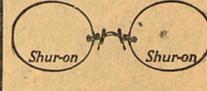
Mr. Thacker, of Dickens, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Marine Than



Don't blame the Type, it May be Your Eyes!

"Confound this Telephone Directory! Why can't they print it so a man can read it? If it is difficult for you to read names in a telephone directory, your eyes need attention."

Have Your Eyes Examined



GRUBEN BROS.
"Known the World Over."

nisch, Sunday.
Mr. Joe Lambert and family, of Spur, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lambert, one night this week.

Misses Ollie Pierce, Thelma Thacker, and Gladys Hash and Messrs Bert Hash and Herman Thacker were the dinner guests of Misses Edna and Eola Lambert, Sunday.

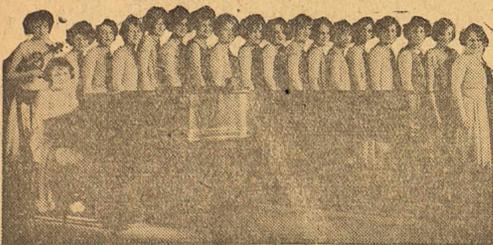
As it is a norther we will ring off.—Two Friends.

Diversify
We are glad to note that J. Vernon Powell is now able to be up and walking about, after a protracted and very critical illness of pneumonia. During his illness Mr. Powell was brought in to the Nichols Sanitarium for medical treatment and careful nursing, and at one time the gravest fears were entertained for his recovery.

Grow Alfalfa
S. C. Rawlings, of the Highway community, was here one day during the week. He recently bought lots on which to build a residence in Spur with the view of moving here for school purposes.

Grow Alfalfa
J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was here the past week.

Senior Class Presents Treble Clef Club of Howard Payne College Sat. Night.

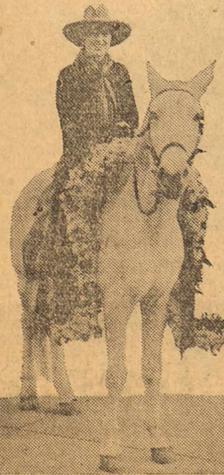


Above is a picture of Cameron Marshall's famous Treble Clef Glee Club, of Howard Payne College, at Brownwood, which is to give a concert Saturday night at the Spur High School Auditorium. The Club is here under the auspices of the Senior Class of 1926.

To the left is a picture of "The Old Grey Mare" mounted by one of the members of the club.

The Treble Clef Club is one of the best in Texas. It is composed of twenty members all of whom are noted singers and several of whom have formerly been on circuits of big time vaudeville in New York, Chicago and other great cities.

Eight of the members are soloists of distinction and are graduates of the great musical conservatories of the country.



SPECIAL SALE!
FOR ONE WEEK!
STARTS SATURDAY
April 24, Ends Saturday, May 1st.

1 Lot Silk Dresses, \$12.50 to \$16.50 values.	\$9.95
Special for this one week	
1 Lot Silk Dresses, \$17.50 to \$22.50 values	\$14.95
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1 Lot Silk Dresses, \$29.50 to \$32.50 values	\$22.50
Special for this one week	

1 lot Summer Hats, \$9 val.	\$5.85	Heavy Canvas Gloves 3 for only	25c
1 lot Turkish Towels 35c value for	19c	Mens Sun Hats For One week	5c
1 lot Huck Towels 35c values for	19c	Mens Colored Border Handkerchiefs, for	5c
Best 27in. Bird Eye, 10 yds.	\$1.39	Discount on All Mens and Boys Clothing	10 PER CENT
Mens Straw Hats Pickle of the house	\$1.95		

**Many More Items Included in This Sale
COME SEE FOR YOURSELF!**

B. SCHWARZ & SON
"A Good, Safe Place to Trade"
SPUR, TEXAS

Mrs. Jeff D. Harkey and daughter, Miss Linnye Harkey, were shopping in Spur Monday morning of this week. Miss Linnye is one of members of the graduating class this year in the Dickens High School, and is a young lady of charming personality as well as literary accomplishments.

Diversify
E. C. Edmonds and C. L. Martin were business visitors Tuesday to Sweetwater.

District manager Pinson, of the Southwestern Telephone Company, was in Spur the past week from his headquarters at Stamford, spending a day here looking after the local business. He reports business conditions good throughout the district at this time.

Diversify
Saturday is usually campaign day now in Spur, and possibly will continue so until after the primary election in July.

J. B. Hardin and wife, who were here to attend the funeral of her father, W. H. Putman, returned the past week to their home at Stephenville. Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore and Loyd Putman, of Vernon, and Mrs. Simmons of El Paso, also returned to their homes.

Grow Alfalfa
Dr. M. H. Brannen will be out of the city all next week, attending a state convention of dentists which meets in Wichita Falls.

J. Boyd, Jr., is in Houston, having accepted a position with a cotton organization for the summer months. He is also making the race in Dickens county for public weigher of precinct three. We have heard of men making political races for state and district offices without personally being identified in the race, but this is the first time we ever heard of a precinct or county candidate making a race while absent from the campaigning zone. The result of Mr. Boyd's candidacy will be noted by many. He is an expert cotton man, possibly knows every voter in this precinct, and possibly every voter will know that he is in the race—therefore the result may be some indication as to whether or not that "personal touch" may be of paramount importance in a local campaign.

Diversify
W. D. Street, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Street has been serving his precinct as constable the past several years. He is now making the race for sheriff wholly upon his merits as a peace officer and his desire to hold a better position. Before coming to Dickens county and for the past twenty odd years Mr. Street has served as a peace officer in various capacities and is well versed in the work and requirements of the office. If favored for the sheriff's office at the coming election he says he will fill the place without fear or favor of all law violators and will be on the job both day and night.

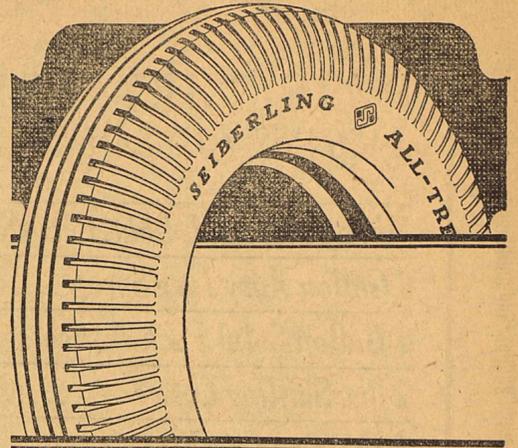
Diversify
T. H. Tallent, of Gilpin, spent several days of this week in Spur meeting with his friends and attending to business affairs. Several years ago the water well on Mr. Tallent's place daily pumped considerable oil with the water, and it was thought that possibly a small vein of oil had broken into the well. However, he later took out a joint of the pipe through which the water was pumped, and afterwards was not bothered with the oil. At that time there was also considerable talk of drilling a test for oil, but to this date nothing has been done. We are confident that within a few years oil wells will be drilled in every part of the country, and it is our opinion that pools will be uncovered in more than one section.

Diversify
Spur has now become a real shopping center. Most of the shoppers select the places to trade by reading the advertising columns of the Texas Spur before coming to town. Therefore advertising in the columns of the Texas Spur can in no wise be considered a "donation proposition"—in fact if it were there would be no justification for its existence as a commercial proposition. Ten thousand people read the Texas Spur each week, and most of those ten thousand people do some trading in Spur. There is no cheaper or better way of reaching these people with trade offerings than through the columns of the Texas Spur at thirty cents per inch for display advertising.

Diversify
Joe Christal and Edwin Woody, made a trip the past week up into the Panhandle oil fields. This is the biggest oil pool yet uncovered in the entire world, and they, as well as all others who visit the field, say that it is the greatest thing they ever viewed, with respect to people and developments not only in oil but in town building. A townsite will be laid off one day and within only a few days business and residence lots will be occupied, first with temporary shacks and later with blocks and substantial buildings.

Diversify
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of the Wilson Draw community, were here Monday, shopping and visiting with their friends.

Grow Alfalfa
S. B. Boykin, of north of Spur two or three miles, was in the city Monday of this week, trading some and giving friendly greeting to his many acquaintances of town and country.



For Sale at
PENNANT SERVICE STATION

J. P. SIMMONS, Prop.

SEIBERLING ALL-TREADS

C. D. Copeland, of east of Spur several miles, was here during the week, stating that he had already started planting on his farms, but that cold weather and rains have interrupted. Old timers tell us that the safest plan is to watch the mesquite trees, and when they green out you may know spring is here, but not before.

A. M. Shepherd, of Dry Lake, was here Monday on business, and incidentally doing a little campaigning on the side in his race for public weigher.

Grow Alfalfa
Mrs. Paul Akin, who has been visiting her father, Dr. T. J. Earnest and family at Ranger, returned the past week to her home near Dickens.

USED CAR BARGAINS

- One Ford Truck
- One Star Touring
- One Ford Touring
- One Hudson Coach

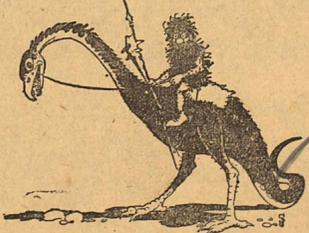
HARKEY & McCLURE

Mrs. John Mitchell was among the shoppers in Spur Saturday from Roaring Springs.

Grow Alfalfa
Mrs. Herman King, of Roaring Springs, was a visitor and shopper in Spur Saturday.

Tom Fulton and Cecil Burnham were among those in Lubbock Sunday.

Diversify
Roy Edmonds, Bullie Clay, Abb McLanahan and Hobart Dick were Lubbock visitors Sunday.



Means of Transportation Have Improved Greatly in the Last Few Years

PENNSYLVANIA VACUUM CUP AND BADGER TIRES ARE THE BEST OF THE PRESENT AGE!

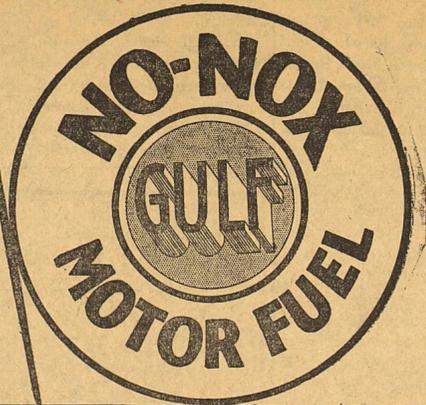
MAPLES GARAGE

Agents for Arborphone and Threola Cabinet Radios. Best Sets, at Reasonable Prices.

stop that
CARBON KNOCK



CARBON KNOCK or motor detonation aside from being annoying greatly reduces power efficiency—combustion taking place before the complete rise of the piston. The mechanical method of correcting such knocks is to retard the spark which again reduces power efficiency. Many gasoline mixtures have been devised which in a way might eliminate the knock but oftimes the remedy is worse than the ailment. In **NO-NOX Motor Fuel** we have the remedy without a single harmful feature—it positively takes the carbon knock out of the motor, and any motorist knows that this means easier and quicker acceleration, smoother running motor and More Power, less gear shifts and generally a more satisfactory operation of the car at a lower repair cost.



The **ORANGE gas**
at the sign of the **ORANGE DISC**

NO-NOX is Non-Noxious, Non-Poisonous and no more harmful to man or motor than ordinary gasoline. We ask you to try it, after that be your own judge.

NO-NOX is priced only three cents per gallon higher than That Good Gulf Gasoline.

GULF REFINING COMPANY

COAL FEED
SUPERIOR PRODUCTS

You Need Them All!

Baby Chick Starter—Scratch Feed—
Growing Mash—Oyster Shells and
Meat Scraps,
Grow bigger and healthier chickens

King & Sample

"Spur's Progressive Feed Store"

KEROSENE SUB-OILS GASOLINE

G. W. Day, of the Croton country, was a business visitor in Spur Monday of this week. Mr. Day and his family formerly lived near Spur, moving the first of the year to the E. B. Shaw place on Croton where they are farming a considerable acreage this year with the very finest prospects prevailing, there now being an ideal top and bottom season in the ground. Mr. Day insisted that his Texas Spur be mailed to his new address each week in order that he be kept informed of the happenings of town and country.

H. C. Allen, of Dry Lake, was in the city Monday morning, meeting with his friends, talking good times, and evidenced optimism of bountiful crop harvests this fall. Mr. Allen was one of the number of farmers who planted wheat earlier in the year, and for some time was somewhat pessimistic because of the unfavorable conditions. However, since the rains of this and the past month, his wheat crop is coming to the front with promise now of an abundant harvest later on.

Grow Alfalfa—
Miss Bess Hellums spent Sunday in Stamford, the guest of friends.

Diversify—
Penn Shugart, of east of Spur, was here Monday transacting business.

DID YOU KNOW

THE WINDY SEASON IS HERE—You can put out a fire, but you can't stop a wind storm—INSURE TODAY!

DAVIS & OUSLEY

Telephone 264 Spur, Texas
Spur Nat'l. Bank Bldg.

BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.

*A Good Yard
In a Good Town*

R. A. Hodges, of Abilene, who promoted and is now interested in the oil developments in progress on what is known as the Davis blocked acreage, was here the latter part of the past week, looking over the situation and assisting in closing up the drilling contracts preparatory to beginning drilling. Actual drilling work will probably be in progress within the next ten days or two weeks. Wildcat oil drillings are usually slow, and too many are inclined to become impatient at showings made. Innumerable handicaps are to be encountered in wildcat oil territory.

Charley Austin, of four or five miles to the north east of Spur, was here Monday morning. He is now engaged in building the slush-pit for the test well for oil on the Davis blocked acreage to the northeast of Spur several miles. If the test well should prove to be a producer, we have grave fears that it would ruin quite a number of good farmers as well as other business who are anxiously watching and awaiting the results of this test.

Diversify—
Mrs. Red Mitchell, of Roaring Springs was among the throngs of shoppers in Spur Saturday.

Singer Sewing Machines

Let us show you the latest improvement in portable electrics. Does away with labor; is time saving and makes sewing a pleasure. We also have the latest improved treadle machines.

Call us and let us install one on trial. We will trade for your old machine.

67 CENTS A WEEK PAYS FOR THE LATEST IMPROVED SINGER

R. T. BILLS

Salesman & Colector Spur, Texas

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At Spur Hardware & Furniture Co.
SPUR, TEXAS
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"By Injection Method"
See me at Dr. Hale's Office.
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Music and Expression
Leschitzky and Dunning methods of music, and Emerson methods of expression.
Phone 33

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Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat
Diseases a Specialty
Office in Wendell Bldg.
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We Clean Clothes to Your Advantage and Benefit

We Clean, Press and Repair on Short Notice!
Phone 18, and we will get and deliver them promptly

Spur Tailor Shop
IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

Mebane and Rowden Cotton Seed

GUARANTEED PURE FOR PLANTING

Rowden, \$2.50 bu.
Mebane, \$3.00 bu.

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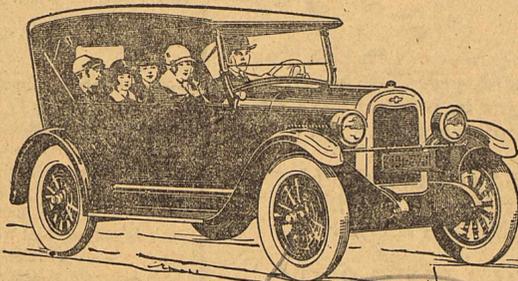
At Sunshine Service Station

COMMERCIAL SCHOOL IN SPUR

I will start an 8-weeks Commercial Class, teaching shorthand, bookkeeping, typewriting and commercial law. in Spur, beginning May 24th, 1926.

MRS. JOSIE MORRISON
Box 22, Spur, Texas

for Economical Transportation



The Touring Car
\$510

Roadster . . . \$510
Coupe . . . 645
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Sedan . . . 735
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1/2 Ton Truck 395
(Chassis Only)
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(Chassis Only)
All prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan

so Smooth

—that after a single ride you will pronounce the Improved Chevrolet a revelation in low-priced-car performance.

so Powerful

—that its ability to conquer hills and plow through mud or sand will literally amaze you.

so Durable

—that the passing months will prove to you as it has to millions, the lasting economy of buying this low-priced car of modern design and quality construction. Let us give you one ride in the Improved Chevrolet!

SPUR CHEVROLET CO.

QUALITY AT LOW COST

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reddell, of the McAdoo country, were shoppers and visitors in Spur Friday of last week. Mrs. Reddell was making preparations to leave for the Eastern part of the state, having been notified of the critical illness of her mother at the time.

Diversify—
County Clerk O. C. Arthur came over Saturday from Dickens, spent the day here meeting with the many voters in furthering his campaign for reelection to the office.

Paul Akin was here Monday and Tuesday from his farm and ranch home near Dickens. He has been down in the oil belt the past several years, but states that hereafter he intends to stay with the business of farming which is more satisfactory and profitable in the long-run.

Grow Alfalfa—
E. C. Gipson, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday meeting with voters in pushing his campaign for County Judge, and also transacting business affairs.

Dr. Earnest, of Ranger, has been spending several days of this week in Spur, visiting at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Akin of near Dickens. Mr. Earnest owns a number of tracts of land in the Spur country, including some of the best farms and farm homes of the country. He is also among those who are very optimistic of oil developments of the surrounding country.

Diversify—
Mrs. Newt Harkey was the guest of friends in Lubbock Sunday.

THE TIME PROVEN
Essex "6" Coach

\$875.00

At Your Door
With Nothing Else to Pay

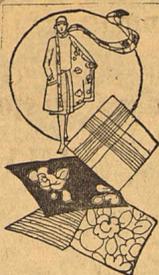
Equipped With
Front and Rear Bumpers;
Automatic Windshield Cleaner;
Rear View Mirror; Transmission Lock (built-in);
Radiator Shutters; Motor-Meter; Combination Stop and Tail Light.

Of Course You Want a "Six"

Essex costs little more than lowest priced "Fours". Built on famous Super-Six patents it gives the performance, comfort, smoothness, good looks and riding ease of the largest selling "Six" type in the world. It is economical in fuel, tires, oil and maintenance. It retains high resale value. In every automobile quality it is time proved in the hands of more than 300,000 owners.

HARKEY & MCCLURE

New Printed
SILKS
For Summer



For every sewing need when planning your summer outfit, you will find these fresh, new designs in printed silks decidedly useful and practical.

VISIT OUR STORE, YOU'LL BE SURPRISED AT THE BARGAINS OFFERED!

LAYNE-YATES & CO.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Dickens.

To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of John Elvin Law, deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the Estate of John Elvin Law, deceased, late of Dickens County, Texas, by H. A. C. Brummett, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 20th day of April A. D. 1926, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence in Dickens County, Texas, and whose post office address is Roaring Springs, Texas, where he receives his mail, and may be mailed to him at Dickens, Texas, care of B. G. Worswick, this the 20th day of April A. D. 1926.—D. W. Hughes, Administrator of the estate of John Elvin Law, deceased.

Stamp Act Repealed

The act requiring certain legal documents to be stamped was repealed by Congress April 30. Congress would have done another reasonable and highly just act had it put a stop to Uncle Sam's printing envelopes. The printer is the only person who has the Government as a competitor, and the Government loses money for the taxpayers every time it prints envelopes, as it prints them less than cost, why not establish in every town a store and sell everything that the public needs at less than cost, and then pay the Government deficit in taxes? That's the way we have to make up the postal deficit of several millions every year.—Snyder Signal.

Grow Alfalfa—John Randall and family, of a few miles south of Spur, were here shopping Wednesday.

Grow Alfalfa—Chas. McLaughlin, of McAdoo, was in Spur Monday.

Grow Alfalfa—Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Copeland of the Plains country, were visiting in Spur Thursday.

BAND PROGRAM

Spur Municipal Band in concert at the Spur Inn, Spur, Texas, Sunday, April 25, 1926. G. C. Collum, director, W. B. Lee, Manager.

New Colonial March, by Hall; Waldemar, March, Losey; American Legion, March, Parker; March Olevine, Vandercook; The Devil in the Deep Blue Sea, (Bass solo by Vernon Powell), King; Broadway one-step, or two-step, King; The Screamer, March by Jewell; Sleepy Time Gal, Foxtrot, Lorenzo and Whiting; On Dress Parade, march, Chambers; A Night in June, serenade, King; Liz, fox-trot, Noel; United We Stand, (Med. Patriotic Airs), Hayes.

"Blessed are those that are musically minded." This concert will begin promptly at Three o'clock as usual. If you have any doubt as to the ability of Spur's talent, hear this program and Then Boost, for with the help of the business men of Spur, we are going to step forward in new uniforms. Then you will be telling your friends what Our band is doing—now if it is Our band, let us show others what we can do. Are we going to Amarillo in New Uniforms, or just any old way?—Contributed.

Dicken Business Men Present Medals to the League Boys and Girls

The Interscholastic League of Dickens County wish to thank the good business men of Dickens for their medals which they presented to the girls and boys of Dickens County that took part in the League work in our schools.

They were as follows and the number of medals: O. C. Arthur, 11; H. A. C. Brummett, 10; M. L. Jones, 10; F. C. Gipson, 6; O. L. Hale, 4; W. G. Crego, 4; C. A. Gladdish, 2; City National Bank, 1.

We are very glad that the following schools took an interest in this work: Croton, Dickens, Midway, Espuela.

Grow Alfalfa—T. J. Harvey, of north of Spur, was here Wednesday.

Volley Ball Girls of Dickens Win County Championship Tests

The Volley Ball Girls of the Dickens High School wish to thank Mr. O. C. Arthur for the six first place medals presented to us for winning the county championship. We are proud of Mr. Arthur for the interest he has shown in the various schools of Dickens County to encourage them in this event. Of course we are proud our school won and we are proud the Croton girls took the interest they did after their school had closed.

We are going to the district and hope to win there.

We thank Mr. Arthur again and hope to be of service to him in the near future for he is always ready to do his duty.

We are the Volly Ball Girls and coach as follows: Opal Harris, Lexie Terry, Thelma Thacker, May Roberts, Iris Borden, Dannie Street, Captain, and Fred Arrington, Coach.

Diversify THE SPARK PLUG OF BUSINESS

A merchant who jumps in and out of the advertising columns of his local paper gets about the same results that a motorist would get were he to pull the sparkplugs out of a couple of cylinders of his four cylinder motor. He wouldn't enjoy the long, straight, ever increasingly powerful pull of his motor, he would go by jerks and stops. And since advertising is the sparkplug that ignites the desire of the prospective customer to keep the motive power of the merchant's store pulling steadily, how can that merchant expect his business to pull straight along if he slips out a couple of advertising sparkplugs every once in a while.

Modern merchandising parallels peculiarly the automobile power plant. Feed a good grade of gas into a properly functioning carburetor—let it be efficiently ignited by well cleaned sparkplugs and the rest of the mechanism is apt to do its work, and not too much of the power producing units will go out of the gas exhaust manifolds.

Just the same with the retail store. Appropriate a reasonable amount of money for advertising space in your local newspaper, let it "spark" regularly before your buying public, and the staff behind the buying counter can see to it that the stock is turned with consistent regularity and "dead" merchandise is held at a minimum. Small space consistently, continuously and intelligently used, is a better foundation for the retail merchandising than big space spurts and equally big dead spots in the continuity of your store.—Albany News.

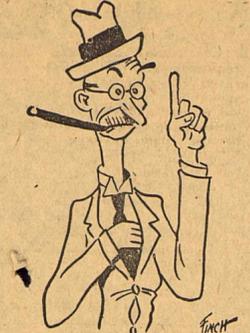
Diversify W. H. Smith for Commissioner in Kent Co.

We are authorized to announce W. H. Smith as a candidate for reelection as Commissioner of Precinct 2 in Kent County. W. H. Smith is serving as commissioner at the present time, and has been most active in building and maintaining roads and looking after other matters of importance and interest to constituents not only of his precinct but the entire county. He has been in the county for years, knows the needs and will continue to be active economical and efficient in looking after county affairs coming before the board of commissioners. He respectfully solicits the favorable consideration of voters in his precinct in the primary election.

Grow Alfalfa W. S. Hunter for Constable of Precinct 3

We are authorized to announce W. S. Hunter as a candidate for Constable of Precinct 3. Every voter in the precinct knows W. S. Hunter. He respectfully solicits the vote, support and influence of all voters, both men and women, and if elected promises to stay on the job at all times and see that all law violators, rich or poor, regardless of personal standing, are brought to the courts of justice.

YOU TELL'EM



Too many men who boast of being self made were interrupted before the job was finished

Your Sunday Dinners

With any one of the following suggestions is bound to be delicious:

MEATS

We can furnish you the choicest cuts from the choicest meats!

Central Market

THE PROSPEROUS 12

Clarence Ousley: Here is the best argument I have heard for safe farming in Texas: At a typical county seat in North Texas, the first week in February a meeting was held, attended by about two hundred farmers, bankers and leading business men of the town. Several addresses were made on the present cotton crisis and the danger of further losses from another big crop. Finally one of the bankers present asked that all farmers who had corn in the crib of their own production to arise. 12 men arose. After they were seated he asked for farmers who had meat in the smokehouse of their own raising and curing to arise. The same twelve men arose. After they were seated he asked that all who had money in the bank which they did not borrow to arise. The same twelve men arose.—Exchange.

Diversify DIED

Mrs. W. A. Hicks died at her home in Dickens Tuesday morning at four o'clock. Mrs. Hicks had been sick several days with pneumonia and it was thought for awhile that she would recover but the Grim Reaper claimed her. It has not been a year since Mr. Hicks died. She leaves one married daughter, Mrs. Clarence Hickman and a little daughter five years old to mourn her death.

Funeral services were held in the Dickens Cemetery Tuesday evening. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones.

A Pleasing Job



We have so many women customers who will allow no one else to repair their footwear that we are certain our work must please. Try us the next time and see what we can do for you.

BLANTON'S Electric Shoe and Harness Shop.

Poultry Experts Give Advice on Culling To Get Good Layers

According to several local poultry experts the question of culling flocks of farm chickens is often a bit of worry to the average poultry farmer. No flock of chickens can be culled too close, especially at this time of the year. Spring is here and no one should keep any fowl on the place that is not a good breeder. The idea that a large flock of chickens should be kept the year round is not good, as eggs from this time on bring a very small price. Hens can be sold at this time for a higher price than they will bring later on, and it costs real money to keep hens and feed them through the summer. Cull to about twenty to forty of your very best hens and pullets, sell the rest, and this few that you keep will furnish plenty of eggs for your incubator and for table use. The money that you receive from surplus hens that you sell will be much more than what you would receive from eggs if culls are kept.

Bear in mind that in culling only keep bright eyed, red combed, good healthy stock, if possible free from all standard disqualifications. The male bird is half the flock. If your male birds are not what they should be, sell them and buy good sires; it always pays. One thing that should not be neglected: Stick to purebred stock. It does not cost any more money to feed a purebred chicken than it does to keep a scrub besides a flock of good chickens of any breed are a source of pleasure and profit to the owner, and are good for the eye-sight of the visitor.

Choose for your breed the one you like best, give them good care, stick to that breed and they will pay you dividends. Now is the time to cull, reduce to the minimum, and keep only the best.

Diversify AN EDITOR'S SCHEDULE

We recently came across a schedule of prices charged by a newspaper editor, who offers to give a percent of his earnings to the founding of an asylum for those feeble minded people who believe that an editor has a soft snap.

Here's the schedule; read it closely:

For telling the public that a man is a successful citizen when everybody knows he is as lazy as a bench warmer—\$2.75.

For referring to some gallivanting fellow as one who is mourned by the entire community when he will only be missed by the boozers—\$10.18

For referring to one as a hero and a man of courage and one who will stand by his convictions, when everybody knows he is a moral coward and would sell out for 30 cents—\$6.21.

For referring to some gossiping female as an estimable lady whom it is a pleasure to meet and know when every man in town had rather see Satan coming—\$8.10.

For calling an ordinary preacher an eminent divine—60 cents.

For lambasting the daylight out of John Barleycorn at the behest of the local dry forces—\$6.7555.

For whooping 'er up for the repeal of the Volstead Act in the interest of the local Funnel Club—Two Qts.

For referring to a deceased merchant who never advertised and who was too stingy to subscribe for the paper and too tight to contribute toward any needed public improvement, as a leading citizen and a progressive resident—249.99.

Diversify SPECIAL AT SPUR DRUG STORE

\$1.50 bottle Ben Hurr Toilet Water and \$1.00 box Ben Hurr Face Powder—Both for \$1.00.

Grow Alfalfa—Lon Fuqua, of Red Mud, was in Spur Thursday.

Grow Alfalfa—Jim Crump was here Thursday from his farm home near Watson.

Grow Alfalfa—Buren Smith, of Dry Lake, was in town Thursday.

Grow Alfalfa—Attorneys Wilson, Sullivan and Cowan attended County Court this week at Dickens.

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Also 2-Reel Comedy

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TEN BALES OF COTTON

It takes about ten bales of cotton to finance an average farm family in Texas for one year, statistics show. But as long as these ten bales are grown on forty or fifty acres and leave no land for growing of feed and food there can never be prosperity. Why? Because the money from ten bales of cotton will have to go to meet a crop mortgage instead of being the farmer's, to do with as he may see fit. Now, if this cotton is grown at a loss because of the low average yield, where will the money come from.

If these ten bales of cotton were raised over and above the living on the farm by planting plenty of corn, forage, vegetables and fruit and keeping enough hogs for the family meat supply and enough chickens to supply eggs and friers and a cow or two to provide all the milk, butter and cream a family may need, then the surplus could be sold in the open market and the ten bales of cotton money would be a clean cash surplus to be put in the bank or to go toward payment on a farm and home.

A farm which does not make a living for those on it is scarcely worthy of the name of farm. The time never was, so the records show, when cotton alone, or, for that matter any one crop, could be depended on to keep the farmer out of debt. One-crop farming should have no place in Texas.

True, during the years following the war cotton prices went abnormally high, but they have been going down ever since, and sooner or later, the supply will catch up with the demand and lower price levels will rule. The only way the farmers can meet that condition is to be independent of cotton so far as counting upon it solely for a living.—Ex.

Diversify—Mace Hunter was greeting friends in town one day this week.

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