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CITY OFFICIALS ELECTED TUESDAY

NED HOGAN, ELECTED MAYOR, J. E. JOHNSON, WATER COM. C. A. LOVE, STREET COM.

In the election of city officials held in Spur Tuesday of this week an entirely new city commission was selected, none of the members of the present administration having their names on the ballot. Ned Hogan was elected Mayor; C. A. Love Street Commissioner; and J. E. Johnson, Water Commissioner.

Following are returns of the election:

FOR MAYOR

D. H. Sullivan 77
Ned Hogan 215

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER

J. E. Johnson 157
Roy Stovall 144

FOR STREET COMMISSIONER

C. A. Love 152
H. A. Boothe 147

The number of votes polled was comparatively small, only about 300 votes being polled.

C. H. Perry was in charge of the election, being assisted by Homer Dobbins, Mrs. W. R. Stafford and Mrs. M. D. Ivey.

Bids Open for Lease of Postoffice Building 5 or 10 Years

A. S. Page, Postal Inspector for the Department at Washington, D. C., has been in Spur this week.

The Department is now seeking bids for a five or ten year lease on a building for the postoffice at Spur. Those desiring to submit bids are requested to call at the postoffice in Spur, where blanks for bids will be furnished, together with specifications and other information will be given by Mrs. Senning.

Ensey, Brown, Russell and Cowan are Elected Trustees

New Members are Installed Wednesday

In the Spur school trustee election held Saturday Chalk Brown, T. C. Ensey, E. J. Cowan and E. A. Russell were elected to serve on the board the ensuing two years.

There were eight names on the ticket, and the vote was as follows: E. J. Cowan 133, T. C. Ensey 94, Chalk Brown 90, E. A. Russell 85, W. M. Hazel 84, W. W. Sample 57, M. Hargrove 56, H. L. Burnam 37. W. R. Lewis, C. P. Harris, W. B. Lee, E. J. Cowan, E. A. Russell, T. C. Ensey and Chalk Brown will now make up the Spur school board for the next school term.

A meeting of the board was held Wednesday, at which time the new members were installed and officers elected for the ensuing term. E. J. Cowan was elected president of the board and T. C. Ensey, secretary.

The new board will meet again next week to confer with the new Superintendent elect, Cluck, who will be here from Hubbard at that time.

Jake Scott was here Saturday from his farm home in the Afton country.

One Killed and Two Seriously Injured in Auto Wreck

Hub Holden, a prominent citizen and rancher of Lamesa, was instantly killed, and his daughter, Mrs. Whitfield Colbert, was critically injured Sunday near Hamlin when the automobile in which they were riding was wrecked. Whitfield Colbert, who was driving the car, received but slight injuries.

Mrs. Colbert was carried immediately to a Stamford sanitarium, and an examination revealed that six or seven bones were broken, including both arms, one leg and other bones of the body. She is in a very critical condition.

Whitfield Colbert is the youngest son of R. V. Colbert of Stamford, and well known throughout this section of the state.

Elsie Foreman is Thrown from Horse and Injured

Miss Elsie Foreman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Comie Foreman, has been in the Nichols Sanitarium during the week, suffering of a broken arm.

Miss Elsie was returning home from school at Dickens Friday of last week, when she was thrown from the horse she was riding with the result that her arm was broken at the shoulder.

G. L. Barber spent several days of this week in Spur. Mr. Barber is now engaged in the work of grading the roadbed for the new railway building out of Amarillo through the Panhandle oil fields, he having a contract covering several miles of the road.

Interscholastic League Report

After figuring up the points of each school that took part in the Interscholastic League held at Dickens and Spur, Friday and Saturday, giving Spur High School the championship of Class A Schools. Dickens High School the championship of class B schools. Wilson Draw the championship of Rural Schools.

Dickens also own the Grammar or ward school events. The following is a list of each school, to-wit: Wilson Draw, points, 4; Afton, 5; Croton, 75; Dickens, 240; Espuela, 3; Prairie Chapel, 40; Spur, 123; Steel Hill, 20; Wilson Draw, 95.

This gives Dickens High School the all-around championship of the Dickens County schools.

Edd Slough, of Dickens was high point man, making 23 points and Jack Littlejohn, also of Dickens was second, making 18 points. Rickles, of Spur Grammar school, won first in the Junior Track Meet with 16 1-4 points and Grady Edgar, of the Dickens Junior Track was second, making 15 3-4 points.

SENIOR BOYS TRACK & FIELD EVENTS SAT.

120 Yd. High Hurdles—Slough, Dickens, first, Harkey, Dickens, 2nd and Bradshaw, Dickens, third; time 15' 2".

220 Yard Low Hurdles—Littlejohn, Dickens, 1st; Lusk, Dickens, 2nd; Hext, Afton, 3rd; Alexander, Afton, 4th. time 28' 2".

440 Yard Dash—Perrin, Croton, 1st; Jones, Croton, 2nd; Taylor, of Dickens, 3rd; Powell, Dickens, 4th; time 55' 3".

880 Yard Dash—Mimms, Croton, 1st; Jones, Croton, 2nd.

1 Mile Run—Porter, Croton, 1st; Taylor, Dickens, 2nd; Holloway, of Dickens, 3rd; Littlefield, Croton, 4th.

12 pound Shot Put—Slough, of Dickens, 1st; McAteer, Dickens, 2; Murchison, Croton, 3rd; Lusk, Dickens, 4th; distance 38' 5 1-2".

Javelin—Rye, Dickens, 1st; McAteer, Dickens, 2nd; Jones, Croton, 3rd; Murchison, Croton, 4th; distance, 119 1-2.

Discus—Slough, Dickens, 1st; and Lusk, Dickens, 2nd; Murchison, Croton, 3rd; distance 106' 4".

100 Yard Dash—Perrin, Croton, 1st; Littlejohn, Dickens, 2nd; Lusk, Dickens, 3rd, Murchison, Croton, 4; time 10 4-5.

Broad Jump—Littlejohn, Dickens, 1st; McAteer, Dickens, 2nd; Porter, Croton, 3rd; Lefevre, Afton 4th; High Jump—Slough, Dickens and McAteer, Dickens tied for first; Lefevre, Afton, 3rd; 5' 4".

Pole Vault—Slough, Dickens, and Harkey, Dickens, tied for 1st; McAteer, Dickens, 3rd; Porter, Croton, 4th.

1 Mile Relay—Croton 1st; Afton 2nd.

220 Yard Dash—Perrin, Croton, 1st; Littlejohn, Dickens, 2nd; Holloway, Dickens, 3rd, Murchison, Croton, 4th; time 24".

JUNIOR BOYS TRACK

High Jump—Rickles, Spur, 1st; Edgar, Dickens, 2nd; Borden, Dickens, 3rd; Powell, Spur, 4th; height 5' 2".

Running Broad Jump—Edgar, & Borden, Dickens, tied for 1st; Rickles, Spur, 3rd; Powell, Spur, 4th. Distance 16' 4".

50 Yard Dash—Edgar, Dickens, 1st; Rickles, Spur 2nd; Borden, of Dickens, 3rd; Hawk, Dickens, 4th.

100 Yard Dash—Rickles, Spur, 1. Edgar, Dickens, 2nd; Borden, Dickens, 3rd; Powell, Spur, 4th; time 12'.

Chinning Bar—R. Cobb, Dickens 1st; W. Cobb, Dickens, 2nd; Jones, Dickens, 3rd.

440 Relay—Spur, 1st; Dickens 2. Points won, Dickens 36, Spur 23. their teams scoring 104 and 95.

TENNIS

Boys Singles, Byron Crego, Dickens, 1st; Jack Hindman, Spur, 2nd; Earl Murchison, Croton, 3rd.

Boys Doubles—Jack Hogan and Cleo Hazel, Spur, 1st; Tom Porter and Dick Perrin, Croton, 2nd.

Girls Singles—Jewel Suits, Croton, 1st; Wilson Draw, 2nd; May Roberts, Dickens, 3rd.

Girls Doubles—Lexie Terry and Opal Harris, Dickens, 1st; Ruby Porter and Rhenn Richey, Croton, 2nd.

Girls Volleyball—Croton, 1st; Dickens, 2nd.

Indoor Baseball—Jr. Girls, Dickens, 1st. Junior Boys, Dickens 1st.

Secretary of League.

Mrs. Fannie M. Sullivan, of Bonger, spent several days of this week in Spur on business and visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sullivan and other relatives and friends of the town and country.

Ex-Confederates Attending Reunion in Florida

J. Carlisle of Gilpin, and C. M. Buchanan of the Afton country, left Spur Saturday for Tampa, Florida, to attend the Confederate Reunion.

These two old soldiers were the only ones of the few remaining in this section who were able to attend the reunion.

Before returning Mr. Carlisle will visit relatives and his old home in Alabama and Georgia.

Annual Meeting of Women's Missionary Union in Spur

The Eighth Annual meeting of the Plainview District Womens Missionary Union, will hold a two days session at the First Baptist Church in Spur, April 11th and 12th.

Following is the program for the occasion:

Monday—Young Peoples Evening. Devotional—Miss Amy Glenn, of Matador.

Pageant—Y. W. A., Spur. Address—Mrs. J. E. Leigh, Dallas. Tuesday, 9:45 a. m.

Devotional—Mrs. Hanchie, Post. Welcome address—Mrs. Geo. M. Williams, Spur.

Response—Mrs. B. N. Shepherd, of Tahoka.

Secretary-Treasurer Report—Mrs. R. W. Heinn, Lubbock.

Young People—Miss Amy Glenn, of Matador.

Personal Service—Mrs. W. M. Lawrence, Southland.

Reports of Associational Presidents. Address—Mrs. J. E. Leigh, Dallas. Lunch.

Devotional—Mrs. C. E. Dick, Crosbyton.

Educational—Mrs. G. W. McDonald, Plainview.

Benevolence—Mrs. L. L. F. Parker, Spur.

Publicity—Mrs. G. W. Briley, Tahoka, Texas.

Mission Study—Mrs. John P. Hardesty, Slaton.

Mission—Mrs. J. A. Dunn, Crosbyton. Stewardship—Mrs. B. M. Sims, of Plainview.

Dickens Organizes Boy Scout Troop

A group of citizens of Dickens met Thursday afternoon with Mr. Watt, of Lubbock, Supervisor of the South Plains Council of Boy Scouts of America, and organized a troop.

Mr. Fred Arrington was elected Scoutmaster. D. J. Harkey, Frank Speer and H. A. C. Brummett were elected Committeemen.

The place of meeting will be at the school Gymnasium once every week.

We are hoping this troop makes the best in the South Plains District.

Constable Nichols and City Marshal McArthur returned the past week from Hillboro where they had gone as witnesses in the trial of a car theft case.

Mrs. C. Sullivan and daughter, Miss Patsy, of Ferris, are spending the week in Spur with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Sullivan.

Miss Mildred Smith Died Sunday Morning at Baird, Texas

Miss Mildred Smith, 17-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith, of this city, died early Sunday morning, April 3, at a Sanitarium in Baird, Texas, where she had been taken in the vain hope of a treatment that would relieve her condition.

Some time ago Miss Mildred suffered a stroke of paralysis, later suffering a more severe stroke from which she never recovered. She was taken to the local sanitarium, for treatment and later to a number of the most noted physicians and surgeons in the state, and although all agreed in the diagnosis of her case, it seemed that nothing could be done to relieve her condition.

Miss Smith was one of the most popular young ladies of the city and her loss will be mourned by a great number of friends.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church at 3:30 o'clock, interment following in the Spur Cemetery.

Miss Smith is survived by a father and mother, two sisters, two brothers and a number of other relatives.

Two Fine Rains Fall Over Spur Country the Past Week

Last Friday night approximately an inch and a quarter of rain fell in Dickens and adjoining counties, and again Wednesday of this week a rain fell over this territory.

The rain Friday was heavy in the immediate vicinity becoming lighter westward from McAdoo and Wednesday the heaviest rains fell east of Spur becoming heavier at Girard and Jayton and further east. The rain was much needed and will be of great benefit coming as it did at this time.

Willie Bell Buys the Bell's Cafe

Saturday of the past week, Willie Bell purchased the interests of Jno. A. Bell in the Bell's Cafe, becoming sole owner of that establishment.

Mr. Bell is a good restaurant man and the business will be run in the same efficient manner as under the previous management of he and his father.

Scout Leader's Training School Held at Methodist Church the Past Week

A Scoutmaster's training school was conducted in Spur the past week by A. H. Watt, of Lubbock, Scout Commissioner of the South Plains area; the purpose of the school being to prepare men to assume the duties of Scout masters over the newly organized troops of this city.

At the conclusion of the school Geo. S. Link was elected president of the council here and vice president of the South Plains Area Council; A. G. Abbott, Scoutmaster of troop No. 38 with Mr. Link as assistant; and W. D. Starcher, Scoutmaster of Troop No. 36, with R. E. Dickson as assistant Scoutmaster.

Dr. Morris is spending some time in Dallas taking special treatment at the hands of specialists.

County Interscholastic Meet is Held Friday and Sat.

The County Interscholastic Meet was held last Friday and Saturday. The Literary events were at Spur Friday and the Track and athletic events were held at Dickens Saturday.

There was much interest manifested in all the literary events, however, more schools should have taken part. The attendance was good, and the declamations were very, very good.

The following students took part in declamation contests:

RURAL JUNIOR BOYS
W. L. Low, Wilson Draw --- First
Geo. E. Erath, Steel Hill --- Second
P. W. Bell, Prairie Chapel --- Third

RURAL JUNIOR GIRLS
Elmira Cowan, Prairie Chapel First
Lois Low, Wilson Draw --- Second
Iva Jennings, Steel Hill --- Third

RURAL SENIOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL BOYS
Rozzle Cozby, Wilson Draw --- First
Theo Blasingame, P. Chapel; Second

RURAL SENIOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL GIRLS
Helen Power, Prairie Chapel; First
Ouida Caviness, Wilson Draw; 2nd.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS
Herman Harkey, Dickens --- First
Robert Glasgow, Spur --- Second

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS
Kathrine Collum, Spur --- First
Joyce Faye McIlhaney, Dick.; 2nd.

WARD SENIOR GIRLS
Opal Bradshaw, Dickens --- First
RURAL HIGH SCHOOL—SENIOR BOY AND GIRL

Melvin Morgan, P. Chapel --- First
Lorene Middleton, P. Chapel --- First
HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR BOYS
Cleo Hazel, Spur --- --- First
Houston Littlefield, Croton --- Second

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR GIRLS
Maud Slough, Dickens, --- First
Beth Harkey, Spur --- --- Second

The above list gives the names and places of all who took part in the declamation contest.

The winners of the following divisions are entitled to represent their school at the district meet to be held at Lubbock: Senior girl, Senior boy, Junior girl and boy, in both the high school and in the rural school divisions.

Those entitled to go to the District Meet are: W. L. Low, Elmira Cowan, Melvin Morgan, Lorene Middleton, Kathrine Collum, Herman Harkey, Cleo Hadel, and Maud Slough.

This is an honor that any student should appreciate and work hard to win. Those taking part in literary work received good training, and splendid development and we hope that more schools will be represented and more students become interested in this phase of Interscholastic League work in the future.—Signed—Oscar L. Kelley, Director of Declamation, Dickens County.

Bill McArthur came in one day the first of the week from his farm home west of Spur. Bill has gone to plowing and preparing his lands for planting, stating that it is in the very finest shape and everything indicates bumper production again this year.

Harvey S. Holly, of near Dickens, was among the number of business visitors here the first of the week. He reports everything lovely and most promising of a bountiful crop year.



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THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

Pupils of Miss Higgins and Mr. Collum Give Program

The pupils of Miss Nell Higgins and Mr. G. C. Collum appeared in a joint concert last night. The program was held at the high school auditorium.

Besides the numbers given by these pupils, the High School Orchestra also played selections. —The Rowel.

Robert Morrison and wife, of Oklahoma, were in Spur last week to attend the funeral of Luther Morrison.

Buster Robinson, of west of the city a few miles, was here the first of the week, meeting with his numerous friends.

Robert Watson, of Marquez, is here this week visiting with his sister, Mrs. C. D. Copeland, and brother, Will Watson, of east of Spur. This is Mr. Watson's first visit to the Spur country. Before returning he will also visit up on the Plains.

C. D. Copeland returned the first of the week from a trip over the Eastern part of the state, taking in Waco, Mart, Marquez and many other points. He states that the Eastern part of the state has been rained out and farmers all backward in planting.

G. W. Rash returned during the week from a trip over the Eastern part of the state. He just remarked that he was glad to get back to "God's country" and that he would not give one acre of land here for a whole farm back there.

Albert Power, a leader citizen of the Afton country, was trading and greeting his friends in Spur the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee, of Wichita Falls, are in Spur visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hyatt.

Dee Keith, of Matador, spent last Sunday in Spur with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hyatt.

Mrs. T. Walker, of Idalou, last week visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Worswick at the city of Dickens.

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SPUR LOSES OR'CH. CONTEST

In the district Contest Friday, The Spur High School Orchestra lost to its two competitors, Slaton and Lubbock by a close margin. The contest was held in the High School Auditorium between four and six P. M., and the orchestras playing were placed between individual contestants. Special favor was given by the Judges and other musicians on our excellent Bass section, a part of which has only been developed last week. Lubbock took first place, Slaton second and Spur third.

The official scores turned in by the judges for the respective orchestras were as follows: Lubbock 88, Slaton 86 2-3; Spur 86.

This is the second victory of the Lubbock Orchestra, which is under the direction of Miss Annis Owens, in this division of musical work. Lubbock was given the choice over its only competitor, Slaton, last year. If the contest is again won by the Lubbock Orchestra, the silver cup will go into their possession.

Besides this contest, Spur entered the solo contests for trombone and saxophone. In the trombone contest which was held directly after the playing of the orchestras, Cleo Hazel was given first place. The official rating given by the judges was Spur 89, Lubbock 87, and Slaton 70 out of a possible one hundred.

The saxophone contest was not held until Saturday afternoon. One of the five contestants, Curtiss Harkney was given fourth place with a score of 82. Many of the listeners expressed the opinion that he would have won easily if it had not been for a reed which squeaked 3 times.

The south Plains Musical Festival was concluded with a feature winner's program and a mass orchestra concert. Medals were given to the Friday's and Saturday's winners at this time. All of the contestants who had taken first places in any of the previous events played the piece on which they had won. As a conclusion, the point was stressed the purpose of the South Plains Musical Festival was "to give a definite object" and an opportunity toward which to work and a means to evaluate themselves to the students. —The Rowel.

SENIORS PLAN NEW PLAY

The Senior class met Monday, March 28 and planned to present a new class play. This play had already been selected by Mrs. Brannen. Its name is a "Trial of Hearts."

Miss Debnay has been selected to coach the play. A cast has not yet been chosen, but a number has been set at twenty four actors. Many of the Senior that acted in the first Senior play will not be in this play, owing to the fact that all Seniors are expected to be in plays.

"A Trial of Hearts" is a college comedy in four acts. It is written by Lindsey Barbee. An aristocratic wealthy, college-bred man falls in love with and marries a sweet, but unsophisticated girl who has lived all her life on a western ranch. She is greeted coldly and treated with indifference by his mother, but all ends happily. —The Rowel.

Mrs. Birl Hight came down from Borger, spending the week end here with Mr. Hight and children. Mrs. Hight is with Joe Salem, assisting in the establishment of his branch dry goods business at that point. A big opening was had the past week, and it is said that it was one of the biggest affairs of this kind ever staged in the oil belt. After the business at Borger has been thoroughly established, Mrs. Hight will remain with the Salem Guaranty business in Spur.

A. V. Womack, of McAdoo, was a business visitor in Spur Wednesday of this week.

COUNTY MEET HELD FRIDAY

The annual county meet was held at Spur, Friday, April 3, at the High School Auditorium, the various schools in Dickens county being represented.

After the general assembly the morning was taken up in essay writing, debating, spelling, music memory, and arithmetic contests. The following schools won places:

Essay writing—Croton; Essay writing—Spur; Music memory—Wilson Draw. Arithmetic. Debating (boys)—Spur; Debating (girls)—Spur.

After taking a delicious lunch with the Seniors, the spectators listened to the declaimers, representatives of the various schools. Those winning places were: Rural Junior Boys—Wilson Draw. Rural Junior Girls—Croton. Ward Girls—Spur. Ward Boys—Dickens. Senior High School boys—Spur. Senior High School girls—Dickens.

Judge Brummett was chairman of all meeting and Mr. Kelly of Croton was clerk.

The student bodies as well as the audience enjoyed the efforts made by each contestant and everyone present acquired something helpful. —The Rowel.

WILSON DRAW HIGHEST

With a total of 95 points, Wilson Draw leads all other rural schools in the county. In the eight Literary events they entered they won first place in six of them, and second in the other two. They also won second place in Girls Tennis Singles. Those taking part in the different events are Owida Caviness, Lavina Cosby, Kozzle Cosby, Lois Law, W. L. Law, Juanita and Bernice Justice Irene Garner and Morice Bel.

J. H. Jones was in town Tuesday. Mr. Jones last year sold his farm in the Red Top community, and is this year farming on one of the W. J. Elliot farms to the southwest of Spur.

Will Marshall, of Duck Creek, was on the streets one day during the week. Will has now quit batching and again living more comfortably at home, his wife having moved back from the city.

Luther Hindman, Jim Hahn, M. E. Tree, Dr. Zachry, Eric Ousley and Dr. Brannen enjoyed a fishing party to Old Glory the first of the week. It is reported that they hooked numbers of big bass.

L. S. Scott, of near the city, was here the past week trading and also meeting with his friends of both town and country.

Mrs. W. S. Campbell returned last Sunday from Angleton where she had been several days visiting with her sisters and other relatives of that part of the state.

Mrs. Duff Green, of Matador, was in Spur Tuesday, spending the day here with Mrs. R. C. Forbis and other friends.

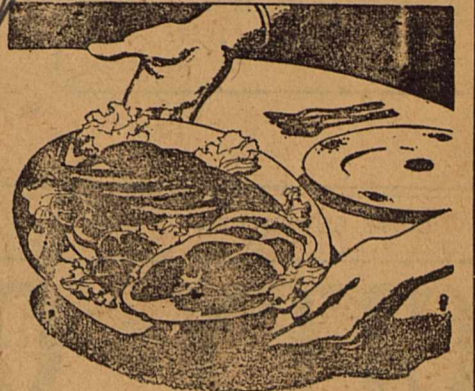
J. W. Garrett, of east of Dickens, is another one of the new readers of the Texas Spur.

T. H. Tallent, of near Gilpin, was among the number of visitors on the streets of Spur Saturday of the past week. Mr. Tallent reports all things looking good throughout the Gilpin country.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morrison and children and Mrs. C. A. Love left Sunday for Fort Worth where Mrs. Love will remain a week or longer for the treatment of her eyes. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison returned Wednesday of this week.

Walter Edwards, who is now employed on a big ranch in the San Angelo country, returned Friday of last week after spending a week in Dickens with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Edwards.

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Mit Reynolds and daughters have moved to Jayton. Mr. Reynolds is still unable to get about on account of a crushed foot and broken leg. It is hoped that he may soon be able to get about.

Bob Westerman boosted the Texas Spur subscription list up with two more regular readers Monday, having the paper sent to J. T. Arledge of Cross Plains and also to himself here at Spur.



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HOW ABOUT BUSINESS?

Prompted, without doubt, by the influence of dull business, a reader asks: "How do you find business?"

My reply: "By looking for it."

When business slumps in some sections of the country when trade is dull in certain lines, there are those who grouch about the business outlook and my stereotyped reply is: "Forget the business outlook; be on the outlook for business."

Conditions are always changing. Business in a certain line may be good today and not so good tomorrow.

My experience is that our business will run down if we do not wind it up about every twenty four hours.

It is this everlasting energy and enthusiasm—that constant effort—that sincere ambition to be of service—that keeps my business going.

When business in your line is dull what do you do? Do you jump over into some other line? Then when that line slumps, is it your plan to jump back into your old line.

The jumper never lights long enough to amount to anything. The success sticks by shoveling on more coal and getting up steam. Think up! Brush up! Buck up! Wake up! Work up! Your business is largely up to you.

Mr. Duke, of near Spur, was one among the number of business visitors here the past week.

Mrs. Potts returned last week from Swenson where she had been visiting with friends.

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Bronze Turkey Eggs for sale at 50c each.—Mrs. W. T. Lovell, Dickens, Texas. 21-2tp

I need some money and have good mules to sell worth the money.—M. Hargrove.

WANTED—To pasture stock, good grass and plenty water. See G. B. Erath. 21tf

FOR SALE—Two residence lots in Spur, close in. See Weldon Grimes at Postoffice. 23-tf

WANTED—A few shoats, 100 lbs to 125 lbs. Will also buy your fat hogs.—Central Market. 21tf

I need some money and have good mules to sell worth the money.—M. Hargrove.

STRAYED—Brown mule, 10 or 12 years old, wearing one old shoe, been on my place 10 days. Owner please call for mule and pay for this notice.—W. L. Lusk, Dickens.

WANTED—Plain sewing and dress making.—Mrs. G. C. Collum, Phone 234, Spur, Texas.

Standard bred S C Rhode Island Red Eggs, pen settings \$5; flock eggs \$2.—Mrs. J. M. Hahn, Rt. A, B67 Spur, Texas. 22tf

WANTED—A few shoats, 100 lbs to 125 lbs. Will also buy your fat hogs.—Central Market. 21tf

FOR RENT—5-room house, good cistern, immediate possession. — I. G. Van Leer, Spur, Texas. 22tf

STRAYED—I have a stray, spotted boar in my pen in Spur. Owner please come forward and claim same or it will be disposed of in accord with strayed stock.—Tom Banks, Spur, Texas. Itc

Several teams of work stock to sell. Can give terms.—J. L. Hutto
For Sale—Choice eggs from pen No. 1, Buff Orphingtons; \$1.00 per setting.—H. L. Pullen, Rt. 1, Spur, Sp

If you want a real home at a reasonable price and reasonable terms, see this home. This is a real home and you will like location, place and price.—Joe Gaines, owner. 20tf

LOST—Ford battery from delivery car, March 8th. Phone 51, Spur.

WANTED—Man with car to sell complete line quality Auto Tires and Tubes. (Exclusive territory. Experience not necessary. Salary, \$300.00 per month.—Milestone Rubber Company, East Liverpool, Ohio.

WANTED—A few shoats, 100 lbs to 125 lbs. Will also buy your fat hogs.—Central Market. 21tf

FOR SALE—An almost new wood or coal range.—Mrs. Jm Ed Hall

The Growing Burden of Taxation

With a special session in sight various departments of the state government are preparing to present their claims to the legislature for more revenue. Each will be able to show where more money could be used to great advantage. For the legislature to turn down all the requests will require courage.

Nearly every session of congress or the legislature brings about an increase in some form of taxation. The demand for more revenue grows more insistent. Those who are asking for this money say that it will be used to promote public welfare. This position is that the more taxes we pay the more service we shall obtain from the government.

The trouble is that when we find one thing for the government to do that was formerly done by private individuals or organizations a dozen similar functions spring up around it. Bureaus never die. It is as hard to get rid of them as it is for a farmer to get rid of Bermuda grass.

The latest statistics show that the United States has a per capita taxation of \$70. This includes state, federal, district and all other forms of government sources of revenue. This means that when an average is struck it is found that every man, woman and child in the country is paying \$70.00 a year in taxes, fees, stamps and so on.

Persons who own no property may feel that this tax burden is not on them, but they should remember that the landlord adds it to the rent the employed subtracts it from their wages, and merchants add it to the prices of goods. Taxes levied to give aid to the poor are partly paid by the poor.

Of course it is worth much to live under the protection of such a government as we have. It is worth so much that we must keep out immigrants by restriction laws. But at the rate taxation is increasing it is alarming to contemplate what the ultimate result will be. Unfortunately, candidates for office who deplore excessive taxation on the one hand, promise measures that will increase taxes on the other.—Dallas Times Herald.

THINK THIS OVER

The advertising mgr. of a large mail order house expressed himself as follows: "We have a bureau whose duty it is to read each week the country newspapers from all over the country. There is not a paper of any consequence in our trade territory that our bureau doesn't get. This bureau looks over these newspapers and when they find a town where the merchants are not advertising in the local paper we immediately flood that territory with our literature. It always brings results far in excess of the same effort put forth in territory where the local merchants use their local papers."

John Randall was in town one day the past week from his farm home to the south of Spur. John Randall is not only an old timer here, but also one of the best diversified farmers of the country—therefore conditions give him but little worry, he taking advantage of what comes and making the best of it.

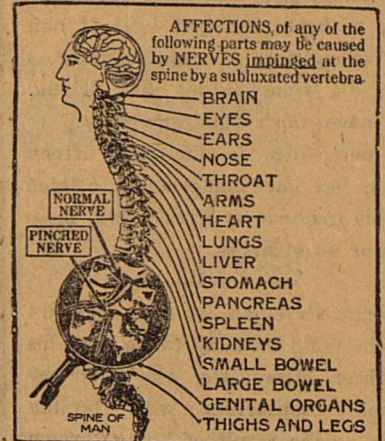
Jim Derr, of McAdoo, was trading in Spur Saturday.

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE CAN BE REDUCED

Friday Health Talk

LAVINA B. CONKLIN, Chiropractor

Blood pressure considerably above normal is rightly considered a serious matter, but it is by no means a condition that cannot be changed. It has a cause, and if that cause can be removed the high pressure can be reduced.



Chiropractic finds the cause to be faulty kidney action which permits a crystalline deposit of wastes within the walls of the blood vessels, reducing their diameter. It corrects this condition

by adjustments intended to restore normal transmission to the kidney nerves.

PRESSURE REDUCED 32 POINTS

"I had been ill for some time, having heart trouble, a Blood pressure of 200 and a swollen left breast. A friend recommended Chiropractic. When I had been adjusted for three weeks my blood pressure went down to 168 and my breast is again normal and all pain is gone."

—Herman Janssen, Chiropractic Research Bureau, Statement No. 2240—G.

Uncle Ben Says:

"Some people who ask for time to pay, don't know the difference between time and eternity."



YOUR APPOINTMENT

For Health can now be made by
Telephoning 228

The State of Texas

To all persons interested in the Estate of Ralph McLaughlin Deceased: Charles McLaughlin, administrator of the Estate of said Ralph McLaughlin Deceased, has filed in the County Court of Dickens County his Final Account of the condition of said estate, together with an application to be discharged as administrator thereof, which will be heard by our said Court on the third Monday in April A. D. 1927, same being the 19th day of April A. D. 1927, at the Court House of said Dickens

County in the Town of Dickens at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and contest said Final Account and application, if they see proper.

Witness Robert Reynolds Clerk of the County Court of Dickens County, given under my hand and the seal of said Court at my office in Dickens on this the 15th day of March A. D. 1927.

ROBERT REYNOLDS
Clery County Court, Dickens County,

Mr. Pierce, of Steel Hill, was in the city the past week trading and on other business.

THE Dixie Beauty Shoppe at Home

SOL DAVIS BUILDING

Phone 252 and 20

FIRE SALE!

An Unfortunate Affair for us has made Possible these Great Values for You. On March 12th our warehouses burned. They contained Hardware,

Furniture and Implements — WE ARE SELLING THEM OUT THIS WEEK!

Call and Let Us Show You — **SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY**

SPUR'S OLDEST STORE

THE TEXAS SPUR

ORAN McCEURE, Publisher

Entered as second class matter on November 12, 1909, at the postoffice at Spur, Texas, under the Act of March 3rd, 1879.

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

W. A. Smith is leaving this week for Lometa where he expects to spend the summer and enjoy the opportunities there offered in landing big fish. He has extended an invitation to join him later on, promising to have the right kind of bait and everything in readiness for a real, old time outing and fishing. We have the opportunity to fish only once in the past fifteen years, but the inducements offered in this instance is irresistible, business or no business.

Comie Foreman, of near Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday to be with his daughter, Miss Elsie, who is in the Nichols Sanitarium with broken bones as the result of being thrown from a horse. An X-ray picture revealed that her arm was broken at the shoulder. Comie reports her doing nicely at this time.

Jim Dabenport, of near Girard, was a Spur visitor Tuesday of this week. Things are looking the very finest, according to his observation. Jim recently bought farm land out West, but prefers to remain in this country, taking advantage only of the advancing land prices further west.

Spur Tailor Shop

We have just installed a new Press. We do better work and keep up abreast of the times.

IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

1/2 BLK. WEST SPUR NAT. BANK

FOR OVER 200 YEARS

haarlem oil has been a world-wide remedy for kidney, liver and bladder disorders, rheumatism, lumbago and uric acid conditions.



correct internal troubles, stimulate vital organs. Three sizes. All druggists. Insist on the original genuine GOLD MEDAL.

Bilious dull feeling

"My old stand-by is Theford's Black-Draught—I have used it off and on for about 20 years," says Mr. W. S. Reynolds, of R. F. D. 2, Arcadia, La. "I get bilious and have a bad taste in my mouth. My head feels dull. I don't just feel like getting around and doing my work. I know it isn't laziness, but biliousness.

"So I take a few doses of Black-Draught and when it acts well, I get up feeling like new—full of pep and ready for any kind of work.

"I can certainly recommend it." In case of biliousness and other disagreeable conditions due to an inactive liver, Black-Draught helps to drive the poisonous impurities out of the system and tends to leave the organs in a state of normal, healthy activity. Black-Draught is made entirely of pure medicinal roots and herbs and contains no dangerous or harmful mineral drugs. It can be safely taken by everyone. Sold everywhere. Price 25c.



COSMETICS



SPECIAL COMBINATION PACKAGE

FREE—With Every Box of COTY FACE POWDER

A Trial Bottle of

COTY PERFUME

SPUR DRUG CO

L. G. Crabtree was a recent business visitor in Spur from his farm home on Croton, reporting everything progressing very nicely in his section.

County Commissioner Frank Hagar and family, of Antelope in the County of Kent, were trading in the city of Spur Tuesday of this week. Mr. Hagar reports everything all o. k. throughout his precinct in Kent county.

G. A. Sloan, of the Dry Lake section, and former county commissioner, was on the streets Saturday of last week, greeting friends. He is this year giving his full time to the labor of farm production, and if he looks after the farm business as closely as he did that of commissioner, we have no doubt but that a successful and prosperous year will be experienced.

Lee Payne was here Tuesday from Dickens. He made the world brighter to us in slipping a substantial check into our subscription till. He came over to watch proceedings in the city election that day, but all the campaigning and talking ended before election day, the only evidence of an election being the passing to and from the polling place.

We, this week placed the name of Homer Garrett on the list of Texas Spur readers. Homer formerly lived here, but strayed away several years ago, returning the first of the year to the old home town. We are glad to welcome him back as a citizen and also a reader of the Texas Spur.

city Saturday. Jim Hahn is specializing now in raising standard bred S. C. Rhode Island Reds, and we expect his cotton crop to be of secondary consideration hereafter.

Croton Defeats Dickens at Volley Ball

The Croton High School Girls' Volley Ball Team defeated the Dickens team for the County championship. The first game was close, Dickens winning by two points. In the second game, Croton came in with renewed strength, and swamped the Dickens team, winning the game by 15 points to 1. The third game was interesting. Croton held the lead throughout the game and won it by a six point margin. This gave the Croton girls the County championship, and they will represent Dickens County at the District meet to be held at Lubbock.

The Croton School won eleven first places in the recent meet, and it is hoped that other victories will be added before the year is over.

The Croton Sub-Junior Spellers, Opal Hemphill, and Leel Lovell, won the County championship; Anna Mae White and Johnnie Lovell won for the Juniors. The team won over Spur, Dickens and a number of other schools in the county. But owing to the oversight of the Croton Supt. the Grammar School was not allowed to compete further. A Grammar School fee was supposed to have been paid, which was not.

Mrs. H. P. Cole, County Treasurer, was shopping and visiting in the Sheriff Bob Goodall, of Kent county, passed through Spur Tuesday on his way to Floydada after one or more prisoners now being detained for him. Bob states that things generally are quiet, especially with respect to official duties of a peace officer.

F. M. Bradshaw, of the McAdoo country, was trading and transacting business in the city of Spur on Wednesday.

Tom Cross this week made a business trip to Sweetwater.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Phil Wilson by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in nearest county where a newspaper is published. to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County. to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, on the fifth Monday in May A. D. 1927, the same being the 30th day of May A. D. 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 18th day of March A. D. 1927 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court, No. 966. wherein Vernon Wilson is Plaintiff, and Phil Wilson is Defendant, and said petition alleging the marriage of plaintiff to defendant on or about, the 17th day of December A. D. 1916, and that she was forced by reason of the cruel, and harsh treatment and improper conduct of defendant toward her, to permanently abandon him on or about the 21st day of February A. D. 1926; that three children were born of said marriage, to-wit: Joe Let Wilson, a boy, aged 9 years, Billie Wilson, a boy, 7 years old, a girl, Effie Eugene Wilson, aged three years; that on divers occasions, while they lived together, defendant was guilty of excesses, cruel treatment and outrages toward plaintiff of such a nature as to render their living together insupportable.

Plaintiff prays that she be divorced from defendant and that she have the care, custody and education of said three children, 21-4 Herein Fail Not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

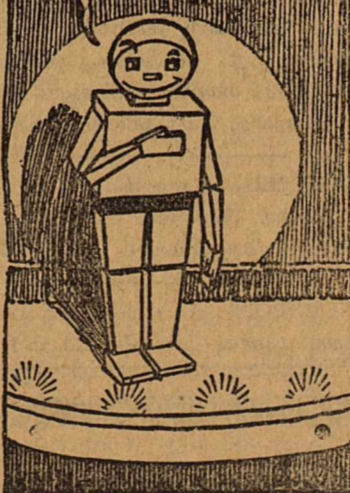
Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Dickens, TEXAS, this 19th day of March, A. D. 1927.

John D. Hufstetler, of the Dockum Valley, spent the greater part of Tuesday in the city, watching the city election and engaging his many friends in conversation.

Postmaster Crawford Cobb, of the city of Dickens, was among the business visitors on the streets the latter part of last week.

Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, of Dry Lake, was a recent visitor and shopper in Spur.

POPULARITY IS JUDGED BY THE ENCORES— REPEAT ORDERS FROM A SATISFIED PATRONAGE IS OUR GAME.



We have one of the most complete lines of Lumber and builders Hardware of any yard in West Texas. We have the material in stock to supply you with anything you could need in lumber or building materials. Call in to see us if you contemplate building or making improvements of any kind.

Tri-County Lumber Co. Spur, Texas

A GOOD SAFE PLACE TO TRADE

B. SCHWARZ & SON — SPUR THE STORE OF LITTLE PROFIT

MEN

BEST SUIT VALUES—

Come down and look them over? You'll see the Best Suit Values Ever Offered in West Texas—BAR NONE! AND WE ARE NOT SAYING, BEST, JUST TO HEAR OURSELVES TALK . . . !

Just Received— 250 All-Wool SPRING AND EASTER SUITS

FOR MEN AND YOUNG MEN

Plenty of light colors. New Spring, styles, colors, fabrics—Sizes for large men, for small men, for all men.

This Shipment Has Just Arrived!

When you see this great showing of attractive and genuine tailored Easter Suits, you will marvel, too, at the great buying power of your dollar at B. SCHWARZ & SON. PRICES \$10.00 TO \$12.00 LOWER—Because of selling, on a basis of Big Volume—for Cash—No executive overhead; inexpensive fixture, and right buying. We stayed out of the Men's Suit Market, up until the present time, feeling that the suits were not priced right, when we found the market right, we stepped in and bought, at savings of no less than 1-3 off the regular price, these savings we are passing on to you.

We will have to show you the price to make you believe, these handsome suits are priced at such a modest figure.

Step on the Gas Boys!—Tell your friends about these Suit Values—

MR. GOLDING ASSURES YOU, THAT YOU WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED.

LET'S GO!

- \$32.50 Suits \$21.95
\$30.00 Suits \$19.95
\$27.50 Suits \$18.35
\$25.00 Suits \$16.95

PAY CASH, IT PAYS.

OTHER OUTSTANDING VALUES

- Smart Oxfords, \$3.95 and \$5.00
Beautiful Rayon Hose 49c and 39c
Genuine Sterling Broadcloth Shirts \$1.95
White, Grey, Tan, Genuine Broadcloth Shirts, \$1.45.

Money cheerfully refunded if you can match these values. We don't mean price, we mean Value! Now boys if you are looking for good clothes at cheap prices—Here They Are!

Newt Cravey was here Monday of this week from his farm home to the southwest of Spur. Newt started that Spur should now get busy and connect up with the Kent county road into Spur, the Kent county end having been graded and put in first-class shape.

Mrs. J. J. Lilly, of northeast of Spur, was in the city one day the first of the week shopping and visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rutledge, of several miles west of Spur, were shopping in the city the past week, and also greeting their friends.

J. C. Pinson, district manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company, with headquarters at Stamford, was in Spur one or two days last week, looking after the business at this point. Mr. Pinson reports conditions good and business holding up fine at all the points of his district.

Mrs. R. C. Alexander, of east of Afton, was shopping in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Postmaster R. I. Wallace, of McAdoo, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE

Pure Williams Long Staple Cotton Seed Price, \$2.00 Per Bushel. Address, MRS. EULA FOARD NOLEN, Roaring Springs, Texas.

Does Your Car Need Repairs?

We are assembling a large stock of used parts for your automobile.

IF IN NEED OF Good Parts CHEAP COME TO SEE US

We will treat you right. We also have Expert Mechanics to do your work.

SPUR WRECKING CO. E. C. McGEE HI BERRY



EYESIGHT AND GOLF

Perfect co-ordination between hand and eye is difficult without perfect eyesight. To excel in golf or other sports, be sure that your eyes are accurately guiding your actions. Who knows? With new glasses you may be able to "break 80."

HAVE YOUR EYES EXAMINED

GRUBEN BROS.

JEWELERS & OPTOMETRISTS

Methodist Revival Meeting is Now in Progress in City of Dickens

Evangelist A. B. Meador, of Abilene, is conducting a revival meeting at the Methodist church in Dickens, the meeting having commenced Sunday last and will probably continue over next week. A large attendance is being had and much interest manifest in the daily services.

Clem Conelius was here Saturday from his farm and ranch home over in Kent county, stating that all the farmers of his territory had about finished up with their 1926 crop of cotton and now preparing for another crop.

Mr. Lester, of two and a half miles west of Spur, dropped into our sanctuary the past week and had his name added to the growing list Texas Spur readers. Mr. Lester has just moved to the Spur country from Amarillo, and here is hoping that he may enjoy his share of the prosperity which abounds here.

Mr. Patton, who has been spending some time with relatives in Sherman, returned last week to Spur and is now again at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan.

Joe Salem returned Wednesday night from Borger where he has been for the past week or so, looking after his business interests in that city. Mr. Salem is rapidly carrying out his ambition and prophesy of making Salem's Guaranty "A Future Chain Store."

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones were visiting with friends in Spur one day during the week.

Charlie Fox, of the City Drug Store made a trip to Ft. Worth the past week.

Mr. LL. S. Cooper returned last Thursday from Dallas where he had been attending a Rexall Convention. Among those attending the District Chamber of Commerce meeting at Crosbyton, Thursday, are Messrs. W. B. Lee, C. B. Jones, Fred S. Reynolds, members of the Spur Band, Orchestra and others.

Messrs. E. C. Edmonds and Cal Martin and W. F. Godfrey left Wednesday for Ft. Worth. E. C. Edmonds Jr. also accompanied the party.

C. Hogan and Bert Jamison left Wednesday on a business trip to Abilene.

Buddy Christian, of Ft. Worth has been visiting Mr. I. B. Brown and family the past week.

Oscar Hart, of Clairemont was in the City Thursday of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. I. A. Smith and Mrs. C. H. Perry are spending the week-end in Fort Worth on a visit to relatives there.

CARD OF THANKS.

We want to extend our heart felt thanks to all for the assistance and kindnesses shown us in the illness and death of our son, Luther Morrison. Especially do we appreciate the help of Mrs. Fannie Sullivan and W. F. Shugart, in the days of need. These kindnesses will be cherished in our hearts.—J. B. Morrison and family.

MERRY WORKERS CLUB

The Merry Workers Club met with Mrs. V. E. Teague, Thursday afternoon. Cake and Ice Cream was served to Mesdames W. C. Johnson, Stephens, Ince, Rogers, Nichols, G. T. Johnson, and little Miss Virginia Johnson.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jack Stephens, April 14.

35 Autos Destroyed By Fire at Snyder

Snyder, March 20.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed an automobile storage building here belonging to W. W. Hamilton. There were 35 used automobiles in the building and all were destroyed. The cars belonged to R. W. Webb of the Yoder-Webb Motor Company, who estimates his loss at \$5,000, partly covered by insurance. The building was also a total loss. It was valued at \$3,500 and was covered by insurance. There were many explosions of gasoline, which made the fire difficult to handle.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jones, of near Lubbock, were in Spur last week visiting with her father, J.H. Boothe and family, and other relatives and friends.

Lost—Leather coat on highway west of Spur Tuesday, March 29th. Return to Wayne Van Leer. 1tp.

Miss Ileta Le Gett, a noted artist of Fort Worth, was in Spur the past week-end, visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fox.

Miss Mottie Shugart underwent a surgical operation last week at the Nichols Sanitarium, and is now reported doing nicely.

Mack and John O. Gilbert returned Thursday from Houston where they have been the past several weeks.

C. R. Edwards and Roy Harkey made a trip this week to San Angelo and other points.

Messrs. Davis, of the Davis Service Station in Spur, this week made a business trip to Dallas and other points.

Miss Jennie Salem returned last week from Borger and Amarillo where she visited with her mother at the latter place and Joe T. Saitem at Borger.

ALONG LIFE'S TRAIL
By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

WANTING THE MOON

WE ARE most of us children, no matter how old we may seem, holding out our hands to the moon. We may have ever so much to work with or to play with, but in the sky there is something else that has for us far greater attractions.

John used to come through our town every spring and help with the work. He not only did things well, but he did them quickly. It was amazing how much he could get done between breakfast and dinner.

But John was not satisfied to do what he could do well. He had ambitions; he wanted the moon. The particular sort of moon that John was holding out his hands to was poetry. This ambition was no trifling matter with him; he took it all seriously. He was a nature poet who made his rhymes—somewhat strained at times—about butterflies and bullfrogs and the general flora and fauna of the vicinity. He had read little, he could not spell, and he had no critical sense, but he was obsessed to write verse.

No one could discourage him; he was not satisfied to be a good laborer. He would rather be a hopelessly bad poet.

Bartlett was one of the best teachers of history whom I have ever known. He had few executive duties in the little department of which he was a member, and he was doing a really fine piece of work. Then one day Bartlett saw the moon in the heavens in the form of a college presidency and he held out his hands for it. He had been a supremely good teacher; his scholarship was recognized from one end of the country to another. As an executive he was a failure. He lacked the tact and the quick, accurate judgment necessary to executive efficiency. He judged and managed men badly; he was a poor organizer.

Jones, with training, would have made a successful business man or a passable farmer, and he had opportunity to get well started in either of these lines of work, but he wanted the moon. He was determined to be a musician. He was persistent; he spent time and money on his musical education; but he did not have either the temperament or the talent, and so he never rose beyond the commonplace. It is better to do the ordinary tasks of life well than to fail at something for which we have no fitness.

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TO THE FARMERS:

I want to thank you for your business that you have given me the past year.

I will be ready to serve you this fall with new and modern machinery.

I will be ready to do more ginning, better ginning and without the delays that I have had this year with my old machinery.

I also will thank those who owe me to see me at their earliest convenience so I will have the money to build what I want to build for you.

LONG GIN COMPANY

Joe M. Gaines, Mgr.

W. F. Cathey, of near Dickens, was on the streets greeting friends the past week.

Cattle Inspector Hogan came over the first of the week from Dickens, spending some time in Spur on official and other business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, were among the visitors and shoppers in the city the past week. Mr. Hooper reports all things very promising at this time and is optimistic concerning the beginning of another new crop year.

S. J. Derr, of near McAdoo, was in Spur the past week. Mr. Derr is an oil as well as water "witch" and has been known to locate hidden bottles of oil as well as gold pieces by his methods of "witchcraft." Mr. Derr claims to have also located some of the biggest oil wells in South Texas fields, and now stands ready to render his services in locating some big producers in this territory.

Attorney B. G. Worswick and Alec Winkler returned last week from Dallas or Fort Worth where they attended federal court in the trial of a land suit in which Alec and others were interested and victorious in the outcome of the suit.

J. T. Stalcup, of the city, called in one day the past week and favored us with a renewal subscription to the Texas Spur, for which he has our thanks and appreciation.

County Judge, Brummett was here Saturday greeting his friends of the town and surrounding country.

Who is Stella Dallas?

Watch Your Step

I saw a cow slip through the fence,
A horse fly in the store,
I saw a board walk up the street,
A stone step by the door.

I saw a mill race up the road,
A morning break the gloom;
I saw a dark night fall on the lawn;
A clock run in the room.

I saw a peanut stand up high,
A sardine box in town;
I saw a bed spring at the gate,
An ink stand on the ground.

The Santa Fe Magazine.

W. E. Putman returned this week from a tour of the Western oil field belt, including Midland, Odessa and many other towns which have been established since the development of oil. All towns are doing big business, but property prices are sky-high. In some of the new towns he states business lots away out are priced as high as ten thousand dollars—New York City prices. Business houses rent for four and five hundred dollars a month. Gasoline filling stations sell from fifty to one hundred thousand gallons a month. Everybody has plenty money and spend it without quibbling. Oil fields are all right for a time, but the bubble always bursts.

WANTED—Man to look after a pasture and do farm work.—See 1. G. Bass, Spur. 1tp

H. C. Eldredge, of McAdoo, was in Spur Monday of this week, on business.

County Commissioner O. C. Newberry, of Afton, was among the number in Spur Saturday.

Who is Stella Dallas?

"We're In The Navy Now"

With

WALLACE BEERY and RAYMOND HATTON

Throw out the laugh preservers!

2—DAYS ONLY—2

MONDAY AND TUESDAY—

LYRIC THEATRE

—of Course—

OLDSMOBILES DELCO LIGHTS FRIGIDARES

We are at your service with the best in cars, the best in lights and the best in a system of cooling.

WE ALSO DO GENERAL AUTO REPAIRING

DAVIS SERVICE STATION

Talk it Over With
S. L. DAVIS
About Any Kind of Insurance
You May Need!

DAVIS INSURANCE AGENCY
Phone 264 Spur, Texas

HAMBERGER McCOMBS
On the Wrong Side of the Street.

TROUBLE WITH OIL IS TO FIND IT

Gasoline is as important to motor transportation as bread is to life, because the carburetor and the stomach must be supplied with their "staff" or they won't do business. The greater trouble in oil production in past years has been in the finding of it, and authorities have declared that there has been more money lost in searching for oil than there has been made in producing it in paying quantities. The old method of the prospector was about as hazy as "looking for a needle in a haystack."

Out in the Southwest oil is being located by a new method. Seismic waves produced by the blast of a charge of explosives are recorded at a number of receiving stations by means of pendulum seismographs. When the noise is over the instrument shows a map that has recorded the intensity of the shock in the air, along the surface of the ground, and through the under ground rock, dirt, and other deposits of nature. The picture on the seismograph, particularly in sections like those in Tex-

as Louisiana, clearly show the boundaries of salt beneath the surface. The variations and density which are inherent in the earth's structures are definitely mapped by the seismograph and their location is shown. The finding of oil has been so facilitated by this method that a number of important salt domes were discovered in 1924, 1925 and 1926.

Most "domes" are far beneath the surface and leave no traces on the top of the earth. Dr. David White, one of the Government's greatest geologists, says that through the new seismographical methods that salt domes and anticlines are located with exact certainty.

It does not necessarily follow that every salt dome contains oil in producing quantities, but thousands of dry holes in the Southwest were put down in the hope of finding salt domes and the further hope that the salt domes hold oil in paying quantities.

Sam Koonsman, of the Croton country, was among the number in Spur the past week trading and on other business.

Mr. and Mrs. Buell McDaniel, of four miles southwest of Spur, were shopping and visiting in the city the past week.

Prof. G. W. Bennett, of Roaring Springs, was in Spur Saturday of last week, shaking hands with his friends here.

Prof. Bell, of the Afton schools, was in Spur last Saturday, meeting with his many friends of this part of the county. Prof. Bell formerly was superintendent of the Dry Lake schools, and has many staunch friends in this community.

W. G. Mayfield came up Monday from Girard, spending a few hours here transacting business and also meeting with his friends of this section.

Mrs. Grundy Crego, of Dickens City, was shopping and visiting with friends in Spur Tuesday afternoon of this week.

Miss Zelma Kidd, of Dry Lake, was shopping in the city Tuesday afternoon.

Tol Merriman, of south of Spur was here Saturday.

Robt. McAteer, of the north part of the county, was greeting acquaintances on the streets Saturday of last week. He is engaged in the cow business, and the prospect is that he will realize a much greater profit than from "cotton farming." The general indication is that the cotton farmer will hit it hard this year, while cattle conditions are good and prices continue to climb.

H. H. Butler, of southwest of the city, was in Spur the first of the week.

H. P. Edwards, of McAdoo, was transacting business Tuesday in the city.

Social and Club News.

XXV BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Bill Putman was hostess to members of the XXV Bridge Club and a number of invited guests at her home on Hill Street Thursday afternoon. As St. Patrick motif was used in the table appointment and decorations. Five games of bridge were played in which Mesdames C. L. Love and Thomas Morrison scored high and Mrs. Roy L. Harkey low. A salad plate was served. The guests included Mesdames F. W. Jennings, C. L. Love, Fred Reynolds, M. C. Golding, R. E. Dickson, W. D. Wilson, James B. Reed, Nellie Davis, Roy L. Harkey, Thomas Morrison, Jim Edd Hall, Thurman Harris, R. C. Forbis, W. T. Andrews, and Edgar McGee.—Reporter.

DELPHIAN CLUB MET TUESDAY WITH MRS. E. C. EDMONDS

The Spur Delphian Club met Tuesday of this week with Mrs. E. C. Edmonds, Mrs. W. T. Andrews presiding.

Mrs. W. D. Wilson, as leader, conducted a very interesting lesson in modern drama.

Mesdames Busby, Wilson, Williams, Putman, Andrews, Edmonds and Martin made reports on Ibsen's Theme of a Doll's House.

Mrs. Geo. M. Williams conducted a parliamentary drill.

Miss Lena Belle Seudder and Mrs. W. D. Starcher gave a piano and vocal solo.

The club adjourned to meet again on Tuesday, April 19th, with Mrs. Oran McClure, with Mrs. Williams as leader.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

Mrs. Weldon Grimes was a most charming hostess to the Business & Professional Women's Club when on Thursday evening she entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner and bridge. Two new members were added to the club list. Miss Allie Powell, and Mrs. Sam Sparks. The guests included Mesdames Kate Senning, Penn Shugart, Janie King, Ruby Kirkendall, Ogletree, Misses Hicklin, Daisy Gordon, Lena Abernathy, Audrey Elliott, Conklin.

JOINT HOSTESSES

A charming hospitality of the week was the party in the home of Mrs. Carl Wester with Mrs. A. C. Hull, acting as joint hostess.

Five tables were most attractively arranged for the guests, who enjoyed a number of games of bridge. A dainty refreshment plate was passed, with attractive plate favors to: Mesdames James B. Reed, Fred Reynolds, Austin Putman, Cecil Fox, W. E. Flint, Thurman Harris, Tom Morrison, Jim Edd Hall, C. L. Love, Jack Rector, Homer Schrimsher, Floyd Barnett, Chas. Powell, W. D. Wilson, F. W. Jennings, C. L. Gibbs, W. D. Starcher, James O. Smith.

JOI DE VOI CLUB

Mrs. Murray Lea was a most charming hostess when on Tuesday afternoon she entertained the members of the Joi De Voi Club. Three tables were most attractively arranged for the guests who enjoyed a number of interesting games of bridge. A lovely salad plate was passed. The guests included Mesdames Dan H. Zachry, Thurman Harris, W. E. Flint, Jack Rector, Jim Edd Hall, Floyd Barnett, William Manning, C. B. Jones, Rob Davis, Homer Schrimsher, Orville Lambert.

Rev. W. B. Bennett and Mrs. Bennett of Gilpin, were recent visitors and shoppers in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boothe, of east of Spur, were in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Uldeen Robinson, of west of Spur, was shopping and visiting in the city Tuesday of this week.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL COMMUNITY CLUB MEETS

The ladies of the Prairie Chapel Community Club met April 5th, at the home of Mrs. H. P. Bell with Miss Daisy Gordon, our efficient Home Demonstration Agent as instructor. The subject for discussion was, "Manners in General at Home and Abroad."

Four o'clock luncheon was served during which time, Miss Gordon, in a very pleasant and impressive manner instructed those present how to serve in a proper way the various courses at banquets and other functions of state.

The Club now consists of seventeen members who were very enthusiastic in their praises of Miss Gordon and her work.

There were three lady visitors present from Afton and Spur.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Paul Braddock, Tuesday afternoon, April 19th at 2:30 o'clock. The subject for discussion for our next meeting will be, "Dress Making," with Miss Gordon as instructor.

Mrs. Henderson Bateman was elected Club Council representative there being no other business of importance at this time. The club adjourned.—Reporter.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL COMMUNITY IS ORGANIZED

March 20th the ladies of Prairie Chapel met and organized a Community Club, the following officers were elected:

were elected: Mrs. D. O. Blasingame, President; Mrs. Paul Braddock secretary. Mrs. Willie Alexander, reporter.

Ten ladies were present. There was a discussion of house keeping and home topics. Miss Gordon, Home Demonstration Agent, was not present at this meeting but the ladies completed their organization and adjourned to meet again April 5th, at the home of Mrs. H. P. Bell.—Reporter.

MISS DORIS BLASINGAME ENTERTAINS WITH SHOWER (Prairie Chapel Community)

Miss Erzula Smith, who Saturday evening, March 26, became the bride of Mr. Ora Lassiter, was graciously entertained with a shower by her many friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Blasingame.

Many beautiful as useful presents were received by the bride. On arrival each guest registered in the bride book.

While a pretty wedding march was played, the bride was presented with the gifts. The gifts were presented in a style representing an antique coach drawn by two little girls, Irene Blasingame and Aline Dickinson.

A delicious refreshment was served to the guests.

"4 H" CLUB

The "4 H" Club Entertained at Mrs. T. A. Johnson's, March 18, 1927. The Saint Patrick color scheme was carried out in both decorations and refreshments.

After several games of "42" and bridge, a delightful salad course was served.

Among the number present were: Allie Biggs, Edna B. Albin, Lucille Stewart, Sue Scott, Dora Messey, O. C. Thomas, Granbury, and the hostesses, Opal Scott, Elnora Morgan and Estelle Collett.

A. C. George, of the Highway community, was meeting with his friends on the streets Monday, and also transacting business with the merchants of the city.

E. T. Varnell, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of the Afton country, was among the recent traders and business visitors in Spur.

PROFESSIONAL NOTICES

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Meets Monday night on or after each full moon.
Visitors Welcome
L. E. Lee, H. P. — Jack Rector, Sec.

SPUR LODGE No. 1023
Meets every Thursday on or after full moon.
Visitors Welcome
H. P. GIBSON, W.M.
JACK RECTOR, Sec.

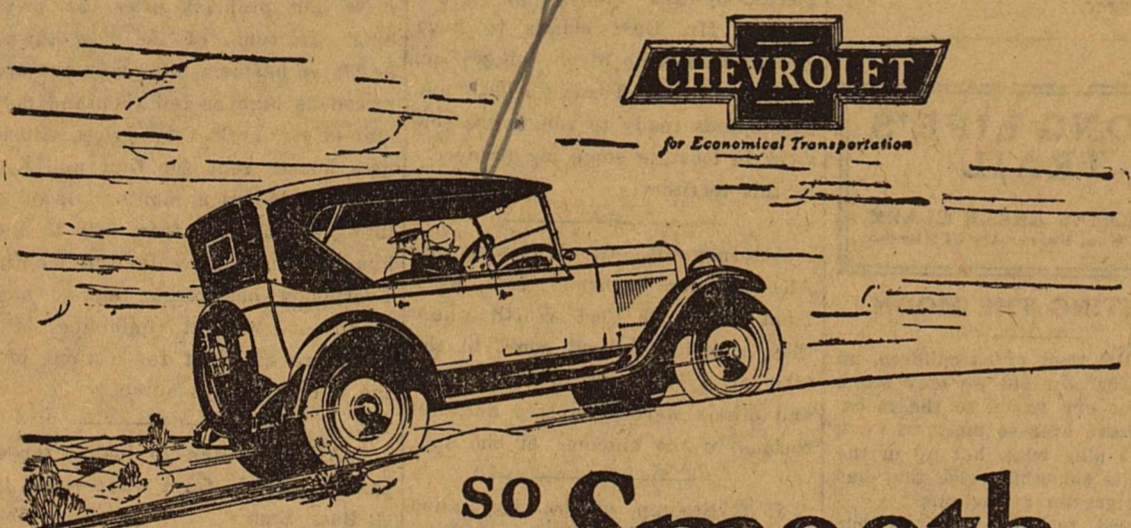
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Tom Cherry, of Dry Lake, was in town the past week.



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HOW FAKE AUCTIONS GET YOUR MONEY

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

(This is one of a series of articles exposing the wiles of sharpers who are after your money.)

NEARLY everyone is ready "to take a fling" at getting something for nothing or at least for less than it is worth. Because of this many are duped into paying more than regular market prices for things they buy. This class of people is especially susceptible to the appeal of anything resembling an auction. Fake auctions with the cards stacked against the buyer are very common. They rank high among the fraudulent schemes of the country.

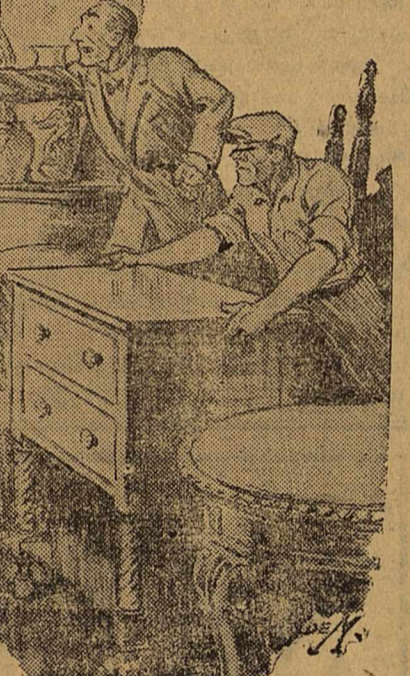


W. R. MOREHOUSE

The "here today and gone tomorrow" auction faker rents a fine looking house in some high-class section of the city in which he plans to operate. He furnishes this house with the cheapest imitations of high-class furnishings, with here and there a fine piece which is to serve for bait. Certain pieces are alleged antiques with a thread of glorious history behind them. Of others it is claimed that they have been handed down for generations, originating with some person noted in history or with some famous Southern family. Of other pieces it is maintained that they are made of rare and precious woods imported from far across the sea. The overstuffed furniture, it is claimed, is all high grade of standard manufacture.

Regardless of its superiority and antiquity, the furniture must be sold at once, for the owner is compelled to take an extended trip, the family physician having ordered travel and a change of climate as a means of saving his life. Nothing is to be spared and the deep elastics of the auctioneer's axe must go on with no price too low. Individual pre-auction sales, of course, will be arranged for persons who are unable to attend the auction.

The day of the sale is here. Purchasers are arriving. They are met at the door by the woman member of the outfit—a dramatic person who knows when to shed tears at the thought of having her happy home broken up and her valuable furnish-



Victims Clamor for Fake Pieces

ings torn from her. She tells her sad story—how she must leave her home and go to distant lands with her husband whose health is broken and life in danger. But she is resigned to her "awful calamity" and will sell all her lovely furniture even at a great sacrifice.

As she directs attention to certain pieces of furniture her voice quavers. She almost sobs aloud as she names the price she is forced to accept. "Less than half the original cost, but price is no object. We must take the train tomorrow," and she wipes a tear from her eye. Fully convinced the sale is genuine, and sympathizing with the unfortunate woman, buyers clamor for the furniture.

But no sooner are the articles transferred from their setting in the slightly darkened rooms of their original owner and displayed in the sunlight of the purchaser's home, than the truth about the sale begins to dawn in the mind of each new owner. Close examination reveals that evidently this wonderful collection of furniture was but odds and ends and unsalable pieces picked up from second-hand stores by these fly-by-night fakers. Some proves to be the rankest of imitations of the cheapest grade, and the overstuffed is so poorly constructed that it squeaks and weaves under the lightest weight.

The Birds Have Flown

When those who have been cheated rush back to the house the next day, intent on making it "hot for the faker,"

(A future article will present means to tell crooked promoters' wiles and tell how to separate good from bad investments.)

Messrs. Catch 'em and Skin 'em. An investigation of the store made six months later disclosed that its stock was then larger than the day it announced the auction. Its sales in the interim had exceeded \$600,000. The facts are that two trucks had backed up to the rear of the store nightly and unloaded new merchandise, principally odd lines and job lots picked up here and there at a bargain. Under the guise of a legitimate auction, or private sale at auction prices, fourteen times as much furniture was sold in the six months as the store contained at the time of the failure. Comparison of sale prices disclosed that victims were persuaded to buy liberally on the assurance they were getting sacrifice prices, when as a matter of fact they were actually paying from five to 25 per cent more than reliable stores were charging for better goods.

Fake auctions and private sales are used not only for furniture but also in the sale of jewelry and other merchandise. The lesson which this story teaches is that there is nothing to be gained by patronizing such sales. On the other hand, there is a better than 50-50 chance of sustaining a loss.

Not all auctions are fraudulent, for some are conducted fairly and honestly, but before you draw your savings from the bank and spend them for auction goods it will pay you to get the facts. For your own protection make it an unbreakable rule to confine your expenditures and investments to reliable firms and individuals. In dealing with them you are assured a square deal.

TRUST COMPANIES RANK NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING HIGHEST

The outstanding trust institutions of the United States are those that were pioneers in using advertising as a means of selling their services, a speaker told a conference of trust companies held in New York recently. He presented the results of a questionnaire sent out by the Trust Company Division, American Bankers Association, making an inquiry into the advertising practices of institutions doing a trust business. Three out of every four trust companies and banks engaged in extending trust services were found to be advertising. The opinion was expressed by the speaker

that their growth would closely follow the amounts spent each year for advertising.

The local newspaper is the most highly regarded advertising medium, it was disclosed. In all, 929 companies answering the questionnaire used the local papers and 333 did not. The institutions buying space in local papers are evenly divided among all sections of the country. Comparing six media for selling personal trust services and considering their effectiveness from the standpoint of producing results, the speaker declared that the local newspapers and booklets can reach a limited audience, he observed, but the newspaper is the best medium for acquiring prestige and mass circulation. It should never be omitted, he urged.

A Word for the Parson: An Expression of Appreciation

Picking on the Parson is one of the favorite indoor sports in many American homes, and not infrequently the preacher is a convenient object of criticism for a Monday morning editorial. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he doesn't. Now a newspaper man takes up valuable editorial space to speak a good word for the Parson, and the Reform Church Messenger appreciatively reprints it. Says the Baltimore Evening Sun:

"In this day of spiritual searching the parson has come in for no little criticism. Perhaps he deserves it; but, on the other hand, it is about time for him to receive a word of sympathy. His task is difficult, for no matter which way he turns he meets with objections from some parts of his flock.

"If the Parson takes a narrow view of religion, he is accused of bigotry, if he takes a broad view, he is suspected of heresy. If he asks for money, he is charged with worldliness; if he doesn't ask for it, his church falls to pieces. If he pays calls on his congregation, he risks the reputation of being a bore; if he doesn't pay calls, he is charged with indifference. If he endorses movies, oyster suppers and bowling alleys in the basement, the conservatives protest, if he sticks to services only, the boosters howl. If he introduces innovations in his sermons, he is called sensational; if he confines himself to the beautitudes, he is condemned for his platitudes. If he specializes in the Sunday School, the Choir resents it; if he specializes on the Choir, the Sunday School blows up.

"In the old days the Parson had a ready weapon. He alone could offer the benediction and the absolution. Nowadays very few in the congregation know what either means. Most of them imagine that their sins are washed away by the simple process of dropping a quarter in the collection plate. Like the school master's birch, the Parson's big stick has been supplanted by psychology, and no psychology yet discovered has the persuasive effect of a pit meeting with fire and brimstone.

"The ideal Parson of to-day must combine the qualities of a financier, an administrator, an orator, a scholar, a salesman, a musician, a teacher, a diplomat. If his church be small, he will find it useful to know also the rudimentary principles employed by painters, plumbers, electricians, the furnace men, glaziers, carpenters and roof repairers. Some Parsons break under the strain—and parishioners hold up their hands in surprise and horror. The fact that all of them don't break is, indeed, the greater wonder."

Mrs. J. J. Cloud returned last week from San Antonio where she was called on account of the illness of her mother. Mrs. Cloud left her mother improving, we are glad to note.

Mrs. R. E. Dickson, was returned to her home last week, after undergoing a successful operation at the Nichols Sanitarium.

R. N. Cluck, superintendent of schools for the past six years, has declined the offer of the school board to fill the position next year, and has accepted a similar position in Spur.

In going from Hubbard, Supt. Cluck leaves a record of which both he and the school may be proud. Physically and scholastically the schools have made rapid and permanent progress and now occupy an enviable position among those of its class in this state. The fact that this has been done in the face of many hindering circumstances is all the more credit to the superintendent and the capable and energetic faculty who have co-operated with him in helping to make and maintain this high standard.

Physically, the school has made several noteworthy advances under Mr. Cluck's regime. The grammar school building has been improved, playground equipment has been installed at both schools, with the assistance of the Parent-Teachers Association, and the laboratories of the domestic science, agriculture, and science classes have been installed and enlarged. The library at the High School has been greatly increased.

But it is in the scholastic work that the school has witnessed its most important improvement. The affiliation has been increased by 5 and 1-2 full credits and the removal of the condition on 6 other credits, every subject now being taught in the high school being recognized in this manner by the state department must be attached to the addition of a fourth credit in English, a signal honor for any school.

That this recognition is not without merit is attested to in the fact that out of 137 graduates that have gone to college there have been only two complete failures.

The general activities of the Of these the greatest importance school have been greatly enlarged, especially along the scholastic lines. Especially is this true of debate, in which Mr. Cluck's teams have made an enviable record, climaxed by the winning of the state title in 1924 and the county meets every year since 1921.

Along with his many other duties Mr. Cluck coaches the football team.

In leaving the school Mr. Cluck has the honor of having remained as superintendent of the schools longer than any of his predecessors. The esteem in which he is held by the student body is perhaps most forcibly expressed by a petition which they submitted to him and which requested him to remain with the school another year. The people of Hubbard regret the departure of Mr. Cluck from our midst and extend to him their wish that he may succeed in the larger field in which he will labor.—Hubbard City News.

R. L. Mimms, of the Draper community, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

S. C. Reynolds was here last week from Jayton, trading and on other business.

NATIONAL FARM NEWS OCCUPIES UNIQUE STATION IN FARM FIELD

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Something entirely new in the newspaper world was instituted when The National Farm News was launched as a weekly newspaper for farmers.

There have been numerous "farm papers," but never before a farmer's newspaper. Until the starting of The National Farm News the farmer who wanted to read the news that con-

despite our great shops and factories, Washington, the NATIONAL CITY, is the great clearing house of farm news. Congress and the seat of Government are here. All eyes are now turned on Congress and the Administration. Every day brings the National Government into more intimate relationship with the country's basic industry—AGRICULTURE. The program for permanent improvement in farm life and farm business will be in keeping with what the Farmers want in the measure that the farmers KNOW what Congress and the President are doing.

Washington is the headquarters of the Department of Agriculture. This great governmental agency is only useful if used. The National Farm News gives farmers information, contact, acquaintance and use of this agency.

All of the GREAT NATIONAL farm organizations have headquarters in the National Capital. Their work in representing the farmers before Congress and the Departments of Government is of importance to every farmer in America.

Other Important Features.

A nation-wide news-reporting service which brings the news of the entire country to you in an honest and complete way. In addition to this, The National Farm News carries carefully conducted departments for the Farm Home to interest and instruct every member; Helps for the Housewife; Legal Department to answer puzzling legal problems; interesting features for the young folks; gardening and club helps; questions and answers service on any and all problems; patterns; clean fiction—in fact a modern newspaper embracing the best there is for the American farmer and his home, published 52 times a year—once each week.

Who Is Back Of It.

A group of real American men, farm born and farm trained, schooled in every phase of farm life and actively experienced in organization and cooperative work. The National Farm News is under the direct control of James S. Vance, the Editor and founder of this paper. Mr. Vance has a background of more than twenty-five years' successful experience in the publishing business, ranging all the way from a small town daily to the largest newspaper in America and a great National Fraternal Weekly.

A full staff of trained newspaper writers and experts on various matters pertaining to farming complete the personnel of THE NATIONAL FARM NEWS. It is first, last, and all the time an Independent Newspaper, serving no other interest but American farming in all its branches. It is equipped to perform a real service for the farmer and to meet a real need in his business.

In brief, The National Farm News is "a weekly newspaper" whose news columns give "honest news" free from propaganda, reporting the facts as they are, without fear or favor, and placing farmers on a footing of equality with those engaged in every other industry, by having their own news service.



James S. Vance, Founder, Editor and General Manager of The National Farm News.

cerned him had to dig through a mass of both ordinary newspapers and farm journals. All that is now done away with.

The National Farm News is truly a farm newspaper. It is made up of live news for farmers and for those who, while not actively engaged in farming, are interested financially or otherwise in farm affairs. Being a newspaper, it takes the form of a newspaper—not a journal or magazine. This, too, is something new! Heretofore, papers meant for farmers have been made up on the farm of journals or magazines. The National Farm News presents to farmers of the United States the news of the week, while it is still live news, in real news style that is easy and interesting to read.

Why a Farm Paper?

The National Farm News gives the farmer and the rural town man an all-agricultural survey of the week's news, with valuable information on marketing. The editorial staff is in close touch with the marketing machinery of the Agricultural Department and all the heads of the various cooperative marketing associations. They are located in Washington. What is offered along this line represents the best thought obtainable at the time. There is a service of unlimited value through such a paper, conducted solely for the betterment of American agriculture.

Why In Washington?

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK AT

SPUR IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 23, 1927.

RESOURCES	
1. a Loans and discounts,	\$297,201.28
3. U. S. Government Securities Owned:	
a Deposited to secure circulation,	10,000.00
4. Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc., owned	2,522.71
6. Banking house, \$7,750.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$3,70p.00—	11,450.00
7. Real estate owned other than banking house,	17,579.72
8. Legal reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	32,503.90
10. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks,	87,671.75
11. Amount due from State banks, bankers, trust co's. in U.S. ..	152.92
13. Checks on other banks in same city as reporting bank,	4,318.87
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13,	\$92,143.54
14. a Checks and drafts on banks outside of city, \$5,465.00 ..	5,465.00
b Miscellaneous cash items	\$7,405.99— 12,870.99
15. Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. and due from U. S. Treas. ..	500.00
Total,	\$476,772.14
LIABILITIES	
19. Capital stock paid in	\$40,000.00
20. Surplus fund	25,000.00
21. a Undivided profits,	\$12,600.17
c Less current expenses paid	6,256.71— 6,343.46
23. Circulating notes outstanding	9,700.00
24. Amount due to Federal Reserve Bank	5,791.08
28. Cashier's checks outstanding	3,423.47
Total of Items 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28,	\$7,214.55
Demand Deposits Subject to Reserve:	
29. Individual deposits subject to check	272,421.04
30. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	4,294.00
31. State, county, or other municipal deposits, secured,	111,507.00
Total demand deposits, sub. to Reserve Items, \$388,222.04	
Time Deposits Subject to Reserve:	
35. Certificates of deposit,	292.09
Total of time deposits sub. to reserve,	\$292.09
Total,	\$476,772.14

Stat of Texas, County of Dickens, I, James B. Reed, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.—James B. Reed, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: C. Hogan, C. L. Martin, E. C. Edmonds, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of March, 1927.—Bird Hight, Notary Public.

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Kansas Parties in Spur to Buy Cattle During Week

R. C. Forbis had parties here this week from Cottonwood Falls, Kansas, looking at cattle with a view of making purchases at present and for the future.

Mr. Forbis shipped out two car loads of steers from Roaring Springs this week to Bocook of Kansas, and also one car to Oklahoma markets.

The cattle market is now good and many sales are being made over the country.

Spur Farmer Grows Peanuts to Good Advantage Here

Riley Smith, of southwest of the city, is one among the number of farmers of the Spur country who gives his farm acreage to other crops than cotton. Last year Mr. Smith had a considerable acreage in peanuts, producing more than sixty bushels to the acre. Last year peanuts sold for around one dollar and thirty cents a bushel, thus it will be noted that around seventy eight dollars per acre was the income from producing peanuts. How will the peanut production and price compare with that of cotton production and price the past year?

This year Mr. Smith is planting twenty acres to peanuts, and with favorable conditions is hopeful of harvesting seventy five bushels to the acre.

Of course if everybody were to go in for the one crop of peanuts the price might be affected, but a few acres of peanuts for pigs on every farm would help.

Miss Reba Dott McGaughey, who has been in Borger the past several weeks with the Salem Guaranty at that point, returned the past week.

Mrs. D. G. Hisey left Saturday to visit friends and relatives in Haskell and Stamford.

to her home in Spur.

Dennis Harkey came over from Dickens one day the past week, spending a few hours here on business in connection with his abstract business.

Postmaster Lee Rice, of Jayton, was a business visitor Tuesday in Spur. Mr. Rice reports conditions good throughout the Jayton section of country.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reddell moved the past week from McAdoo to the Spur country where they will make their home throughout 1927.

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LAST LYCEUM NUMBER GIVEN

The last number of the Brown and White Lyceum Agency was given Friday night, April 1, at the High School Auditorium. Sarah Mildred Willmer gave dramatic masterpieces and interpreted their characters. This is the last number which this present season's lyceum course provides for.

Miss Willmer is highly recommended by her company, which wrote: "It is not too much to say that Sarah Mildred Willmer in the quality of her work now ranks with the Lyceum where Sarah Bernhardt ranks in the theatrical profession. In her ability to interpret the master library productions from the platform she has no superior. In temperament or emotional power, the ability to move an audience to laughter or tears, Miss Willmer is without equal. No task of interpretation has been too great for her and no audience, however great the expectation, ever has gone away disappointed. Miss Willmer is distinctly the Sarah Bernhardt of the Lyceum."
 —The Rowel.

DICKENS ITEMS

The Methodists are holding a revival meeting. Rev. Meador, of Abilene is doing the preaching. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. Jack Gipson, is attending school in Abilene, spent the week with his parents and friends in the city.

Mr. O. C. Arthur visited his family last week. Mr. Arthur is in the druggist business at Quitaque. He will move his family up there in a few weeks. We regret very much losing this good family from our town.

Mrs. W. L. Lusk has been very sick at her home at the "Y" but is much better at this time.

The Track and Field events of the Interscholastic League were held at Dickens Saturday. A large crowd of parents and pupils were present. We are glad that Dickens won the all-around championship again as this makes six consecutive years she has won it.

A boy scout troop was organized last week by Mr. Watt, of Lubbock. Mr. Fred Arrington, was elected scout master; D. J. Harkey, Frank Speer and H. A. C. Brummett, committeemen. Dickens County is in the south Plains District which we are very glad to be in.

Mr. R. C. Littlefield is having his house painted and other repairs made on his house and lots.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Terry moved to Matador this week.

Bro. Young will preach at the Church of Christ.

Miss Willie Richbourg visited in Lubbock Tuesday. Miss Richbourg is our Music and Expression teacher and we are proud to report the good work she is doing.

M. V. Hutto, of west of Spur, was one of the number of new subscribers placing their names on the list of regular readers of the Texas Spur the past week. We appreciate the fact that we are now adding more than an average of one voluntary subscription each day to our list, and we are hopeful that within the course of a short period of time we will have the Texas Spur going into every home within this territory.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hardin, of Stephenville, were in Spur a few days the past week, visiting with Mrs. W. H. Putman and family, W. E. Putman and family, Austin Putman and family and other friends of the town and country. John was formerly with the Spur National Bank, having been engaged in the drug business the past several years at Stephenville and other oil belt points.
 Who is Stella Dallas?

S. C. Rawlings, of west of Spur, was here Monday of this week, meeting his friends and acquaintances of town and country.

R. J. Hairgrove, of near Spur, was among the crowds here trading Saturday.

I. E. Abernathy, of north of the city, was among the visitors on the streets during the week.

J. Z. Smith, of Red Mud, was in town last week. He informed us that after more than nine months labor he had finished up with his cotton crop. He planted his cotton on the 21st day of June and ginned and sold his last bale on the 25th day of March, making a total of nine months and four days in making, harvesting and marketing the one crop of cotton.

H. C. Cravey, of Red Mud, was on the streets Monday, greeting his friends and acquaintances and also transacting business affairs. Mr. Cravey is one of the oldest citizens of the country and one among the very first settlers here in the early days. He is scrupulously honest, prompt in meeting his every obligation and is recognized as one among the very best citizens of this Western country. May happiness, contentment and prosperity continue to surround him in the sunset of life.

T. E. and J. E. Love of west of Spur, were among the business visitors to the city the past week.

L. E. McClelland returned last week from Houston where he had been called to the bedside of a sister who died soon after his arrival. Brother McClelland stated before leaving that he realized he could do his sister no good, but that ties of childhood days could not be forgot, the sister having ministered to his youthful troubles and desires, therefore he would be with her through this greatest adventure of life. His sister, Mrs. J. W. Turner, died at five o'clock a. m., March 28th, interment being made at Bremond, Texas, her recent home, on the 29th inst. Surviving, besides her husband, are the following children: Claude of Huston, Van of Bremond, Mrs. Chambliss of Waco, and Mrs. Townsend of California, all of whom but the last named being with her when the end came. Grandsons are Frank, Gary, Sue, Robert and Joe Tom. Three brothers, A. L. McClelland of Spur, J. A. of Waco, and Joe of Timpson, and one sister, Mrs. M. L. Huchingson of Electra, and a number of nieces and other relatives also survive.

Mrs. Fannie M. Sullivan was in Spur Saturday to attend the funeral of Luther Morrison, remaining over several days visiting with Ira Sullivan and wife and other friends of Spur. Mrs. Sullivan was among those who got in on the ground floor at Borger, and now contemplates returning to Spur and again resuming a hotel or rooming house business as soon as a building is constructed on her lots on the east side of Burlington Avenue and where the old Midway Hotel formerly stood. We will be glad to have Mrs. Sullivan back in Spur with us.

Ned Bowers dropped in to see us a few minutes Monday while in the city. He has recently moved his headquarters nearer Spur, close enough now he says to walk to town if necessary, and at the same time far enough out to conveniently look after his cattle. However, there is one thing Ned now lacks, and that is a good "house-keeper."

J. P. Goen was in Spur the first of this week from his ranch home to the northwest of Dickens. He states that everything is o k in ranch as well as farming circles at this time. Conditions and prices now indicate that the rancher and cowman is "coming back" after a number of years of adversity and set-backs.

We Will Load a Car of Chickens in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12-13

Following Prices Good Above Dates Only:
 Hens, 4lb. and over, per lb. . . . 19c
 Hens under 4lb., per lb. . . . 17c
 Leghorn Hens, per lb. . . . 17c
 Fryers, under 2 1-2 lbs. . . . 16c
 Large Fryers, over 2 1-2 lbs. . . . 16c
 Roosters, per lb. . . . 6c

SPUR PRODUCE COMPANY, Spur, Texas

Dr. and Mrs. Moore, of Vernon, were visiting with Mrs. W. H. Putman and other relatives and friends here last week.

R. J. Bateman, of Afton, came down last week, spending a day in Spur buying a few necessities in the beginning of his work on a new crop. All farmers are now working with hopes and prospects of big harvests, and with diversified interests will be in position this fall to better combat prices fixed by speculators.

W. J. Blanton, wife and daughter, and Frank Ray and wife, of Aspermont, spent a Sunday recently with O. D. Blanton and family of Spur.

S. C. Thomason, of Girard, was in Spur Saturday with the crowds of buyers. Mr. Thomason reports everything looking good around the town of Girard at this time, farmers about finishing gathering cotton and ready to begin planting a new crop. However, the acreage to cotton will this year be somewhat reduced from that of last year, otherwise there is little hope of securing cost price for the product.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall returned last week from a visit to relatives in Wichita Falls, Fort Worth and Waco.

Mrs. Monk Rucker returned last week from a visit to her sister at Stockton. Her mother, Mrs. Chas. Cannon, who had been spending some time in Fort Stockton, returned home with Mrs. Rucker.

J. E. Cherry, of south of Spur, was here Saturday with the crowds of weekly visitors and traders.

Mrs. John Law, of near Roaring Springs, was in Spur the past week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mrs. Law was seeking a good share-crop renter, and having noted a recent advertisement in the Spur, called to make inquiry.

A. C. George, of the Highway community, was greeting friends on the streets Tuesday of this week. Mr. George states that everything looks good at this time.

J. W. Jennings, of four or five miles south of Spur, was among the number on the streets the first of the week, reporting conditions good and everything promising for plenty again this year.

W. W. Flournoy returned last week from a business trip to Dallas. During his absence from Spur, Mrs. Flournoy visited with her sister at Slaton.

SALEM'S

EASTER IS ABOUT HERE

Just received a shipment of Hats and Novelty Shoes, something different and snappy. A glance at this gorgeous apparel will tempt you to buy and be dressed up for Easter. Come and take a look.

WEEK-END SPECIALS

Beautiful Foxes House Dresses, something suitable for street wear . . \$1.95

Another lot cheaper Gingham House Dresses only 95c

Fancy Turkish Towels, colored border to sell at only, each, 10c

Men's Heavy Khaki Garbadine Work Pants \$1.45

One lot Men's Felt Hats, choice, \$1.75

Novelty Men's Dress Pants, made of spring fabrics, values to \$6.75, for only \$4.50

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