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the Greatest Diversified Agri-  
cultural Section of Texas.

# The Texas Spur

## THE DICKENS ITEMS

Cut Cotton Acreage, Raise a Cow, a  
Sow and a Hen is the Farmers  
Slogan for 1927.

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### Hail and Rain Storm Does Crop Damage in Spur Country

Rain and hail storms during the week have done much damage to the cotton crops as well as good to the late feed and grain crops of the Spur country.

Hail accompanied a rain Sunday afternoon which did damage to a number of crops in the Red Mud community to the southwest of Spur, among the number of farmers suffering damage in that section being Bill, Tom and Jim McArthur, L. S. Scott, Louis Bowman, W. G. Causey and others. It is reported that aside from stringing and knocking out the open cotton in the fields, the hail knocked off an average of about three grown bolls to the stalk.

Again Monday night a heavy hail accompanied rain in the McAdoo community, doing much damage over a considerable territory to the west and northwest of McAdoo. It is reported that J. R. Roberson suffered greatest damage, amounting to around three thousand dollars, he having approximately thirty bales of cotton open in the field, which is almost a total loss together with damage to grown boll of cotton. Among other farmers suffering damage to crops in that territory were Messrs. McDonald, Early, R. R. Wooten, Willie and Norman Eldredge, Brantley, Nettles, Gatling, Derr and others near Pansy. About four inches of rain has fallen over the McAdoo country, and although level, plains country, damage to farms by washing is reported.

The rains continued from Sunday to Wednesday of this week, amounting to from one and a half inches to five inches in the different sections, the rains covering every community this time within the Spur territory.

The rains, in the absence of hail, benefitted late feed and possibly the late cotton crops as well as wheat and other small grain of which there is a considerable acreage in Dickens county.

### Dickens County Farmer Improving a Staple Product of the County

Albert Power, of Afton, was in Spur Wednesday on business. Mr. Power is a producer and grower of the celebrated Dickens County Improved Half and Half Cotton, and which he has made famous throughout this cotton growing section. He is now arranging to place on the market, as will be noted by an advertisement appearing elsewhere in the Texas Spur, a limited amount of this cotton seed which has been further improved above the seed produced in the years past. Regardless of what may be said either for or against any brand of seed cotton, the individual who makes a specialty of improving and enhancing the value of a staple product is entitled to credit and consideration for his efforts and accomplishments in promoting community welfare and progress—and that is what Albert Power is doing.

—Gin With Hargrove—

### \$45,000 REAL ESTATE DEAL CONSUMED AT SNYDER FRIDAY OF LAST WEEK

Sol Weatherby of near Polar and W. W. Baron of near Rotan consummated a real estate deal this morning which gives them a three year lease of the E. E. Wallace ranch in Kent county, together with 750 head of cattle, for a consideration of \$45,000.

This is one of the largest real estate deals completed in this section for some time.—Scurry Co. Times.

### HASKELL COUNTY DEFEATS LAST ROAD BOND ELECTION

In spite of the local dope to the contrary Haskell County defeated the \$1,500,000 road bond issue in the county wide election held Saturday by several hundred votes, a larger vote against the issue than that polled in former election in August.

### Test Well for Oil Will be "Spudded in" Friday-Saturday

The test well for oil by the Corsicana Petroleum Company will be "spudded in" Friday or Saturday of this week on the J. C. Jones ranch ten miles northwest of Dickens, the derrick having been erected and the machinery installed during the week. Messrs. Lenoir and Hamilton, of the Corsicana Petroleum Company have been on the ground during the time of preparation work, and are oil developers of wide experience and successful operations. It is said that the Corsicana Petroleum Co. opened up the Cross Plains oil pool in Callahan county, having sold out their interests in the beginning of oil developments following the discovery of the pool.

The contract depth for this first test on the Jones ranch is for thirty five hundred feet. A second location within the leased acreage will later be made and a second test started. The leased acreage includes lands of both the Jones and the Press Goen ranches, together with smaller adjoining tracts to the north of these ranches.

### Another Three Room Cottage Under Construction in Spur

J. E. Berry, of the Spur Auto Wrecking Company, this week let the contract to J. D. McWaters for the construction of a modern three-room bungalow cottage on lots in the eastern part of Spur, construction work on the building beginning this week.

This has been one of the most progressive years in building construction since the early "boom" days following the opening of Spur. During the year some fifteen or twenty new residences have been added to the residence section, and some five or six new brick business houses have been constructed in the business section.

Other buildings and public improvements are under contemplation and being planned for the immediate future.

### High Priced Cotton May Put the Country on Cash Basis

Tom Cross was in the city again Saturday from his farm and ranch home in Kent county. He was very optimistic about his cotton crop, stating that it was the best he had ever produced, and while it is somewhat backward in opening, the stalks are loaded with bolls, squares and blooms. With cotton now up in price between twenty and twenty five cents a pound, it is hoped that the country as a whole will realize a profit, get on a cash basis and have money in the bank to carry through another year.

### Truck Sinks in Quicksand DOUBLE MOUNTAIN RIVER

Sunday afternoon while making an attempt to cross the Double Mountain River near Justiceburg, a large truck, with two men riding in it, was stuck in the quicksand and buried almost to the top of the cab. The river was running with water about two feet deep, and on account of the concrete bridge which has been washed away several months, the truck missed the main traveled crossing and got into the quicksand. Both men escaped before the truck went down very deep in the sand. Up until late Monday evening it had not been brought out of the river.—Post Dispatch.

### TAYLOR COUNTY TO VOTE ON MILLION DOLLAR BOND ISSUE

A petition has been filed with the commissioners' court of Taylor Co. calling for a road bond election in the sum of one million dollars to finish their road program.

### Recent Shipments and Sales of Cattle In Spur Country

J. B. Morrison shipped 3 cars of cattle to Oklahoma City market.

Ed Fuqua shipped 2 cars to Oklahoma City.

Lewis and Evans shipped two cars to Ft. Worth.

Luther Jones shipped one car to Fort Worth.

Chas. Perrin shipped one car to Fort Worth cattle market.

Jake Jones shipped one car to Fort Worth and also sold to H. O. Albin 50 calves and 200 lambs on November 1 delivery.

H. O. Albin sold 100 calves to Judge Brummett on November 1st delivery.

J. B. Morrison sold 100 head of yearling steers to Will Barron.

Ed Fuqua sold 60 yearling steers to Frank Corn.

Luther Jones sold 100 yearling steers to Frank Corn.

Ned Bowers sold 46 yearling steers to Frank Corn.

Olda Harrington sold 100 cows to Chas. Perrin.

Frank Corn shipped 100 steers to Fort Worth.

S. M. S. sold 6 cars yearlings to northern buyers.

Hade Condron sold 80 stock cattle to Mr. Small of Amarillo.

Lewis and Evans shipped 6 cars from Clarendon to the Padle Ranch.

Range conditions are ideal, cattle in excellent shape, and prices are becoming more satisfactory to cattlemen and livestock interests.

### Price of Cotton Continues to Advance on Spur Market

During the week cotton has been advancing daily on the Spur market. During the latter part of the week the price ranged around 22.50, the market price being 21.50 on midling basis of 15-16 staple.

The greater part of the staple on the market to this date in Spur has graded strict middling, the staple varying. There is a considerable acreage of long staple cotton being produced in the Spur territory this year, this staple bringing a premium of two to five dollars above the general run of cotton.

The rainy weather throughout the week has delayed picking, the first ginning of the week being delayed to Thursday.

It is said that approximately one half of the early cotton has already been picked and ginned, picking just now beginning on the late planted crops which exceeds in acreage the early plantings.

### Spur Cotton Grades Higher and Commands Better Prices

Harvey S. Holly, of near Dickens, informed us this week that he had picked and ginned a total of twenty four bales of cotton up to this date on his place, estimating that this is about one-half of his total crop. Mr. Holly was the third farmer to gin the first bales of cotton of the season, he receiving twenty four and twenty five cents for the first bales, and was fortunate in selling all of his staple at prices ranging from the top price to not less than twenty two fifty. Practically all of the cotton ginned and marketed up to this date has graded strict middling and above that mark, therefore commands a higher price than other staples produced outside of the Spur trade territory.

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—Gin With Hargrove—  
STATE GUARANTY FUNDS  
ARE BEING RETURNED

Austin, Sept. 20—Return of more than \$785,000 held in the now inoperative state guaranty fund, to Texas banks and trust companies formerly holding membership in the fund, was authorized today by the state banking board.

### Asphalt Topping is Now Being Placed on Dickens Roads

The work of placing asphalt topping over the highways from Dickens west on the McAdoo road to the county line, and from a point three miles north on the Afton road to Dickens, is now under way.

Rock, gravel and other materials are being placed along the roadways, and everything will soon be in readiness for the asphalt. We are informed that the highway department which has this work in hand, will place the asphalt on one-half of the roadways at a time, thus not interrupting traffic during the progress of the work.

Asphalt makes as fine, if not as lasting, roadway as any material. In fact asphalt is sufficiently durable for street paving, and while this road work is in progress it has been suggested that the highway department would be willing to place asphalt over the streets of Spur at very little expense. At least, the suggestion is worthy of investigation by the city commission.

C. D. Copeland returned Monday from Abilene where she spent the week end with Mrs. Copeland and daughter, Miss Beulah, and Shorty, both of whom are attending school in that college city.

### The Country Club Lake Now Stands 15 Feet in Water

The country club lake recently completed on Happy Hollow nine miles southwest of Spur, now stands fifteen feet in water from the rains of the past week.

There is now sufficient water in the lake for boating, swimming and the stocking of fish.

Messrs. E. C. Edmonds and Cal Martin are organizing the club, the membership of which has almost been completed. The membership will construct camp houses, make varied improvements and form one of the most inviting club and pleasure resorts of the entire Western country.

### October Term of County Court in Dickens City.

Following is a list of Jurors for County Court for the second week, October 25, 1927:

T. S. Lambert, L. W. Langston, Harvey Holley, C. B. Harper, S. V. Johnson, J. J. Albin, J. P. Koonsman, Paul Akin, D. J. Harkey, Will Edgar, Willie Eldredge, A. M. Lay, Clark Forbis, T. C. Cooner, Floyd Barnett, Hugh Gray, J. H. Cook, W. J. Collier.

### Spur Defeats Ralls in Foot Ball Game in Spur Friday

The Spur High School foot ball team defeated the Ralls High School team in Spur Friday of last week in the first match game of the season for both of the teams. The score was six to nothing in favor of Spur, the Spur team making a single touchdown, Freeman Edmonds carrying the ball over the line.

It was an interesting game, the teams being well matched and playing a clean, close game.

Again Tuesday of this week the Spur team played Lamesa at the Lubbock fair, meeting with defeat by a score of seven to nothing. A number of "rooters" accompanied the team to Lubbock.

### CARBON WILL PROTECT DRIED VEGETABLES AND FEED CROPS FROM WEEVIL INFESTATION

L. C. Ponder, of east of Spur a short distance, was here Monday. He was after a small vial of carbon with which to keep weevils from his stored beans and peas. It is said that the placing of a bottle of carbon in stored maize will keep away and kill weevils, which statement should be remembered by the many farmers who wish to carry cribs of maize over from year to year.

W. B. Lee, Active Vice-Pres.  
Clifford B. Jones, Vice-Pres.  
W. T. Andrews, Jr., Cashier

C. A. Jones, Pres.

F. G. Collier, Ass't. Cashier

W. K. Williamson, Ass't. Cashier

E. S. Lee, Ass't. Cashier

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SPUR, TEXAS

Dear Friends and Customers:

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Do you remember 1919 and 1920? Our splendid financial position in 1919 due to good crops and high prices and our deplorable condition in 1920—caused by extremely low prices and lack of foresight on our part in 1919. How easily the 1920 disaster could have been averted had we just stopped to think and had used good sound business judgement by saving and investing wisely a portion of that nice income of 1919.

The point we wish to make is this: THAT NOW IS THE TIME TO THINK—AND THE TIME TO USE SOME GOOD BUSINESS JUDGEMENT. We have an abundance of feed, a reasonably good cotton crop and the price is fair. Indications are that with close management most of us will, within a short time, if cotton stays around 20c be in position to pay our debts and have comfortable bank balances left. Of course the first thing everyone wants to do is to pay their debts, which is the nice thing and the fine thing to do. We have always contended that the majority of folks are honest and would meet their obligations if they were in position to do so. This has been beautifully exemplified during the past few weeks—dozens have already paid in full and others are paying as fast as they realize on their cotton.

In as much as we are going to be in such splendid financial condition the thing we want to get over to you is this: THAT NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY A FEW MORE GOOD COWS AND AT LEAST ONE OR TWO GOOD BROOD SOWS. Let them make your living this year and the next and so on, so that your future crops will be clear of indebtedness—absolutely your own. Then, if cotton is 8c or 10c per pound, you will be in an independent position and can hold it until the price gets right.

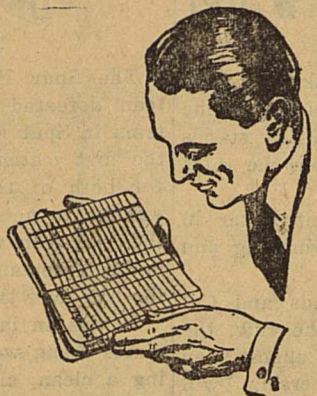
Just because we are enjoying a short period of prosperity let us, by all means, not forget the lowly dairy cow that meant so much to all of us in financing this crop. Anything that will help a fellow out of a financial difficulty will help to keep him out. Next year might be equally as disastrous as 1920—None of us can tell. The thing to do is to take advantage of our present comfortable position and begin now to hedge for the future. No doubt you have been, and are now, thinking about carrying out a similar program to the one outlined above, but you might have some neighbors who are not thoroughly sold to the idea. If you have, this is a splendid opportunity to do some real constructive work in your community by getting them interested. Let us all plan and work together to make Dickens County one of the outstanding counties of West Texas. Just a little concerted effort on your part of ours at this psychological time, might be the means of doing a great deal of good in this section among the people in whom we are all so vitally interested.

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Will Tallent, of south of Spur, was among the business visitors on the streets Monday. He reports everything all o. k. out his way at this time, having had plenty rain, crops growing nicely and even the market prices becoming more satisfactory following the rains and consequent delay in marketing.

J. T. Williams, of east of Spur, was among the crowds on the streets of Spur Saturday. While he up to this time has done little if any cotton picking, yet judging from a recent stalk of cotton bearing two hundred bolls from his field, we judge that he eventually will have some good picking.

County Attorney B. G. Worswick was in Spur Saturday from the County Capitol, spending the afternoon here meeting with friends and acquaintances. Judge Worswick has grown old in the service of the people of Dickens county, having held a public county office since the organization of the county. He probably knows more about Dickens county official affairs than any other man of the county. Judge Worswick could write a most interesting history of Dickens county, and one which would be of benefit as well to the present and well as future citizens.

Mr. Nelson, secretary of the Ralls Chamber of Commerce, came down Friday of last week to Spur with the delegation accompanying the High School foot ball team matched with Spur. The Ralls Chamber of Commerce has Secretary Nelson regularly employed at a good salary to look after the commercial interests of that city, and which is being done by Mr. Nelson to the material interests of the city.

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### Jardine Has a Farm Plan Based on a "Stabilization Fund"

Washington—"Farming is an infant industry.

That unusual classification of one of the oldest and greatest industries not only in the United States, but in the world, has been made by the secretary of agriculture, William M. Jardine.

"We must husband agriculture in this country and help it to get on its feet," he continued. "The same principles of scientific management and the installation of mass production methods that have done so much toward giving American manufacturers their position of supremacy in the world must be applied to the production of foodstuffs."

It is with that end in view that Secretary Jardine, regardless of the position of President Coolidge with reference to farm relief, has taken the initiative in suggesting a plan of "price stabilization", which he insists differs radically from "price-fixing," such as is contemplated in the McNary Haughey farm relief bill.

"They can't accuse me of trying to beat something with nothing," declared Secretary Jardine. "I do not want it to be said when I leave office that although I opposed the McNary-Haugen bill I had offered nothing instead, or that I had shown no sympathy for the farmer, and had offered nothing to aid him in his plight."

"I have devised a plan of price stabilization now, that I do not intend to make any campaign for it. If the public likes the plan, it can get behind it, and I believe eventually something of this kind will be enacted into law. We must do something to get away from the violent fluctuations in prices on farm products, such as we have seen the last sixteen months. They are ruinous to the farmer."

Secretary Jardine went on to outline his plan. First of all, he would have the government set up a stabilization fund of 300 million dollars. This money in effect would be lent as a "second mortgage" on crops. It would be used to cover the differences between what could be borrowed through the federal intermediate banks of the federal reserve system on the estimated value of the commodity raised and what likely would be realized at the time of sale.

Take the case of cotton, for example. Last fall cotton was selling at from 6 to 11 cents a pound. Mr. Jardine said everyone knew before the new crop came in that it would bring 12 cents, but most of the cotton raisers had to dump it on the market at any price they could get as soon as it had been picked in order to meet their loans, taxes and such.

Mr. Jardine would have the federal intermediaries lend at present 60 per cent of the estimated value of crop. That would be the first mortgage on the commodity. Then he would have a stabilization board, representing the industry, come to a small farm board, preferably one to three members, and borrow the additional money on a second mortgage. In other words, if it was demonstrated, as in the case of last year, that cotton would certainly bring 12 cents a pound he would allow the producers a total of 11 cents. From the 300 million dollars, cotton could be purchased if it dropped below that figure, and it could be held until it reached the price necessary to let the government out. As a matter of fact, cotton went to 20 cents last year.

What would be done in the case of cotton would be done with all other basic agricultural products, with corn, and wheat, tobacco and livestock. Mr. Jardine is willing to concede the government might have some losses on its second trusts, but it would stand to make big money at other times, just as it would last a year if cotton had been taken in on the basis of a 12 cent value and jumped to 20 cents, and if corn which was selling at 71 cents a bushel when the 45 million bushels were stored in Chicago alone, had been held until it reached \$1. At the time the farmer was getting only 71 cents a bushel when it was being dumped on the market in such volume that it glutted all the elevators and warehouses, Mr. Jardine estimated that corn was worth at least 85 cents a bushel and he sought to get the Chicago buyers to pay that for it.

In other words, what the secretary is seeking to accomplish is a fairly uniform price throughout the year on farm commodities, getting away from great depressions just after the crops are harvested and

### Prize Fighting Brings Biggest Financial Returns

Gene Tunney, the world's champion pugilist, was paid a check for a cool one million dollars, and Jack Dempsey received a check for four hundred and fifty thousand dollars for their ten round bout of thirty minutes time in Chicago last Thursday night, and in which contest Tunney retained the championship belt.

Tris is more money than any man can hope to earn in a lifetime. In fact each three minutes of this pugilistic contest brought Tunney more money than the president of the United States is paid for a year's work, or more than the highest salaried man of any of the big corporations.

Here are some of the salaries paid to the biggest men in the life of the nation in politics, business and in sports:

President of U. S.	-----	\$75,000
President U. S. Steel	-----	\$100,000
Judge Landis	-----	\$75,000
Will Hays	-----	\$100,000
Ebbe Ruth	-----	\$70,000
Ty Cobb	-----	\$40,000
Rogers Hornsby	-----	\$40,000
Governor, N. Y. State	-----	\$10,000
Mayor New York City	-----	\$25,000
Secretary of treasury	-----	\$15,000
Secretary Hoover	-----	\$15,000
Chief Justice Taft	-----	\$20,500
Vice-Pres. Dawes	-----	\$15,000

Yet a pugilist gets a premium of a million dollars for thirty minutes time.

W. L. Hudson, of the West Pasture, five miles west of Watson, has been "water-bound" in Spur through out the week, coming in Monday and remaining here until Wednesday afternoon.

A big rain fell over that route from Spur to Watson, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. The rain Sunday afternoon was accompanied by hail which did some damage to at least half dozen crop in the Red Mud section towards Watson. Mr. Hudson, earlier in the year, suffered a broken leg from which he has now recovered, we are glad to note.

Mrs. Engine Diggs, who has been spending the past three or four weeks in Spur visiting with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith, returned this week to her home in Austin.

Mace Hunter was here Saturday from his farm home to the east of Spur, spending the afternoon here meeting with his many old time acquaintances, and friends of the town and surrounding country.

Sheriff Bob Goodall, of Kent county, was in Spur Saturday of the past week, on official business, and meeting with his many friends of this section. That Bob Goodall has many true friends here was evidenced recently when the report came that he had been killed in making an arrest of two young men at the recent picnic and celebration held in Clairmont.

M. D. Wilson, of the Steel Hill community, was among the traders and business visitors in Spur Monday if this week. He reports everything looking good in his section following the rains of this and the past week.

J. H. Farmer, who is again located in the Spur country, after an absence of several months, was on the street greeting friends Saturday. Mr. Farmer last year sold his one section farm home northeast of Spur, acquiring property in Lubbock, and later other property in the Clarendon section. We will be glad to see Mr. Farmer again purchase property and become permanently located in the Spur country. He is a good and substantial citizen and an asset to any community.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel McDaniel, of four miles southwest of Spur, were shopping and visiting in the city during the week. Buel now has fourteen bale of cotton picked and marketed, having secured prices ranging from twenty one to twenty four cents. He also made fine feed crops which places him in prosperous shape for another year, regardless of what cotton may do the balance of the year.

when the farmers must sacrifice them to meet their financial obligations. With a large government fund, it would be possible to provide orderly marketing without government price-fixing.

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**SPUR BAKERY**



W. M. Byrd, of four miles northeast of Spur, was in the city Wednesday of this week. He reports the rains of the past several days very beneficial to crops of his section, especially to the late feed as well as the cotton. He stated that he was well up with his cotton picking, therefore there was no loss in knocking out or stringing the staple as might have been the case with other crops having more open cotton. He is of the opinion that the rain was helpful to the late cotton at this time.

J. J. Arnold, of the Duck Creek country, was shaking hands with his friends and trading with merchants of Spur the past week.

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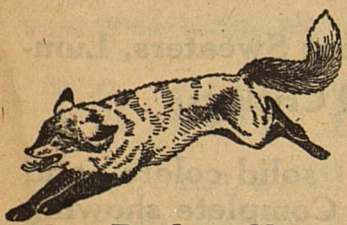
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**THAT SURPLUS**

Like bees hovering over the gardens filled with sweetest of flowers, numbers of bankers, industrialists, and politicians are busily seeking a plan whereby they may be able to extract some of the "honey which the \$600,000,000 expected surplus in the National Treasury gives promise of producing.

While a surplus is much more easily handled than a deficit, its disposition very frequently needs more careful scrutiny and wiser judgment. We rejoice that through the course of common and human events it has been found possible to so economize that what used to be known as the "red line" on the pages of the public ledger has been blotted out and in its place a balance has been discovered. Whatever the claim as to how this happened or from whence it came, one thing is certain as truth itself—that surplus came from the pockets of the purchasing public and not as some would have it from the purses of the wealthy.

So, we have this situation. The \$600,000,000 surplus belongs to all the people and all the people should share in any benefits which may accrue from its disbursement. If any preference is to be shown, first consideration should be given to those thousands of stricken fellow citizens who have just passed through the raging flood along the Mississippi Valley. That duty being properly performed, the next most deserving class is the American farmers who for years have suffered greatly who cause special legislation has made it possible for others to clip dividend coupons while they struggled hard to keep a roof over the heads of their loved ones and the sheriff from their doors. Their deplorable condition is not due to any fault of their own but rather to legislative circumstances over which they have no control. They have been pushed from pillar to post in order to make it possible for somebody to squeeze unearned profits from their toil. Patiently, they have labored on to produce food for the other two thirds of our people, hoping that some day common decency would reverse conditions. Now they are up against it. Foreclosure sales are all too frequent. Surely they deserve a share of this much talked of surplus—National Farm News.

**SEVENTH GRADE CLASS AT DICKENS SCHOOL ELECT OFFICERS FRIDAY**

The Seventh grade class of 1927-28 of Dickens School met Friday September 16th and elected the following officers: Anabel Spear, president; Winnie Mae Cole, vice-pres. Carlos Brummett, secretary-treasurer; Lawrence Green, reporter.

This class has seventeen enrolled now with the expectation of having more to enroll later. The members have resolved to make this a record breaking year. That is, to show a better record than any seventh grade class has shown heretofore. And with the help of our teacher, Jakey Spencer, we believe that we can succeed.

Woodrow and Lucille Harris have been absent the past week but are now ready to make up for their lost work.—Reporter.

Mrs. Sol Davis has moved her Dixie Beauty parlor from the Sol Davis building, making room for the new picture show now going in that location. Mrs. Davis will temporarily maintain her beauty parlor at her home, we are informed.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

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

You are hereby commanded to summon R. C. Swan 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 any newspaper published in the 50th Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 50th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, on the 4th Monday in November A. D. 1927, the same being the 28th day of November A. D. 1927 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 983, wherein Anna Swan is Plaintiff, and R. C. Swan is Defendant, and said petition alleging State of Texas: Dickens County: SS. Anne Swan, vs. R. C. Swan. No. 983.

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS**

To the honorable Judge I. O. Newton.

Comes now the plaintiff Anna Swan and respectfully represents to the county that she has resided in the state more than one year, and in said county for more than six months next preceding the filing of this petition.

1. That she and the defendant were legally married at Wichita Falls, Texas, in the month of July 1926 and continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the month of November 1926; at which time their further living together as husband and wife became insupportable, for the following reasons to-wit:

2. That at the time of said marriage defendant represented and agreed with the plaintiff that he would support her, and furnish her with the necessities of the wife and agreed never to course, mistreat, or kindness and affection and represented himself to be a moral and honorable man in every respect; and agreed never to course, mistreat, or abuse said plaintiff; and represented himself to be a man of honorable deportment.

3. When in fact, said defendant refused and failed to contribute in any way whatsoever to the support of said plaintiff; although he was at all times well and able-bodied man, and would keep all earnings, for himself and refused to contribute anything to the support of said plaintiff, although very oftentimes requested to do so by plaintiff; and very oftentimes curse, and abuse this plaintiff with vile, and indecent and vulgar language, without any fault or provocation whatsoever on the part of said plaintiff; and would speak with indifference, and unconcerned to plaintiff and would abuse the teachings of God, and assert that he believed the same to be a fairy story, and was not fit for a man to live by, in the presence of their guests; all to the humiliation and disgrace of said plaintiff.

4. That said plaintiff's name was Anna Worthington, before said marriage; and was the owner in her own rights to the following described property situated in Dickens County, Texas, in her own name as Anna Worthington, and said defendant had no interest whatsoever in said property, and had never lived on said premises, or made it his home; lots (19) and (20), in Block 42, in the town of Dickens, according to the plat on file in the County Clerk's office; and Abst. No. 1128, Cert. 0-32, Survey 2, B. G. Worswick Grantee, S-W-Part, being 80 acres.

WHEREFORE PLAINTIFF for the above allegations represents to the court that their further living together as husband and wife is insupportable, the premises considered, and prays the court that said defendant be sighted to appear and answer herein; and that she be divorced from said defendant, and restoration of her name Annie Worthington; and for the sole right and title to the above mentioned real estate situated in said county and State, and for all other relief that she may show herself justly entitled to.

**ANNIE SWAN**

State of Texas; County of Dickens: On this the 3rd day of August A. D. 1927, before me the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Anna Swan known to me to be the identical person who signed the above foregoing petition, and acknowledged to me that she signed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

ROBT. REYNOLDS, Clerk County Court, Dickens County, Texas. By Neal Fortson, Deputy.

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 the 23rd day of August A. D. 1927.

ROBT. REYNOLDS, Clerk District Court, Dickens County. By Neal Fortson Deputy.

**THE SAME IN LIFE**

Six months ago we paid 15c for a bulb, which we placed in the ground as per instruction. A rank stalk came up but no flower, and we dismissed the matter simply remarking that we were stung. But we did not kill the stalk, never even thought about it. Last Sunday morning the housekeeper called us out into the yard and there upon the stalk appearing overnight, was one of the handsomest blossom we ever saw, something like a tiger lily, iridescent, brave, open wide into the sun. It seemed that it must have been painted by the fairies, and from its heart sprang four long stems, holding what were probably little seed cases. We never saw a more beautiful flower. It lives 48 hours, and it was certainly worth our 15 cents.

Human lives are like that sometimes. They run along, just existing and then at once something comes to them and they blossom, producing a thought or a work whose memory lives a long time after they themselves have withered to the dust. Again they lack the proper touch of inspiration and they just exist a little while, then die. Either way they have some part in the plan as the Master Mind conceived it.—Edwin Hunt in Arkansas City Traveler.

**WHAT CHRIST MEANT TO THE POET, TENNYSON**

One evening in his maturer life, Tennyson and his skeptic college friend walked in the garden and talked about many things—living over again the happy golden days of youth. The visitor, shifting the conversation, said, Alfred, I cannot believe in the tenets of your religion but I do believe in you, your integrity, high moral purpose and unspotted purity; pray tell me, what does the prophet of Nazareth really mean to you?

The poet, after a moment's reflection, plucked a rose from its bush and, holding it up to the radiant splendor of the setting sun, replied "My friend, what that sun yonder is to this flower, giving it vitality and beauty and fragrance—that is Jesus Christ to my soul and life."—Selected.

**Nurse Advises WEAK, RUN-DOWN WOMEN To Take Cardui**

"I have known of Cardui for nearly twenty-five years," says Mrs. Selma Meissner, 1072 Harrison Ave., Beaumont, Texas. "During that time, I have taken it several times and have frequently recommended it to others, for it is a splendid medicine and I am glad to give people the benefit of my experience."

"I have been a nurse for several years and have often come in contact with patients who were run-down and weak. Often I have told sufferers of Cardui, and the way I, myself, had been helped after taking it, and advised them to give it a trial. Many of them have since thanked me for what I told them, so I am willing that other women should know about it, too."

"I first took Cardui because I was awfully run-down. I had no appetite, and was weak and listless. It was hard to keep going under such conditions, and I looked for something which would help me."

"I had read of Cardui and decided to try it. After taking it, I improved so much that I have taken it since whenever I needed a tonic."



**LIVING ON ONE'S INCOME**

A former young bank teller of Kansas City, arrested in Los Angeles on a charge of embezzlement, explains in defense that he was led to take the bank's money because he could not support himself and his wife on the salary he received. The salary was \$150 a month, the youth was 21, and of course of limited experience. We need not enlist the aid of experts to tell us how well a young man and his wife can live on the income this youth had. But it is enough to state that many thousands of young couples do live on it on even less, many of them with children to support in the bargain.

That, however, is beside the main point, which is this: If a man does not find it possible to live on \$150 a month with dishonesty, he would not find it possible with an income of double that amount, or even more the Kansas City Times says. The amount of income is the sorriest kind of excuse in any case. The big question is a willingness to live within an income, regardless of who it may be. That willingness this youth did not possess. Therein was the trouble. He must have not only one motor car, but two cars. He must take a chance at gambling and lose money, some of it perhaps from his salary, some of it from the funds of the bank.

Yet it wasn't necessary in this case to have even one motor car. It was not needed in the young man's business. Other men, many of them much older men, and with larger incomes than this youth had, do not feel able to own motor cars. President Coolidge didn't up to the time he became the nation's chief executive; and even while vice-president he refused to make use of a car that he might have had without cost to himself.

There is a big lesson here for young men who can take it. There is no more common source of unhappiness than the feeling that one cannot live on what he earns. Dissatisfaction with a limited income, there should be; but it should be the kind that arises from an ambitious desire to do better work and to command better pay. That ambition, coupled with thrift, patience and industry, will bring results. Dishonesty will not. This youth knows it now. Others may know it, if they will, without following his example.

American women spent four times as much last year for permanent waves as the United States Government did in building new ships.

John Randall, of south of Spur, was meeting with his many friends in Spur Saturday of the past week. He says everything looks good at this time.

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SPUR DELPHIAN CLUB WILL MEET NEXT TUESDAY

The Spur Delphian Chapter will meet Tuesday, October 4th., with Mrs. Hill Perry. Mrs. Nellie Davis will conduct the lesson which will be, "Arcuated Architecture and Early Christian Arts." The period of this lesson extends from approximately 700 B. C. to 1000 A. D.

"FAUST"

JOI DE VOI CLUB

Mrs. Cecil Hicks was the very charming hostess to the Joi de Voi Club and guests on Wednesday afternoon.

At the conclusion of the games Mrs. Thurman Harris held the high score for the club, and Miss Eleanor Harris, high for the guests. They were presented with lovely wax flowers while Mrs. W. L. Gibbs, Jr., was given a door stay for low score.

A delicious salad course was served the following guests, Miss Eleanor Harris, Mesdames Jack Rector, William Manning, Dan Zachry, Fred Haile, W. L. Gibbs, Jr., F. E. Ripley, Dick Speer, Grimes, Jimmie Smith, Thurman Harris, F. Barnett and Leslie Cooper.—Rep.

XXV BRIDGE CLUB.

Mrs. Nellie Davis was a most charming hostess when on Wednesday afternoon she entertained the members of the XXV Bridge Club in her home with bridge. In the games Mrs. W. D. Wilson was high, Mrs. Hill Perry low. At the end of the games a delicious refreshment plate was passed. A short business session was had, electing Mrs. Hill Perry president, Mrs. Frank Laverty secretary. Mrs. Bill Putman reporter. Members present were Mesdames Hill Perry, James B. Reed, Frank Laverty, F. W. Jennings, W. D. Wilson, R. E. Dickson, R. C. Forbis, C. L. Love, and Oran McClure.

JOI DE VOI CLUB.

Mrs. Cecil Hicks very charmingly entertained members of the Joi de Voi Club and several invited guests in her home Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Thurman Harris scored high for the members, Miss Eleanor Harris for the guests, and Mrs. W. L. Gibbs low. A delicious refreshment plate was passed. The guests were Mesdames Leslie Cooper, Spear, Dan Zachry, Jack Rector, Floyd Barnett, Thurman Harris, W. L. Gibbs, Fred Haile, William Manning, Jimmie Smith, Ripley, Miss Eleanor Harris,

SPUR DELPHIAN CHAPTER.

Mrs. Oran McClure was hostess to members of the Spur Delphian Chapter Tuesday afternoon in her home on Hill Street. Mrs. Geo. M. Williams, president, presided over the business period. Mrs. R. E. Dickson, leader for the afternoon, lead a very interesting lesson on Trabeated Architecture and Pagan Art and Architecture. Mesdames Oran McClure, Robb Forbis and Geo. M. Williams and R. E. Dickson gave instructive reports on the Egyptian Temple, Egyptian Decorative Art, Mesopotamian Architecture and Decoration, Solomon's Temple, Greek Architecture, Sculpture and Painting. Other members present were Mrs. W. D. Wilson.

"FAUST"

20TH CENTURY CLUB

The 20th Century Club will meet with Mrs. Busby October, 5th, at 3:30 P. M. Following is the program: Leader—Mrs. Barrett. Paper, Do we fail in teaching Love, Gratitude and Respect; if so, why?—Mrs. Busby. General discussion of paper and of Mrs. Birney on good manners—Mrs. Crockett. Moral duties of a free citizen—Mrs. Birl Hight. The ten Virgins—Mrs. W. B. Lee. The Good Samaritan—Mrs. E. S. Lee. The end of the play—Mrs. E. J. Cowan. The toys—Mrs. Malone. Our most thrilling day—Mrs. Sample.—Reporter.

"FAUST"

Mr. Dingler, of the Spur Experiment Station recently returned from his summer vacation spent in the mountains of New Mexico and Arizona. He reports a most interesting trip.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—E. B. Kelley, who recently purchased the Putman cattle and leased the ranch, was in the city this week on business and meeting with his friends.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—Mrs. Murray Lea was called to her home in Baird Wednesday, on account of the illness of a sister.

—Rev. A. G. Abbott and little daughter, Margaret, spent Sunday in Rule.

Mrs. M. L. Jones and Miss Olive Meadors, of Dickens, were shopping in Spur Wednesday.

Lloyd Putman, of Vernon, was in Spur this week.

"FAUST"

Sheriff M. L. Jones was in Spur the first of the week looking after official matters. Sheriff Jones is one peace officer who "does a whole lot and makes little noise about it."

J. M. Thomason was among the number on the streets Saturday of last week. He informed us that he had good crops, but late, and from which he was hopeful of getting a price in keeping with the cost of production and a profit to which every producer is entitled.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

"FAUST"

Miss Thelma Caraway attended the Lindbergh celebration at Abilene as "The Spirit of Spur" to greet the Colonel in "The Spirit of St. Louis."

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett and Mrs. C. W. Barrett returned this week from Dallas where they had been with L. R.'s little son for treatment at the hands of specialists. The boy is suffering of a bone disease.

Mrs. Thurman Harris returned Sunday from Denison where she had been with her mother who is sick.

J. H. Biggs will be with Joe Gaines at the Long Gin as bookkeeper thru-out the fall. Mr. Biggs is an expert at gin bookkeeping and is well known by ginning farmers. At the close of the ginning season Mr. Biggs contemplates entering the race for tax assessor of Dickens county.

—Gin With Hargrove—W. G. Causey, of southwest of the city, was in Spur Saturday greeting his friends with a smile. Incidentally in meeting us on the street he handed us the coin of the realm with which to keep the Texas Spur also smiling and coming his way.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

"FAUST"

1052 More Bales Cotton Weighed This Year than to Same Date Last

Up to Saturday night of last week Public Weigher Fred Hisey had weighed a total of 1554 bales of cotton of the 1927 crop. Up to the same date last year there had been weighed a total of only 502 bales, making 1052 bales more weighed this year than was weighed last year.

Every indication is that this will be a short fall season and the cotton will be picked out sooner than ever before.

Old Timers of Spur Attend Old Cowmens Reunion at Mt. Blanco

Last week W. R. Stafford, R. C. Forbis and Frank Goff were among the old cow-punchers of the country who attended the old Cowboys Reunion at Mt. Blanco Tuesday. They met with old cowpunchers whom they had not seen for thirty odd years. The reunion was held at the old Hank Smith rock house which was built fifty years ago, the first house constructed within this section of West Texas. The old Hank Smith place is now being converted into a national park.

Rov Harkev Repurchases Interest in Hudson-Essex Agency

This week Roy Harkev repurchased a half interest in the Spur Hudson-Essex Agency, and hereafter the business will be under the co-partnership management of Roy Harkev and M. E. Manning.

A car load of cars have been sold out since Mr. Manning took over the business last week and hereafter several car loads will be carried on the floor in supplying the demand for the Super Sixes.

The Highway School Term Will Begin Monday Morning

The 1927-28 term of the Highway school will begin Monday morning of next week. Highway is one of the best school districts of the county, and the coming term is expected to be one of the most successful in every respect.

NOVEMBER FIRST IS AVERAGE DATE OF KILLING FROSTS IN THE SPUR COUNTRY

According to the State Experiment Station weather data which has been recorded here regularly since 1911, the average date of killing frosts in the fall is November 1st. The earliest frost over this period to kill cotton was October 17th, and the latest was on November 21st. A normal frost this year will be beneficial to crops.—R. E. Dickson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell returned Wednesday from Munday where they attended the funeral of an uncle, J. N. Campbell, who was one of the early settlers of that section.

T. D. Ford, who was employed in the Texas Spur office a number of years ago, is here visiting relatives. His son, Marvin Ford, who has been employed at El Paso, also arrived in Spur Thursday. Mr. Ford and family have been making their home in Oklahoma.

Twin boys were born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson at their home in the city. One of the twins died Sunday, the little remains being interred in Spur cemetery.

I will teach a few more violin pupils. If interested see Mrs. J. E. Berry, phone 287M. 1c

I am now booking orders for my celebrated Half and Half Cotton Seed at \$2, 2-bu. bags. These are the best seed I have ever offered to the public. Buy early, as the supply is limited.—Albert Power, Afton, Texas. 48ff

Curtis Harkey, who has been attending Junior College at Wichita Falls the past two months, won first place in the high school orchestra in a recent contest. Spur boys are distinguishing themselves as they go out from home into colleges and vocations of life.

—Gin With Hargrove—County Treasurer Mrs. H. P. Cole and daughter, of Dickens, were among the visitors and shoppers to Spur the past week.

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New Colors and Trimmings. Sizes for Misses, sizes for Women, extra sizes for the large women including half sizes for the woman hard-to-fit.

Offering an unusual assortment of over 500 DRESSES; smartly styled, crepe and satin, dresses of velvet and satin combination, also novelty wool frocks. Authentic productions of the Season's Smartest Styles in the desired colors. Presenting Smart trimming treatments and numerous other new style features.

With The Arrival of Fall Comes A Need for Sweaters—

NEW FALL SWEATERS

- Girl's Sweaters ..... \$2.95 to \$5.95
- Women's Sweaters .... \$2.95 to \$4.95
- Children's Sweaters ... \$1.95 to \$3.45
- Boy's Sweaters and Lumberjacks ..... \$1.95 to \$4.45
- Men's Lumberjacks and Sweaters ..... \$1.50 to \$4.95

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A number of styles in solid colors and bright combinations—Complete showing now ready for your selection—all sizes.

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MR. FARMER—After you have ginned your cotton, come by the Central Market. You will want a mess of nice, fat steak to take home with you—we have it.—Central Market.

Bring your cottonseed to Sullivan. I will pay the market price every day and will continue to do so as long as you will bring them to me. I have a man in the yard to unload them. Nuf sed.

Found Strayed six weeks ago—A red mare mule and a black horse mule, 1000 pounds. Owner communicate with J. R. Carter, 9 miles west of Spur at Highway 47-2c

**PIANOS PIANOS**

Leading manufacturer has several player pianos and straight pianos in this vicinity to close out at bargain on terms. Address, Manufacturer, 1538 Chicago Ave, Chicago, Ill. 47-4

For Sale—A house in Spur, with five rooms and bath, servants house cistern, and storm cellar. Cash \$1850.00. See Brazelton Lumber Co., or write R. D. Baughman, Haskell, Texas, P. O. Box 542 48-4c

Cotton Crop for sale, also good Reo Truck, Star Car, one Large Black Mule and other work stock See Mrs. J. M. Howze, 1 1-2 miles north-east of Spur 47-2p

For Sale—House and two lots on Harris Street.—H. E. Blenden, Spur Produce Company, 48-4t

FOR RENT—4-room house, bath, garage, cow shed and garden, on Hill Street. See L. C. Ponder. 48-2p

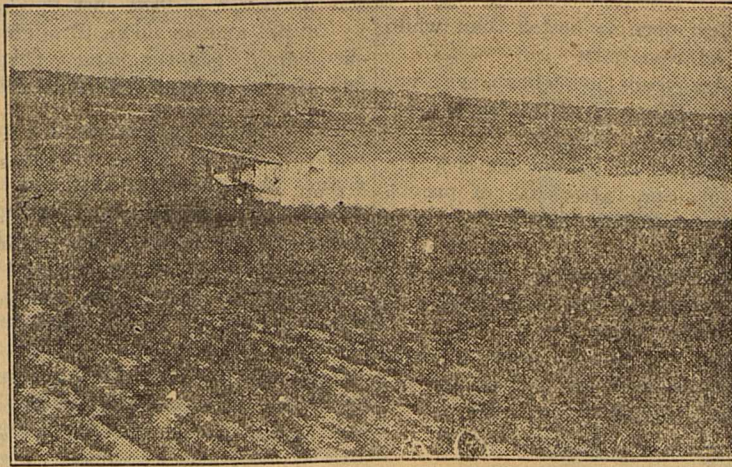
**A TWENTY-CENT INVESTMENT BRINGS RETURNS TO THE ADVERTISER IN TEXAS SPUR COLUMNS**

Last week J. J. Albin phoned the Texas Spur to "please discontinue his advertisement for the sale of a truck, since the first week's ad sold the truck, and many other prospective buyers continued to come to him." Advertising is for the purpose of bringing buyer and seller together, as well as creating a desire for advertised goods, and since the Texas Spur is read and appreciated by thousands of people each week, there is no better medium of reaching these people than through its advertising columns. J. J. Albin placed a twenty-cent advertisement in the Texas Spur which sold his truck and attracted the attention of many readers who wanted to buy a truck. Texas Spur advertising is not a "donation" proposition, but brings results and is an "investment" to the advertiser and a "convenience" to the buyer.

W. W. Stegall, who now lives on the Plains west of Lubbock, spent several days here last week looking after his farming interests in the Spur country. While Mr. Stegall informed us that he liked the plains country all o. k., but that he did not care to sell his farms here—indicating that probably in the future he would want to return and again take up his residence in the Spur country. Mr. Stegall was one of the early day settlers of Dickens county, and still cherishes that pioneering spirit as is evidenced by his leaving and contributing to the settlement development of a newer section further west.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
G. R. Woods, of north of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

**DUSTING COTTON BY AEROPLANE TO BE DAILY FEATURE AT STATE FAIR OF TEXAS**



One of the newest features added to the attractions at the State Fair will be an actual demonstration of dusting cotton by aeroplane to kill the boll weevil and the boll worm. This will be a daily feature from October 8 to 23.

Lieut. Henry Toncray of Lone Oak, Texas, well known as the "Flying Ford Dealer" and an experienced cotton duster, will pilot the machine during the demonstrations, and will lecture on "The Advantages of Dusting Cotton."

A harmless powder will be used in the demonstration instead of the calcium arsenate, which is used for the cotton dusting.

Lieutenant Toncray has had wide experience in dusting cotton, having spent the past two summers doing the actual work on farms in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

**A FEW NEW FEATURES FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT AT TEXAS STATE FAIR**

Here are twenty-five of the fifty new features (mostly free) which have been prepared for your entertainment at the 1927 State Fair of Texas, October 8 to 23:

Free menagerie of wild animals.  
Polo games every other day. Free.  
Six new exit gates for your convenience.

The largest phonograph in the world. Free.

Big league football games every Saturday afternoon.

Daily exhibition of Mr. McElwyn in his special stable. Free.

Thirteen days of fast horse racing, with at least five races a day.

Hog-calling contest for the Texas gold medal championship. Free.

The largest Jersey Prize Cattle Show ever held in the world. Free.

The most comprehensive Poultry Show ever offered in the Southwest. Free.

Special free shows in Exposition Hall, Industrial Hall and Automobile Buildings.

The best collection of blooded livestock ever assembled at any State Fair. Free.

Parades, pageantry and masques on the grounds, Dallas Day, Tuesday, October 11. Free.

Daily contests by the Aviation Cadets of America in the assembling of an aeroplane. Free.

Horse Shows Sunday afternoons, October 16 and 23, with special exhibitions between classes.

Demonstrations of the methods of distributing boll weevil poison over cotton fields by aeroplane. Free.

A new three-quarter-mile race track. Free parking around the track, enabling you to see the races from your own car.

Barnyard Golf, or horseshoe pitching tournament, open to all Texans, for the state championship and prizes, medals, trophies, etc. Free.

New playing field in the football stadium. New drainage system and new plan for handling the crowds through the entrances and aisles.

The largest and by far the best display of prize winning agricultural products collected by the State Fair of Texas in the 41 years of its history. Free.

A Junior Livestock Show, in a separate building, containing the entries made by the members of the Boys' and Girls' Calf, Pig and Lamb Clubs of Texas. Free.

Exhibit of the 12 bronze models of the "Pioneer Mother," from which the half-million-dollar statue is to be erected, with voting contest to decide which model is most appropriate. Free.

Special demonstration by Texas A. & M. College of the cotton industry complete from preparation of the ground for the seed to the delivery of the finished cloth to the consumer. Free.

A new Midway, with hard-surfaced roads through the pavilions of the celebrated Morris and Castle Carnival shows, which this year are headed by the famous Singer's Midget's Jazz Band and Orchestra.

In the Auditorium the internationally successful comedy opera, "Countess Maritza," presented by the original Broadway company intact, every evening and Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday matinees.

Special exhibitions in front of the grandstand, including "Mr. McElwyn," the champion trotter of the world; the national champion team of roan mares; ten big Hippodrome acts, with comiques and dancers, bands and vocal music; whippet races and day and night fireworks.

The above are but half of the really new features. The standard attractions are all there, as usual. Every visitor should provide himself with a copy of the folder, "How to See the State Fair," which is free. A perusal and the use of this folder will convince anyone that there are more striking, interesting and entertaining things to see at the 1927 State Fair than can be taken in in two or three days' visits. Send for your copy.

Use Texas Spur Classified ads.

**BEBE DANIELS**

AS

**"SENORITA"**

**THE LYRIC MONDAY AND TUESDAY**

**OUR GANG COMEDY**

**"LOVE MY DOG"**

W. D. Eldredge, of McAdoo, was here Monday, reporting heavy rains on the plains. The rains were accompanied by hail and cold weather.—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

J. J. Cloud is a prospective candidate for sheriff, and when he gets in the running will make them all hard to catch.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
Ned Bowers came in Monday from his ranch headquarters.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
Harrison's Texans, a dance orchestra from Breckenridge, was in Spur Monday night.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
H. J. Parks, of west of Spur, was in the city during the week. We understand that Mr. Parks also contemplates entering the race for sheriff in the coming campaign.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
We hear that Lee Mimms, of the Wichita community, may probably become a candidate for county clerk in the coming campaign.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
C. D. Copeland was in town Wednesday, stating that he only had an inch of rain, and that half of his open cotton was lost by being knocked out by rain and blown out by wind.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
Sim Moss was in town one day during the week. He says that the people are going to be badly fooled in the present cotton crop, in that not more than a bale to every six acres will be ginned from the entire crop.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—  
C. M. Buchanan, of north of Dickens, was among the large number of business visitors in the city during the week.

Mrs. W. W. Flournoy returned Monday from Haskell where she visited several days with relatives and friends. Mrs. Flournoy has been ill the past several weeks, and friends will be glad to note that she is again recovered.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
Henry McDaniel and wife made a trip Sunday to Roaring Springs. On their return home they were caught by the big rain and hail storm, spending the night in Spur.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
Miss Carrie Allen had her name placed on the list of regular Texas Spur readers this week. We appreciate the fact that new names are being added daily to the subscription list.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—  
R. C. Forbis came in Monday and spent the day here with his family. Mr. Forbis is now buying cattle over the country and shipping to various markets as well as to Ohio feeding pens.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
M. C. Golding, wife and daughter, little Miss Ida Lee, are spending the week in Dallas, on account of the Jewish holidays.

—Gin With Hargrove—  
Ned Hogan and family and Mrs. E. L. Caraway were among those of Spur who were in Abilene Monday to see Lindbergh in the "Spirit of St. Louis" plane.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—  
A. W. Jordan was on the streets Monday.



**"FIFTY-FIFTY"**

A community is in a way to go ahead and become a better community—serving the people who make it up—when it has certain essentials upon which to build. Prominent among these are adequate transportation, communication, power and light, fuel, water and resources.

With the exception of natural resources, these essentials are all supplied by the enterprise and initiative of man.

Take the case of the service of Electric Light and Power. This community can grow only as this service is available. This service can prosper only as the community grows and uses the service.

It is an instance of "Fifty-Fifty"—of cooperation between this company and the people who make up this community.

This fact, generally understood by all persons who are builders, makes community progress possible.

**West Texas Utilities Company**

**TO THE FARMERS**

I am ready at all times to gin your cotton and no where in Texas can any gin beat the work I am doing. My work in ginning is the best that can be had and every customer will tell you the same, so ask them and judge by what my customers say. Come where they all will come this Fall. I will do everything in my power to make you feel at home while here.

**LONG GIN CO.**  
JOE M. GAINES, Mgr.

THE  
**Dixie Beauty Shoppe**  
at Home



### Getting Fall Eggs

(By F. W. Kazmeier, Bryan, Texas)  
Now that eggs have climbed up to a profitable price again, and no doubt will remain there for several months, a little information on this subject may be of interest.

For the next few months, the problem will be to get eggs and not how to sell them for a good price.

To get a profitable egg production three things stand out very prominently, chickens that know how to lay, good feed and care. In this article we will pass up the first important factor for some other time.

Hens at this time of the year, are in a moult or soon will be, hence you cannot expect many eggs from them the next few weeks. Early hatched pullets are your only chance for good producers in the fall and early winter.

Early hatched pullets will lay many eggs if given good care and feeding, especially if they are from a trapnested laying strain. The "know how" must be bred into them, then good feeding and feed will bring them out.

Just what is meant by good feed and feeding? Some people think feeding chickens is just a question of keeping them from starvation. Good feeding calls for a variety and a balanced ration.

In some sections, nothing but maize or kafir is fed, this feed alone will never make many eggs. Grains alone will not make pullets lay.

A good dry mash mixture, that is properly balanced, is necessary to make hens lay. The mash hoppers should be kept well supplied with a good dry mash mixture. It should be kept before them all the time. Plenty of hopper space should be provided, about 1 foot to every 10 pullets.

The scratch grains are largely fed to add a variety and sometimes induce exercise. As far as actual feed value is concerned, the scratch grains do not provide anything that is not found in a good dry mash mixture or commercial egg mash.

A cheap mash, can of course be mixed. You can take a little corn meal, wheat bran, wheat shorts, cotton seed meal and mix it, and call it

a dry mash mixture. Such a mixture is a cheap mixture and it will of course also produce cheap results.

The important ingredients of any egg mash or dry mash mixture are meat scraps, dried buttermilk, mineral matter and vitamins. It so happens that these ingredients are the most expensive. For that reason many, either cut these out entirely or reduce them to insufficient quantities, at least 20 per cent of any dry mash mixture should consist of animal food, like meat scraps, beef scraps or dried buttermilk. For best results and most economical production, animal food of some kind should by all means be fed.

Milk in any form is a wonderful feed for laying pullets. At the same time milk contains too much water, to be expected to supply all of the necessary animal food. A pullet would not be able to drink enough milk, to get enough animal food solids, to keep her laying heavily for any great length of time. Our recommendation is that you give them all the milk they will drink, from early morning until late at night, then if you are feeding dry mash mixture of your own making, include at least 15 per cent of some animal protein feed. For best results, if you grow your own grains, we recommend the feeding of all the milk they will drink. The milk may be given as clabber, sour, whey or as sweet skim. The main thing is to be sure to see to it that they get plenty.

If you wish to force for egg production, then we recommend only giving on scratch grain feeding a day and that preferably about an hour before sunset. Keep the mash before them in liberal quantities.

In a future article we will discuss a system of feeding early hatched pullets, of the small breeds, like Leghorns, to keep them from going into a so-called neck moult. Early hatched Leghorn pullets, if forced too much for egg production will go into a neck moult and stop laying for several weeks just when eggs bring the most money.

Green food of some kind, should by all means be provided. From now on preparations may be made to provide a green oat pasture for the flock. Collards and rape also

make good Fall green food. Anything that will grow at this season of the year, may be sown as green-food. On practically all farms a green oat pasture is easily provided.

Yellow corn is better than white corn, kafir or milo.

Oyster shells are cheap, yet important. Keep a liberal supply before the flock.

More than 2-3 of the egg is water, therefore the importance of providing plenty of fresh drinking water at all times.

Late hatched pullets, may be fed one feeding of wet mash a day, to help hurry them along.

Again we caution you to make sure your flock of pullets are not infested with intestinal worms.

#### WHY ADVERTISE?

Advertising has made the Victor dog famous. It has put Castoria down your throat, Left bristles in your gun and then came along with a rubber set and taken them out. It has put Iodent, Pepsodent and Pebecco on your teeth, it has put a Gillette in your hand, it has put Murine in your eyes; sold Cuticura for the bath and Ivory for the tub. It has put Arrow collars around your neck and Ingersolls around your wrist.

It has jammed your feet in hole-proof socks; put Paris garters on your legs and Tiffany rings on your fingers. It has worn out your jaws on Wrigley's and posted you on what to buy to cure corns, warts, freckles, bunyons and ingrown toenails. Go anywhere and advertising has had a hand in it, absolutely. And then some people say, "Does advertising pay?"—Exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Wicks, of Ralls, were among the Ralls delegation in Spur Friday of last week to witness the foot ball contest between Ralls and Spur High School teams.

Buster Bural, of the Antelope section of country, was transacting business affairs in Spur Wednesday afternoon of this week. He reports good rains at Antelope and everything now more promising.

Texas Spur Advertising pays

#### CONFIDENCE

The whole fabric of human life finds its strongest support in faith. As far back as early Bible times, it was written that "the just shall live by faith," and on down through the succeeding ages the same principle has given proof of its soundness.

Faith breeds confidence and confidence is like the air we breathe. We cannot do without it. Business confidence is considered by wise managers of great undertakings an absolute essential to success. Destroy confidence and a financial panic ensues. Without this confidence of which we speak, homes break to pieces and families are scattered, banks fail and close their doors, business goes to the wall and receivers are of necessity appointed to close out the dead concern, governments cease to function properly and the foundations of civilization tremble and sometimes fall. How essential then, it seems to be for us to encourage and cultivate complete confidence or faith in one another.

Confidence in one's self seems to be the basis of all success. It measures to the height of personal attainment. One never successfully steps out into the unknown channels without having first made arrangements with faith to accompany him. Lack this support and your plans will run amuck and you will surrender to fear. Every step we take from the cradle to the grave calls for a faith that will not shrink.

Confidence in our fellow man is the mortar of society. It draws individuals and communities into closer relationship and makes the erection of the social structure possible. It is the framework of character around which moral stamina is build. This would be a dark old world in which to live if we were to dispossess confidence. If we would take time to inventory our daily activities we would very probably find that from the time we rise in the morning until we enter slumberland at night our whole progress has been by aid of confidence. This being true how important it is that, wherever our lot in life happens to be cast, we should not lose sight of confidence, the child of faith.—National Farm News.

### You Should Know Something About Us By Now

You should know by now that we know how to really refinish, reupholster and repair your furniture so it looks like and is good as new.

Winter months are coming on. Have your furniture put in good condition. Re-upholster and refinish it. We can do it to please you.

Select your upholstery from our large assortment. Select your colors for revarnishing and re-enameling from our color charts.

Just as you can make a pair of shoes last longer and look good, so can we make your furniture look good and last longer. Why not come in and see what we can do and let us show you how you can make your furniture last longer and look like new.

### SPUR FURNITURE HOSPITAL SPUR, TEXAS

NEXT DOOR TO BAISDEN & PARTRIDGE GARAGE



### FILLING YOUR BASKET HERE

is a real pleasure, for you know that first of all, it is not going to cost you more than it should, and secondly, you can be sure that whatever you place in it will be of the best quality.

### JOPLIN & GIBSON

### PENNANT SERVICE STATION

YOU WILL LIKE OUR SERVICE

We will Appreciate your Business

### Goodrich Silvertown Cord Tires

INSURANCE BONDS LOANS

### CLEMMONS INSURANCE AGENCY

Spur Nat'l. Bank Bldg. SPUR, TEXAS Phones 84-122

NOTARY PUBLIC

Let us Insure Your Cotton!

### MOVED TO NEW LOCATION!

We are this week moving to the old Plumbing shop building, 1 block east and north of postoffice, where we will serve you better and more conveniently in the future.

### SPUR COMMERCIAL BODY WORKS

## An Open Letter to the Editor

From the President of General Motors

LAST SPRING I wrote you that my belief in the country newspaper had led us in General Motors to decide to advertise our products together in the small-city press of the country.

The returns from the series of the messages recently published have justified that faith; and we shall continue to advertise in your community through your newspaper this fall.

It occurs to me, however, that some of your readers may be asking: "What is General Motors?" and "Why is General Motors?" These are fair questions and I should like to answer them as frankly as I can.

General Motors was organized some years ago on the theory that a group of large companies, working together, could render a better service than they could separately. In this we simply applied to industry a principle that is as old as civilization as regards the human family and human progress.

Original members of the General Motors family were Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Oakland and Oldsmobile, together with the Delco-Light Company and other well-known companies manufacturing automotive equipment. By joining together their resources, we were able to establish great Research Laboratories, a 1245-acre Proving Ground and the GMAC Plan of credit purchase; to effect vast economies in purchase and manufacture and distribution; to assure and maintain the quality of every product in the General Motors family.

Has the General Motors family principle proved itself in practice?

The best answer, I think, is to compare the Chevrolet, Buick, Cadillac, Oldsmobile and Oakland of today with the models of five or ten years ago.

Then add Pontiac, a General Motors creation. Add LaSalle, another General Motors creation. And then consider how General Motors has developed these cars into a complete line, within which any family may find a suitable quality car at the price it plans to pay: "A Car for Every Purse and Purpose."

Another example is Frigidaire, the electric refrigerator. General Motors had the resources to spend millions to develop a satisfactory refrigerator, and then to apply to its manufacture the same processes which have increased the utility and lowered the cost of the automobile.

We believe that this record justifies General Motors as an economic institution. Its products are quality products, first of all. Their prices represent the economies of united effort passed on to the purchaser. In the last year one in each three automobiles chosen by the public has been a General Motors car. The service of Delco-Light electric plants has extended to more than a quarter million homes, while Frigidaire has become the world's largest selling convenience of its kind.

We believe also that the values now offered in the current General Motors products (which are listed below) prove anew that "many minds are better than one" and that a family of companies, working together, can produce results which are decidedly in the public interest and of increasing benefit to the individual family.

Very truly yours,

Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., President  
General Motors Corporation

Detroit, September 23, 1927

## GENERAL MOTORS

CHEVROLET · PONTIAC · OLDSMOBILE · OAKLAND · BUICK · LASALLE · CADILLAC

FRIGIDAIRE—The Electric Refrigerator · DELCO-LIGHT—Electric Plants

GMAC Plan of Time Payments



**TO THE COTTON GROWERS  
OF SPUR TERRITORY:-**

This is to inform you that we have installed new machinery throughout in our plant here, with the latest devices of Burr Separating Machinery. And feel sure that we can give you as good service as any one in West Texas.

Will be in the market at all times for your lint cotton doing our best to get you the full value of same.

We will be equipped to unload your cotton at any time—Day or Night.

Thanking our old friends for past favors and soliciting both old and new business this fall, with the assurance of better service than ever before.

**WILLIAMS & BAKER  
GIN COMPANY**  
J. W. BAKER, Manager

**EAST-SIDE MARKET**  
HOT ROAST EVERY DAY  
We handle the Best meat we can get  
Also Packing House Products

**GIVE THE NEW MARKET A TRIAL!**

Bill Cherry, of south of Spur, was here Wednesday, reporting fine rains over that section, no hail, and every thing looking mighty good—provided the market prices will keep going on upwards.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson, of five miles east of Spur, were shopping in Spur Monday of this week.

Editor Dick Hyatt of the Ralls Banner, wife and sons, were in the city Friday of last week, to attend the foot ball game between Spur and Ralls high school teams.

Because of the belief that the souls of ancestors are transformed to children, Eskimo natives do not punish their offspring.

**Don't Monkey with Old Shoes**  
Let Monk Rucker mend and rubber heel them — or do anything for you that's done with leather.

THE RIGHT WAY AND AT THE RIGHT PRICE

**RUCKER SHOE SHOP**



Mix 1 lb. of cottonseed meal with 4 lbs. of corn and you have the equivalent of 7 lbs. of oats.

Dr. Tait Butler, that eminent veterinarian and one of the editors of the *Progressive Farmer*, says: "When you are already feeding your horse stover and 10 pounds of corn, I would rather have 2 pounds of cottonseed meal added than 4 pounds of oats."

Cottonseed meal stimulates the appetites of animals and causes them to consume more feed and make greater gains.

It supplies protein at half the cost of bran, middlings and grain concentrates. It contains phosphorus, one of the minerals which stock must have.

Horses and mules, dairy and beef cattle all thrive on cottonseed meal when properly fed.

**SPUR WAREHOUSE**  
J. J. ALBIN, Manager

**Figures Showing  
Increased Business  
In Poultry**

(By F. W. Kazmeier, Bryan, Texas) quoting from a preliminary report by the Agricultural Economist of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics at Washington: "Approximately 12,000 cars of live poultry, valued at about \$60,000,000.00 on the basis of present wholesale prices, reached the New York markets annually. About 94 per cent comes by freight, and remainder comes by express." "The receipts have increased from about 2000 cars in 1905 to 12,000 cars in 1926, with an annual increase of more than 9 per cent. The average net weight of a car is nearly 17,000 pounds and the average value about \$5,000.00." "Costs of marketing live poultry from shipping point to slaughter house only, computed on a per pound basis, are, on the average for all States, as follows: Transportation (freight, carman, feed, etc.) 3.9 cents, commission 1 cent; coops 0.5 cents, cartage 0.3 cents, and unloading, 0.2 cents. The average is 5.9 cents per pound."

**YOUR COACH**

Night after night, long after you have gone to sleep, your coach lies awake worrying about his team and YOU.

Are you doing all you can to make his yoke easier? Or, are you listening to and perhaps agreeing with—outside gossip? And, are you telling your friends that the coach has it-in-for you and is not giving you a "square deal?" Experience proves that nine times out of ten the player is wrong.

Now that this subject has come up why not ask yourself these questions. What kind of a fellow am I, anyway? Am I the only fellow on the squad who has troubles? Am I working for the good of my team and school or am I selfish,

Be true to yourself and you will be square with your coach. Answer these questions, and I'll wager you become a bigger asset to your team. Your attitude will change, and both you and the team will profit. Brace up and play the game. Turn that wasted energy in the right direction and know the good results that follow. You will play the game on the field instead of in the parlor and barber shop.

Apply the Golden Rule and give your coach a 'square deal.' Go to him, before or after practice, and tell him your troubles; that you are being slighted and you feel you are a better man than your rival. That is all you need to do, and is not hand-shaking. Your coach is always looking for men of your type—MEN, "square shooters" who have fight. Here is your chance; if you have the goods you will deliver. On the other hand, if you are wrong and have overestimated your ability, don't get soured on the world. Instead, keep right on fighting, and harder, too! Go back and re-learn your fundamentals. After all, the successful player is the one who has perfected his fundamentals with his own ability.

As soon as you again feel capable, as your coach for another trial. Repeat this procedure until you do succeed. Man, you are bound to make good, and all the time you are building character.

I have in mind a boy, who, according to the boys, was too fat and awkward to even be on the squad. He was considered a joke by everyone. To me, his greatest draw-back was his loud mouth and the real cause of his being a joke. However, a year on the side lines snapped him out of that and he decided to talk it over with the coach. He made an all-star Tackle last year.

"Fat" should remember the big thing that put him there. If he does, his success will continue; on the other hand, if he forgets he will go right back to his place of beginning. Stars are often made and broken over-night.

Boys your coach wants every one of you to make good.

In conclusion, ask yourself this question: What kind of a football team would our team be if every man on the squad were just like me? —Dublin Progress.

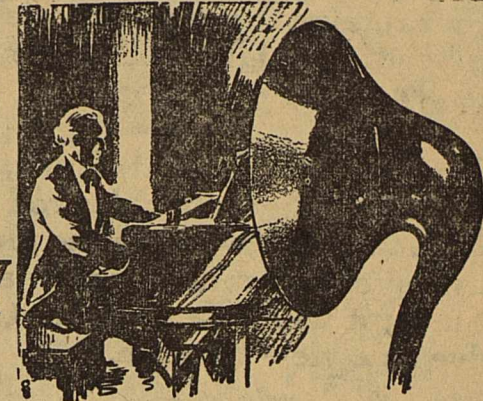
A. M. Hoover, of southwest of the city of Spur, was among the large number of business visitors on the streets Saturday. Mr. Hoover has been marketing chickens, eggs and other farm products than cotton during the year—and it is just possible that his field crops this year may be surplus crops. Farming has undergone a great change here the past several years.

**RADIO FREE!**

**A FINE 5-TUBE  
Neutroreceiver Radio**

And 35 Other  
Presents Will Go to  
Our Customers

**ABSOLUTELY  
FREE!**



We are not asking one cent of your money, nor will we raise the price of our Groceries one iota, but we expect to Give these presents to our customers. The method of giving them away will be as follows:

Every time one of our customers buys a bill of groceries amounting to not less than \$5.00 and not more \$10.00, we will give them a ticket. If the bill amounts to \$10 and is not more than \$15, we will give them two tickets. If the amount reaches \$15.00 and is less than \$20.00, we will give you three tickets; and for each additional \$5.00 we will give a ticket, and so on.

Each customer will write his name on the tickets and place them in a sealed box we have in the store. The tickets will remain in this sealed box until—

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3RD., 1927

When it Will Be Opened at 5:00 o'clock P. M.

**THE FIRST PRESENT**

Upon opening the box some person will be blindfolded, the tickets will be well stired, and the blindfolded person will draw one out. The first name drawn will receive the above mentioned 5-Tube Fada Neutrodyne Radio set. This machine is priced at \$194.45 and is a present anyone will enjoy. It will cost you nothing if your name is the first drawn.

**10 MORE PRESENTS**

The next ten names drawn from the box will each be awarded 100 pounds of that Famous AMARYLLIS FLOUR, the flour that our store has sold so long, and we know it is all right. This 100lb of flour is yours if your name is one of the ten drawn.

**25 MORE PRESENTS**

The next twenty-five names drawn will each receive a 3lb can of ADMIRATION COFFEE. We sell this coffee, and it is one of the best brands on the market. We want you to try it out at our expense, and we will absolutely Give you a 3lb bucket if your name is one of the twenty-five drawn. This is no skin-game—no lottery—you pay our regular prices for our groceries—we absolutely give away these presents to show our appreciation of the trade we are receiving.

**TICKETS GIVEN FOR CASH TRADE ONLY!**

We do not give tickets for money paid in on accounts. The tickets are for Cash Trade Only, and there will be one for each full 5 Dollars you trade with us! We do not give tickets except on the \$5.00 basis. You must call for the tickets when you make the purchase and deposit them at that time!

It Will Be Our Pleasure To Serve You With High-Class Groceries and We Will Be Doubly Pleased If You Get One Of Our Presents

**Spot Cash Grocery**  
SPUR, ..... TEXAS



# CLOTHES

In the presentation of suits for the young man, or the older ones, we are in fine shape; plenty novelties of the better makes for the youth, and the staple effect to meet the demands of the older man who desires less color. You will note that the fabrics we sell are made of the higher grade cloths free from the cheap, greasy wool. We sell you the kind that retains the crease models that are perfect in design with style to the minute.

We also have just the Hat, Shirt, Hose, Underwear or any other desired or required item. May we have the pleasure of showing our friends as well as the newcomer; it will be a pleasure to have you give us a view through.

Come to see our new store north of the Spur National Bank in the new building. We have the best lighted room in West Texas.



LOVE DRY GOODS CO.

Styles to now.

Spur, Texas

Emmett Lee recently returned to his home in Spur from Abilene where he has been engaged in carpentering and contracting work. While away from Spur Mr. Lee also did carpenter contract work on the Plains at Canyon and other points.

—Gin With Hargrove—

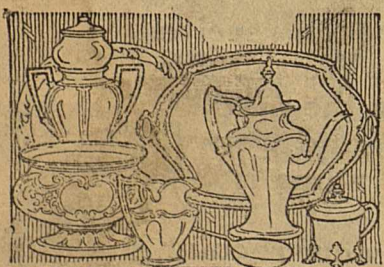
A. A. Allen, of east of Jayton, was here recently visiting his old time friends. The fact is that Mr. Allen has never transferred his allegiance to Spur and the Spur people, and we doubt not that in time he will return and again establish a permanent residence within the Spur territory.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

Frank Lee, son of Emmett Lee, spent several days here last week visiting his father and brother, Lawis Lee and family. Frank has been at Lubbock and other points on the Plains.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

C. H. Scott, of Duck Creek, was among the crowds in Spur during the week, reporting an abundance of rain throughout that section.



The Store of Quality Silverware

RARE DESIGNS APPROPRIATE SELECTIONS

It will do your heart good to come to this store and see the wide selection of rare, yet economical silver pieces, ranging from sets that start the young housekeepers in their new homes, to individual pieces, suitable as gifts, to YOURSELF or to friends.

A great advance has been made both in solid silver and in silver plate, and the most expert designers of the most dependable manufacturers are on view now—the kinds you have seen nationally advertised—the prestige kind.

It is desirable that you also see the exhibit of W. W. Rines—the things that are covered by a registered guarantee that their handsome settings do stay set. Rines—rings for everyone—and reasonable in price, too.

GRUBEN BROS.

## Farmer Now Half Through Picking Out His Early Cotton

place up to this date. He added G. A. Sloan informed us this week that thirty two bales of cotton had been picked and ginned from his place up to this date. He added further that his crop was half out, and that he expected to be in position to turn his pickers over to others with later crops at an early date. The Every indication now is that this will be the shortest fall season the Spur country has experienced in many years. Notwithstanding the fact that we this year have fewer transient cotton pickers, a number of the early crops are now half gathered, and it is estimated by conservative farmers that not more than an average of fifth of a bale to the acre will be picked throughout the country this year.

## A Dry Lake Farmer Joins in the Cotton Holding Movement

Jim Smith of Dry Lake, while in town during the week, stated that he had joined in the movement of withholding cotton from the market—he holding his in the field. During this "general" holding movement in this section the price has been going up daily. Quite a number of farmers already have half of their cotton picked out at this time, which indicates that the fall season may be short compared with other years.

N. E. Weaver, of the Highway community, dropped in Thursday morning and gave us an appreciated check, extending his subscription up to 1928 for the Texas Spur. Mr. Weaver is somewhat handicapped in sending his children to school and gathering his crop, in the absence of a mother in the home, therefore he desires to secure a housekeeper to care for a small child, do the housework and also assist in picking cotton if they wish. School begins Monday at Highway, and Mr. Weaver is desirous of entering his children at the beginning of the school term.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

—Gin With Hargrove—

Prof. C. Evans, of Watson community, was among the business visitors in Spur Saturday of the past week.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's— Judge Walter L. Powell and Mrs. Powell, of the Dry Lake community, were among the shoppers and visitors in the city Saturday afternoon of last week.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

Mrs. Al Bingham, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, was a visitor and shopper in the city during the week.

—Gin With Hargrove—

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Love have been spending the past week in Oklahoma City, visiting with friends and relatives while he recuperates from a recent critical illness. It is hoped that Mr. Love will soon be completely recovered from the effects of his illness and be able to again take charge of his grocery business in Spur.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

F. B. Stovall dropped in Saturday at the Texas Spur office and had his subscription marked up another notch. We appreciate these favors very much—and may their numbers continue to increase.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

J. T. Powers, of McAdoo, was in Spur the past week, and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and extended his subscription up another year. Mr. Powers stated that he had picked out four bales of cotton to that date. Cotton on the Plains is somewhat later than cotton off the Cap Rock this year. However, the indications are that good crops will be made provided frost is delayed long enough.

—Gin With Hargrove—

R. M. Hamby came over Saturday from Dickens where he and Mrs. Hamby are again living during the fall months.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

Tol Merriman met us on the street Saturday and handed us a substantial check to shove his subscription up to the Texas Spur. Tol Merriman is another one of the "charter" readers of Texas Spur, having his name enrolled in 1909—eighteen years ago. These old timers are the "salt of the earth and the life of the Texas Spur." We appreciate every one of them.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

J. Carlisle, of Duck Creek, was in the city Wednesday greeting his numerous friends.

## OLD KENT RESIDENT, GEO. C. STONEMAN IS DEAD

Geo. C. Stoneman was born near Columbus, Ohio, February 2, 1852. He moved to Dallas County Texas in 1867 and settled near Lancaster. In 1875 he married Miss Nancy Jane Rayburn, and to them were born six children, five of whom are still living. From Dallas they moved to Jack County and lived in Cook, Montague, and Floyd Counties, and moved to Kent County 28 years ago, where he has resided since.

Mr. Stoneman joined the Methodist Church in Dallas County at an early age.

Mr. Stoneman, after a short illness died September 19. Mr. Stoneman or "Dad" as he was affectionately called, was known all over this section of the country and his friends are countless and all will be grieved to hear of Mr. Stoneman's death.—Chronicle.

We this week received a letter from Miss Gladys Payne, formerly of Dickens requesting that the Texas Spur be hereafter mailed to her at her home address in Wichita Falls.

—Gin With Hargrove—

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community to the south of Spur, were among the shoppers and business visitors in the city the past week.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

W. A. Kimmell, of west of Spur, was among the crowds on the streets Saturday afternoon. He says every thing is now lovely but the price of cotton—and it continues to advance daily. The fact is that if it were to continue to rain for another week, we believe the price might reach the twenty five cent point again.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

J. P. Koonsman, of the Croton section of country, was among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. He reported everything in the Croton country in good shape and everybody optimistic for the future in prices and harvests.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

H. E. Abernathy, of north of the city, was here Monday, discussing the cotton situation and transacting business affairs.

—Gin With Hargrove—

Ben Rutledge, of west of Spur, was on the streets one day during the week, trading and greeting his friends.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge, of north east of Spur, were among the shoppers and visitors in the city Saturday of last week.

—More Lint at Hargrove's—

George Maben, of the 24 Ranch settlement, was among the business visitors to Spur during the past week. He in formed us that every thing was looking good and promising in his section.

—Gin With Hargrove—

Mr. Davis, formerly of the Davis Strvice Station in Spur, but who is now doing business in Lubbock, was here the past week.

—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

John D. Hufstader, of the Dockum Valley, was among the business visitors on the streets Wednesday of this week.

## TO THE COTTON FARMERS SPUR TRADE TERRITORY

I am just finishing the complete repairing and rebuilding of my two gins in Spur and feel proud of the result. Have added the latest Cleaning and Burr Extracting machinery which enables me to give you the very best Sample and Turn-out possible. The No. 2 Gullett gin is now ready for business, the No. 1 Murray Gin will be ready about October 1st. All I ask is a trial guaranteeing you satisfaction. I regret that I am late in getting started this season but when we began three months ago on this work did not realize that it was necessary to rebuild and replace with so much new machinery, but I assure you that neither labor nor expense has been spared to make these two gins as near perfect as possible. All I ask is a trial and want to extend to you each and every one a cordial invitation to call and make a thorough inspection of what we have accomplished, where you will at all times find the gin crews courteous and anxious to do their very best for you on each bale as well as a night watchman that will look after unloading your cotton in the cotton houses when we are not running. I have had my share of the gin business in the past and solicit a continuance of it in the future.

## THE FAMERS GIN

J. E. JOHNSON, Owner.

## SPUR REALTY COMPANY

C. L. MARTIN, Manager

IF you really want to sell your land list it at a price that will sell—

WE WILL DO THE REST

We are in touch with buyers from the East interested in Dickens Co land.

## ABANDON OIL TEST WELLS IN KING COUNTY

According to a statement quoted from officials of the Sinclair Oil and Gas Company, and Gibson and Johnson, independent operators, the two wildcat tests they have just completed in King County will be abandoned and no other tests started soon by these companies.

John D. Hufstader, of the Dockum Valley, was here Monday.

## MAN FOUND DEAD NEAR HASKELL WITH THROAT CUT

Haskell, Aug. 27.—A. P. Matlock 50, was found dead at his home near Weinert Friday night. His throat had been slashed with a razor. He is survived by his wife and several children.

G. R. Slaton, of north of Spur, was in the city Saturday, visiting with his friends and transacting business affairs in commercial circles of the city.

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