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The Methodists and Baptists Have Arranged for Union Revival Meeting Beginning Friday

The Methodists and Baptists of Spur have joined in together, combined their forces and arranged for a "union revival meeting" in Spur to begin Friday of this week under a big tent to be conveniently located.

Evangelist V. B. Starnes, a noted and forceful revivalist, will conduct the services, being assisted by K. D. Turner as singer and business manager, and Miss Alice McKnight as pianist.

Trucks have gone to Rotan to move the big tent to Spur, which will be erected in time for the beginning of the meeting Friday. The tent has a seating capacity of some two or three thousand, and will be heated and made comfortable in order that weather conditions may not the least interfere or interrupt the series of meetings each day and night.

All denominations are invited and urged to attend the services and join in making this one of the greatest revivals ever held in Spur.

A "winter revival" is a departure from the usual custom of "summer" revivals, but the Spur Pastors and church membership are very enthusiastic and are working to the end that the revival at this time will even surpass the summer services in lasting good and a great revival of old time religion.

Singing Convention Met Sunday Last at Dickens City

The Dickens County Singing Convention met last Sunday at Dickens, in the high school auditorium, enjoying the entire day in singing, dinner being served on the ground and the full day given to the enjoyment of the occasion.

A large number were in attendance, and all enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent.

The Church of Christ

All the services at the Church of Christ were well attended yesterday. Fine interest in the study of the Bible in the classes. The younger peoples meeting at 5:00 P. M.

There were two more additions to the Church of Christ in Spur after the sermon by Bro. Rice at 11:00 A. M.

Bro. Rice is at home this week but will return Friday and preach over Sunday.

The protracted meeting of the Church of Christ has been postponed until February 6th.

Champion Cotton Pullers Now on the H. H. Butler Farm

H. H. Butler claims to have on his place to the southwest of Spur, two champion cotton pullers of Western Texas.

Paul Hagood of Young county, and Allen Brown of Dickens county, the two champions, Tuesday pulled 2,308 pounds of cotton, Hagood getting 1143 pounds, while Brown pulled 1165 pounds.

These gentlemen were not racing nor testing their ability to the limit as cotton pullers, and should this record be broken they no doubt could show even better records.

Oil Test to be Made on C. D. Byrd Ranch in Motley County

C. D. Byrd, of Matador, was among the business visitors to Spur the past week. Mr. Byrd informs us that a lease contract for oil development has been made and that at the present time a rig is being erected on his ranch near Matador. It is expected that drilling operations will soon be begun. Several deep tests have been made in the Matador territory, and the fact that other tests are being contemplated is strong evidence that the oil fraternity is pretty thoroughly convinced that oil is to be found at some point in that territory. It has been the history or experience in practically every oil field that many months and even years were required in locating and bringing in the oil. Up in the Panhandle oil field, which is said to be the biggest in the world, drillers operated for years before the oil was brought in—and when it was brought in, big producing wells were brought in over the same territory where tests had been made and dry holes resulted. It apparently is an easy matter to "pass up" the oil in drilling, and later, when every thing gets right, the oil is brought in the territory formerly declared dry. It is said the Trent oil field had formerly been condemned as dry territory, it now promising to be one among the big fields. Dickens, Motley, Kent, Garza and Stonewall counties will also become oil producing counties some time in the future, but just how long that may be is mere speculation on the part of those not on the inside of the oil game.

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South Plains R. R. Now Under Construction

Plainview, Jan. 9.—Purchasing of the right-of-way through Hale county and Plainview for the new line of the Fort Worth and Denver South Plains Railroad, which is already under construction near Estelline, where the line begins, is underway to Plainview.

The purchases are being handled by a committee, known as the Burlington trustees, composed of E. M. Carter, Cuy Jacob, A. E. Boyd, E. H. Humphrey and A. B. Martin, all of whom have taken an active part in the securing the Fort Worth and Denver line into South Plains.

F. E. Clarity, general manager of the road, has notified Charles Reinken, general railroad chairman of the Board of City Development of Plainview, that construction work will begin at Plainview and proceed eastward just as soon as the right-of-way is obtained. They would like to begin actual work at Plainview not later than February 1st.

G. B. Jeter Becomes a Partner With Murphy Bros. in Lone Star Stage Line.

Last week G. B. Jeter, of Stamford, purchased an interest with Murphy Brothers in the Lone Star Stage business, and will hereafter be personally identified with them in the operation and management of the business. Mr. Jeter will have his headquarters in Stamford, making daily trips from that point to Spur and back, while a line car will also be operated from this end of the line, thus giving travelers and the public unexcelled advantages and schedules through the country.

The Lone Star Stage makes connections with other stage lines to every point in the country, and thru this stage line service the public is given a much better service than it has ever been possible for railways.

Another advantage is that the charges for hauling passengers is cheaper than railway charges.

Avalon Club Gives First Entertainment Saturday Evening

Members of the Avalon Club had its first entertainment Saturday evening of last week at its club hall in the south part of the city, there being thirty odd couples and club members present to enjoy this the first entertainment since the organization of the club the first of the year.

Dillard's Blue Troubadours, a five-piece orchestra, furnished music for occasion, and until the wee small hours the evening was made most pleasant for each of the large number in attendance.

The Avalon Club was organized for the specific purpose of furnishing clean, wholesome social entertainment for its membership, and at all times its club rooms will be restricted to its membership and guests of club members, thus avoiding the objectionable features of public entertainments.

The success of the Avalon Club is already assured and will become recognized as one of the most pleasing social clubs heretofore organized in the city.

Farmer Loses Bale of Cotton by fire on the Spur-Dickens Road Last Week

John Thomason suffered the loss of a bale of cotton and narrowly escaped the loss of his wagon by fire Thursday of last week on the road coming to the gin.

In driving along the road, it is said, Mr. Thomason fired up his pipe with the result that sparks ignited the cotton. He stated that if he did not have to pay for the picking, the loss would have been of little consequence to him.

Croton Farmer Making A Hundred Bales But Getting Little Money

S. L. Porter, of the Croton section of country, was in Spur the first of the week with cotton for the gins and market, and while here Mr. Porter called in and had his subscription moved up a year or two, thus helping the newspaper man also to tide over the financial stringency. Mr. Porter will this year make around one hundred bales of cotton, stating that he did not know whether he could be in position to gather all of it, but that he would get as much of it as he could before planting time again.

This past year has been one in which plenty of everything was produced, yet people had less money than ever before and possibly experienced harder times than ever before—drought years not excepted.

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Long Staple Cotton Makes Bale And \$3.00 Premium

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of a few miles east of Spur, were in the city Wednesday shopping and visiting among friends. In conversation with Mr. Wilson, he informed us that his long staple cotton this year made a bale to the acre and commanded a premium of approximately three dollars per hundred on the market. This is concrete evidence that the growing of long staple cotton is and will be a paying proposition in the Spur country as well as elsewhere in the cotton producing belt.

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"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and Tuesday. Come.

One death and three Burned in Fire destroying Stonewall Ranch Home

The entire country was shocked Tuesday when Mrs. Nash was burned to death and her father and mother also severely burned when the J. D. Patterson farm and ranch home in Stonewall county was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Nash, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, is said to have been replenishing a fire in the home when her clothing caught on fire, she running through the house and spreading the flames, her clothing being completely burned on her body, inflicting bodily burns which caused death a few hours later. In an endeavor to tear her clothing from Mrs. Nash, both Mr. and Mrs. Patterson sustained severe burns.

J. D. Patterson and family are among the oldest residents of Stonewall county, and their ranch home was one of the largest and finest and first to be constructed in the county, being located some three or four miles to the northwest of Peacock.

The Pattersons have many friends and acquaintances throughout the country who will sympathize with them in this disastrous fire and consequent bereavement.

Well Informed Farmer Talks Optimistically

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was in the city Wednesday on business. While experiencing with all others of the country, the financial depression, Mr. Shaw talked more optimistically than any man we have heard express himself lately. Mr. Shaw is of the opinion that within the next sixty or ninety days we will begin experiencing an era of prosperity, easy money and good times generally. He keeps well posted on national affairs, as well as locally. He figures that the G.O.P. is getting uneasy and will begin laying the foundation for a successful campaign, by making money easy in the construction of railways, backing and building factories and other industries in the South, and thus making things easier for the people in general. There is no question in our mind but that there is at the present time a quiet revolution under way in the minds and hearts of the common people—how it may develop and terminate remains to be seen—but there is no question but that radical changes will be made throughout the land. No doubt, it may be for the better, and good times may be just around the corner.

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Norris Murder Trial Begun Monday At State Capitol

Austin, Jan. 9.—The death penalty for the Rev. J. Frank Norris will be sought by the State and an absolute acquittal will be asked by the defense in the trial of the Fort Worth pastor, which is scheduled to begin Monday morning in Criminal District Court at Austin.

Rev. Mr. Norris faces trial on a murder indictment growing out of the killing of D. E. Chipps on July 17 in the pastor's study at the First Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

The law of self defense which gives man the right to defend himself from the unlawful attack of another person.

The law of murder which says that man shall not, without just cause take the life of his fellow man.

These are the two main issues at stake in the murder case against Rev. J. Frank Norris.

Spur Merchant Branching Out After Oil Field Money and Business

Joe T. Salem left this week for Borger and other Panhandle oil field towns. He was accompanied to Amarillo by Tom Salem who will visit there with his mother for a time. Mr. Salem is arranging to open up a branch dry goods business in the oil belt, very probably at Borger, with the view of enjoying some of the extensive cash business which is said to be transacted without interruption even through the summer months. In fact, it is said that as much business is transacted during the summer as in the fall throughout the oil belts, whereas, in cotton growing communities the principal business is done during fall months. There are a number of other Spur people who have profited by going to the oil field towns, and here is hoping that all of them may continue to get a liberal share of the easy money said to be continuously changing hands in all lines of business.

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Motley County Road Bond Issue Defeated in Election Dec. 30

The proposed bond issue of two hundred thousand dollars for the construction of highways in Motley county, was defeated by a small margin in an election held throughout the county December 30th.

The vote was 286 against the proposition and 469 for the bonds, a two-thirds majority vote being required to carry the proposal.

Croton defeats Spur Basketball Team Thursday Last

The Croton Basketball team defeated the Spur team in a game here Thursday of last week, the score being 17 to 2.

Wylie Stafford is the only one of the Spur team to make a goal, while the Croton team is said to have made good plays all around.

A Croton citizen told us that "Spur was just out-classed," however, the team here says "another day is coming."

Poultry Industry Proves Profitable Farm Business

That the poultry, egg and cream business in connection with farming is playing a most important part to the prosperity and better living of the country is being evidenced on every hand. Thousands of dollars worth of turkeys and chickens have been sold the past year on the Spur produce markets, aside from home consumption of poultry, eggs, butter and cream.

Dan Pritchett, a good citizen and farmer of the Spur country, made a report to County Agent Reynolds last week of the monthly sales and expenses on his chickens, eggs, butter and milk. He sold a total of \$259.17 worth of eggs and chickens at an expense of \$41.49 for feed, making a profit of \$217.68 during the year. He also sold butter and milk to the amount of \$81, at an expense of \$20 for feed, making a profit of \$61.

Mrs. R. N. James, of Dry Lake, also made a report, showing that during the month of December she with a flock of 118 hens, sold \$25.87 worth of eggs above the home consumption, marketing a fraction less than sixty seven dozen eggs.

Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, of the same community sold a total of \$292.89 worth of chickens and eggs during the year, aside from furnishing the family and a number of cotton pickers through the fall season.

The fact is that numbers of farmers are now depending upon their poultry and milk cows furnishing not only the home living, but surplus cash in providing means of purchasing necessary items which can not be produced on the farm.

A few more years and the Spur people "will be living at home and boarding at the same place" and then the price of farm products can be more easily controlled by the producer.

FIRST DIRT TURNED ON NEW ROAD

Actual construction of the Denver Road South Plains Railroad will be dated from Tuesday, December 21, when at 4 o'clock the first shovel of dirt was thrown to start the grade of the road from the main line at Estelline, sixteen miles west of Childress. —Childress Index.

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We want Every Item of Merchandise
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SPUR, TEXAS

PLANNING AHEAD

The City National Bank will be glad to aid Spur Business men in planning their financial operations for 1927. An outside viewpoint may be of great value to you. It's part of our business to help make 1927 a prosperous year for your business.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

"The Bank of Friendly Service"

NON-ADVERTISERS PAY IT ALL

Whose advertising bills do you pay?

The merchant who does not advertise pays the advertising bills for the one who does.

Every merchant in business pays for advertising whether he uses it or not. If a competitor's advertising takes any business away from him, the profit he would have made on the lost sale is what his competitor's advertising cost him.

You have, perhaps, wondered how some stores can afford to spend such enormous sums for advertising. That is easy to explain. Their competitors who don't advertise, and whose business they take, pay for their advertising.

Say the Jones family is a customer of yours. They have \$60 they intend to spend with you. They read the advertising of your competitor

and are induced to spend their \$60 with him instead of spending it with you. The store makes 20 per cent or \$12 on the sale. It deducts, we will say, the \$1 advertising bill and has \$11 profit left. The advertising cost is nothing. It got back its costs and had \$11 profit it would not have had except for the advertising.

Who paid for the advertising? Did the advertiser pay. No, he paid on the regular price, yet they got back the cost and profit besides.

Did the purchaser pay? No, he paid only the regular price.

The merchant that did not advertise paid for his competitor's advertising. He not only paid for the other fellow's advertising but he paid out of his cash register the profit his competitor made on the sale. The merchant that doesn't advertise pays the advertising bills for the one that does. He pays in loss of sales and loss of profits.—N. E. A. Bulletin.

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Long Gin is ready to gin your bolie.

I am running steady and making good samples.

You will always find Joe in a good humor ready to do the best he can for you. They are all rushing in to gin with me but I am taking my time for I want to do good work.

LONG GIN COMPANY

JOE M. GAINES, Manager

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Gives service to compare with cities of 50,000 population. Come see!

W. P. SIMPSON, Prop., Spur, Texas

Simple, Sensible Solution Offered by Commissioner Agriculture

The present agricultural depression has been so generally discussed that most people are sick and tired of the many silly suggestions for improving present conditions. However, we venture one more article on the subject in which we present some facts as well as suggestions.

It might as well be stated at the beginning that the farmers need not expect any material relief through Congress or the State Legislature. If people can be soft-soaped by any such subterfuges as are being advocated in Congress or that may be advocated in the Texas Legislature for farm relief, they are fit subjects for future impositions and may expect to be imposed upon in the future as in the past.

It has been truly said: "The government protects other industries why not the farmer? The government protects the manufacturer by a tariff that practically cuts out all other goods and gives the manufacturer almost an exclusive home market."

A tariff on wheat and cotton, the principal market crops of the farmer, cannot help the farmer because he makes a surplus of these products and must sell in foreign markets in competition with the products of the world, and this fixes the price in the world market and not in a home protected market.

The only natural law that might raise the price of farm products sold in foreign countries is the law of supply and demand. If the supply is very scarce, the price will be higher and vice-versa. The only artificial law that can raise the price of these products sold abroad would be a bounty placed upon all agricultural products here and sold in foreign markets.

Congress could enact such a law as the sugar bounty law was enacted several years ago, giving the sugar producers two cents per pound on all sugar produced in this country. This law was later repealed and a tariff on sugar was enacted instead, but the bounty law was never declared unconstitutional so far as I remember.

The principle of the bounty and the tariff is the same, and if all members in Congress representing farming constituencies would demand a government bounty on agricultural products exported, they could enact such a law or cause the repeal of the protective tariff law, which would permit us to trade on equal terms with all foreign countries.

Watch your Congressman. They will not vote for this bounty on agricultural products exported, but will vote for some subterfuge like the Haugen Bill that will provide for a large appropriation by Congress and the placing of thousands of people on the payroll to study marketing and give advice to the farmers. We are surfeited on advice now. What we need is better prices for what we produce.

Congress can help the situation some by prohibiting the importation of jute and burlap into this country, which would cause the use of low grade cotton in making bagging to wrap the entire cotton crop, and the use of cotton bags in which to sack all groceries and feed products. This would increase the use of cotton and consume anywhere from 500,000 to 1,000,000 bales of cotton annually.

Congress could also abolish the exchanges that fix prices and gamble in agricultural products and let the natural laws of supply and demand operate without interference. These exchanges are not necessary or beneficial for marketing agricultural products. If they were useful or beneficial, all lines of business would use them, but no products are bought and sold upon them but agricultural products. If they were useful marketing agencies, Henry Ford would use them to sell cars, Gary would use them to sell steel rails, and John D. would use them to sell oil.

The price of cotton has been demoralizing, yet Texas is in a better position to begin the new year than she was one year ago.

Seventy per cent of the counties

in the State have produced enough feed, while in 1925 only 33 1-3 per cent produced enough feed. There is enough grain and hay in the State to furnish feed to make the crop, as many counties have made a surplus.

Our greatest short coming is the lack of meat products, milk, butter, canned fruits and vegetables to supply the table, yet we can produce these in abundance. We do not have half enough meat and lard to supply the State and it will require nearly half the cotsocrop to purchase the necessities of life that should be grown at home.

It is argued by some that the South has a monopoly of cotton production, and we need never fear foreign competition. This is a mistake, as all other countries raised 11,016,038 bales in 1925, and it is estimated that they will produce 11,158,000 in 1926, and the production may prove larger. The world's production is gradually increasing, and there is danger of competition as other countries now produce more than one third of the total crop. India, Egypt Soudan, and Brazil are largest producers, and the African Soudan is capable of vastly increasing her production.

The most logical and sensible thing to do the coming year is for every farmer to determine that he will grow everything that he can to feed his family and livestock and reduce his cotton acreage accordingly, so as to make a short crop in 1927—not over 13,000,000 bales in the South, and that will advance the price to some extent and enable those who are holding cotton to get a better price. There is no doubt about there being a large surplus, as the South has produced the largest crop in her history—between 17,000,000 and 18,000,000 bales, and nothing but a short crop in 1927 will advance the price to the cost of production. Certainly we should not continue to grow cotton for less than cost of production. Every man should do his full duty in this crisis. This is the time to test true manhood. Let us meet the situation like men.—Geo. B. Terrell, Commissioner of Agriculture.

AMBITION

Do you have any ambition? Doubtless you think you have, but have you? Do you really know what ambition is? Says Herbert N. Casson: "Probably not more than one man out of ten has any ambition at all. Ambition is not merely wishing and hoping and painting pictures in your mind of what a great man you will be. Day-dreaming! That is not ambition. Being discontented with what you got! That is not ambition. Reading about glorious deeds and imagining yourself doing things like that is not ambition.

No, ambition is active, not passive. Ambition is the process of self development. It is something aishrdlu opment. It is a day by day matter. It is something you wish.

Ambition is wishing plus perseverance and will pwer. An ambitious man is one who does the job better today than he did yesterday. He is the man who is improving—gaining—climbing—moving steadily up toward the top. No lazy man is ever ambitious. He only pretends he is, to excuse his laziness. Ambition is only another word for growth. And growth depends on courage and industry and reading good books and common sense, and keeping at it. If a young man wants to become more ambitious, he can do so by following these simple rules: 1. Learn something better every day. "The test aing better every day. "The test of true ambition is Action."

Now, after that, ask yourself again if you really are ambitious and are genuinely striving to make your ambitions materialize.—Forbes Magazine.

W. M. Ledford left last week on his traveling rounds in the sale of the famous Busby gloves. This trip will include the Plains country, and possibly the oil field towns.

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W. H. Walker and family, of Gal-lahan county near Cross Plains, recently moved to the Spur country where they will make their home in the future.

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Assorted Fall Hats
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What Caused The Boston Tea Party

The paramount duty of government officials is to keep taxes as low as possible.

Everybody knows about the Boston Tea Party and what it lead to. in our colonial days. Everybody — every taxing official at least—ought to remember the folly of overtaxation, and the people ought to remember that they must pay for what they get.

C. A. Dyer, legislative agent for Ohio farm bureaus and granges, in an address at an agricultural legislative conference, said in part:

"The taxpayer is the one to bring relief about. He can do it through his own efforts and through organization. The greatest part of the taxes are used locally. The taxpayer has the opportunity of attending local meetings where budgets are reviewed, and of fighting extravagance through such organizations as the farm bureau and grange."

If more interest were taken in local meetings where tax bugets are reviewed, taxing officials would not be so liable to add extra tax burdens.—Lima, Ohio, Star.

L. B. McMeans, of near Spur, was in the city the past week.

Free Text Book Cost Averages \$1.53 Pupil

From 1919, when the free textbook law became effective, to August 31, 1926 the State paid out \$13,852,587 for school books for public school pupils, according to a bulletin issued by the State Department of Education, containing text book regulations and data covering cost of books since the new law became effective.

The actual cost of free books for the scholastic session of 1925-26 is given at \$2,819,261. The figures for 1926-27 are not yet available and must be added to the total cost first given. For the five years from Sep. 1, 1919, to Sept. 1, 1924, the books cost \$7,904,264, and for the session of 1924-25 the bill was \$3,128,701. Figures are given for each county in the State, together with the average cost per scholastic for the seven year period, and also per year. Hockley county had the largest individual cost \$5.91 per scholastic per year. Dallas county was \$1.47. The average cost per pupil was \$1.53.

Mr. Witt, of Watson, was in town Wednesday trading, ginning and marketing cotton. He says it is a hard proposition to get cotton out of the field and still harder to get any profit out of its sale.

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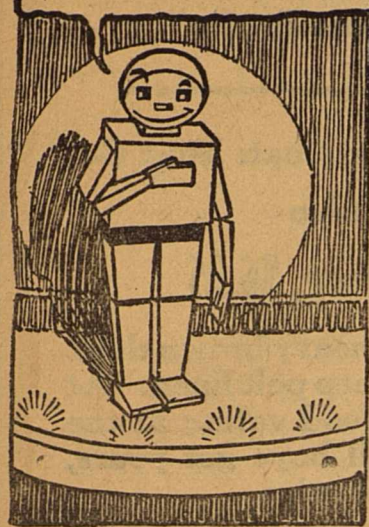
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Christmas in a Dug-out

Mrs. C. W. Jones, in talking about Christmas day of long ago, remarked that in 1881 the Panhandle was very sparsely settled, houses and families being few and far between. Dugouts were then common and on this particular Christmas the people gathered in the biggest dugout in the neighborhood for their celebration, the place belonging to Joe Browning a well known citizen of Dickens Co. The tree was a Chinaberry full of yellow balls, the balls gleaming like gold amid the white cotton trimmings of the tree. In addition wreaths were made of algerita berry bushes, the green adding a pretty finishing touch to the festive scene. On the tree were all kinds of gifts that were favorites of years ago. Dolls of all kinds and toys for the little girls and red topped boots with brass toes and other things equally liked for the boys. Relatives had sent Mrs. Jones, then about seven years old, a big wax doll and she was very happy in its possession. Mr. Browning did the shopping for the neighborhood, making the trip to Colorado City to supply the needed articles. There were but six children to enjoy the tree and the treats, but the little folks had a good time and so did the older folks. A big dance was also held at the Matador ranch. As wild game was plentiful in those long ago days, Christmas dinner was bountiful and turkeys were not in demand.—Higgins News.

J. L. Morrison and sister returned the past week from Gainesville

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.

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West Texas Opens Eyes Of the World at Philadelphia

The value of constructive cooperation is again demonstrated by feat of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in winning the gold medal at the Sesqui-Centennial in Philadelphia. This award, the most coveted trophy in the exhibitor's world, was won by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce against the best competition the United States could produce. Numerous states which competed were backed by huge appropriations from their State legislatures, some of them having more than one hundred thousand dollars to expend upon their exhibits. The greatest exhibitors in the United States were in charge of arranging the displays and spent money with a lavish hand. The West Texas Chamber of Commerce exhibit which topped them all, was put over with a cash expenditure which was pitifully small in comparison with the big exhibits of other states, yet it took the gold medal from the field.

There are three determining factors which account for the West Texas victory. First, of course, is the fact that West Texas is the greatest agricultural region in the world and naturally produces the very best products. This fact has been definitely established by the ease with which the West Texas counties have consistently won at State and regional fairs in the Southwest.

The second factor is that B. M. Whiteker, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has an exhibit manager thoroughly trained in the work of exhibiting in competitive shows, and he is one who thoroughly understands the show man's art in arranging his products to best advantage. It is worthy of note here that Whiteker has lost but one first prize during the six years he has been exhibiting for the West Texas organization, and that one time he lost because of damage to his products while they were in storage.

The third, and perhaps the greatest factor in bringing the victory to West Texas, is the great spirit of constructive cooperation which constitutes the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. More than three hundred towns of West Texas have a share in this victory. More than one hundred towns furnished products for this exhibit, and twenty-five Chambers of commerce were active in assembling products for display.

Thus the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, serving in the capacity of a clearing house for the local Chambers of Commerce, was able to assemble at trifling cost an exhibit which was better than displays of many states that expended twenty times as much money and that were able to assemble by forming an independent organization. There can be no more powerful argument advanced for the value of constructive regional cooperation which the West Texas Chamber of Commerce represents.

The value of this exhibit is hard to calculate. West Texas went into a region which popularly regards West Texas as a barren desert and carried visual evidence that this is the greatest agricultural region of the world. The school of Philadelphia used the West Texas exhibit as the basis for lessons in practical geography, and teachers escorted their classes to the exhibit for lessons in geography. The text books which the children studied taught that West Texas is a desert, yet the visual evidence which the children had before them disproved the printed word of the text books. Letters by the hundreds have poured into the office of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce since the Sesqui-Centennial opened its doors, and each letter received an answer in the form of literature setting forth the true facts concerning this region. Newspapers and periodicals throughout the world have carried stories and pictures of the West Texas exhibit, and the value of this priceless publicity cannot well be computed in dollars and cents. West Texas opened the eyes of the world by walking away with the gold medal from the stiffest competition which has ever been assembled in one fair.

The entire fabric of the West Tex-

as Chamber of Commerce is based upon such achievements as this. The power of one town or city, or of any group of a few dozen cities is small, but the power of three hundred towns representing nearly two million people, all working for a common cause is omnipotent. In no other way, perhaps could West Texas or all Texas for that matter, have won this great distinction. And once again West Texas is given reason to be proud of their own organization, the greatest regional Chamber of Commerce in the world, which after all is but the expression of the popular will of West Texas, and which is but the clearing house through which the three hundred towns of West Texas work together for those matters of the common good.—West Texas Today.

—1927—

Jim Crump, of the Watson community, was in town the first of this week, trading and meeting with his friends.

GOT HIM AT LAST

After several years in an unsuccessful effort to get a local dealer to advertise, the publisher of a Kansas weekly recently was surprised to receive an order for a full page from the former non-advertiser.

Glancing at the copy, the publisher discovered that it announced a "closing-out sale." The merchant was to go out of business. His advertising competitors had taken his trade and there was nothing left for him to do. So the newspaper man had landed his prospect at last.

The merchant recognized the power of advertising to help him get out of business, but failed to recognize its power to help him stay in business. There are a lot of merchants like that.—Exchange.

—1927—

W. H. Jones, of southwest of the city, was here Tuesday, meeting with friends and talking good times—he having plenty of everything but possibly cash.

A Letter Portraying Days Gone By.

Gentlemen:—

With my best wishes for the year, hoping that it may be pleasant and prosperous with you but admonishing you that you can remember when eggs were a bit a dozen, butter ten cents per pound and milk five cents a quart. The butcher gave away liver, and treated kids to bologna. The hired girl received two dollars per week and did the washing. Women did not powder and paint, smoke vote, play poker or roll their stockings. Men wore whiskers and boots, chewed tobacco, spit on sidewalk and cussed. Beer was five cents and the lunch was free. A day's work was ten hours and there were no strikes. No tips were given to waiters and the hat check grafter was unknown. Horse hair furniture, a kerosene hanging lamp and a stereoscope were luxuries.

Appendicitis was unknown; there

was no market for monkey glands. Microbes were unheard of and a doctor's visit set you back one dollar and a half. Folks lived to a good old age.

Today everybody rides in automobiles or flies, plays golf, shoots craps, goes to the movies nightly, smokes cigarettes, drinks rucus juice, blames the H. C. L. on their neighbors, nevgoto, bed the same day they get up and think they are having a wonderful time.

These are the days of sufferagetting, profiteering, rent hogs, excess taxes and prohibition.

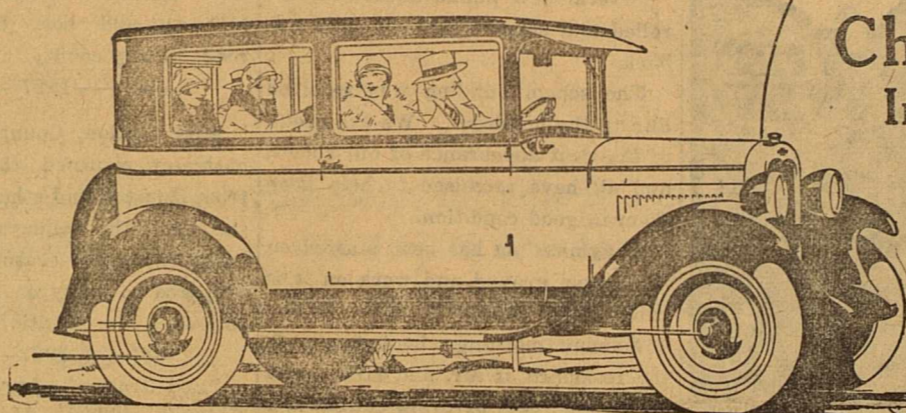
Now, if under these circumstances, you think this life is worth living, then what I said at the beginning goes, and I wish you a happy new year.

Yours very truly,

W. R. DAVIS

P. S. About the only thing commendable in the people these days is they wear gloves and raise children.

The **Greatest Sensation**
of America's Greatest Industry!



The
Chevrolet Coach
Improved in Quality

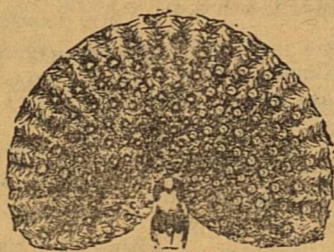
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The Most
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New and Marvelously Beautiful Fisher Bodies
—a host of Mechanical Improvements—New Features found only on the costliest cars

Plus an Amazing Reduction in Prices!

NEW LOW PRICES

- The Coach** Former price \$645 **\$595**
- The Coupe** Former price \$645 **\$625**
- The Sedan** Former price \$735 **\$695**
- The Landau** Former price \$765 **\$745**
- The Touring** Price includes Ballon tires and steel disc wheels. Former price \$535 with ballon tires only. **\$525**
- The Roadster** Price includes Ballon tires and steel disc wheels. Former price \$535 with ballon tires only. **\$525**
- The Sport Cabriolet** Entirely new model with rumble seat. **\$715**
- 1-Ton Truck** (Chassis Only) **\$495**
- 1/2-Ton Truck** (Chassis Only) **\$395**

America has always expected great things from its greatest industry. But the announcement of the Most Beautiful Chevrolet has been the automotive sensation of all time!

Here is a car which in beauty, luxury, quality and modern design challenges the costliest creations of the day.

Here, in a price class where average standards have been the rule, is now offered a car so far beyond all expectation that comparisons cease to exist.

Seven superb models styled as low priced cars were never styled before and offering such marks of fine car distinction as: full crown one-piece fenders, bullet type lamps and "fish tail" rear deck modeling! New and supremely beautiful bodies by Fisher! And, above all, infinitely finer quality—the result of a host of additional improvements such as AC oil filter, AC air cleaner, coincidental steering and ignition lock, larger 17" steering wheel, gasolima gauge and many, many others!

All this is combined to a supreme degree in the long famous leader of the Chevrolet line—the Coach. It would be a brilliant achievement for any manufacturer merely to design such a splendid car to sell at any reasonably low price. But to sell it at the amazing price of \$595 is a feat of history making proportions. This one price reduction alone would suffice to center worldwide attention on Chevrolet. But due to economies of tremendous production plus the vast resources of General Motors, Chevrolet also announces striking price reductions on other models.

For years Chevrolet has led the world in providing Quality at Low Cost. But now with a new and more beautiful car—with a car infinitely finer in quality and greatly lower in price, Chevrolet stands supreme and unchallenged in dollar-for-dollar value! No matter in what price class you intend to buy or whether you plan to spend more or less than the price of a Chevrolet, come in today and see the most beautiful low priced Coach ever designed. Admire its marvelous style and grace! Mark its many new fine-car features! Learn for yourself by personal inspection why, at its new low price, it is the greatest sensation of America's greatest industry!

SPUR CHEVROLET CO.
SPUR, TEXAS

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SPUR CHAPTER,
No. 340
Meets Monday night on or
after each full moon.
Visitors Welcome
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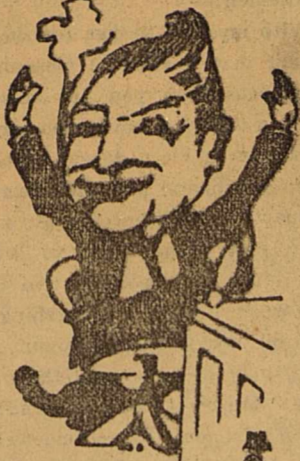
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Meets every Thursday
on or after full moon.
Visitors Welcome
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FARM LOANS
35 YEARS TIME
\$25.00 or up can be paid any
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LET
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Do Your
CLEANING,
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OR ALTERING
OTTO MOTT, Prop.
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RED PEPP'S
PHILOSOPHY



"My father left me
the whole world to
get out and make
a living in. Gee! In
a lucky fellow."

Buy your Drugs, Jewelry
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GET YOUR TICKETS
With each \$1.00 purchase you
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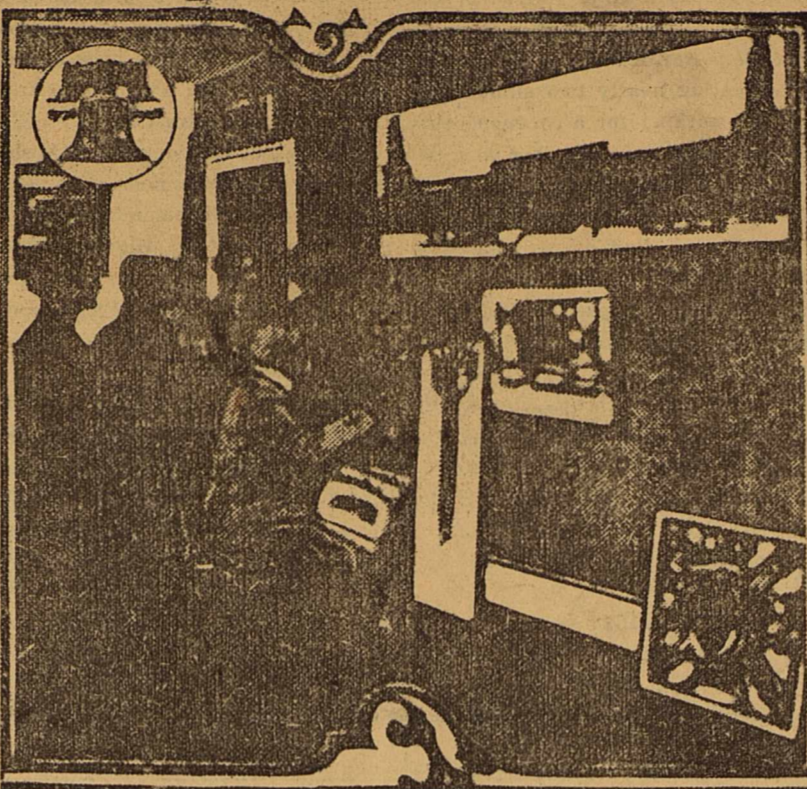
Under this young woman's skillful
hands the front of the Administration
Building of the Sesqui-Centennial
International Exposition Association
quickly takes on a delightful aspect.
She directs gardeners where to place
the small trees and shrubs about
the great structure. She is doing
her share to make the big celebration
of the 150th anniversary of the signing
of the Declaration of Independence
once a success.

Pains
Disappeared

"SEVERAL years ago I was
badly run-down," says Mrs.
John Beach, R. F. D. 3, Colum-
bia, S. C. "I could not do any
of my work. I was so weak I
could not walk a block. My back
and sides hurt me at times
constantly. I dragged around
until I finally got down in bed."
Then, explains Mrs. Beach,
she happened to read about
Cardui, the woman's tonic, and
decided to give it a thorough
trial, the results of which she
describes below:
"It seemed to reach the
cause of my trouble at once.
I did not take it long before
my appetite began to improve.
I gained in weight from 125
pounds until now I weigh 225
pounds. I soon was able to be
up around the house. I took
up my household duties and
was delighted with my return-
ing strength."
"I now do all my own work.
The pains in my sides and
back have disappeared and I
feel like a different person."
Cardui has been helping suf-
fering women for nearly 50
years. Sold by all druggists.

CARDUI
For Female Troubles

FAMOUS ARTIST INSTRUCTS



William de Loewich Dodge, famous mural artist, in his studio at the
Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition grounds in Philadelphia, where
the 150th anniversary of signing the Declaration of Independence will be
celebrated from June, to December, of this year, giving instructions to a group
of young artists who are erecting the "Rainbow City." Mr. Dodge is the
color expert for the exposition, and every bit of color work done must be
approved by him.

Dickens School News

Our school started last Monday
morning, January 10th, with an en-
rollment of about 150 pupils.
We had chapel and talks by Hon.
Judge H. A. C. Brummett and the
teachers, which were enjoyed by all.
Several new pupils have been en-
rolled and some of the old ones are
back.

The school building was repaired
during the holidays. We are proud
of the neat appearance of our rooms,
and all have promised to help keep
them in good condition.

A gymnasium has been started on
the school ground and work on it is
progressing rapidly.

Monday morning about 6 o'clock
the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Coker
in the east part of town, caught fire
but, with the assistance of the peo-
ple, it was put out without much dam-
age being done.

The Seniors met Monday and se-
lected their class colors, flower, and
motto.

Misses Kanna Stephens and Iris
Borden are back in school taking 1st
grade work.

The singing convention Sunday
was a successful one.

Miss Willie Richbourg and Mrs.
D. Y. Twaddell are making their
home in Dickens now, we are glad to
have them.

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and
Tuesday. Come.

—1927—

John Southworth and Beal Sneed,
were in Spur first of the week from
their farm and ranch headquarters in
Garza county. Beal Sneed, aside
from his extensive cattle and ranch-
ing interests in Garza, has cleared up
and placed under cultivation hun-
dreds of acres of land the past year,
and will continue to clear agricultural
acreage this year. There is also a
possibility of oil developments also on
his Garza county holdings. Last
year John Southworth retained his
citizenship in Dickens county while
remaining on the Sneed ranch. He
did not state whether or not he would
maintain his citizenship here during
this "off political year."

—1927—

G. W. Collum was here the past
week, visiting with his brother, G. C.
Collum and family, and also meeting
with friends and acquaintances of
this section. G. W. Collum taught
music and was band-master here in
the earlier days of Spur. G. W. Col-
lum is one among the best band men
and best musicians of the entire
country.

—1927—

Mrs. Smith, of Spur, was called to
Peacock during the week on account
of the serious illness of her sister at
that place, Mrs. White. Albert
Hodges and Mrs. Jackson, accompa-
nied Mrs. Smith to Peacock.

—1927—

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and
Tuesday. Come.

—1927—

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Alger are pre-
paring to move to Lubbock where he
will be engaged in road engineering
work the coming year. We regret to
lose Mr. and Mrs. Alger from Spur
and Dickens county. Mr. Alger did
practically all of the engineering
work of the Dickens county highways
and we are proud of the fact that we
have the most complete system of
highways and best hard surfaced
roads of any county in the West
—1927—

Miss Gordon, County Home Dem-
onstrator, returned the past week
from Houston and other points where
she spent the holidays, reporting a
most enjoyable season, and better
prepared to carry on her work here
following the vacation.

—1927—

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and
Tuesday. Come.

—1927—

Mr. Lawson, of Afton, has been
spending much of his time in Spur,
looking after his cotton buying busi-
ness.

—1927—

Clarence Ellis, of Lubbock, came
down during the holiday season, vis-
iting with his mother, Mrs. P. C. El-
lis and family.

—1927—

Mrs. H. C. Skelton received a tel-
egram Wednesday that her mother,
Mrs. M. E. Lanham, dropped dead of
heart failure Tuesday afternoon at
four o'clock. She and Mr. Skelton
left Spur immediately for Dallas to
attend the funeral. The friends of
Mrs. Skelton here extend sympathy
to her in this bereavement.

—1927—

W. R. Ferrell, of near Brownsfield,
was in Spur last week. He said ev-
erybody in his country was dead
broke. It is practically the same ev-
erywhere, except that there is plenty
of everything but cash.

—1927—

Mr. Hellums, of Stamford, was in
Spur last week visiting his sister,
Mrs. J. S. Grace, and also to be with
Dr. Grace who has been confined to
his bed several days. However, we
are glad to note that Dr. Grace is now
able to be out again.

—1927—

Attorney Dean, of Lubbock, was
in Spur recently prospecting for a
location.

—1927—

Hogs for sale, at from \$5 to \$15.—
Harkey and Aldredge.

—1927—

W. J. Elliot was here from his
Spring Creek farm and ranch home
Thursday, greeting his many friends
of the town.

—1927—

W. A. Johnson, of Floydada, was
here this week meeting and greeting
his many old time friends. He says
he is not getting rich, but that he is
getting by in his new home on the
plains.

—1927—

E. O. Tyler, of Watson, dropped in
Thursday and had the paper sent to
his address for a year.

"A Good, Safe Place to Trade"
B. SCHWARZ & SON
"The Store of Little Profits"

All Men's Sheep Lined Coats Must Go
\$10.50 Value
Close Out Price, \$6.95

These Coats made of heavy brown duck
36 inches long, full sheep pelt lined. At
the regular price, a good value; at the
reduced price — well boys get yours,
only two dozen at this price.

MEN'S ALL WOOL LUMBER JACKS
\$4.95 and 5.95 Values
Special . . . \$3.95

About 40 at this price, all wool Lumber-
jacks in sweater knit style and heavy
flannel and Suede cloths. Brown, Grey
and Red Plaids, sizes 14 to 17 and 36
to 46. All Reduced to \$3.95.

MEN'S HANES WINTER WEIGHT
UNION SUITS
\$1.65 Value, \$1.10
Limit 4 suits to each customer.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hodges and
family are this week moving to the
Panhandle oil field, where Mr. Hod-
ges will secure employment with
some one of the big concerns now
operating in that territory. During
the past year Mr. Hodges has been
with the Spot Cash Grocery, while
Mrs. Hodges has been with C. Hogan
& Company dry goods. We regret to
see Mr. and Mrs. Hodges leave the
city of Spur, but wish them success
in the oil belt.

—1927—

W. L. Hyatt and family, H. T. Gar-
ner and family, and Joe McCaughey,
of Spur, report having enjoyed a big
turkey dinner Sunday at the home of
D. C. Keith in Matador.

—1927—

Hogs for sale, at from \$5 to \$15.—
Harkey and Aldredge.

—1927—

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and
Tuesday. Come.

—1927—

Bob Westerman, of Cross Cut, is
spending several days here in Spur
this week, buying cattle to place on
his farm and ranch property recently
purchased to the southwest of Spur.
Mr. Westerman also contemplates
buying a home in Spur and moving
his family here at an early date.

—1927—

C. L. Love is spending this week
in Panhandle, managing the business
at that point while Mr. and Mrs. Roy
Russell are in New York buying new
goods.

—1927—

Ben Reddell, of McAdoo, came to
Spur Thursday, marketing four more
bales of his cotton. Four bales of
cotton now brings about as much as
did one bale during the war period.
Next year, we venture, every farmer
produces plenty Mexican beans, po-
tatoes, meat and other provisions for
his home table and use, as well as
cotton—and then we are betting that
a price more in keeping with the cost
of production will be maintained.

—1927—

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hamby, who
recently purchased a home and moved
to Lubbock, spent a day or two of
this week in Spur, Mr. Hamby attend-
ing a meeting of the directors of the
Spur Cattle Loan Association, while
Mrs. Hamby visited among her many
friends of Spur and Dickens.

—1927—

John McCulloch and family left
this week to visit his mother in Cole-
man county.

W. D. Blair, of east of Spur, was
among the number here trading dur-
ing the week.

—1927—

Mr. and Mrs. Harkey, of South
Texas, spent the holidays in Spur
with their sons, Newt, Roy and Clem
Harkey and other relatives.

—1927—

John Thomason had a bale of cot-
ton burned up Thursday while coming
to the gin, and he also came near
losing his wagon also. He was smok-
ing.

—1927—

A. R. Howe and family returned
this week from a trip and visit to
the Callahan, Eastland and Stephens
county oil fields.

—1927—

O. B. Simms, of Espuela, dropped
a dollar and fifty cents into our sub-
scription till Tuesday while in the
city.

—1927—

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and
Tuesday. Come.

—1927—

J. P. Middleton was down again
this week from Lubbock. He is now
getting so many deposit slips from
the sale of cotton produced this year
on his places near Spur that he is
kept busy going backwards and for-
wards to keep up with both his cot-
ton and insurance businesses

—1927—

Hogs for sale, at from \$5 to \$15.—
Harkey and Aldredge.

—1927—

Ted Darden, of Kent county, was
a business visitor in Spur Wednesday
of this week.

—1927—

Ernest Mayfield, of Jayton, was a
business visitor in Spur Thursday of
this week.

—1927—

Dennis Harkey came over Wednes-
day from Dickens, spending a short
time in Spur on business. Dennis is
in the abstract business, and during
the past year has made hundreds of
abstracts, in view of the oil develop-
ment tests in different sections of the
county. While nothing as yet has
developed, everything looks pretty
good, and since other tests will be
made, we are all very confident that
eventually oil will be developed with-
in our territory.

—1927—

Mrs. Cady is in Spur visiting with
her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Powell and
family, and also her brother, W. A.
Smith of the Pennant Service Station
in Spur.

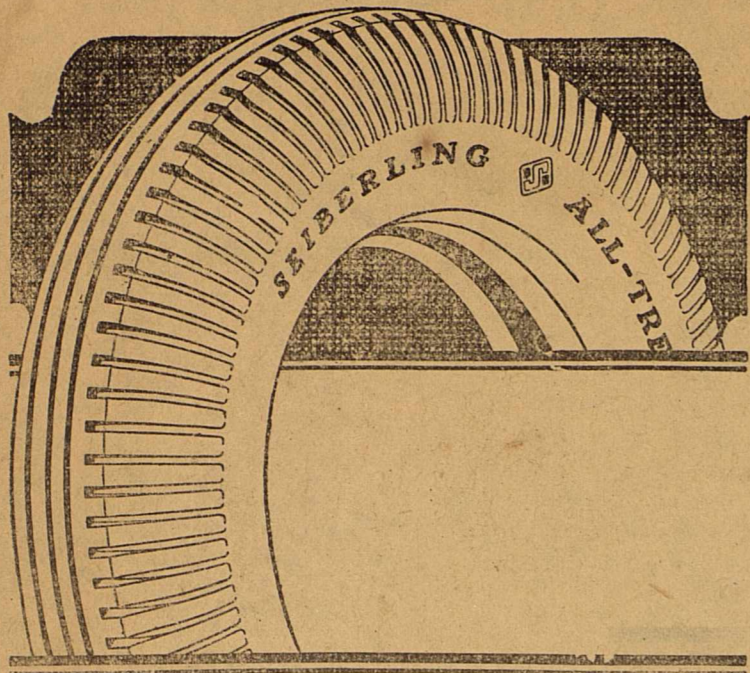
LET US

THE CLEVER WOMAN OF THE SPUR COUNTRY

Goes to the Texas Spur advertisements for help in buying home necessities. There she finds a directory of buying and selling. She learns about the offerings of merchants. She takes this opportunity of judging and selecting almost everything she needs to feed, clothe, amuse, instruct and generally bring up her family. Do you read the advertisements in the Texas Spur. You will find them willing and able to serve you in the daily business of purchase.

Advertisements Are—
GUARDIANS OF YOUR POCKETBOOK—
—Read Them Carefully

SEIBERLING ALL-TREADS



PENNANT SERVICE STATION

J. P. SIMMONS, Prop.

Texas Leads in Turkey and is Fifth in Poultry Production

There is much said of Texas being an "all cotton state," yet it is a fact that she leads in other diversified products and agricultural interests. West Texas today gives the following facts:

"Texas leads the United States in Turkey production, and is fifth in point of poultry and egg producing states. Raising of America's national bird at present is centered in the Heart of Texas region, though numerous sections are increasing turkey production and bid fair to run McCulloch county a close race in the industry.

The eight leading turkey producing states in the United States, in their order of importance are: Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, California, Kentucky, Virginia, North Dakota, Minnesota.

The number of poultry in the United States is larger than in any other country in the world. China ranks second; Russia third.

The largest share of poultry meat consumed is provided by chickens; turkeys, geese, ducks, guinea fowls and pigeons follow in the order named.

Production of turkeys decreased from 11,000,000 in 1890 to 6,500,000 in 1900, and to 3,700,000 in 1910. The production in 1920 was 3,627,000. Production of ducks de-

creased in about the same proportion as turkeys.

In 1920 poultry was raised on 90.8 per cent of the farms in the United States. The percentage of farms keeping hogs in the same year was 75.2 percent, dairy cattle, 70.8 percent; beef cattle, 28.6 percent; sheep 8.4 per cent.

The value of poultry and eggs produced in the United States in 1920 was \$1,074,000,000; cattle \$924,000,000; wheat, \$726,000,000; fruits and fruit products, \$681,000,000; oats, \$539,000,000, potatoes, \$340,000,000; tobacco, \$299,000,000.

Only four farm products exceeded the value of poultry and eggs in 1923. They were: Dairy products, corn, cotton and swine.

Eggs represent 57.4 percent, and poultry meat 42.6 per cent of the total value of all poultry products.

The ten leading poultry and egg producing states in their respective order are Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, Kansas, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Minnesota and Nebraska."

W. R. Henderson, of near Spur, was here trading, ginning and attending other business affairs the past week

J. E. Sparks, of west of Spur several miles, was here trading and on other business Tuesday of this week. He says everything is all o. k. out his way.

Trend is Toward Many Rural Factory Centers

Electric power will eventually decentralize industry, and garden communities devoted to manufacturing will take the place of congested factory centers, according to Guy E. Tripp, head of the board of directors of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation. He figures it out this way:

"The first electric light and power plants were naturally located in congested districts, where a ready market for their services was assured. Thus the full benefits of electricity were for the most part bestowed upon populous centers, thereby intensifying the centralizing tendencies of steam power.

"Today, however, the United States is becoming covered with a great network of electric power lines. There are now in existence over 100,000 miles of high voltage transmission lines, and this voltage is increasing rapidly.

"Under this extensive super power development, power will be widely distributed and industries will be free as far as power considerations are concerned, to locate, roughly speaking, almost anywhere.

"There are, as a matter of fact, many pressing reasons for the removal of industries out of the congested districts. Rent and taxes can be reduced, living conditions for employees can be improved, discipline can be better maintained with less hardship to the individual, and raw materials can often be secured more readily.

"Given, therefore, economic pressure to decentralize, and the means for its accomplishment, which exist in super-power, automobiles and standardization, the ultimate result appears inevitable.

"To the industrial workers decentralization should prove a Godsend. The factory town with all that it implies, will be replaced by the garden community. The cost of living, housing and transportation, which now cuts so deeply into his income, will be greatly reduced, and a new occupation—agriculture—will be opened to any member of his family with taste and aptitude in that direction.

"On the other hand, industrial opportunities will not be reduced, for with a car or motorcycle, freedom of movement to seek employment will be great.

—1927—

"WHAT'S THE USE?"

A patient had been confined in an asylum with insanity induced by excessive indulgence of corn liquor, but was improving. The doctor made an examination and encouraged him by telling him he was doing fine, and that he would be out in less than 3 weeks.

Greatly encouraged, the patient sat down to write the good news home. As he sealed the letter the stamp dropped to the floor and landed on the back of a cockroach which the patient had not noticed.

Across the floor went the stamp then up the wall and across the ceiling. The patient's eyes followed it intently, then laying down the letter, he said: "what's the use, I'll not be out of here in three years."

M. E. Tree, of Highway, was here during the week. It is said by all that there is plenty of everything in this country but cash, and judging from the number of bales of cotton hauled in by Tree, we are confident that he is at least one who has some cash as well as produce of varied kinds.

—1927—

J. P. Goen was in Spur the past week from his ranch home to the northwest of Dickens

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Dickens.

In the District Court of Dickens County, Texas. J. M. Rowland vs. W. G. Crego, et al.

Whereas, by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, on a judgement rendered in said court on the 30th day of November A. D. 1926, in favor of J. M. Rowland and against W. G. Crego, O. C. Arthur, J. W. Wallace, M. E. Cleveland, and S. A. Mitchell, community administratrix of the Estate of H. S. Mitchell deceased and herself; No. 942 on the docket of said court, I did on the 6th day of January A. D. 1927, at 10 o'clock A. M. levy on the following described real estate, situated in the County of Dickens and State of Texas, to wit: 320 acres of land, being the South one-half of Survey No. (4) Four, Certificate No. 1-358, A. C. Gentry, Original Grantee, Patented to J. E. Murphy, by Patent No. 42, Vol. 48; and on the 1st day of February A. D. 1927, being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, at the Court House Door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of said W. G. Crego, O. C. Arthur, J. W. Wallace, M. E. Cleveland and S. A. Mitchell, administratrix aforesaid, in and to said property.

Dated at Dickens, Texas, this 6th day of January A. D. 1927,

M. L. Jones, Sheriff Dickens County, Texas.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Dickens.

In the District Court of Dickens County, Texas. J. D. Harkey, vs E. L. Adams, et al.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, on a judgement rendered therein, E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly, L. A. Grizzle, Mrs. T. E. Howze, Russie Denson, F. E. Denson, Ruby Denson, Elmer Denson, Vernon Denson, Gerald Howze, Kenneth Howze, Lessie Howze, and Murl Howze, minors; Laura C. Hastings and Wesley J. Lewis, No. 939 on the docket of said court, for debt and for foreclosure of Vendor's lien; I did, as directed by said Order of Sale, on the 7th day of January A. D. 1927, levy upon the following described real Estate, situate in the County of Dickens and State of Texas, to wit: 206 acres of land, being all of Section No. Six (6), Block XX, Survey File 5294, R. S. Holly, Original Grantee; and on the first day of February A. D. 1927, being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. at the Court House Door of said County, in the town of Dickens, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly, L. A. Grizzle, Mrs. T. E. Howze, Russie Denson, F. E. Denson, Ruby Denson, Elmer Denson, Sybil Denson, Vernon Denson, Gerald Howze, Kenneth Howze, Lessie May Howze and Murl Howze, Laura C. Hastings and Wesley J. Lewis.

Dated this 7th day of January A. D. 1927.

M. L. JONES, Sheriff Dickens County, Texas.

—1927—

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McAteer, of the Egyptian Farm between Spur and Dickens, were among the many shoppers in the city during the week

—1927—

Editor Wade, of Jayton, was here Monday.

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Cut This For Reference in Home Curing Pork

The cotton situation is causing farmers to think of the possibilities of hog production, also the production of feed and food for themselves and their livestock. The records show that over half the farms in Texas have no hogs, and we do not believe that it will be possible to get all the farmers to produce hogs for home meat consumption, especially during times of depressed hog prices until they learn how to do a good job of curing their own meat, advises E. J. Eudaly, Extension Service Specialist, A. & M. College of Texas.

Curing pork is not only a matter of making it keep. It must be put up in such a manner that it will make a desirable food. Not only must it be tasty when first cured, but it should stay that way for twelve months. Mr. Eudaly does not think that the dry salt method fulfills these requirements. Sugar curing by the brine process, he says, is always followed by folks once they have learned to use it.

There are several formulas for making this brine, the following being a good one:

10 gallons of water, 20 pounds of salt, 10 pounds brown sugar, 5 Oz. Salt peter.

Bring the water to a boil, then add the salt. Stir this about a minute, then add the sugar and salt peter. Continue to stir until all is dissolved. Allow this to cool and the brime is ready.

It is preferable to kill the hog in the afternoon. Cut up the meat and rub salt on it, spread it out and allow to stand over night. In the meantime, make the brime as directed and allow it to stand overnight.

The next morning, pack the meat in a barrel. Pack the hams and shoulders first, with the skin side up; then pack the side meat with skin up. put a weight on the meat and then pour the brime over it. Let it stand in this manner for three weeks. At this time, take out the side meat and hang up to drip. Weight the hams and shoulders down in the brime again and leave it there another ten days. After this time, take these out and hang up to drip. When all the meat has dripped dry, smoke it then wrap it. This is usually done by wrapping first with newspapers and then cotton sacking. Be sure to sew on tight so that no bugs nor flies can get to the meat. Sew on to a strap to hang the package with. Hang it in a cool place and you will have as good meat as you can buy during the entire year.

TO THE COTTON GROWERS OF SPUR

I am a little late in telling you, but have thoroughly overhauled the plant from one end to the other, new saws and new ribs which is the most essential part of a gin.

A trial will prove to you that this gin will do as good work as when new.

Have my unloader in good shape, will unload you any time through the night. Thanking all of you for past patronage, I hope to merit the same in the future.

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Chevrolet Announces A New Line of Automobiles

Surpassing its former achievements as the world's largest manufacturers of three-speed transmission cars, the Chevrolet Motor Company, today announces an entirely new line of automobiles, heralded as the most beautiful in Chevrolet history.

Embodied in the new line, which goes on display throughout the country today, are hosts of improvements many of which were found hitherto only in large and more costly cars. The economies of tremendous volume production have made possible the marks of distinction which individualize the new line, according to a factory statement.

The new cars are mechanically finer, entirely new in body lines, smarter in appearance, complete in equipment and outstanding in the display of colors. Seven models, five closed and two open cars, comprise the line. One model, a rakish, beautiful sport cabriolet has been added.

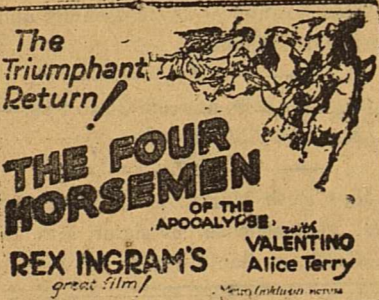
Some of the standard features on the new models are as follows—AC air cleaner, AC oil filter, balloon tires, bullet-type head lamps and cowl lamps, newly designed radiator shell, one piece full-crown fenders, heavier running boards, larger steering wheel, new instrument panel, new tire carrier assembly and co-incident ignition and steering lock.

Beauty and refinement has been stressed in the design. Appointments have been catered to please the most fastidious motorist. Succeeding the smoothest Chevrolet, the new line has been built to establish a new standard in the low price field.

Almanac Predicted Florida Hurricanes

It may not be generally known, but it is a fact, that both of the recent Florida storms, namely, that of September 17th and that of October 19th, were predicted by Professor DeVoe in the 1926 Edition of the Ladies Birthday Almanac, published by The Chattanooga Medicine Co., of Chattanooga, Tenn.

WATCH FOR—



Lyric Theatre
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Jan. 24th & 25th

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DICKENS

WHEREAS, by virtue of authority vested in me as trustee named and appointed in a certain deed of trust recorded in Vol. 12, Page 364, of the Deed of Trust Records of Dickens County, Texas, executed and delivered to me on the 17th day of February, 1925, by Wm. J. Elliot and wife, E. W. Elliot, for the better securing of payment of two (2) certain promissory notes, one of said notes being for the sum of Seventy-six Hundred Twenty-five and 12-100 (\$7,625.12) Dollars, signed by Wm. J. Elliot, payable to Spur Cattle Loan Company of Spur, Texas, dated December 29, 1924, due one hundred eighty (180) days from date with eight per cent interest from maturity, and one note for the sum of Fifty-seven Hundred Seventeen and 50-100 (\$5717.50) Dollars, signed by Wm. J. Elliot, payable to Spur Cattle Loan Company of Spur, Texas, dated February 17, 1925, due one hundred eighty (180) days from date, with eight per cent interest from date until paid, said notes further providing that if same are not paid when due and are placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, that the maker agrees to pay ten per cent on the full amount due as attorney's fees, which said deed of trust conveyed the hereinafter described property in trust to me for the better securing of said notes, said property being described as follows:

First Tract: Four Hundred Sixty-four (464) acres of land, being all of Survey No. One Hundred Forty-four (144), Abstract No. 1071, Certificate No. 10-1967, situated and being in Dickens County, Texas, W. J. Elliot, original grantee, except two hundred (200) acres out of Northeast portion thereof, heretofore designated as homestead.

Second Tract: One Hundred Sixty-five and 91-100 (165.91) acres out of Northwest Quarter (NW 1-4) of Survey No. One Hundred Forty-five (145), Certificate No. 10-1968, Abstract No. 79, H. & G. N. R. R. Co., situated and being in Dickens County, Texas.

Third Tract: Eleven (11) acres out of the North part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1-4) of Survey No. One Hundred Forty-one (141) H. & G. N. R. R. Co., Certificate No. 10-1966, Abstract No. 1007, situated and being in Dickens County, Texas.

Fourth Tract: Three Hundred Nineteen (319) acres out of Survey No. One Hundred Forty-one (141) H. & G. N. R. R. Co., Certificate No. 10-1946, Abstract No. 1007, situated and being in Kent County, Texas.

Fifth Tract: Six hundred Sixty (660) acres, being Survey No. One Hundred Six (106) H. & G. N. R. R. Co., Certificate No. 10-1942, Abstract No. 1234, situated and being in Kent County, Texas.

Said five above described tracts of land being fully described in deed of trust from William J. Elliot, and wife, E. W. Elliot, to Clifford B. Jones, Trustee, dated February 17, 1925, and recorded in Vol. 12, Page 364, of the Deed of Trust Records of Dickens County, Texas, and

WHEREAS, the time of payment of the balance due on said notes was duly extended as evidenced by renewal note signed by Wm. J. Elliot, payable to the Spur Cattle Loan Company of Spur, Texas, dated December 31, 1925, due one hundred eighty (180) days after date, bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from date until paid, said note being for the principal sum of Ten Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-four and 12-100 (\$10,664.12) Dollars, and

WHEREAS, the said Spur Cattle Loan Company of Spur, Texas, is now the legal owner and holder of said notes, and the said Wm. J. Elliot has made default in the payment of the balance due on said notes evidenced by said renewal note, and the same are now past due and unpaid, principal, interest and attorney's fees, and

WHEREAS, each of said notes are now past due and unpaid, aggregating, principal, interest and attorney's fees, the sum of Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-four and 61-100 (\$12,684.61) Dollars to January 6,

1927, and

WHEREAS, I have been requested by the said Spur Cattle Loan Company of Spur, Texas, the legal owner and holder of said notes, and the beneficiary in said deed of trust, to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale between the legal hours, to-wit: Between the hours of ten (10:00) o'clock A. M. and four (4:00) o'clock P. M., at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on the first Tuesday in February, 1927, the same being the first day of said month, at the court house door in the town of Dickens in Dickens County, Texas, the following described property to-wit:

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Said property will be conveyed subject to an indebtedness secured by a lien in favor of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Texas, for the sum of Ten Thousand and no-100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars, also an indebtedness in favor of the Spur National Bank of Spur, Texas, for the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred and no-100 (\$12,500.00) Dollars, as evidenced by the Deed of Trust dated the 16th day of February, 1925, and recorded in Vol. 12, Page 362, of the Deed of Trust Records of Dickens County, Texas.

Witness my hand this 6th day of January, A. D. 1927.

CLIFFORD B. JONES,
Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE.

In accord with an execution and order of sale issued by the Justice Court of Precinct Number 3, Dickens County, Texas, I will sell at public auction to highest bidder, on Tuesday January 18th, 1927, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Farmers Wagon Yard in Spur, the following described property:

Seven head of mules, and four head of horses.

M. L. NICHOLS,
Constable Precinct 3, Dickens Co.

NOTICE OF SALE.

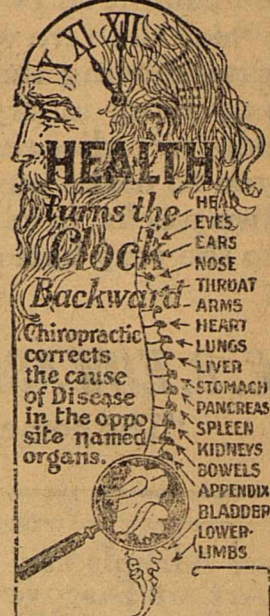
In accord with an execution and order of sale issued by the Justice Court of Precinct Number 3, Dickens County, Texas, I will sell at public auction to highest bidder, on Tuesday January 18th, at two o'clock p. m., at the Ramsey Garage in Spur, Texas, the following described property levied upon to in part satisfy indebtedness: One Ford Touring Car.

M. L. NICHOLS,
Constable Precinct 3, Dickens Co.

Lee Carpenter, of Paducah, was in Spur again this week. He is desirous of moving here, but up to this time has been unable to secure a place in which to move his family and live.

PARTIAL PARALYSIS

Friday Health Talk
LAVINA B. CONKLIN
Chiropractor



PARALYSIS, either partial or complete, invariably involves an affection of, or interference with, the nerves serving the paralyzed organ or limb. Complete paralysis may not always be amenable to Chiropractic spinal adjustments, but in partial paralysis adjustments are always indicated.

The very fact that some life persists in the paralyzed limb is indicative of the fact that the nerve remains intact, and is only suffering irritation or interference. Spinal adjustments, skillfully applied, will restore a normal flow of vital energy.

IMPROVES AFTER SEVEN YEARS

"Seven years ago I had a stroke which left me partially paralyzed in my lower limbs. After several trials of various means of getting well, I placed myself under the care of a Chiropractor. Up to date I have had twenty six adjustments and am now able to move around with the aid of a cane. Am feeling stronger and am confident I will regain my faculties again, thanks to Chiropractic adjustments."—Adolph M. Koester, Chiropractic Research Bureau, Statement No. 2222-L.

The lower nerve under the magnifying glass is pinched by a misaligned joint. Finched nerves cannot transmit healthful impulses, Chiropractic adjusting removes the pressure. The upper nerve is free as nature intends.

Uncle Ben Says:



"The College boy who turns bootlegger ought to be a good stew-dent."

YOUR APPOINTMENT For Health can now be made by Telephoning 228

What One Woman Has Done in the McAdoo Country Past Year

As the old year is gone and a new one has come, and I hear so many saying what they have done and what they are going to do, I will tell what I have done in 1926, or part of what I did. And what I have done anyone else can do. And I want to say to the women, if you do likewise you will get more pleasure than attending a hen-party gossiping about your neighbors. You will find you don't have to ask John for that pen money you need so bad. Why not be independent as all women like to be. I say hurrah for the woman who is independent. I admire the one who has pluck enough to make her own living and think most men do, and especially real men. I don't admire a "sissy" of any kind. Now this is what I have done and didn't have a sail, and will try this

year to do better, as I have a brand new record book:

Cream and eggs	\$271.50
Stock and tools	\$457.00
Pigs	\$503.50
Total	\$1,235.00

I have ten pigs now, but not to sell. In a few days the number will be raised. Every dollar of this money has gone to pay for things that was needful, such as cows, hogs, soparators, cotton seed, breaking sod, food and clothing. Not for cars. Now I hope this will help some one or lots of others to try and see what they can do. I have always done such things and kept a record, but never did publish it before. Stay up with what you are doing and then you don't have to ask your neighbor how to get by.—Mrs. J. O. Wooten in Crosbyton Review.

Albert Power, of Afton, was one among the many business visitors in Spur during the week.

EAT AT SANITARY CAFE

MRS. HOPKINS, Prop.
Located in the Old Bottling Works Building on West Side Main Street, Across from the Maples Garage
We Serve the Best the Market Affords, and Will Appreciate Your Patronage

MURPHY BROTHERS THE LONE STAR STAGE

Have Taken Over the Repair Shop of the Maples Garage.
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OUR BIG YEAR END SALE WILL CONTINUE 2 WEEKS MORE

We are preparing to move our place of business on February 1st to the Powell building now occupied by Love Dry Co., therefore our big year end sale will be continued two weeks longer, during which time we will further cut prices to save moving the goods. If you need any thing in dry good, clothing, millinery or ladies ready-to-wear, it will pay you to make purchases within the next two weeks, because prices are being cut to the very bottom.

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"The home of honest values"

Officers Nichols and McArthur Discover and Capture a 35 gal- lon Distillery

Last week Constable Nichols and Marshall McArthur captured a distillery two miles west of the old Renfro ranch place. The still had in recent operation, and the officers had been quietly guarding the place in order to capture the operators, but in this they were disappointed, the operators probably having suspicioned being watched, deserting the place together with the property. The distillery was of about thirty five gallon capacity.

New Brick Fire Hall Now Under Construc- tion in the City

Brick laying was commenced this week in the construction of a new 24x40 foot fire hall in the west part of the business section.

A new ten thousand dollar fire truck was recently purchased by the City Commissioners, and the building is being constructed to house the two fire trucks now possessed for fire protection. The building will also be equipped to furnish comfortable quarters for a fire chief and furnish other conveniences for the entire fire department.

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and Tuesday. Come.

R. B. Johnston, formerly County Agent of Dickens County, but who is now engaged in the jersey cow and sheep business in Stonewall county, was in Spur recently, meeting with his friends here and also transacting business affairs.

Mr. Cooper, of the City Drug store, and Mrs. Cooper, are in Waco this week, on business and also visiting with relatives and friends in that part of the state.

Next Lyceum to be in Spur January 18th

The De Willo Concert Company is one of the most unique companies in concert work. On our lyceum course they feature De Willo, Semerean and his concertina-grande. This is an instrument that approaches the pipe organ in tone volume, and De Willo is one of the world's recognized masters of the instrument.

The other members of the company are LaNoanie Coffin, violinist, a pupil of the famous Tirinbelli; and Mrs. DeWillo Semerean, soprano and pianist. More than half of their program consists of esemble music.

This umber will be presented at the Methodist Church, Tuesday evening, January 18th, at 8:30 o'clock. Don't miss it!

Roy Scott was in Spur Thursday of this week.

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and Tuesday. Come.

L. A. Grantham, of the Red Hill community to the east of Spur, was among the business visitors in the city during the week. He reports everything progressing satisfactorily at this the beginning of another New Year.

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and Tuesday. Come.

Joe McDaniel returned Friday of last week from Callahan county where he accompanied his mother who was called there because of the critical illness of her mother at Burket. Mrs. McDaniel remained at the bedside of her mother who is not expected to survive.

A. W. VanLeer, of near Spur, was among the number of traders and business visitors here during the first part of the week.

ANTELOPE NEWS

The farmers of the Antelope community are still suffering with their backs from picking cotton. We think most of them have decided not to plant any cotton this year, just spend the year gathering last year's crop. While the past two weeks have been pretty and there is quite a bit of it being gathered.

Miss Varona East was home from Abilene visiting her parents. She was a very much enjoyed member of a party at Mr. Sam Hentons during the holidays. We are glad for her to come home, she is so jolly.

Mr. Fred Grice has recently bought a new Chevrolet. We are glad to see him make such a good investment and it is the general opinion that his sons, Jackson and Randolph are glad for they dismissed themselves from the boll patch Saturday afternoon long enough to go to Gilpin for a cigar which they saved until Sunday morning and it is told that they missed their Sunday School Class sitting in the new car smoking. But that is just right boys, all of the girls like jelly beans.

Among the ones disappointed in not having the party at Clyde Hagars were Mr. and Mrs. Jafe Morris, Miss Minnie Pearson and Mr. Golda Tooke of Duck Creek. The party was not given on account of the baby being sick.

Miss Viola Ross has quit smiling since Bryson Morris left for Borger. Perhaps he will not stay any longer than he did Christmas when he went home to sea his people, he being gone only a week.

Mrs. Mayme Willis of our community has been suffering from a severe cold, almost to the extent of influenza. But we hope she has recovered by now.

Miss Maude Bural was very lonely Sunday. She was seen looking out of the window while Mr. Ross' car was passing; but never mind Maudia Randolph has a new Chivie.

Mr. Harry Taylor was seen giving Miss Minnie Pearson five pennies at prayer meeting the other Sunday night. Harry must not be getting much out of his cotton these days. He probably intends buying a nice present for her next Christmas.

Mr. Jack Taylor, George Ross and Mayo Yates resolved to find themselves some girls but after a brief visit to Mr. Cheyne's of South of Antelope Sunday, 7th, they all decided to be old batchelors, but probably some of the girls will like the way you exchange your boots and shoes boys.

Mrs. Malcome Brasher is expecting her sister this week. We all welcome her to our circle.

Mr. Tommie Sanders was at prayer meeting Sunday night. We will give Miss Jewell Hagar fair warning as he is very likely to be looking for a girl.

We will quit now, and if this does not fall into the waste basket we will call again.—Wicked Two.

We are very glad to have Antelope news, and appreciate the "Wicked Two" furnishing it to us each week, with the assurance that there is no waste basket handy.—Ed.

J. P. Koonsman and son, Martin Koonsman, were in Spur Tuesday of this week from the Koonsman farm and ranch on Croton. Martin Koonsman has been pasturing a number of cattle here during the past year, and while serving as special officer for railway companies, he has spent some time also here looking after his cattle interests.

J. Z. Smith, of Red Mud was here again during the week ginning and marketing some of his cotton which is a surplus crop on his place. So long as cotton is made a surplus crop the price, in time, can be controlled by the producer—yet it is a fact that the cotton speculator rather than the producer controls prices and gets the cream, if there be any, of the marketing of cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jones, of Jayton, were visiting and shopping in Spur one day during the past week.

A boy was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Foy Vernon at their home in the city.

JOI DE VOI CLUB

Mrs. Floyd Barnett entertained the Joi de Voi Club and guests on Thursday afternoon.

In the bridge games, Mrs. A C Hull won high score, Mrs. Dan Zachry, high cut, and Mrs. Flint, consolation.

Officers elected for the ensuing six months are: Mrs. Murray Lea, President; Mrs. Charlie Powell, Vice-Pres. Mrs. Floyd Barnett, Secretary and Treasurer, and Mrs. A C Hull, Reporter.

A delicious refreshment plate was served to Mesdames Charley Powell, Dan Zachry, Thomas Morrison, Clifford Jones, C L Love, Flint, Murray Lea, Jack Rector, Schrimsher, Jim Edd Hall, A C Hull and Miss Willie Richbourg.

P. M. W. CLUB

On last Friday evening at 8 o'clock Mrs. Lee Davis entertained the P M W Club and other guests.

Four tables were arranged for the interesting game of progressive "42". Each time the player progressed she was presented a new year resolution which she formed a book of. After the games the players who were the luckiest had quite a few resolutions to abide by.

The hostess served a delicious refreshment plate to the following guests: Mesdames Chas. Wolfe, L. Wolfe, E H Ousley, F C Fallis, Jess Fletcher, Lumas, Hogan, John Hazelwood, Tom Teague, F B Crockett, Leonard Joplin, Weldon Grimes, Harvey Stack, O F McCombs, Rob Davis, Jud Boyd, and W S Perry.

MRS. J. C. KING DIED ROARING SPRINGS MONDAY

Matador, Roaring Springs, and in fact the entire county, were saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. J. C. King at Roaring Springs, Monday night at 10 P. M.

Mrs. King was a pioneer woman of Motley County having moved here thirty-five years ago. She was a true Christian woman and her life was spent in doing good, and helping others. She was sixty-nine years old at the time of her death. She leaves to mourn her loss, three sons, one daughter, grand children, one sister two brothers and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Roaring Springs Tuesday afternoon, by her pastor, Rev. Smith, assisted by Rev. Brennan, and interment made in the Roaring Springs cemetery.

The Matador order of Eastern Stars held a Memorial service at the grave. The news and many friends of the family extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.—Motley County News.

Attorney W. D. Wilson attended district court in Wichita Falls the past week, representing a client in the toils of that court.

Model Poultry House To Be In Operation

The County and Home Demonstration Agents will have chickens in the Model Poultry House Saturday, Jan. 15, in Spur. The house is properly equipped for comfortable housing and largest egg production.

Demonstrations on Culling, mixing laying ration, baby chick ration, de-lousing of mites and other insects will be had on that day.

With our abundance of grains, green feed, local feed grinding mills, there is no excuse for any person not to be able to feed their chickens a home grown and home mixed ration from baby chicks to maturity, including the laying ration.

All these factors will be thoroughly discussed.

In fact, any person, interested in poultry in any way, should come out.

The model house is in across the street east of Godfrey and Smart garage.

Local Citizen Here Looking Over the Oil Probabilities

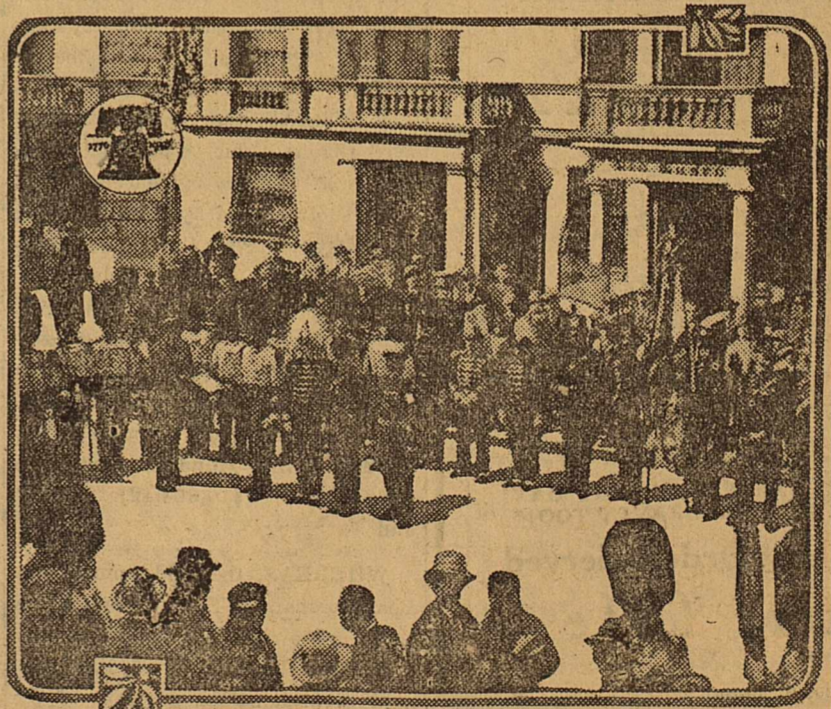
Will Walker, who has been operating trucks the past year in the great Panhandle oil fields, was in Spur this week, spending a day or two here visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson, and other relatives and friends of the Spur country. Mr. Walker had been down in the Trent oil field looking over the situation, and also possibly taking note of the possible developments within the Spur territory. There is a possibility that oil may develop here—(it depending, of course, on future eventualities—or it may be likened unto the story of the old negro woman of whom it is said that upon visiting one of her colored sistern was invited to remain for dinner, and upon noting that the negro sister had a bad cold and that her nose was dripping profusely, she replied that it all depended upon "how the drap fell.") Now, upon observing the situation here from all angles, we, like the old negro woman, are inclined to say that "it depends upon just how the drap falls" as to whether or not we get oil here at this time. Personally, we have expended from five to ten thousand dollars for our oil experience, and now we wouldn't bet five cents on oil unless some real oil man were to get our confidence and inform us to "get busy". The oil game is as tricky as any poker game—even where professionals are interested.

"Red Grange"—Lyric Monday and Tuesday. Come.

Hogs for sale, at from \$5 to \$15.—Harkey and Aldredge.

Miss Ruth Maples is spending the week visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. M. Keith, at San Angelo.

New York's Old Guard Coming to Sesqui



At an imposing ceremony before their headquarters in New York City the famous Old Guard of New York under the command of Major E. Haver-meyer Snyder, commandant of the organization, received the invitation from the committee of the Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition, opening in Philadelphia June 1 and continuing to December 1, to celebrate 150 years of American Independence, to attend the Flag Day exercises on June 14, when all the historic military commands of the thirteen original colonies will assemble for a big military display and parade headed by General Pershing. Captain James A. B. Franciscus, of the Old Guard State Fencibles, of the Sesqui city, is presenting the invitation to Major Snyder. At Major Snyder's left stand the commanding officers of the Philadelphia organizations, while the members of the two famous commands are grouped about their leaders in their striking dress uniforms.

LYRIC THEATRE Program

— Friday —
Douglas McLean
IN
"Hold That Lion"

ALSO LAST EPISODE
"Radio Detective"

— Saturday —
Fred Humes
IN
Prowlers of the Night

CARTOON — COMEDY

— Monday - Tuesday —
Red Grange
IN
"1 Minute to Play"

Babe Berry, who has been wandering around over the country, employed principally in the construction of new buildings, the past several months, is again back in home in Spur. Babe has been a builder and a booster for this and other sections of West Texas a number of years—and possibly has done more real constructive work in the advancement and promotion of material interests than a dozen other men of whom much has been said publicly and thru the newspapers. The fact of the business is that the men who get down and do the things of this world which is of real moment are those of whom the public hear the least.



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