

Holds Air Mail Record



High Virden, mail pilot, who flew 291 miles per hour between Portland and San Francisco at 12,000 feet altitude.

Schedule of County Basketball Tourney

The Dickens County Interscholastic League basket ball tournament will be played at Dickens on February 8th and 9th, beginning at 2 p. m. Friday. The Dickens school board and coach have submitted two favorable propositions to the executive committee, one of which I am sure will be accepted.

There will likely be a few changes in the schedule, as there may be other schools to come in. If any changes are to be made, you will be notified.

FRIDAY:
2 p. m. Dickens vs. Croton.
3 p. m. Afton vs. McAdoo.
4 p. m. Duncan Flat vs. Highway.
7 p. m. Spur vs. Croton.
8 p. m. McAdoo vs. Duncan Flat.
9 p. m. Afton vs. Highway.

SATURDAY:
2 p. m. Afton vs. Duncan Flat.
3 p. m. Spur vs. Dickens.
4 p. m. Highway vs. McAdoo.
Croton, Dickens and Spur are called Class A and all other schools are class B. The winners of these two divisions will play at 9 p. m. Saturday, and the game for the senior girls will be at 8 p. m. Saturday.

Bring your basket ball card with you. Rural schools do not have this card this year.

Please communicate with me if you have a senior girls' team, before February 1st.

The junior boys' tournament will be one week following the above tournament.

O. L. KELLEY.

Baker-Hanna Co. Will Establish Business in Spur

The Baker-Hanna Dry Goods Co., one of the largest mercantile concerns of the country, has leased one of the J. D. Powell brick buildings on Burlington Avenue, and are now arranging to establish a dry goods business in Spur at an early date.

Business Changes are Being Made in Spur This Week

This week a number of business moves and changes are taking place. The Love Dry Goods Company has moved into the building vacated by Gambill, just two doors north of the former location, and where they are now serving customers and will for a limited time continue to make Removal Sale prices on goods.

The Spur Tailor Shop has moved to the former Joplin Grocery stand, next door to Fox Barber Shop, and where the tailoring equipment is now being installed and arranged to render tailoring service within a short time.

Bill Simpson will move his barber shop to the place vacated by Love Dry Goods Company, and a dry goods store will take the place being vacated by the barber shop.

The Maxine Beauty Shop has moved from Hotel Wilson to the Fox Barber Shop where the business will hereafter be conducted in connection with the barber shop.

Other business moves will be made very soon, and other businesses established in Spur at a very early date.

Spur is progressing and moving right along.

Man, Woman and Child Injured in Car Accident Monday

Monday R. B. Whittenburg, a prominent rancher of Graham, was critically injured when the car in which he and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Adair and child of Wichita Falls, were driving, was overturned on the highway near Broadway just up on the Cap Rock. Mr. Whittenburg was paralyzed from his shoulders down and doubts are entertained for his recovery. Mrs. Adair and child were only slightly but painfully injured.

They were brought to the Nichols Sanitarium here and given 'first aid' treatment, being removed soon thereafter to Wichita Falls.

Fred Hisey for Re-Election as Public Weigher, Pre. 3

We are authorized to announce Fred Hisey as a candidate for re-election to the office of Public Weigher of this, Precinct No. 3, of Dickens County, subject, of course, to the action of the Democratic Primary election in July.

During the time Fred has been serving as Public Weigher here he has made an enviable record as to his efficiency and accuracy in his duties as weigher, and his friendly and accommodating services to the public. Fred was complimented on his accuracy in weighing by representatives of the governments weights and measures department. His books and records have ever been neatly and systematically kept, and in every particular he has filled the office ably, efficiently and in the most pleasing and accommodating manner.

Fred Hisey is asking for re-election to the office upon his official record and a desire to continue to render friends and the public service as Public Weigher.

Country Experiences Coldest Weather Ever Before Recorded

The past two weeks this country has experienced the coldest weather ever before recorded. On the 10th day of January the government bureau at the Spur Experiment Station recorded a temperature of seven degrees below zero. On the 16th it was eight degrees below and on the 22nd it registered two below. Other thermometers of the city registered as low as twelve degrees below zero.

Throughout the time the ground has been covered with several inches of snow and ice. It is reported that the Matador Land and Cattle Co. have lost more than a thousand head of cattle, and that the Pitchforks and Swensons also have lost several hundred head as a result of the protracted cold weather.

However, the snow will result in much benefit to farming interests, the eight inches of snow being sufficient to put a good season in the ground, and give promise in the beginning of the year for bumper crop production this year.

The Play "Aunt Lucia" Attracts Large Crowd and Was Enjoyed

The Play, "Aunt Lucia," a farce comedy of collegiate characters, attracted an over-flow house the first night at the East Ward School auditorium, and a considerable crowd the second night, regardless of the zero weather prevailing. They play was under the auspices of the American Legion and directed by Miss Evelyn Tucker of the Universal Producing Company. There were more than a hundred and fifty Spur people participating in the play, and the several characters were well played, even though they were amateurs. Characters in the play were all men dressed as women, and they made fine looking men and played the part to the delight of the audiences.

The Address of King George of England is Heard in Spur

Tuesday morning at five o'clock, King George of England, was plainly heard over radio, making an address before delegates from five leading nations, assembled to discuss and promote international disarmament and world peace. Nations represented in the conference are England, America, France, Italy and Japan.

This was the first time in history that a king's voice was ever heard in the United States—and the King, as well as the delegates, paid deferential tribute to the United States. Very probably the Old World considers the United States "the balance of power," want us in the League of Nations, and recognize that eventually we may become the "money power" as well as war power of the world.

The Political Campaign is Now Open in Dickens Co.

It will be noted by the number of candidates already announced, and now appearing in the announcement column, that the political campaign in Dickens county is now open and will probably wax warmer and more interesting as the days roll by.

Robert Reynolds and Alec Winkler have already announced for District and County Clerk, and there are a number of other being solicited and contemplating entering this race, among the number being Eric Ousley, O. L. Kelley, Joe Gaines, Jim Cloud, Milton Foreman. There are others who are figuring on the possibilities of this office. The clerk's race is sure to become interesting.

No one has yet announced for County School Superintendent, but Frank Speer, who was recently appointed to the place, will very probably make the race for a full term. Mrs. D. V. Twaddell, who was one among the number of applicants for the place, will also possibly be mentioned as suitable and possible candidates are R. P. Bell, H. A. C. Brummett, H. T. Lovell.

Sheriff Barber, while no announcements have yet been made, is sure to have opposition. W. M. Malone will very probably get in the race. W. A. Kimmell, H. O. Albin, Luther Stark and others are being mentioned as possible candidates.

For County Attorney B. G. Worswick already has an opponent in the person of Attorney Sanders of Spur. Judge Worswick has held this office thirty odd years, and though not now enjoying good health, he is not likely to voluntarily retire so long as he is able to render public service.

For County Judge O. C. Newberry has announced for reelection. We hear E. J. Cowan, M. E. Tree, W. A. Craddock, R. R. Wooten and Chas. McLaughlin. Should all these get in the running it will make the Judges race also interesting.

Mrs. C. C. Cobb will probably have no opponent for County Treasurer, and it may be possible that Shorty Hogan will get by without opposition for tax assessor.

Fred Hisey has announced for reelection as weigher of this precinct. He is sure to have opposition, and among the prospective candidates we have heard mentioned are G. W. Rash, A. M. Shepherd, J. J. Randall, E. M. Hinson, Brink Carlisle and J. J. Cato. The weighers office is a good office and usually attracts a number of candidates, and this year will not be an exception.

For County Commissioners we have heard of no prospective opponents to Nuge Johnson, Austin Bess, Chas. Perrin and W. F. Foreman in their respective precincts, and while they have not announced, it is presumed that they will all offer for reelection. In the Spur precinct, in the absence of any statement from Walter Foreman, we have heard that Luther Karr and Clifford B. Jones have been solicited to serve.

Mack Brown Now Has Charge of the -TP- Motor Inn

This week Mack Brown leased the -TP- Motor Inn across the street from Spur Inn, and now has charge and is operating the business, James O. Smith having retired from the management of the business. Mack Brown is a whole-souled gentleman, and here is hoping that he will enjoy a good business and make a pile of money.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

I will be in Spur with the tax rolls, located in the directors room of the Spur National Bank, prepared to collect taxes and issue receipts therefor, from Saturday morning, January 25, until Friday, January 31st, 1930—the last day in which taxes may be paid without additional penalty. This is being done for the convenience of tax payers during the last rush days of tax payments, and all are urged to not wait until the last day in making payments.—G. L. BARBER, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Dickens Co.

Little Child of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jones Was Buried Wednesday

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jones, of Lubbock, died Tuesday at their home at that place, the body being brought to Spur Wednesday afternoon for interment in the old home cemetery and by the side of other members of the family buried here.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones spent their earlier years in the Spur country, she being the daughter of J. H. Boothe, and the Jones family also living here to the southeast of Spur in the earlier years.

But few can appreciate the sorrow and heart-hurt, and fully sympathize with others until death invades their own home, but Mr. and Mrs. Jones have many friends here who will sorrow with them and join the Texas Spur in extending sincere condolence in their bereavement.

5050 Bales Cotton Weighed in Spur During Year

However, diversified farm interests have saved the farmers and made it possible to get by comfortably if not luxuriously and extravagantly.

Public Weigher Fred Hisey told us that up to this week he had weighed a total of only 5,050 bales of cotton of the 1929 crop, and he figures that the season is now ended.

A normal crop would probably have given us fifteen or twenty thousand bales in Spur.

Petition Circulating to Pave Three Business Blocks of the City

Chas. Whitener has been circulating a petition among the business property owners, asking the City Commission to pave the three principal business blocks of the city.

It is not yet decided what material will be used in the paving, but it is thought concrete will be most favored.

We did not sign the petition, not because we did not want to see the paving done, but because just at this time we can't see how we will pay our taxes, much less meet other obligations coming due during the year.

Cost of Government in One Year Period Is \$12,179,000,000

New York, Jan. 11.—The total cost of government in the United States, covering the aggregate expenditures of federal, state and local government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, amounted to \$12,179,000,000, according to a survey announced today by the national industrial conference board.

The total outlay for 1926 was \$11,615,000,000, the survey pointed out, stating that the increase in 1927 was incurred mainly by local governments, whose expenditures exceeded the previous year's by more than \$300,000,000. Federal and the aggregate expenditures of the state governments increased only slightly more than \$100,000,000 each.

Local government expenditures were \$54.41 per capita in 1927 as against \$45.98 in 1923; the states, \$13.96 against \$11.16, and the federal government's \$34.40 as against \$34.78 in 1923.

State governments spent 33.3 per cent more in 1927 than in 1923; local governments, 25.6 more, and the federal government only 4.7 per cent more.—Austin American.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express through the columns of the Texas Spur our gratitude and appreciation to our friends and neighbors who were so kind and considerable during the sickness and death of our wife and mother, Bertha Putman. May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you.

L. S. Putman and Family.
L. L. Arnold, of Duck Creek, was among the business visitors on the streets the first of the week.

A Great American



The late Edward Bok, author, journalist and philanthropist, who came to this country from Holland at the age of six and made himself one of the nation's most useful citizens.

Payment of Poll Tax is of Material Importance to Every Individual

During the year 1930 public activities and matters will transpire and elections held, affecting every individual and touching the pocketbook of every taxpayer in Dickens county.

Both Democratic and Republican Parties will hold primary elections in the nomination of candidates, including United States Senators, Governors and on down for both county and state officers to county precinct offices—these elections alone being sufficient to urge every citizen, both men and women, to have a poll tax receipt and be prepared to give expression at the ballot box of a preference in those seeking to render public service.

In addition to the selection and election of all officers, a state highway bond issue of two to three hundred millions of dollars is contemplated, and an election is very likely to determine whether or not this huge sum of money shall be voted and expended in the construction of a state system of highways.

Other bond issues for local purposes very probably will be voted upon during the year, including street paving and the construction of public buildings, and possibly other improvements requiring authority for the assessment and collection of taxes.

It has been announced that the Commissioners' Court contemplates the expenditure of no inconsiderable sum of money, either through a bond issue or the issuance of county warrants, in the reconstruction, remodeling or repairing of the court house. This announcement is with interest and encourage every citizen and taxpayer to obtain a poll tax receipt—but in addition, the announcement is sure to bring about a county seat removal election to determine whether this money shall be spent in reconstructing the court house in Dickens or Spur. Every individual in every section of the county will be personally interested and concerned in this proposition, as well as other mentioned propositions of material importance to be submitted—and in none of which can a taxpayer effectively participate without a poll tax receipt.

You have only seven more days from this date in which to pay your poll tax in order to vote in any election to be held during the year 1930.

Jerome Stone, of C. E. Stone Chain of Stores Died in Dallas Sat.

Jerome Stone, a member of the C. E. Stone Chain Store organization, and head of the New York office of the organization, died Saturday while in Dallas.

The local Spur store of the chain, with Ralph Jackson as manager, with other stores located elsewhere, closed at the funeral hour Monday afternoon, in deference to the passing of one of the heads of this large chain store organization.

Mace Hunter, of east of Spur, was here during the week on business and meeting with friends and acquaintances.

Other County Offices May Be Divided This Year

The census enumeration of the population as well as manufacturing, industrial, commercial and other business resources and activities of the county will be taken again this year, beginning soon and ending in April.

Dickens county is sure to show a population exceeding ten thousand inhabitants, which population number requires the separation of both the District and County Clerk's office and that of Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Only a few months ago the scholastic census of the county showed the required number of scholastics for the division of the County Judge and School Superintendent's office—and a school superintendent was soon thereafter appointed by the Commissioners' Court. Should the population census enumeration show the required number, it is certain that the offices of Sheriff and Tax Collector and District and County Clerk, as well as the County Judge and School Superintendent's office will also be divided and be maintained separately until such time as our organic laws are changed to require fewer offices and officers rather than more.

The census enumeration was made ten years ago. At that time Spur was only ten years old. At the time the town made a fair showing in commercial progress as well as population. The census at this time will show that a greater and more substantial progress has been made during the past ten years, in both town and county, than at any time since 1876, at which time Dickens county was created from Bexar county. In 1891 the county was organized for governmental purposes. In 1890 Dickens county had a population of 295 people. In 1900 the population was 1151; in 1910 the population had jumped to 3092; and in 1920 the census enumeration showed a population of 5,876. Dickens county population has just about tripled each 10 years since 1880—and since the past ten years will show its greatest period of progress and advancement, we are safe in assuming a population exceeding ten thousand.

Reed Farm House and Contents Destroyed Monday by Fire

The farm house on the James B. Reed place, ten miles west of Spur, was destroyed Tuesday morning by fire. The farm house was occupied at the time by W.R. Gannon and family, who had just moved into the place Saturday. Practically all of the household effects, together with clothing of members of the family, was also burned with the building.

We are sorry to hear of Bill Gannon's loss, as well as that of Jas. B. Reed, since we understand that no insurance was carried. Friends here in town provided clothing to Mr. Gannon and other members of the family to protect them from the prevailing zero weather.

W. F. Shugart, of east of Spur, was among the few business visitors in Spur during the week. Mr. Shugart has been running about considerably during the past months—and states without reservation that the Spur country has the whole world beat in every way.

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FARM POULTRY

EGG PRODUCTION CUT BY SKIMPING

Fresh Water Must Be Furnished in Clean Vessels.

If Biddy is well-bred and properly managed, she will produce for her owner 144 eggs a year. But to lay those 12 dozen eggs weighing 18 pounds requires from 70 to 90 pounds of feed.

"Skimping on feed simply means that egg production is being cut down," says G. T. Klein, extension poultryman, Kansas State Agricultural college. "Out of every five pounds of feed a hen eats while in good laying condition, four pounds are used to maintain her body and one pound is turned into eggs."

Another item in egg production must be kept in mind—eggs cannot be produced unless the feed contains the elements from which eggs are made, says the poultry specialist. By way of strengthening this point, he says that an egg, exclusive of the shell, is made up of 74 per cent water; 13 per cent protein; 10 per cent fat, and 1 per cent mineral.

Water for the egg must be furnished by means of plenty of fresh water in clean drinking equipment.

Protein is manufactured from bugs, worms, insects, milk, meat scraps, and alfalfa.

Fat is made from grain and starchy feed.

Lime, found chiefly in the shell, comes from oyster shell or limestone.

In stressing the need for mash, Klein assures poultry raisers that if home-grown grains are used a ration composed of 100 pounds each of corn, wheat, and oats with 75 pounds of meat scraps added may be mixed for approximately \$2.00.

High Ceilings Cause of Low Winter Production

Poultry experts at the Minnesota Agricultural college have found that high ceilings and much unused space above the hens are among the most common causes of low winter egg production. Hen houses are warmed with heat produced by the hens, and if too much unused space must be warmed, it uses up hen energy which otherwise might be used in producing eggs. This trouble is most easily remedied by building a straw loft in the hen house at a height of about six feet above the floor.

Besides making the house easier to heat, the straw loft absorbs moisture and helps to solve the ventilation problem. Simply nail boards or poles at the right height and cover them with at least two feet of straw. Burlapped or slatted windows should be left in each gable near the peak to carry off the moist air, or regular ventilating heads can be installed on top if desired. Plenty of fresh air will usually enter through cracks, around windows and doors, and around the outer edges of the straw loft.

Poultry Notes

Clean ground is the most important item in raising chicks successfully.

Mate the flocks three weeks before hatching eggs are desired to insure a high per cent of fertility.

Keep the water containers in the poultry house above the floor to prevent contamination from litter.

Serious cases of feather plucking have been traced to lice infestation, and an examination of one or two birds will provide information on this point. Where such a state exists the remedy is obvious.

Houses located and built to promote sanitation, provide comfortable quarters with fresh air and to admit direct sunlight (unfiltered through ordinary glass) add materially to the content of the owner.

It is quite probable that the pullets will lay enough more eggs when kept by themselves to compensate for the few less eggs the hens will lay if allowed to range in winter.

Flock owners who trapnest some of their layers will want to make sure that the birds get credit for every egg that is laid.

Anyone with experience knows that where pullets and hens are housed together the pullets fail to develop as well as when kept by themselves.

Where they are to be sold as green ducks at ten to twelve weeks, the young ducks are usually not allowed to range but are fed heavily from the first.

Free range on ground that is clean and free from disease producing organism is much better for hens than confinement in houses.

If the poultry house is in good condition, put the pullets in in September. If it is dirty and full of mites leave them out.

FOR SALE—Davidson Sunshine cottonseed, 1.90 per bushel, will matured.—H. E. Bennett, Prairie Chapel. 4-1f-3p

FOR SALE—100 bushels of Mebane planting seed, 2 miles west of Dickens at the Wat Holly place, \$1.00 per bushel.—J. S. Holly. 10tf

weigh 800 pounds, unmarked or branded, now at my farm east of Spur. Owner pay for this notice and get mule.—Roy Arrington. tfc

Mrs. A. M. Shepherd recently underwent a complicated surgical operation, for appendicitis, at the Nichols Sanitarium, and where she is now reported doing nicely and slowly recovering.

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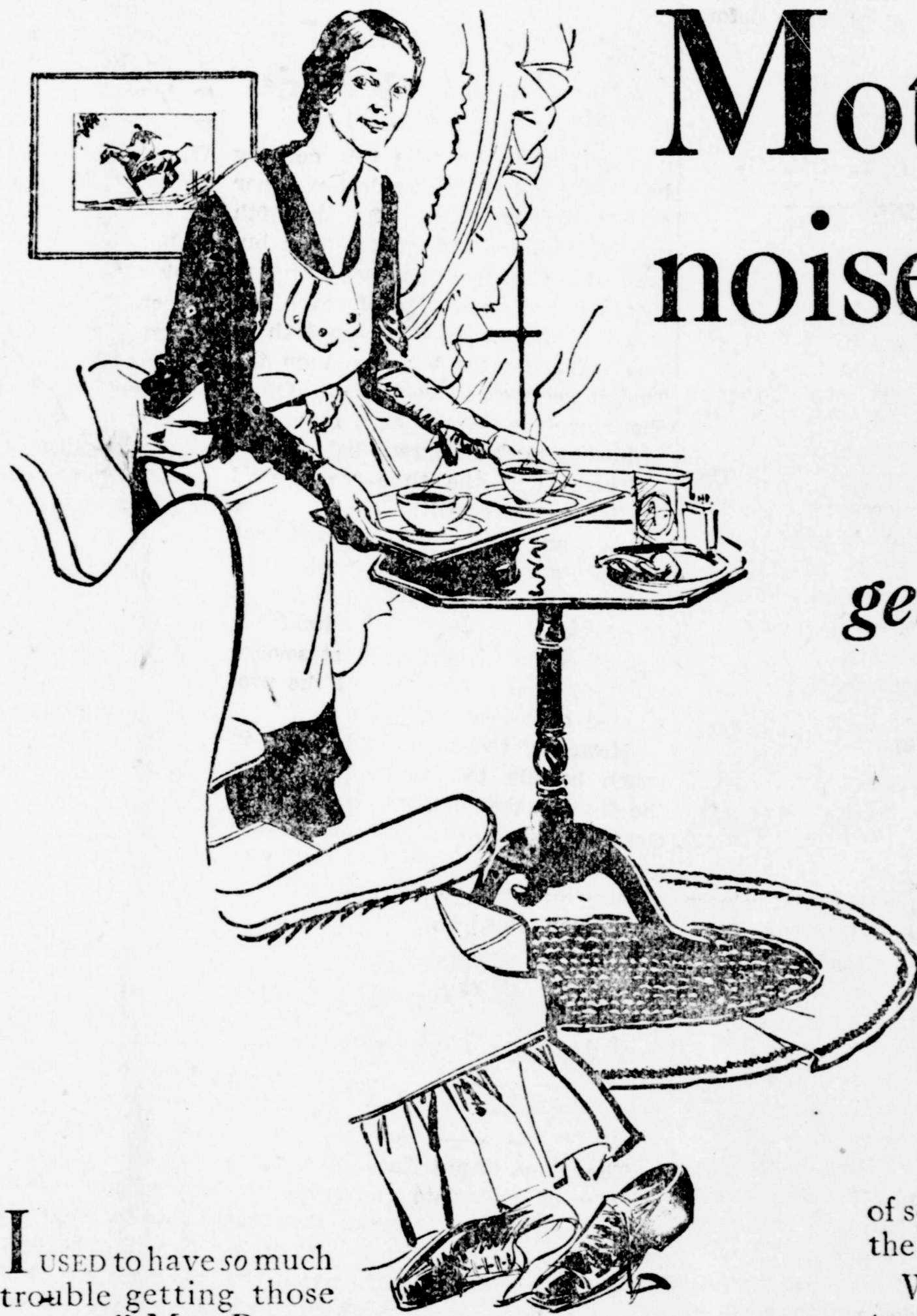
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"Sometimes a dozen," Mrs. Burton added. "The breakfast would get cold and John would be late for school and his father for work. Oh, it was a fright."

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Highway Estimates Reach \$900,000,000

By James W. Brooks, Director American Educational Bureau, Washington
Highway departments in forty-four states have completed their estimates of expenditures for road construction and maintenance in 1930. In the four states not yet reporting fully, estimates have been based upon funds available for 1928.

The total estimated amount to be expended in all states during 1930 slightly exceeds \$900,000,000. Even at this rate, as Samuel Eckels, state highway engineer of Pennsylvania and president of the American Association of State Highway Officials, pointed out at recent hearings before the House Committee on Roads, road building is not keeping pace with the increased use of the automobile.

Considering the fact that 1930 highway construction and maintenance will involve nearly one billion dollars, all of which will be spent under state supervision, the speed with which the estimates have been

prepared and submitted before the House Committee on Roads indicates that practically all state highway departments are ready for vigorous and efficient action, and in response to resident Hoover's call for full speed ahead in public work.

Viewed in the light of results so far assured in placing a check upon excessive road repairs and motor vehicle operating costs through the construction of substantial highways this vast sum of money of nearly one billion dollars will become an investment rather than an expense. The degree of returns, however, that will accrue to the public in this investment will be in direct ratio to the degree of durability built into the road.

Upon the passage of the present Federal Aid measure before Congress, states will be able to carry out enlarged road construction programs as follows:

Oklahoma will be able to increase road building by approximately 60 per cent if the pending authorization is finally made by Congress. This state has ample funds on hand to meet the Federal Aid contemplated. It is estimated that approximately \$16,400,000 will be expended in road work during 1930.

Arkansas is in a position to meet an increase in Federal Aid, and to greatly enlarge the state program. The estimate for 1930 highway work in that state is given at approximately \$18,500,000.

In Louisiana, the estimate for all highway work in 1930 approximates \$28,000,000. The pending Federal Aid authorization will enable the highway department to largely increase the present program.

In Texas, the highway program will approximate an expenditure of \$35,000,000, and an increase in Federal Aid will assist in greatly enlarging the work. In that state, Federal funds were exhausted last May and no projects could be added until 1931 funds were apportioned.

The Greatest Step Forward is Taken

The highway problem is not merely that of providing adequate revenue. The solution of the problem requires many other things, without which no amount of revenue would be adequate. In Texas, for many years, one of the most important needs was that of placing the matter of constructing and maintaining the main traveled highways under a single jurisdiction and control by giving the state government the power and authority to build and maintain a highway system. It was not until after many years of costly experimenting with a system under which 254 separate subdivisions of the state controlled our main traveled highways that we finally gave the state government this power and authority in 1925. Another thing that was badly needed in Texas, as elsewhere, was the determination to build only highways adequate to bear the traffic. We burned up a lot of money experimenting with inadequate roads before we reached this determination. But with the appointment of the present state highway commission, and the reorganization of the department from top to bottom, under its direction, we finally reached this determination also.

The present commission has organized and maintains an engineering force competent to draft specifications for highways adequate to the traffic they must bear, up to the highest standards of modern engineering knowledge and experience; it has organized and maintains a department of tests and materials competent to check up on materials at every stage of construction, and a corps of resident engineers competent to check up on construction itself as it proceeds, thus insuring that the specifications are carried out in every particular to the letter; and finally, it has instituted and maintains a system of awarding of contracts by which the lowest responsible bidder in each case is awarded the work regardless of political or other influences.

In doing this the commission has effected a revolution in highway matters in Texas. And this is its most

important service to the state to date. The mileage of adequate highways it has contracted for, and the manner in which it has taken hold of the overwhelming task of maintenance, constitute distinct services of the highest character. But its very greatest service lies in the fact that it has created an efficiently organized department, is all divisions of which the highest standards are maintained, and has banished politics and all other undesirable influences in the awarding of contracts.

This is the greatest step forward the state has taken in relation to its highway problem since it first began to grapple with this problem, and we intend no criticism, direct or implied, of anybody who has dealt with it in the past in saying this. Its importance could not be exaggerated. It goes to the very heart of the problem, and the greatest setback which Texas could possibly experience in the future would be that anything should happen to change this situation. For no matter how much revenue is provided, no matter how clearly we come to appreciate the importance of building only adequate highways or with what earnestness we determine to build only that kind, we shall fail in accomplishing our object and waste great sums of money into the bargain if we do not maintain an efficient department, in which the highest standards prevail, and if we permit politics and other undesirable influences ever again to gain an ascendancy in the matter of awarding and executing contracts.—The Texas Monthly.

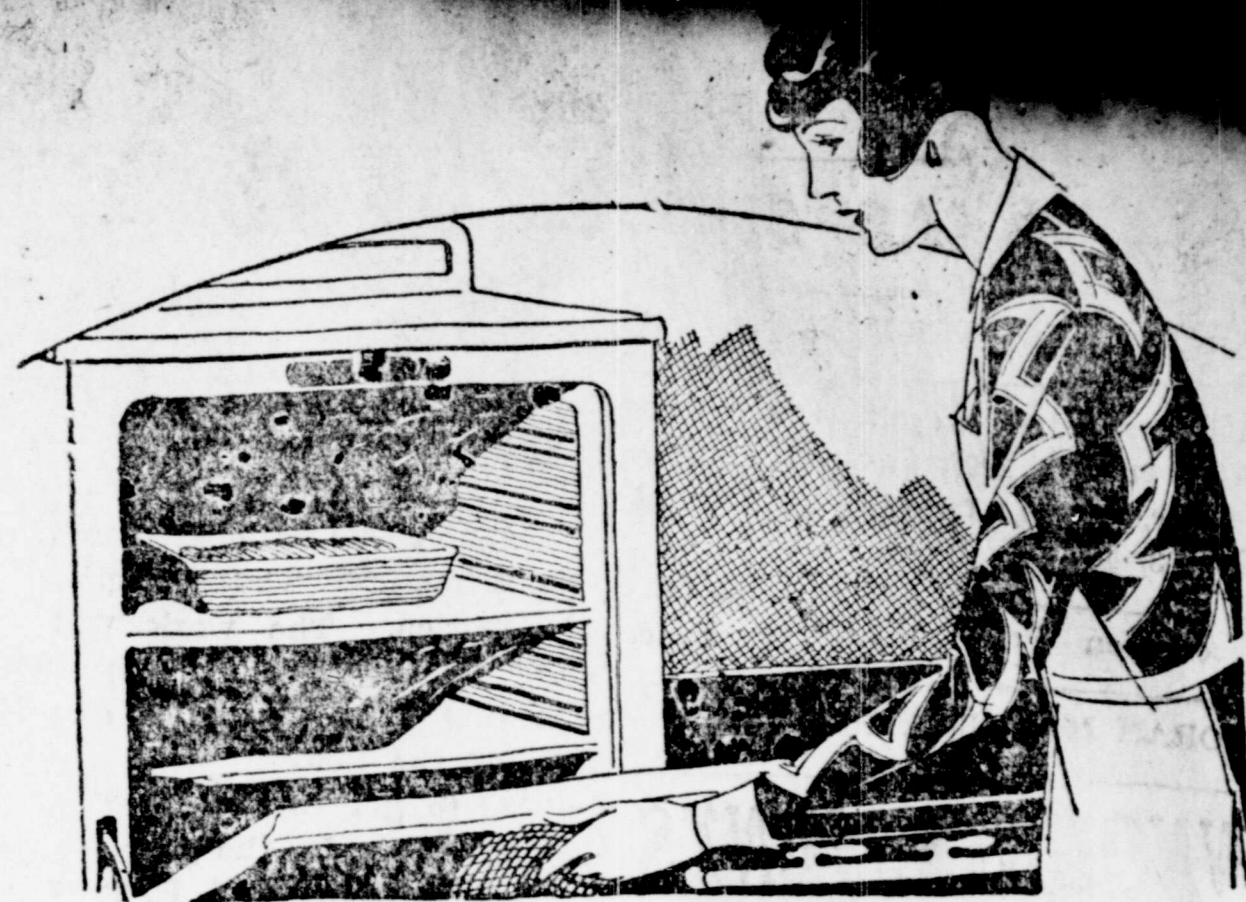
We Owe It to Our Modern Motor Traffic

Speaking of the economic importance of motor traffic, consider an item of news from Waco. It is to the effect that the Borden plant in that city recently paid to the farmers of the surrounding country \$15,000 in the space of two weeks for butter fat. Contrast that with the testimony of a farmer that they fed to the hogs all the milk the family didn't use on a farm within 18 miles of a city of more than 70,000 people in 1910. Waco is not yet a city of more than 70,000 people, but nobody within forty miles or more of it, in all directions, is feeding milk to the hogs today. There is a profitable market for all the farmers can produce. And that's the situation thru out Texas, whether there is a milk products plant in the neighborhood or not.

Motor traffic alone is responsible for this transformation. Without motor traffic the Borden plant would not be in Waco, contributing to the growth of that splendid city, and contributing, too, to the prosperity of the farmers of the surrounding country. And the immense development of dairying and the milk products industry which has taken place in Texas recently, a development that everyone agrees is only in its infancy, would have been impossible without motor traffic.

This is a single illustration, to which many others could be added, of products which have been given a commercial value, of widened markets for farmer and city merchant and manufacturer alike, and of general economic advance, which can be traced directly to motor traffic. The reader doubtless can add illustrations from his own experience, for they are all around us today if we care to look for them. The fact that there are more than six times as many motor vehicles in Texas today as there were twelve years ago is the most important economic fact marking the advance of the state during that period.

To attempt to abandon motor traffic now, if anybody would be foolish enough to think of such a thing, would mean to attempt to lower the standard of economic and social life in Texas to a degree that would be disastrous. But motor traffic is costing us too much, at least \$45,000,000 a year too much, in increased operating and maintenance expense because of inadequate highways. That means we are more than paying for the adequate highways we ought to have, so it would be the sensible thing to provide them



Economy Of The Month

WHY not go on eating peas? They are cheap at this season, and at all seasons, for that matter, when you get them in cans. You have been enjoying them all summer, whether fresh or canned, and have undoubtedly picked up one or two new ways to serve them, but if you are "nutty" about peas and want some new fall wrinkles, here are some recipes containing nuts which are sure to fill the bill:

Pea, Cheese and Nut Salad: Drain a No. 2 can of peas, and be sure to save the liquor for its valuable mineral salts and vitamins. You can use it later in a soup or sauce. Marinate the peas in one-fourth cup of French Dressing for at least twenty minutes. Drain. Add one-

half cup of diced American cheese and one-half cup of chopped nuts. Mix with mayonnaise and serve on lettuce leaves. This will make sufficient salad for from four to six.

Pea and Walnut Roast: Mix lightly together the pulp from a No. 1 can of peas, one cup soft bread crumbs, one-half cup chopped walnuts, one-fourth cup butter, two-thirds cup canned tomato soup, one beaten egg and salt, pepper and onion juice to taste. Put into a buttered baking dish or loaf pan and bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees, for 30 to 45 minutes, or until set and brown. Serve with hot canned tomato soup, undiluted, and you will find that you have sufficient for six or eight.

as quickly as possible.—The Texas Monthly.

Goiter

In some communities this disease has caused much apprehension, owing to the frequency of occurrence of such cases; I am acquainted with a neighborhood that has had as many as five women afflicted within a period of two or three years. This has caused a great deal of anxiety on the part of the other ladies, and many throats have been fumbled with and many mirrors consulted for visual evidence of enlargement of the thyroid gland.

Of course, one can only "skim over" such a subject in a short talk like this, and touch only high points. Mountain regions of the old world are credited with having the most goiter patients. Deficiency of iodine in the growing girl or boy has been offered as a cause of goiter in the young, and the early administration of this mineral metallic remedy is advised as a preventive of the disease in the young. Butter should be an established feature of the diet for growing girls. I may say that the "colloid" form of the disease is most frequent in the earlier years. I believe this should be treated so far as possible without surgery.

But in adult cases, today surgery seems to be the most approved method of treatment. Exophthalmic goiter—the kind where the eyeballs are pushed forward—is a serious disease, and the progress in modern surgery has made its surgical treatment very safe, and more likely to cure than dilatory attempts with medicines. Surgeons often tie the artery which supplies the gland with blood, thus causing a reduction in size of the enlarged gland.

Not every enlargement of the thyroid gland is goiter. It may be simple inflammation, to be treated as such. At the age of puberty, or in women bearing children, the gland may be temporarily enlarged; it may be malignant—not true goiter. So much must be taken into consideration; your family doctor will pilot you. My own advice is, act prudently, and consult those who know more about the trouble than you possibly can. Shun fakirs as you would a pestilence.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following political announcements for candidates for public offices, subject to the Democratic Primary Election to be held in July, 1930.

For District and County Clerk: ROBT. REYNOLDS (Reelection) A. B. WINKLER

For County Attorney: J. R. SANDERS

For County Treasurer: MRS. C. C. COBB (Reelection)

For County Judge: O. C. NEWBERRY (Reelection)

For Public Weigher, Precinct 3: FRED HISEY (Reelection)

Tech Short Course to be Held February 3-5

Lubbock, Texas, January 22.—With a predicted attendance of from one to three thousand, the second annual Farmers' Short Course and Home Improvement conference will be held at Texas Technological College February 3, 4 and 5.

In addition to several Tech faculty members who will appear on the program, many visiting speakers will take part in the programs. J. D. Tinsley, agricultural agent of the Santa Fe, will discuss History and Reminiscences of Agricultural Marketing on the Plains Panhandle.

On the second day Sterling C. Evans, Texas Agricultural Agent, of Texas A. & M. College, will make a report on the progress of the On-Ariety Cotton Communities Project in Texas.

Livestock day comes Wednesday, February 5th. With the marked interest in dairying and dairy cattle, on the Plains Panhandle, this subject will be given special emphasis on the program.

The first day's session will be held in the Tech gymnasium which has a seating capacity of more than two thousand. Smaller group meetings will be held during the three days in other buildings of the college.

President Paul W. Horn will deliver the address of welcome at 7 p. m. on the first day in the college gymnasium. The response will be made by Lynn Stokes, president of the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association.

Appointments throughout this district have been made for taking the ten-year census on distribution, manufacturing, industrial or business field of America. The work will begin about January 25th, and the following men in the several towns and counties of the district have been appointed to get the required information and facts for the government.

Dickens county—M. E. Tree, Spur. Crosby county—Jas. T. Buck of Crosbyton and T. C. Byerly of Rails. Lubbock county—H. T. Swamer, Slaton; W. H. Vaughn, Lubbock; Miss Alice Barr, Lubbock.

Cochran county—C. W. Word, of Whiteface.

Fisher county—A. F. Hardin and W. A. Baker, both of Rotan.

Garza county—Mrs. E. W. Hanchey and Mrs. Dixie Quails, Post.

Haskell county—Mrs. J. L. Southern and Mrs. James E. Lindsey, Rule.

Hockley county—Charles Hawk, Levelland.

Mont county—John Fowler, Jr., of Jayton.

Lynn county—Jack Alley and A. C. Weaver, both of Tahoka.

Scurry county—Mrs. O. P. Thrane and Mrs. E. J. Anderson, both of Snyder.

Stonewall county—Joe Fletcher, Aspermont.

Terry county—O. W. Wise, Brownfield.

Yoakum county—L. O. Greenfield, Plains.

No selections have been made for Dawson and Gaines counties.

Twenty-two enumerators have been recommended in all the counties up to this time.

SOME TAXES

Taxes paid by the petroleum industry last year exceeded \$100,000,000. Of this total, which does not include taxes paid by pipe line companies, \$2,308,285 was in the form of federal and state income and ad valorem taxes and \$19,916,542 represented taxes and fees on oil and gas production and oil inspection, licenses, permits and miscellaneous levies.

THINK SAFETY

If our terrible accident record is to be lowered Americans must learn to think in terms of accident prevention. In the home, in industry and in the automobile the majority of accidents occur not only because someone is careless but because someone fails to automatically do the right thing in an emergency.

It is noteworthy that the great decrease made in recent years in the industrial accident record has been the result of an attitude of mind that makes safety an essential, integral part of any industrial operation.

In many of the schools of the nation, children, through the medium of graphic, interesting lessons, with an appeal to the imagination, are being taught accident prevention. They are shown that safety should be an important factor in any act.

Adult Americans can all take a lesson in safety from the schools where their children are being educated and from the great employing industries. It is said that no one has a sound grasp of a foreign language until he can think in it; in exactly the same way no one grasps the accident problem until safety is a constant factor in his mental processes.

FOR RENT—Houses and furnished apartments. See W. T. Wilson, Spur, Texas. 12-tfc.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland, of east of the city, were here Tuesday, shopping and visiting.

D. H. Sullivan met us on the street the other day, gave us a check and had the Texas Spur go out to J. E. Rawlins of Ennis. The Texas Spur list of readers grows continuously, and we appreciate every subscription given us—more especially when it is voluntary and without solicitation at a time when it is impossible to get out and solicit.

Appended is a calendar of the principal political events of 1930:

January 31.—Last day of payment of poll taxes and securing certificates of exemption. Election judges appointed by commissioners' Courts at February term of court.

March 10.—Before this date the Tax Collector shall make lists of qualified taxpayers.

April 1.—Before this date, County Tax Collectors shall furnish county election boards with lists of poll tax payers and exemptions.

May 13.—State executive committee of any party which cast as many as 10,000 and fewer than 100,000 votes in next preceding gubernatorial election shall meet and decide whether candidates for state, district and county officers shall be nominated by convention or primary election, and shall certify such decision to the secretary of state.

June 2.—On or before this date, candidates for party nominations shall file applications for place on primary ballot with state chairman of party for district office in district having more than one county and with district chairman with each county chairman in district.

June 16.—County executive committees meet and issue call for precinct conventions to elect delegates to the county conventions, also announce chairman, place and hour of precinct conventions.

June 14.—On or before this date, candidates for offices within counties including districts within confines of any single county, and candidates for county chairmen shall file for places on primary ballot.

June 16.—County executive committees meet to determine order of names on ballot, estimate cost of primary and apportion cost. A ballot or primary subcommittee of five is appointed. Also decide whether nomination of county officers shall be by majority or plurality.

June 23.—On or before this date, candidates must pay ballot fees.

June 26.—First day to file first statement of campaign expenses with the county clerk.

July 1.—Last day to file same.

July 6.—Voters may arrange to cast ballots not later than July 16.

July 14.—Ballot, or primary subcommittees meet to prepare primary ballots.

July 14.—First day to file second expense account.

July 14.—From this date until July 23 voters expecting to be absent may cast ballots through notary public.

July 21.—On or before this date county chairmen secure from tax collectors complete lists of voters paying not more than \$5 therefor.

July 21.—Last day of voters who have removed from one ward to another to secure transfers from tax collectors such transfers being necessary in event voter lives in city of 10,000 or more population and removal was prior to delivery of lists of certified voters to precinct chairmen.

July 22.—Last day for voters who have removed from one county to another or from one precinct to another, such transfer being necessary if new residence is in city of 10,000 or more population.

July 26.—Primary election day. Polls open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. Returns of primary election delivered to county chairman. Precinct conventions to name delegate to county conventions held. Republican primary convention held.

August 2.—County executive committee meets to canvass returns and county chairmen certify results to proper officials.

August 2.—County conventions held to nominate delegates to district and state conventions. Republican county conventions held to nominate the county officers and name delegates to state convention.

August 5.—Last day to file third expense account.

August 11.—Democratic state executive committee meets to canvass returns. Republican state executive committee meets to prepare temporary roll for state convention.

August 12.—Republican state convention meets to nominate candidates for state offices if primary is not ordered.

August 23.—Second, or run-off primary, election for offices where no candidate received a majority in first primary (Democratic).

August 23.—District conventions held and nominations certified to secretary of state.

Sept. 2.—Last day to file fourth expense account.

Sept. 8.—State executive committee meets to canvass vote of second primary and prepare list of state convention delegates.

Sept. 9.—State Democratic convention.

Nov. 1.—On or before this date county chairmen nominate supervisors in each election precinct.



Nov. 4.—General election. Polls open at 8 a. m. and close at 7 p. m. Elect United States senator in 1930.

MEETING OF NORTH CIRCLE CLUB. The North Circle Club met with Mrs. Orville Boothe Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Six ladies were present for the meeting, and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey conducted a very interesting Bible lesson.

Howard Campbell of near Dickens, was in Spur Thursday. Mr. Campbell has been here since the beginning of Spur, and states that this is the coldest weather and most severe winter ever experienced.

PIGGY WIGGLY All Over the World

Advertisement for Piggly Wiggly featuring various food items and prices: HOMINY (2 cans 21c), PEANUT BUTTER (16 oz. glass 29c), CHILE (2 cans 41c), LETTUCE (Head 7c), CABBAGE (Lb. 5c), Bananas (Doz. 25c), COFFEE (2 lbs. 99c), Crackers (2 lbs. 36c), FLOUR (48 lbs. \$1.71), MAT-O-MEAL (Pkg. 25c), Blackeyed Peas (3 cans 28c), BLACKBERRIES (No. 2 13c), MEAT MARKET SPECIALS: Pork Sausage (Per lb. 25c), Home Made Chile (Per lb. 30c), Smoked Bacon (Per lb. 25c), D. S. PLATES (Per lb. 15c), Flat Rib Roast (Per lb. 20c).

Farms and Marketable Products Being Named and 'Branded.'

Mrs. Jackson, of Dickens, was in the city Wednesday, shopping, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mrs. Jackson is taking a progressive step in the preparation and sale of butter produced at home. Special paper has been secured for wrapping each pound of butter separately, and on the paper will be printed the name given the butter, together with her address and name of the farm where the butter is made. This is in line with what the Texas Spur for years has suggested and encouraged: the naming of each farm, and the 'branding' of all marketable products from the farm. We venture that Mrs. Jackson's farm products will soon become well known and called for by the consuming trade.

After an absence of five years, Miss

Frankie Shugart has returned to Spur and will be with E. Schwarz & Son hereafter. The past several years Miss Frankie has been in Plainview with a large dry goods firm. "She is now again domiciled in her Hill Street home."

L. C. Murphy, of near Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday on business and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Murphy is a 'chicken fancier' and has some of the finest poultry to be had in his poultry yards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, were among the number of shoppers and market-ers in the city the past week end. Mr. Hooper is now somewhat of a 'leisurely' farmer these days, since his farm acreage is sown to grain, and he only has to kinder superintend while Mrs. Hooper prepares and mar-kets, chickens, eggs, butter and cream, and 'keeps the home fires burning.'

Goes to Work Feeling Fine

RANGER FARMER HAD BEEN IN BADLY RUN-DOWN CONDITION FOR THREE MONTHS—RE-LEIVED BY ORGATONE

"I just get better and better with every bottle of Orgatone I take," declared J. T. Walton, an industrious and reliable farmer residing on rural route No. 1, eight miles southeast of Ranger, Texas. "and I think so much of it that I am recommending the medicine to my friends"

"I was in a general run-down condition for the past three months," Mr. Walton continued, "my food didn't digest right and my whole system seemed to be out of order. My stomach felt like there was a lump of lead in it regularly after every meal and I would abelch up sour sickening gas. I would get dizzy like I was going to keel over and would see spots floating before my eyes. I was very nervous and lost right smart of sleep and some nights didn't sleep a wink all night long. In the morning I felt all tired out and dreaded to go out to the field to work."

"I read so much in the paper about Orgatone I got some and truthfully say I get better every dose, and feel good. I haven't had a dizzy attack over a month and my stomach is getting all o. k. I am getting rid of all clogged-up feelings and constipation doesn't bother me like it did. Orgatone is the best medicine I ever saw and I cannot help but say a good word for it."

Genuine Orgatone may be bought in Spur at the Spur Drug Store.

Will Watson, of east of Spur, was among the business visitors here the past week.

J. W. Robinson, of four or five miles west of Spur, was in the city Monday, trading and transacting other business. Mr. Robinson stated that he had not yet finished picking his cotton, having several bales yet remaining in the field to be gathered. Weather the past two weeks has been so unfavorable that all other business as well as farming has been on a stand-still



LIVE STOCK CANINE PARASITES QUITE DANGEROUS

Household Pets Are Attacked by Many Species.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Dogs and cats, favorite household pets as they are, are attacked by more species of parasites than most animals. In a recent article written for the Veterinary Annual Quarterly, Dr. Emmett W. Price, of the United States Department of Agriculture, says these two animals have been reported as hosts for about 475 species of parasites, some of which affect both, and some only one of the animals.

"Aside from the high mortality in dogs due to parasitic infestation," Doctor Price says, "there are other points which should be minimized. Some of the species which occur in dogs may be transmitted to man, either in their adult or larval stages, such infestations frequently being fatal."

Several varieties of fleas are known as carriers of bubonic plague, Doctor Price says, and one of the tapeworms of man passes one stage of its life cycle in dogs. Fleas are also known to be carriers of infantile Kala-azar, a tropical protozoan disease. The dog is also infested by a lung fluke which may be identical to the species causing fatal illness in man.

The present-day practice of shipping dogs from one part of the country to another for shows or for competition in field trials affords an excellent opportunity for the spread of canine parasites, Doctor Price points out.

For some of the parasitic infestations of dogs and cats, veterinary science has developed effective remedies. For many, however, no remedy is known which will kill the parasite without killing the host as well.

Hog Flu Attacks Take Heavy Toll Each Year

Attacks of hog flu on brood sows and fattening shoats take a heavy toll every year with the coming of cold and stormy weather. Unlike cholera investigations, studies of flu in hogs have not yet revealed the exact cause of the disease.

Live stock specialists find from observation and experience that certain precautions in caring for the herd will greatly lessen the danger of sickness and death from flu. One of the common troubles on many farms, these men find, is overcrowding in the hog house. Hogs compelled to pile up become too hot and the building will likely be damp and steamy. When the animals go out into the cold the following morning they suffer chills, their resistance to disease is lowered, and they are more susceptible to organisms ever present in the respiratory system which investigators believe spread hog flu.

March and August Pig Produces Most Profit

By comparing spring and fall-farrowed pigs in the light of experimental results it will be shown that the spring pigs required 322.3 pounds of meal to produce 100 pounds of gain, and were finished in 212 days at an average weight of 139.7 pounds per head. The fall pigs consumed 422.3 pounds of meal for every 100 pounds of pork produced and required 224 days to reach a finished average weight of 172.8 pounds per head. However, 54 spring pigs show a profit of \$4.11 per head, while 75 fall pigs show an average profit of \$4.90 per head in spite of the more costly production, indicating that owing to better prices the fall pigs more than hold their own with the spring pigs. Further, in these experiments the March pigs and the August pigs made the greatest profit in their respective experiments, showing that early litters, both spring and fall, strike the best market.

Live Stock Items

Strong feet and legs and strong backs are more essential than fat in the development of gilts for brood sows.

Live stock and dairy products have been selling at good prices and the stock keeper has been doing better than he has at any time since the war.

Two and one-half to three pounds of milk should be fed with one pound of corn for 50-pound pigs. As the animals grow the proportion of milk may be decreased.

The more live stock fed on the farm the richer the land will become. Good live stock is the corner stone of better farming.

Use only a little bedding in the farrowing pen and keep it clean and dry. Finely chopped wheat straw makes good bedding.

Don't worry over there being any over production. Beef is getting so high in price that many city families now eat chicken two and three times a week instead of beef.

An American Picture.

Conrad Hubert came to America from Germany as a young man. He worked in an electrical shop in Jersey City and invented the first successful electric pocket flashlight. He died two years ago, leaving instructions in his will that his estate should be divided principally between religious, educational and charitable institutions, to be selected by a committee of prominent citizens appointed by his executors.

Their six months three "prominent citizens" whose names are Calvin Coolidge, Alfred E. Smith and Julius Rosenwald, met every two weeks to consider the hundreds of applications for part of the \$6,000,000 which Conrad Hubert left. When they gave their final decision the other day they named a list of colleges, hospitals, relief organizations and charities on which they had agreed unanimously. In each case the institutions to be benefitted will have to raise more than the amount thus awarded to them. That is the modern American way of giving money to worthy causes, to require them to match the gift by inducing others to give.

The whole incident strikes us as being peculiarly typical of America. Where else in the world could a poor migrant accumulate \$6,000,000 and more without being heard of? Conrad Hubert's name never got into the newspapers until he was dead. He made his money honestly, without injuring anyone else but rather enriching the world through his invention, too, and so was the spirit which prompted him to leave the bulk of his fortune to assist others.

And where but in America could one find the spectacle of a former President of the United States, the famous ex-Governor of New York and the nation's greatest merchant giving their time and serious attention to carrying out the wishes of one of the country's adopted citizens?

Where, for that matter, will you find a Protestant like Coolidge a Roman Catholic like Smith, and a Jew like Rosenwald, working together for the common welfare? That is typical of America, too.

Conrad Hubert, alive, was not even a name to the world at large. Conrad Hubert, dead, has left a monument more enduring than brass in the example his bequest has supplied of the spirit of America.

Bathtubs and Other Luxuries Multiply

Have you a bathtub in your home? No, that isn't foolish question number umpsteen. There are nine million homes in America without bathtubs, according to the Statistical Abstract of the United States. Only two houses out of three have them. A few years ago, as time goes, nobody had bathtubs. There was one in the White House when Lincoln was President, and when President Cleveland wanted a second one put in members of Congress made speeches denouncing the bad example of luxury which the President would set! The first bathtub with fixed plumbing was installed in Cincinnati less than 100 years ago and physicians denounced the habit of bathing as injurious to health.

Times change and luxuries multiply. Today 15 million homes have electric flatirons, 7 millions have vacuum cleaners, 5 million have washing machines, nearly three quarters of a million have electric refrigerators.

tors. The time is coming and coming very soon when these and other electrical appliances will be regarded by everybody in America as of as great importance as the bath tub, but it may be another hundred years before everybody has them, and even then there will probably be some homes without bathtubs.

Beautifying the Road Side

The next step in highway improvement will be to make the roads more attractive. The first and most important object of road improvement is, of course, to make it easier to get from one place to another. But after that is done, attention ought to be given to the beautification of the roadside.

Several states have begun this work. In Massachusetts all new or relocated roads are made wide enough to provide for a belt of shade trees on each side and trees and shrubs are planted by the state nursery. Connecticut has a state landscape division which not only plants trees but lays out flower gardens at appropriate intervals along state roads. In California trees have been planted along 865 miles of highway and the lands adjacent to state roads have been surveyed for the purpose of planning ways to make them more attractive. Delaware, Illinois, Georgia, Missouri, Wisconsin and Kentucky are all making a beginning toward similar highway beautification, in some instances with the cooperation of local, civic bodies of women's clubs. For years the women's clubs of Florida have been planting flowers along the roads.

Under an amendment to the Federal Aid Act, passed in 1928, Government funds may be used in part for such purposes on Federal aid roads.

There is more to this than simply a protest against ugliness. There is sound dollars-and-cents value in beautiful roads. People who live on them not only take pride in them but can get more for their building sites. Towns which the tourist approaches through arching trees and bowers of flowers gain reputation and business thereby.

Europe is way ahead of America in roadside improvement. Not only are its highways generally lined with trees, but in some regions fruit and nut trees are planted, the harvest from which are sold to provide funds for road maintenance. That is an economy which might not operate so well in America, but there is nothing but time to prevent us from making every road beautiful.

A baby girl was born the past week to Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Legg of the Croton country.

R. C. Forbis and Shorty Reynolds have been most fortunate with their herds of cattle through this extremely cold and snow-bound weather. While other cattlemen have lost hundreds, Messrs. Forbis and Reynolds have not lost a cow, notwithstanding the fact that their cattle are being grazed up on the "ballies."

Lee Watson, extensive farmer of the Plains country near McAadoo, was among the business visitors in Spur during the week. He reports everything still covered with snow and frozen on the Plains. While this weather may have caused big losses to cattle interests, yet it very evidently will kill all the bugs, worms and insects, and put a good season in the ground for the beginning of farm work, and makes us feel assured of bumper crops.

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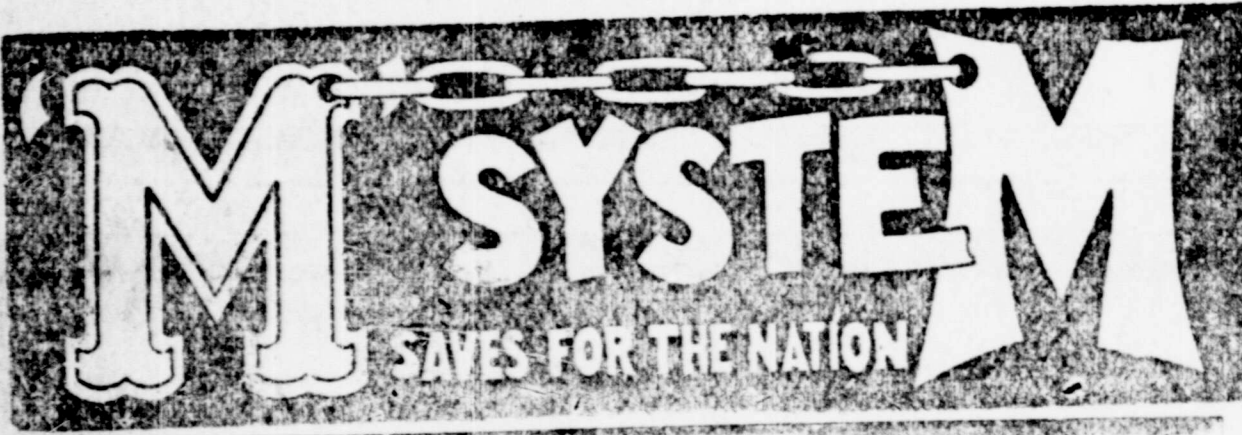
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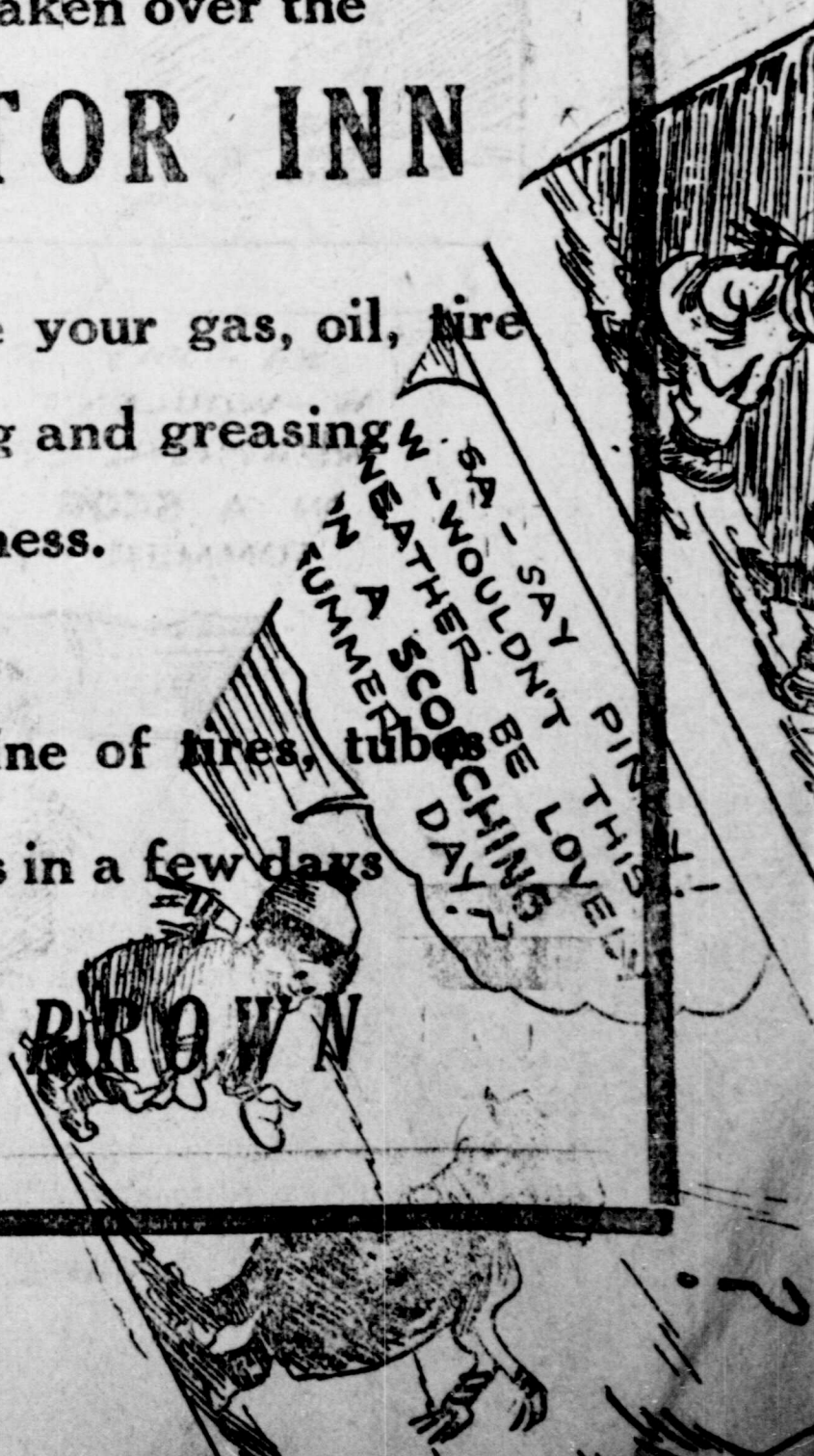
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27, on Monday, the first day of the third week of court. This case will open the docket of criminal cases, the first two weeks of the court being taken up with civil cases. The indictment was for murder in the first degree.

The 72nd District Court opened Monday of this week, and the remainder of the week and next will be taken up with the disposal of civil cases. Judge Homer L. Pharr, of Lubbock, judge of this judicial district, is in charge of the court.

Civil and jury dockets for the January term of the 99th district court were called at the opening session Monday morning. Only one indictment was returned on the appearance docket read Tuesday morning.—Review.

Pioneer Texan Passes Away

On the 9th of January, Mr. A. C. Tackett of Girard, Texas, was placed in his eternal resting place, while numerous friends and relatives were gathered around to pay their last respects to mortal remains. The funeral was in charge of his pastor, Rev. S. A. Sifford, who was assisted by Rev. C. C. Armstrong of Jayton.

Mr. Tackett was born in Polk county, Arkansas, November 15, 1845, and came to Texas early in life, and served as the first county judge of Taylor county. He also did duty for a number of years as a Texas Ranger, fighting Indians and assisting in the keeping of the peace on the Texas frontier.

Several years ago he moved to Kent county and made his home at Girard. He was highly respected and greatly loved by all that knew him and will be sadly missed by his numerous friends over Texas. In 1865 he had his name carved on the rocks of Double Mountain. Mr. Tackett had been in failing health for several years and his death was not unexpected. He was buried in the Girard cemetery. The Chronicle extends sincerest sympathy to his bereaved ones.—Jayton Chronicle.

A. C. George a leading citizen of the Highway community, was among those on the streets the past week end.

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Demand for Sargon Breaks all Records

Famous Medicine Rapidly Becoming Household Word Throughout America—24 Carloads Sold in 25 Days in 27 States—Overwhelming Demand the One Outstanding Proof of its Wonderful Merit

Most medicines are sold by the dozen or by the gross. A few are sold in larger quantities, but think of a medicine that sells in such enormous quantities that wholesale dealers are forced to buy it in solid carload lots to supply to demand that has been so phenomenal as to almost stagger the imagination.

That's just what has happened with Sargon, the celebrated new medicine that is now sweeping the country like a great tidal wave. Not only is the trade buying it in carload lots but they are buying carload after carload, each car containing over 20,000 bottles of Sargon and Sargon Soft Mass Pills.

Twenty-four carloads in 25 days sold in only 27 states is the amazing record recently made by these wonderful medicines.

In the state of California where Sargon was introduced in April of last year, it has required 21 carloads to supply the ever increasing demand in this one state alone. Texas dealers required 9 carloads in only four months.

A single New York firm with branches in leading cities, is selling at the rate of over a million and a quarter bottles a year.

"Phenomenal and bewildering" is the way one of the big drug jobbers of the country describes the marvelous demand for Sargon.

"It's the greatest seller within the memory of the oldest members of our organization," said another.

"We are selling more Sargon than any other ten medicines put together," said still another.

And so it is everywhere Sargon has been introduced. From Coast to Coast and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes, Sargon is known and honored.

Millions upon millions have used it and have told other millions what it has done for them. When suffering men and women find a medicine that helps them, they naturally want to tell their friends about it and in this way Sargon is fast becoming a household word throughout America.

Red Front Drug Store, Agents.

Grand Jury Returns Hawkins Indictment

Joe Hawkins, 33, charged with the murder of his father-in-law, S. M. Walker, 78, in the fatal shooting that occurred on October 28, at the latter's farm eight miles northwest of Crosbyton, was indicted by the grand jury now in session, the indictment being returned Tuesday morning. The case has been set for January



**Winky Dinky
JINGLES**
FROM JAMES HUGHES, THE PAPER MACHINIST.
I'D LIKE TO HAVE A
COMIC STRIP
TO GET ONE I MAY TRY
BUT ALL I DO IS SIT
AND THINK
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How to Play BRIDGE

Series 1929-30 by Wynne Ferguson

Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

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ARTICLE No. 8

If you are a fisherman, you have heard and told many a fish story and the biggest fish is usually the one that got away. If you are an auction player, you have heard and told many a story about the play and bidding of unusual hands. Here is a new one, where the "biggest fish" was actually caught.

Example Hand No. 1

Hearts—none
Clubs—A, K, Q, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 4
Diamonds—none
Spades—Q, J, 10, 9

Y B
A Z

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and passed. A bid one trump, Y bid two hearts and B bid two trumps. Z and A passed and Y bid three diamonds. B

bid three no trumps, Z and A passed and Y bid four diamonds. B doubled and Z and A passed. Y now bid four hearts, B doubled and Z and A passed. Y now had the stage set for the big scene so bid five clubs. B and Z passed and A doubled. Y redoubled and all passed. Needless to say, Y made the bid, losing only two spade tricks. The only reason Y was able to land the "big fish," that is, get away with such extraordinary bidding, was due to the fact that his partner, Z, was a very alert and intelligent player. After hearing Y bid hearts and diamonds and suddenly switch to five clubs, it wasn't difficult for him to deduce that the previous bidding was camouflage only, and that the five-club bid was the real article. For the one "fish" landed by such tactics, however, many more get away and the ultimate loss is more than offset by the occasional gain. Learn to play sound auction and leave the fireworks for the other people.

Example Hand No. 2

Hearts—A, 2
Clubs—Q, 10, 7, 2
Diamonds—K, 5
Spades—9, 7, 6, 4, 2

Hearts—J, 10, 6, 5, 3
Clubs—J, 9, 8, 6
Diamonds—Q, 6
Spades—K, Q, J

Y B
A Z

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and passed. A and Y passed and B bid one diamond. Z bid one spade. A bid one no trump and Y bid two spades. B now bid three hearts, Z and A passed and Y bid three spades. B and Z passed and A bid four hearts. All passed and A easily made four hearts. Z opened the ace of clubs and followed with the eight of clubs which B won with the king. He now led the seven of hearts and forced Y in the lead with the ace of hearts. Y now led the queen of clubs and followed with the four of spades. B trumped with the queen of hearts and followed with the eight of hearts, winning the trick in A's hand with the jack. He now led the queen of diamonds from A's hand and whether or not Y covers, A must win the balance of the tricks. This is a normal hand, well bid and well played with one exception and that is Z's failure to bid as dealer. This failure to bid caused him and his

partner to lose the rubber. With a hand of this type, containing two quick tricks, one of which is at the head of a five-card suit, Z as dealer has a justifiable bid. Just suppose, for example, Z bid one spade. A's hand is pretty weak in everything but spades so the chance is that A would pass. He is well satisfied with the spade bid and his heart suit is hardly strong enough to justify a bid. If A passes, Y's proper bid is three spades. B will then bid four diamonds and all will pass. With the trump opening as before, A B can make four diamonds and so will fail to score game. Don't pass a justifiable original bid if your hand contains the necessary values. The foregoing hand is a good example of what happens to a good bidder. It is a well known rule of the game that if you are going to be overbidder or an under-bidder, the former is the lesser of the two evils.

Problem No. 5

Hearts—J
Clubs—Q
Diamonds—K, 7
Spades—K, 8, 4, 2

Hearts—10, 9
Clubs—J, 10, 8
Diamonds—Q, 9
Spades—9

Y B
A Z

Hearts—none
Clubs—9, 4
Diamonds—5, 3
Spades—A, J, 6, 5

There are no trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Y Z win seven of the eight tricks against any defense? Solution in the next article.

POULTRY

LIGHTS PROMOTE EGGS IN WINTER

Scratch Feed Is Scattered in Litter Previous Night.

Egg production can be profitably increased during winter months through the use of artificial lighting, suggests O. C. Ufford, extension poultryman for the Colorado Agricultural college. "Hens normally lay the most eggs in the spring and early summer when there is the greatest amount of daylight," Mr. Ufford declares. "It has been found that by prolonging the period of light during winter days a higher average egg production will be obtained than when artificial light is not used."

There are three methods of artificially lighting the henhouse by the use of an automatic clock. Probably the most popular method is that of turning on the lights between 4 and 5 a. m. and keeping them on until daylight. The morning scratch feed is scattered in the litter the night before. Sometimes a combination of morning and evening lights is used, the evening lights being turned on about 4 p. m. and kept on until 6:30 or 7 p. m., when the birds are sent to roost by automatically dimming the lights before they are entirely turned off. The lights are turned on again by the clock early in the morning.

The evening lunch method permits the birds to go to roost at the regular time, but arouses them when the lights are turned on about 8 p. m., when a feed of grain is scattered in the litter. This brings the birds off the roosts for about an hour for grain, mash and water, and then they are sent back to roost by the use of dimmers. This lunch prevents them from becoming hungry during the winter nights and enables them to better resist cold weather.

Mash for Winter Eggs

Favored by Specialist

With a 50 per cent production for young stock as a practical economical limit for their production, J. B. Hayes, poultry specialist at the University of Wisconsin, advises that careful feeding should attend their introduction into the class of producers. "Forcing," he declares, "should not be attempted on young stock, nor should it be expected of them that production on top of early maturity gained from forcing will be the best for flock production."

For poultry stock which is in condition to be forced, such as pullets that are well along to maturity, and hens that have fully recovered from their molt and are again in good condition, increased feeding during the winter months is a good way to bring up production of the flock. One of the best of rations for the flock to bring them to better production is this one: Scratch Feed Mixture: Cracked corn, 2 pounds; wheat, 2 pounds; oats, 1 pound.

Mash: Bran, 100 pounds; wheat middlings, 100 pounds; buckwheat middlings, 100 pounds; ground oats, 100 pounds; oil meal, 50 pounds; salt, 3 pounds.

Practices in feeding that have been found to be the best, according to Hayes, include the feeding of grain in two or three portions during the day. The mash is the true "forcer" of the feed for the flock.

Rotting of Eggs Blamed on Carbon Dioxide Gas

According to a Cornell chemist, one of the chief reasons for the rotting of eggs is the escape of carbon dioxide gas through the shell. He discovered that newly laid eggs contain this gas in a limited quantity, but the porousness of the shell permits it to pass off within a short time.

He proved, however, that the egg would reabsorb the gas, and by exposing the shells to a minute quantity of carbon dioxide succeeded in keeping them fresh indefinitely. The cost of the treatment was said to be a few hundredths of a cent per dozen.

Fowls for Breeding

It is time to make the breeding pens. Select your best hens and confine them in small flocks of from 12 to 20, according to the breed, and place a good male in each pen. Have the hens in each pen as near alike as possible. If a number of males are allowed to run with a large flock you can never tell what the chicks will be when you select the eggs for hatching. Prolific breeding, even for utility stock, is never satisfactory for a profitable flock.

Management of Pullets

With regard to the management of the pullets, it will be advisable gradually to introduce the rations likely to be used during the laying period. Any change in the diet should be made before eggs are forthcoming in any large number.

All poultry keepers have difficulty in preventing the partial moult. While admitting that various factors may be responsible for this trouble, there is no doubt that management has much to do with it.

Look Over Our House Plans

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

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SPUR, TEXAS

PAINFUL INDIGESTION

"I SUFFERED from indigestion—everything I ate gave me heartburn," says Mrs. Mattie Mullins, of Pound, Va.

"For months, I did not see a well day. I worried along, but never felt well. I got a package of Theodor's Black-Draught at the store and began taking it—a dose every night before going to bed. I had been having an awful pain. After I had taken Black-Draught, this pain entirely stopped. I began to gain in weight, and rested well at night. In a few months I was feeling fine. My health was better than it had been in years. I keep Black-Draught in our home, and we all take it for constipation and upset stomach."

Insist on Theodor's
Black-Draught
for
CONSTIPATION, INDIGESTION, BILIOUSNESS

WOMEN who need a tonic should take CARDUL in use over 50 years.

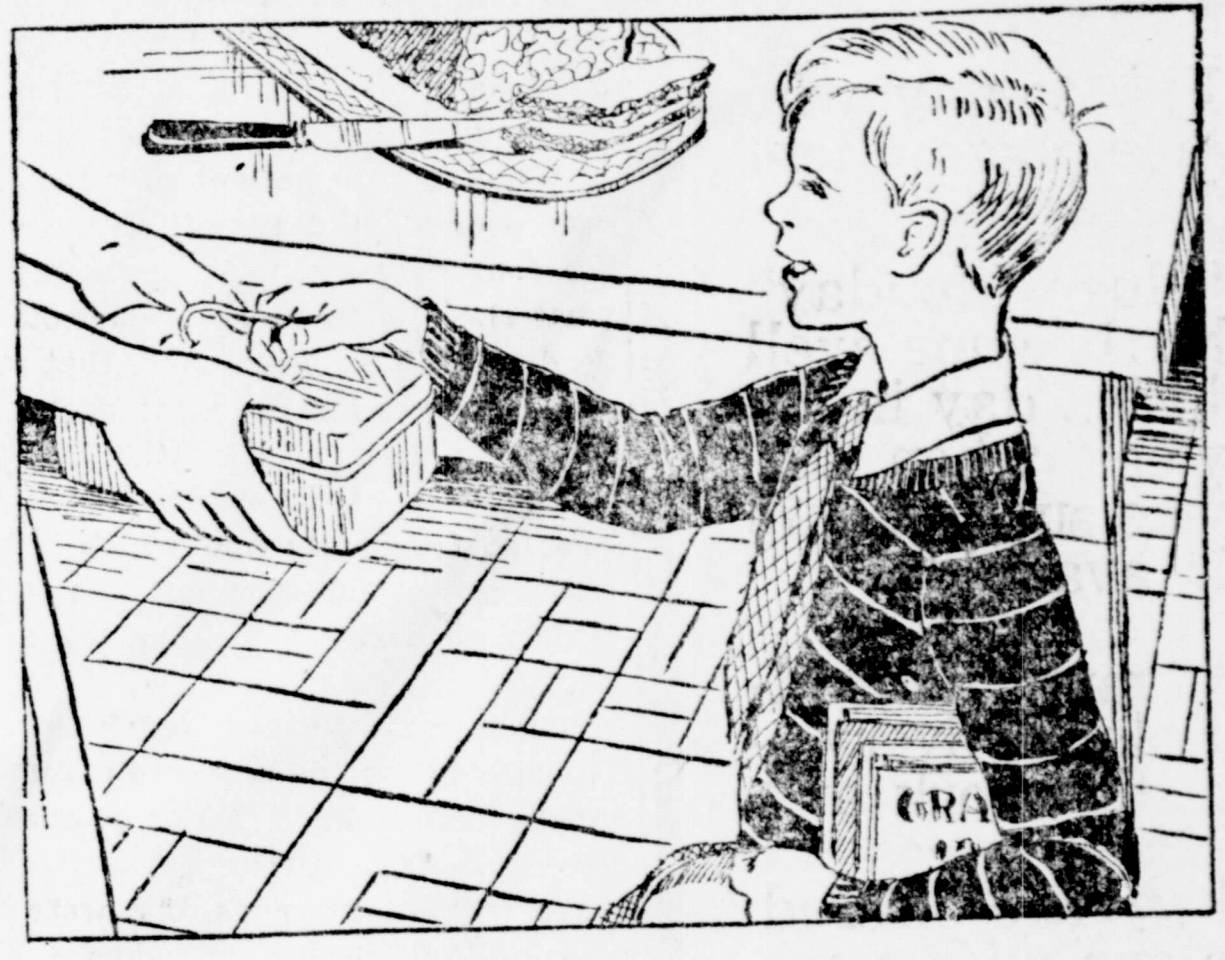
H. L. Davis, formerly in the bartending business, is now field manager and salesman for the Spur Mutual Association.

Uncle Wash Robertson, of Afton, was in Spur Thursday, and called in and had his name again placed on the regular list of Texas Spur readers. In the early days of Spur Uncle Wash was a frequent visitor to Spur and was always one among our best friends. He later "drifted" away from Dickens county, remaining away several years, until recently he returned and is again on or near the old farm place on which he lived and farmed in the earlier days. We are glad to have Uncle Wash back with us, and again one among the many Texas Spur readers.

This weather invites every one to stay at home, sit around the fire and read. The wise merchant will take advantage of the situation and let the Texas Spur carry store news and mercantile messages into the homes where every line is sure to be read, and resulting later in increased business.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunaway, of San Antonio, have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cloud at their Soldier Mound farm home. Mrs. Dunaway is a sister to Mrs. Cloud, and they returned home with her from San Antonio where Mrs. Cloud had been with her mother through a protracted illness and death. They left on Monday for the return trip to San Antonio, through the country by automobile.

For the School Lunch Box



WITH September and the beginning of the school year the struggle begins to fill the lunch box with food which will keep well, be appetizing and at the same time be economical and healthy.

In this class falls the popular pea put up in a sanitary enamel lined can to preserve its color perfectly. Peas are economical of both time and money, and the protein combined with the carbohydrate, vitamins and mineral salts which the little green pellets contain makes them an excellent part of a rather substantial lunch box meal.

Some Ways to Use Them

A particularly suitable food for this purpose is Pea and Walnut Roast. To make it, mix the following together lightly: one and one-half cups of pea pulp, one cup of soft bread crumbs, one-half cup of chopped walnuts, one-fourth cup of butter, two-thirds cup of canned tomato soup, one slightly beaten egg, and salt, pepper and onion juice to taste. Put the mixture in a buttered baking dish or loaf pan and bake in a moderate oven, 350° F., for 30 to 45 minutes or until set and brown. This may be served at the family dinner, then, when cold, sliced, the slices wrapped in waxed paper, and packed in the lunch box.

Peas in salads are always popular with child and mother. A salad made of a cup of peas, a cup of diced boiled potatoes, one-half cup of diced pickled beets and one tablespoon of chopped onions may be mixed with mayonnaise and put in a waxed paper cup with a tight-fitting cap. Gelatin salads may be packed in the original mold.

Let us refresh you
These cold days!

Drop in any hour and let us serve you
a hot, delicious cup of coffee

We serve promptly any order of

EATS

SPUR COFFEE SHOP

W. M. BUMPUS, at the bat

Mr. Cozby, of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was here the past week end, trading and transacting other business affairs. Mr. Cozby reports everything promising and in good shape in his section at this time, regardless of weather conditions.

Spencer Sullivan is here, meeting with friends.

J. T. Williams, of east of town, got away from the fire long enough to come to town one day the past week.

Shep Holly was in town the first of the week. He informed us that he and Wat Holly had moved this year to the J. H. Harvey farm where they will make a crop this year. Shep has about a hundred bushels of surplus Mebane cotton seed for planting purposes which he is advertising for sale—making the price low enough to encourage buying and getting the cash in his pocket at this time.

Prof. R. P. Bell, of Prairie Chapel, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week. Prof. Bell is being solicited by friends to make the race for County School Superintendent in the present campaign. He is one among the most able school men of the country, and would give a progressive, efficient administration as superintendent of the county rural schools.

Complete Electrical Equipment

An analysis of electrification in West Texas shows a development startling in its completeness, and almost unbelievable in the brief span of time during which this electrical transformation has taken place.

And yet—the top has just been scratched!

Numberless small communities, and countless individual farmers and ranchers are just awakening to a realization of extreme economy of electrical service.

They have come to realize that Electricity can perform the tasks at which they have been toiling in a fraction of the time, and at a fraction of the expense of old-time, old-fashioned methods.

Have you fully investigated the many electrical time and labor-saving devices which you can install at small expense, and operate for practically nothing? Come in, and let us talk things over—you will be surprised at the extreme economy of complete electrical equipment.

West Texas Utilities Company



NO MORE BLUE MONDAYS

There used to be "Blue Monday" observed by the women every week—with fatiguing toil, with tiring rubbing and lifting. For the "Blue Monday" was wash day.

But to-day who remembers these Mondays?

"Blue Monday" has become—well just a day in the week when service such as ours is available.

Prompt, dependable delivery—better work and lower prices—all these are offered in our wide variety of services.

SPUR LAUNDRY COMPANY

Stop, Look! and Listen!!

Hamberger McCombs Back in Business at Pete Perry's Place

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I REPRESENT Southwestern Life THE LARGEST TEXAS COMPANY

E. H. OUSLEY Spur

INSURANCE IS PROTECTION

A Worthy Enterprise

In announcing his program for the coming year, an instructor in agriculture in a mid-western high school gave as his goal: "To help each boy realize that farming is one of the finest vocations that any man can follow."

What higher goal could any teacher of agriculture set than this? What greater tribute could be paid the farming industry?

A permanent agriculture must be based upon a contented people, practicing the best methods of farming. Training future farmers to produce a pound of pork at a lower cost than before or to grow more bushels of corn to the acre is a commendable piece of work. But to instill in their minds at the same time a deep-seated belief in the worthiness of the vocation they plan to follow is of even greater value. The farming industry needs more young men who go into because they consider it the most desirable mode of living. It is from this type that community leaders spring—Furrow.

W. H. Young, of Red Hill, was here the past week.

Starch Foods

(By Dr. John Joseph Gaines) Winter is the season of good appetites and their appeasing without regard to consequences; a man recently had me estimate his blood pressure, who weighed 275 pounds; said he "just could not get rid of any flesh." His health was, in fact, superb—I never saw any finer; but he was fearfully overloaded with ballast, and he was the chap that had been shovelling it in.

Starchy foods lead in variety. The great staples, wheat, corn, potatoes and beans are principally starch. In fact, starch is one of the most important of foods, but like any thing else that is good, it can be fearfully overdone. I advise my patrons to cut down starchy foods in their dietary. One starch, not four or five, is a rule I try to enforce.

Potatoes may be prepared in a dozen tempting ways—and wheat flour—there is no limit to the culinary artist's skill. The result is, five times as much starch is taken into the body as is actually needed; the result, it is stored away in an increase of "flesh" that sometimes becomes alarming.

I had a lady patient of mine who was overweight leave off all starches for four days—told her I didn't care what she ate, just so it wasn't starch food. With a reluctance that was almost horror she ate meat exclusively during that period. She lost the "heavy, lousy tired feeling," that we get so frequently and which is not a disease at all—just an overloaded vehicle with starch bulging the sideboards!

The non-meat-eating fad has done its share to provide excess of starches, equally distressing. I'd soon take my pork without the beans as my beans without the pork, if I were experimenting, either way spells disaster. I prefer to act wisely if not scientifically—and take a little of both; just what my internal economy demands, and no more. That seems to me the horse sense of the matter.

Perpetual Motion

(By Bruce Barton) Some day, go into the Patent Office in Washington and look at the applications that have been made for patents on perpetual motion machines. You will see some very ingenious devices.

For instance, a machine to be run by the power of gravity—iron balls dropping down a chute and turning a wheel.

The inventor of that machine provided for everything. He even added a brake to stop the machine in case it should run so fast to become unmanageable.

He forgot only one thing—that it requires just as much energy to lift the balls up against gravity as they develop by falling down.

In England, between 1617 and 1903, more than six hundred separate applications for patents were made on perpetual motion machines.

They also this unending procession—each a significant monument to the blindness of human nature.

A testimony to man's unquenchable belief that somehow, somewhere, it is possible in this world to get something for nothing.

Every man who goes down town to business in the morning should pass a perpetual motion machine and be reminded of his lesson.

There is one great law that runs through all life. Many men have discovered it; Emerson named it the Law of Compensation.

Everywhere that law is operative. physics, action and reaction are equal. In electricity if the north end of a magnet attracts, the south end repels.

When I started in business I used to be somewhat worried by the good fortune of the wicked. I saw men who worked one half as hard as I and were paid twice as much money.

I saw other men lift themselves into the good graces of the boss on the golden wings of golf and funny stories.

But I have seen the Law of Compensation get in too much deadly work ever to concern myself any more about anybody else's success.

I have seen good fellows who thought they were perfectly secure because they called the boss by his first name be fired by the same boss who called them by their first name when he did it.

And I have seen men grow very rich—and I know that there are many ways in which the Law of Compensation can work when a man has the ambition to become very rich.

It can make his pay in health. It can turn his home into a counting-room. It can make his children snobs and hypocrites. It can destroy his joy in simple things.

Another gentleman discovered the

Law of Compensation even before Emerson. He stated it in this form: Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

We Believe in The United States

Christmas business for 1929 was as good as a year before, according to reports from every part of the country. Merchants had expected a decline of 15 or 20 per cent. People who make it their business to analyze economic forces say that one reason why people did not cut down on their Christmas shopping after the Wall Street slump was because the President's business conferences in Washington had restored public confidence in the soundness of the Nation's industries and reassured the timid ones.

If that is true, it is a good augury for the new year. The President's purpose in calling business leaders to disclose their plans for the future and in urging governors and congress to accelerate the spending of public funds for roads, waterways, buildings and other public works was the hope that the responses would prove so encouraging as to allay fear for the future. That turned out to be the case.

Mr. Hoover recognized the truth of Woodrow Wilson's famous statement that good times and bad times are usually the result of the mental attitude of the crowd. Business men of today understand that. If the mass of the people believes that things are to go well, and proves belief by spending money as freely as ever, then things do go well. If the majority is timid and hesitant about purchases and investments, things go badly and we have hard times.

The year 1930 has hardly begun, but already the outlook seems brighter than it looked a couple of months ago. The public has realized more completely and speedily than had been hoped that the United States is still moving steadily toward its destiny which is that of a nation in which neither poverty nor suffering shall befall even the least of its citizens except as the individual himself so will it.

Ollie Hammonds, of near the city, has been spending several days during the week in Spur, visiting with his relatives and friends.

H. C. Allen, of Dry Lake keeps well informed of current events of the country, both locally, and states, and in so doing called around this week and renewed his subscription for the Dallas News in combination with the Texas Spur—two of the most widely read papers of the country.

J. C. Christopher, formerly of the Afton country, called in this week and had the Texas Spur addressed to him at Spur hereafter. Mr. Christopher will this year make a crop on the S. R. Bowman place north of Spur. He is a good citizen, a good farmer, and we are glad to have him as a resident citizen of the immediate Spur territory.

W. W. Flournoy, who is now managing and operating a moving picture show business over at Silverton, was in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday. He stated that Mrs. Flournoy is now in Rochester with her mother, following the death of her father which occurred a week or two ago at Rochester. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Flournoy here will sorrow with Ms. Flournoy and her mother in their hour of sorrow and bereavement. Bill stated that during this severe cold weather, business up in his town had also been somewhat frozen and slow in momentum.

John Goodall and Bass King, of near Girard, were in Spur Thursday, and while here called in to say "howdy-do" to the Texas Spur. They came over after a few articles of merchandise usually carried in stock only in metropolitan city stores—but John complained that prices were above that usually charged in the less pretentious places of dispensing such goods. They report that while the weather remains around the zero mark, yet politics over in Kent is beginning to warm up and expected to reach "blood heat" before the end of the campaign.

Dick Jackson, formerly of Motley county, just over the line, near Roaring Springs, called in Thursday and had the Texas Spur mailed to him hereafter to Spur. Mr. Jackson and family this week moved to the Clapp farm, northwest of Spur, where they will farm this year. We are glad to have Mr. Jackson and family as resident citizens of this section, and hope that he will produce a bumper crop and get profitable prices on the markets.

WANTED—Housekeeper in motherless home, two in family.—A. C. Martin, Afton.

Newt Kidd, of Dry Lake, came in Monday and spent a few hours here "thawing out," talking politics and spending his hard-earned money.

Jim Hahn, of Highway, was in the city Tuesday, transacting business affairs and incidentally buying luxuries of the home merchants.

Chas. and Houston Gunn returned Tuesday from Lockney where they had been several days in winding up matters in settling an estate recently left them in the death of their father of near Lockney.

Sterling Davis returned Tuesday from a trip down in Van Zandt county where he has been spending these wintry days. He reports that there is not much doing at this time over in Van Zandt as well as at other points in the country.

Roy Arrington, of northeast of Spur, was here one day the first of the week. Roy recently placed an advertisement in the Texas Spur and from which he reports the desired result. It pays to advertise—and there is no better advertising medium than the Texas Spur. Try it.

W. K. Harvey, of near Dickens, was among the business visitors in Spur during the past week. He told us that he had commenced his farm work for the coming crop and here is hoping he makes a bumper and get high prices in the marketing this fall.

Miss Earnestine Weatherford, of Stamford, returned Tuesday after a few days spent in Spur. Miss Weatherford was formerly with the West Texas Utilities Company in Spur, but is now with the same company in its offices at Stamford.

Mrs. C. Fite and Weldon Grimes returned home this week from Dallas where they have been several weeks with his mother and her daughter, Mrs. Grimes, who has been critically ill. Mrs. Grimes underwent a successful surgical operation and is rapidly recovering at this time.

Dennis Harkey, prominent citizen and abstracter of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday of this week, looking after business affairs and also meeting with his friends and acquaintances of this part of the county. Dennis Harkey has spent the greater part of his life in Dickens county and is recognized as one among the very best citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Love, of Oklahoma, are here this week, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love, while Mr. Love is assisting in the removal of the Love Dry Goods Company stocks to the location two doors north of the present location. Mr. Love stated that practically the same weather conditions prevail in Oklahoma as in this section—zero weather with the face of the earth covered with a blanket of snow.

Louis Bowman, of north of Spur, was among the business visitors in Spur the first of the week. Mr. Bowman is another one of the farmers of the county who has adopted motor power system of farming, having been one among the first to discard his teams in favor of the Farm-all—and he states that he finds the tractor farming much better and more profitable.

Mr. Lowe, of just north of Spur, was in the city Tuesday, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spu office. Mr. Lowe is this year farming on the "brick house farm" just north of Spur, he being among the "new comers" of the Spur country. Here is hoping he may enjoy much of the prosperity which here awaits those who make an effort to gather it in.

John Latham dropped in Wednesday, paid us for two years subscription to the Texas Spur and had us order the Star Telegram for him in order that he might keep in touch with world news and especially the state political situation. Some time ago John lost his home and household effects by fire, and while a new home is under construction he and family are living in a shack on the place.

S. T. Meyers and wife returned this week from Dallas where they had been visiting with their daughter and family. They were "snow-bound," their trip back home being delayed. Throughout the past year Mr. Meyers has been with C. R. Edwards & Co., but is now "laid off" and is looking for employment of any kind. Mr. Meyers is experienced in all lines of merchandising and will be a valuable man for some firm in need of help.

Autumn Salads



WITH autumn come the popular fall fruits and vegetables—apples, beets, cabbage, carrots, and so on. And with fall comes the holiday season, with parties happening thick and fast. So the enterprising housewife is on the alert for recipes which can be used either for home or for company use. The recipes given below are for salads which utilize autumn foods in novel and delicious ways.

Some Tempting Recipes
Sparkling Salad: Soak two tablespoons of gelatin in two tablespoons of water and dissolve in one-third cup of boiling water. Add three tablespoons of vinegar, two tablespoons of lemon juice, one-third cup of sugar and one teaspoon of salt. Chill, and add two cups of lime-flavored carbonated beverage, one cup of shredded cabbage, one and one-half cups of well-drained, canned

peas and one-half cup of diced celery. Chill in molds and serve on lettuce with mayonnaise.

Beet and Pepper Salad: Chill and drain the contents of an eight-ounce can of beets. Add two large green peppers, finely shredded. Toss with French dressing flavored with minced chives and parsley. Serve on lettuce and garnish with capers.

Cranberry and Cabbage Salad: Crisp in ice water, drain and dry two cups of shredded cabbage. Mix with one cup of diced, sliced pineapple, one-half cup of salted peanuts and one-half cup canned cranberry sauce. Moisten with mayonnaise and serve in lettuce cups.

A combination of canned peas, diced apples and diced celery, marinated and then moistened with mayonnaise and garnished with walnuts also makes a most appetizing fall salad.*

Control Hog Cholera by Preventive Means

Hog cholera has no cure and must be controlled by prevention. The disease is caused by an organism which can live a year or two outside of the animal's body. These organisms are found in almost all tissues of, and in all discharges from, the body of the diseased hog. Cholera may be spread in many ways. The germ may be carried on one's shoes or by animals, in infected straw or litter, or streams of water. All dead hogs should be burned or buried deeply. Do not gear a neighbor's sick hogs; they may have cholera.

Vaccination prevents the disease. When vaccination is properly performed the animal passes through a mild attack or form of cholera which immunizes it against the disease for life. A small amount of virus, injected into the pig causes the disease. At the same time, enough hog cholera serum is injected to protect the animal against the disease.

Hundred-Pound Shote Needs Plenty of Feed

A few years ago the Kansas station started some weanling pigs on alfalfa pasture with a view to determining the amount of corn and tankage required to bring them up to 100 pounds weight.

The heavier pigs, weighing about 52 pounds at the beginning, required 80 days to reach 105 pounds weight; the lighter pigs weighing 43 pounds required 120 days to reach 102 pounds. Averaging all the groups it required 153 pounds corn and 14.4 pounds tankage per pig to reach the weights stated. The average daily gain was 0.54 pound per pig.

Buying Ewes Requires Practical Knowledge

Buying ewes requires an understanding of the factors which make a ewe profitable. In general, the best ewes from the practical standpoint are the ones that will produce a good percentage of lambs, nurse them well and shear good fleeces. Constitution and health therefore are first essentials in the ewe. Very good mutton form is much less important in the ewe than in the sire. While the form of the ewe is important, it is of less significance as a rule than constitution and thrift, and milking and shearing qualities.

Provide Exercise to Keep Boar in Shape

You cannot raise a strong active boar without exercise. Neither can you keep him in shape for service without exercise. As a rule, if on pasture, a boar will take plenty of exercise; but, if he does not, make him. Drive him around the pasture several times a day, if necessary. A good plan is to have the shelter at one end and the feed troughs at the other end of the pasture. Exercise tends to prevent the laying on of excessive fat and assists in developing stamina and vigor which are necessary, if your boars is to sire large litters of strong, vigorous pigs.

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of a pound of butter sent in to us by W. A. Craddock. This is evidence that he will go even further than heretofore stated—and that he will not only give butter to those who will come after it, but will send it out and make delivery if they fail to come after it. W. A. Craddock is pretty level-headed, and does not often get caught in the net of propaganda.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank each and every one of our good neighbors and friends for all their loving kindnesses and assistance and for each kind word, during the illness and death of our dear loving husband and father. May God's richest blessing be yours ever.—Mrs. F. S. Woody and sons, Edwin and B. P.

Ben Murray Hale, who has been spending the past year in different parts of the state and in other states of the Union, returned the past week to Spur, and is now with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Hale.

Bodie Sattford, who the past year has been with a drug concern at Paducah, is now in Spur, visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sattford, and other relatives and friends of the Spur country.

Tom Cross was in town one day the first of the week from the Cross settlement to the southwest of Spur. Tom made comparatively good crops the past year regardless of the unfavorable conditions, high winds, hail storms and other impediments encountered in the marketing season.

County Commissioner W. F. Foreman of Foreman's Chapel, was in Spur Monday. Mr. Foreman was recently appointed county commissioner to fill out the unexpired term of H. O. Albin who resigned the place. He is making a good commissioner and very probably will offer for an elective term of service.

G. H. Slaton was in town one of the coldest days. This weather caught him moving, he having recently sold out his house and home, retiring from landlordism if not farming. However, we are confident a year of tenantry will "cook" him and again he will purchase land and establish a farm home.

County Commissioner Austin Rose of the Plains section, was in Spur Monday for a short time. Aside from his public service duties, Austin grows grain on the side, stating that wheat crops were already sickly even before this biting, zero weather. However, he is hopeful that the snow will bring crops out and to the front for the harvesting season.

The governor's race is already befield and Thos. B. Love have already announced, while Lieutenant Governor nor Barry Miller has been in for some time. Lynch Davidson and others are making calculations of the possibilities, and James E. Ferguson is also paving the way to get in. It might be that With Jim Ferguson and Tom Love on the stump, the great masses might lose sight of all else in the campaign.

Henry Edwards came over the first of the week from Dickens, calling in and leaving with us cash on subscription which will go a long way in helping us pay taxes between now and the first.

If you are not a regular Texas Spur reader, we want you on the list. We will endeavor to give you a dollar and fifty cents worth.