

Two People of Spur Killed and Several Injured in Storm Which Swept this Section and Over State Tuesday

Tuesday's Storm Causes Many Deaths and Great Property Damage Over State

Possibly the severest and most general wind storm within our history swept the Spur country and throughout Texas Tuesday, beginning about noon and continuing throughout the greater part of the afternoon, leaving death and destruction in its wake here and elsewhere.

On the Tobe Maben place, twelve or fifteen miles southwest of Spur, a farm house, in which lived a family of nine Mexicans, was blown down, killing one of the children instantly and injuring other members of the family. The woman of the house suffered a broken back and limbs, was almost completely scalped and is not expected to live.

Charlie Wolfe, proprietor of the Home Shop in Spur, and brother of J. L. Wolfe of the Ford Service Station, and who at the time was with family in Hill county visiting relatives and also working temporarily, was killed when a house in which he and his father were working was blown down. A woman and child in the house at the same time were also killed. Fifty odd other deaths in that and other sections of the state are reported as a result of the storm which was state wide in its scope.

Many out-houses, cotton picking shacks, barns and windmills within the Spur territory were blown down, causing thousands of dollars loss to farmers. The W. B. Bennett farm home near Gilpin was almost completely destroyed. Another farm house in that section was also blown from its foundation. On the J. D. Copeland and Walter Carlisle farms east of Spur, hundreds of dollars worth of property, including barns and outhouses, was destroyed.

In the McAdoo country on the Plains, rain and hail accompanied the wind storm, destroying practically all of the wheat crops west of McAdoo, the hail beating through house roofs and killing flocks of poultry.

In the eastern part of the state, including Hill, Navarro, McClellan and other counties, small towns were almost completely destroyed and some fifty people killed.

As the storm approached, those who watched the clouds state that they were of varied hues and colors, and throughout its progress the sand was so dense that outside traffic halted and all activities were impeded, and on the inside lights were burned to counteract the darkness.

Those Missed in Census Enumeration Urged to Report to C. of C.

The census enumeration for Spur for the government has been completed. There are probably a number of people who have been missed by the enumerators, and since this enumeration will be the standing enumeration for the next ten years, it is requested that any one who has been missed in the enumeration make it known immediately to Mr. Granberry, secretary of the Spur Chamber of Commerce, who will be able to have such names included in the census count if given the names within the next few days.

It is very important in a number of respects that the census enumeration make as large a showing as at this time, since Spur's representation in governmental and public matters for ten years hereafter will be based on the census enumeration made at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lollar, of east of the city, were among those here shopping Monday, on account of the Monday trades day.

Grand Leader Opens Branch Dry Goods Store in Hobbs, N. Mex.

Mrs. Lerner and son, I. Lerner, of the Grand Leader of Spur, left Wednesday for Hobbs, New Mexico, where they are establishing and opening up a branch dry goods business in that new and developing oil town. During their absence Mrs. Clarence Ellis has charge of the Grand Leader business in Spur.

It is said that since the advent of a new line of railway to Hobbs that the town is now assuming "booming" proportions and extensive drilling operations and oil development work is under way, attracting thousands of people to the town while business in all lines is flourishing.

Dallas News Install South's First Super Power Broadcasting Station

Dallas, May 8.—On Saturday, May 10, radio microphones in the Dallas News station, WFAA, blaze the air for the first time in an all-night program, words and music, to the strength of 50,000 watts.

This event will mark the formal opening of the South's super-power broadcasting plant. It is one of the eight 50,000-watt transmitters in America and represents a capital investment of more than a quarter of a million dollars.

The voices of many prominent men and women will be heard in a ten-hour broadcasting ceremony. A special hour's program, complimentary to the new powered station, will be sent from New York City by the National Broadcasting Company's artists. The station's own staff, composed of a galaxy of well-known stars, will give the best in radio. Among the visitors scheduled to be in Dallas are Governor Moody, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, New York City, well known radio speaker; Josephus Daniels, former secretary of the Navy; and Tom Kennedy, voice of RKO, New York City. Motion and sound pictures will be made during the celebration.

Raido listeners of America will find WFAA on 800 kilocycles or near the center of every dial.

Cemetery Working at Afton Monday May the 12th

Luther C. Stark, of Afton, writes the Texas Spur to announce that a public working of the Afton Cemetery will be had Monday, May 12th, at which time the grounds will be cleaned and the graves worked over and decorated. The people of the Afton community are requested to come early and bring hoes.

H. J. Garner, of the Wilson Draw community, was in Spur Wednesday trading.

Mrs. A. B. Morgan Died Monday in Mineral Wells and Buried Here Wed.

Mrs. A. B. Morgan, of Tullia, died Monday in Mineral Wells, where she had been since Christmas undergoing treatment for Bright's disease, her remains being brought to Spur for interment Wednesday. The body arrived Tuesday, being carried to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jones funeral services being conducted Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock in the Methodist church by Rev. W. B. Vaughn.

Mrs. Morgan had been in ill health and suffering of Bright's disease for more than a year, the best medical skill by specialists proving ineffectual in giving her relief.

Mrs. Morgan, nee Miss Allie Harris, was born in Collin county, Texas, and was married August 5th, 1905 in Haskell county to A. B. Morgan, and to whom three children were born, Lawson Morgan and Mrs. Estelle Stith, both of whom now live in Tullia, and a son, Alvin, who died in 1915 in Spur.

Andy Morgan and family moved to Spur in 1910, making their home here until two years ago when they moved to Tullia.

Andy and son and daughter, surviving members of the family, have the sympathy of many true friends of the Spur country in this hour of bereavement.

"Her Honor, the Mayor" at East Ward School Thursday, May 15

"Her Honor, the Mayor," a farcical comedy play directed by Mrs. Tom Teague and sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association, will be presented by home talent Thursday evening, May 15th, at the East Ward school auditorium.

The play portrays a political campaign in which the men and women politicians each have a candidate in the field for mayor, the women having the edge over the men in the campaign. Among the characters are Truman Moore as candidate for mayor, backed by the men with Mark McGoon as political boss, while Miss Ila Lasseter plays the part of the woman candidate for mayor and who is favored with the election and who appoints Miss Malissa McKay as her chief of police. Other characters will be well presented—but you will have to be present to appreciate the campaign complications and enjoy the situations in this laughable, funny, farcical comedy.

Edwin Morris is Now "Snow-Shoeing" up in Mountains of Colo.

Recently Edwin Morris left Spur for Cool Colorado. This week we had a letter from him stating that he had gone only a distance of 17 miles in his car from Eagle, Colorado, to the old town of Fulford, where he encountered snow. He walked three miles and then had to get snow-shoes, the snow being from six inches to four feet deep. On account of the deep snow, he states, he will not be able to arrive at his destination for fifty or seventy five days. Up to this date he has been in two snow storms—but states that "it is the life."

Edwin Morris will probably engage in mining while in Colorado.

Mrs. McCombs Dies at Age of 102 Years

Last Saturday Mrs. Mary Frances McCombs, passed over the river to join the host of the redeemed in the city where the streets are pure gold and the gates are of pearl.

Mrs. McCombs at the time of her death was perhaps the oldest person in all this part of the state. She was born near Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1827, and during those days of her life witnessed the building of the greatest nation in all the annals of history, the United States of America. She was married to John W. McCombs at Ringgold, Ga., in 1844, and moved to Denton county, Texas, in 1853. Since that time Texas has grown from a lusty infant into a giant commonwealth. She moved from Denton county to Fisher county in 1889. At the time of her death she was on a visit to her son, S. A. McCombs, at Luzon, Kent county.

Mrs. McCombs was the mother of ten children, three girls and seven boys, of which six sons survive. W. L. McCombs of Rotan, aged 81. J. W. McCombs of Rotan, aged 79. S. A. McCombs of Luzon, aged 72. J. J. McCombs of Las Cruces, N.M., aged 68. C. W. McCombs of Rotan, Texas, aged 63, and G. G. McCombs of Rotan, aged 59. In 1924 she could count up 156 direct descendants.

Mrs. McCombs was buried at her old homestead at Grady, Texas, and at her request her casket was draped with a bed spread that was spun by her own hands and embroidered with name and date by her mother. She was a wonderful woman, loved and honored by her children, grand children, great-grand children and thousands of friends scattered throughout many states.—Chronicle.

Members of Graduating Class Enjoy Outing at Medicine Park

Thirty-five members of the graduating class of forty-five members of the Spur High School, enjoyed an outing trip to Medicine Park, Oklahoma, from Friday to Sunday of last week. Among the class members enjoying the trip and outing were:

- C. W. Barrett, Jr., Onita Berry, Flora Denson, Leona Denson, Melvin Ensey, Muri Foreman, Thelma Gilstrap, Lanelle Heffner, Dorothy Rhodes, Odie Holley, Pauline Karr, Wayland Lee, Lilly McArthur, Hope McClain, Lavada McClung, Everett McArthur, Herman McArthur, Justice McMahon, Odelle Mason, Truman Moore, Bernice Morgan, Dick Perrin, Brode Puckett, Morrison Ragsdale, Mavis Stafford, John Stewart, Ruby Ray Williamson and Walker Willman.

Miss Harison, of the Home Economics Department of the school, sponsored the trip, with Miss Maude Morgan of the English department of the school and Mesdames Tom McArthur, and son Herman, Oran McClure, L. R. Barrett and son Billy Ray, and Mr. W. B. Lee chaperoning the class members.

They report the trip most pleasant in every respect, not a jot or tittle arising to interrupt the enjoyment of the occasion, and that the class members of the school of 1929-30 are among the nicest young people of the land.

John D. Hufstetler, was a business visitor Monday in Spur from his Dockum Valley farm.

Trade at Home—W. A. Kimmell, of east of Spur, was mingling with the crowds here Monday. Mr. Kimmell is seriously considering entering the race for sheriff and is meeting with encouragement on the part of his friends.

J. L. Wolfe Called to Attend Funeral of Brother Killed in Storm at Byrum

J. L. Wolfe, of the Ford Service Station, was called Tuesday afternoon to Bynum in Hill county, on account of the death of his brother, Charlie Wolfe, who was killed in the storm which swept the state earlier in the afternoon.

First Monday Trade Day Brought the Usual Large Crowd to Spur

Monday was the regular monthly trades day in Spur and attracted the usual large crowds from the surrounding trade territory not only to participate in the arranged trades day program, but also to meet with friends and neighbors in social converse as well as take advantage of trade offerings on the part of merchants and business interests.

This occasion, though unheralded, was the first anniversary of the organized institution of a regular monthly trades day in Spur, the first regular trades day program having been held here on the first Monday in May of last year. In conversation with some of the leading merchants who keep records of their sales, we are informed that approximately a thirty-five per cent increase in mercantile sales is shown by the records as a result of the institution of a regular trades day, the varying conditions of course to be considered.

Members of the Retail Merchants Association and other business interests have been most liberal in offering and awarding premiums on each trades day as well as in making special trade offerings to attract people here and encourage a more extended and more liberal trade—and to this end trades day is a demonstrated success. On this occasion we noted people here from a distance of fifty miles as well as most of the people from the immediate trade territory—and it has been the same each first Monday since the beginning of the regular monthly trades day events one year ago.

Below is given a list of the various awards made since the inauguration of trades day one year ago:

- Mrs. S. G. Scroggins, \$100; Mrs. Wilton Copeland, \$10; Jones Wright, \$25; L. D. Jones, \$30; J. M. Reese, \$10; Mrs. Mary Barbee, \$5; T. V. Shockley, \$50; N. Wood, \$20; Mrs. Nora Faulkner, \$50; M. D. Thannish, \$30; J. F. Stephens, \$10; Mrs. P. J. Thomas, \$5; Arthur Bilberry, \$5; Fred Hisey, \$5; W. E. Ball, \$5; Dot Lisenby, \$20; P. E. Hagins, \$5; Rev. W. B. Vaughn, \$5; M. F. Hagar, \$5; E. C. Walton, \$5.

The ladies of the Red Top Home Demonstration Club disposed of a quilt, and Virgil Smith received the quilt. Others that received premiums last Monday were: Mrs. Ida Slaton, Dickens; J. E. Wells, Espuela; Mrs. Ivey Musdock, Jayton; O. P. Meadors, Mrs. Alfred Pope, H. E. Grabener and Lloyd Gardner, all of Spur.

The judges in last Monday's events were: J. W. Smith, W. L. McAteer, Spur; W. H. Nichols, Dumont.

Next trades day will be June 2nd, and the merchants of Spur will have many attractive offerings to select from.

R. C. Forbis returned from the Midland country Monday. He reports that the highway is under water for five or six miles between Tahoka and Lamesa, and in other places very dry. He stated that he encountered heavy rains below Midland, twenty-five or thirty miles.

Charlie Wolfe, who operated the Home Shop in Spur, had just recently left Spur with his family to visit with relatives in Hill county and work with his father during the dull season of the year. At the time of the storm he and his father were at work papering a house which was blown down, killing Charlie, the man and woman of the house and two children who were also in the house, his father also being injured. The elder Mr. Wolfe and one child were the only survivors of the seven people in the demolished home.

It is said that Charlie was struck by a piece of timber which passed through the body, bones of the limbs being broken and the skull fractured, death resulting instantly.

Charlie was buried in Hillsboro Wednesday afternoon. He leaves a wife and two children.

J. L. Wolfe was accompanied to Hill county by his family, Rev. F. G. Rogers, M. D. Ivey and wife, T. J. Seale, J. H. Busby and one or two other friends of Spur.

The Storm Tuesday Destroyed Wheat and Row Crops at McAdoo

A heavy hail accompanying the storm Tuesday in the McAdoo country destroyed hundreds of acres of wheat and other growing crops. Among the heaviest losers from the hail were Pete Sidlosfy, who had his entire acreage of several hundred acres in wheat destroyed; J. R. Roberson, who also had several hundred acres of wheat; Messrs. Nettles, Dozier, Hodges and others who had smaller acreages to wheat. Norris Barton lost thirty acres of cotton which was up and growing nicely. Ward Harris lost thirty of forty acres of feed. A considerable acreage of feed on the Gollihar places was destroyed, as was the feed and wheat crops of a number of other farmers of that territory.

The hail belt included only the territory west of the town of McAdoo, neither rain nor hail falling east of a line running north and south through the town. However, the wind and sand covered the entire country causing considerable damage and much excitement.

School Community Program Enjoyed by Large Audience

Friday night of last week the regular monthly school community program was given over to a May day festival program of drills, songs, music and recitations, and which was enjoyed by a large audience at the East Ward school auditorium.

These community programs are made educational to school pupils, as well as interesting, entertaining and enjoyable to patrons and the public.

Attorney T. J. Sanders, of the city, is seriously considering entering the race for district judge of the district, against Judge Bain who was appointed by the governor to the place at the time the district was created. Attorney Sanders is eminently qualified to serve as judge of the district. The district is composed of Dickens, Motley, Floyd and Briacoe counties.

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Genuine Argotane may be bought in Spur at the Spur Drug Co.

**How State Taxes
Are Distributed**

In view of the fact that this is election year and no doubt the usual statements will be made as to where the brunt of the tax burden falls, we have carefully gone through the report of the Comptroller for the

year 1929, and here give the facts as disclosed by the report.

It would be well for all taxpayers to keep these statements in order to have the correct information, instead of having statements based on guesses or for the purpose of carrying a point.

On page 89 of the report is shown the number of acres of land and improvements assessed in Texas to be 166,987,480, valued at \$1,547,237,635. Deducting 20 per cent for cost of assessing, collecting, delinquents and errors authorized by Article 7043, R. S. 1925 in determining the tax rate, there would be a net value of \$1,237,790,108. The state tax rate for all purposes for 1929 was 68 cents on the \$100 valuation which would make a net total of \$8,416,972 paid in 1929 on land or rather acreage property and improvements in state general revenue, state school and confederate pensions.

Also all lots and blocks of cities and towns and the improvements on same, including scores of skyscrapers, were assessed at \$1,299,981,200. Deducting the usual 20 per cent, would leave a net of \$1,039,984,960, at 68 cents on the \$100 valuation for all state taxes, which would be \$7,071,897. According to this report these two items of real estate and the value of all improvements pays a net of \$15,488,869.

On page 21 of the report there shows to have been collected in ad valorem taxes for 1929 the sum of \$23,279,378 for state purposes, which shows that there were collected in 1929 in delinquent and insolvent taxes and current taxes on personal property approximately \$7,790,509.

The taxes, to support all branches of the state government, collected in 1929, the sources, and amounts were as follows:

Ad valorem	\$23,279,378.00
Poll tax	1,440,108.00
Occupation tax	291,088.00
Inheritance tax	1,206,735.00
Gross receipts	9,712,287.00
Franchise tax	2,022,673.00

Auto license (amount furnished by highway dept.) 11,846,000.00
Total \$64,627,758.00

According to these official figures land (acreage) pays 13 per cent of the above amount and city real estate, including all improvements, pay ten per cent. In other words, real estate with all improvements, pays 23 per cent of the above amount of all

state taxes, collected for all purposes.

In addition there is collected from occupations, inheritances, gross receipts and franchise tax, four sources, \$13,232,783 or 20 per cent of all taxes collected for state purposes.

The gasoline tax and auto license fees amounted to \$26,679,489 or 42 per cent of the total state taxes collected. The sources above mentioned paid 85 per cent of the total expenses of government. The remaining 15 per cent was paid by fees of office, oil royalties, interest, etc.

These figures prove that it is not the state taxes that are hurting the land and home owners of Texas. They also direct attention of all who really expect to take up this question, if he or she is elected to office, to the fact that it is local taxes that are robbing land of its sale value, and the source of local taxation is where the trouble lies. Relief can and should be granted, but when relief is granted our bond and warrant law should be materially tightened up. Also no person should be permitted to vote a debt on a people unless he or she is in fact a property owner and pays the taxes on the property. —Texas Tax Journal.

Cost of Government

We cannot get away from the subject of taxes. If we accumulate a small quantity of this world's goods, or if we amount to anything in the community life, the question of taxes becomes a large issue for consideration. The government is dependent upon taxes for support, so we must pay taxes. The Houston Post-Dispatch, quoting the Washington Post, gives food for thought in a national summary of gross figures in the following article:

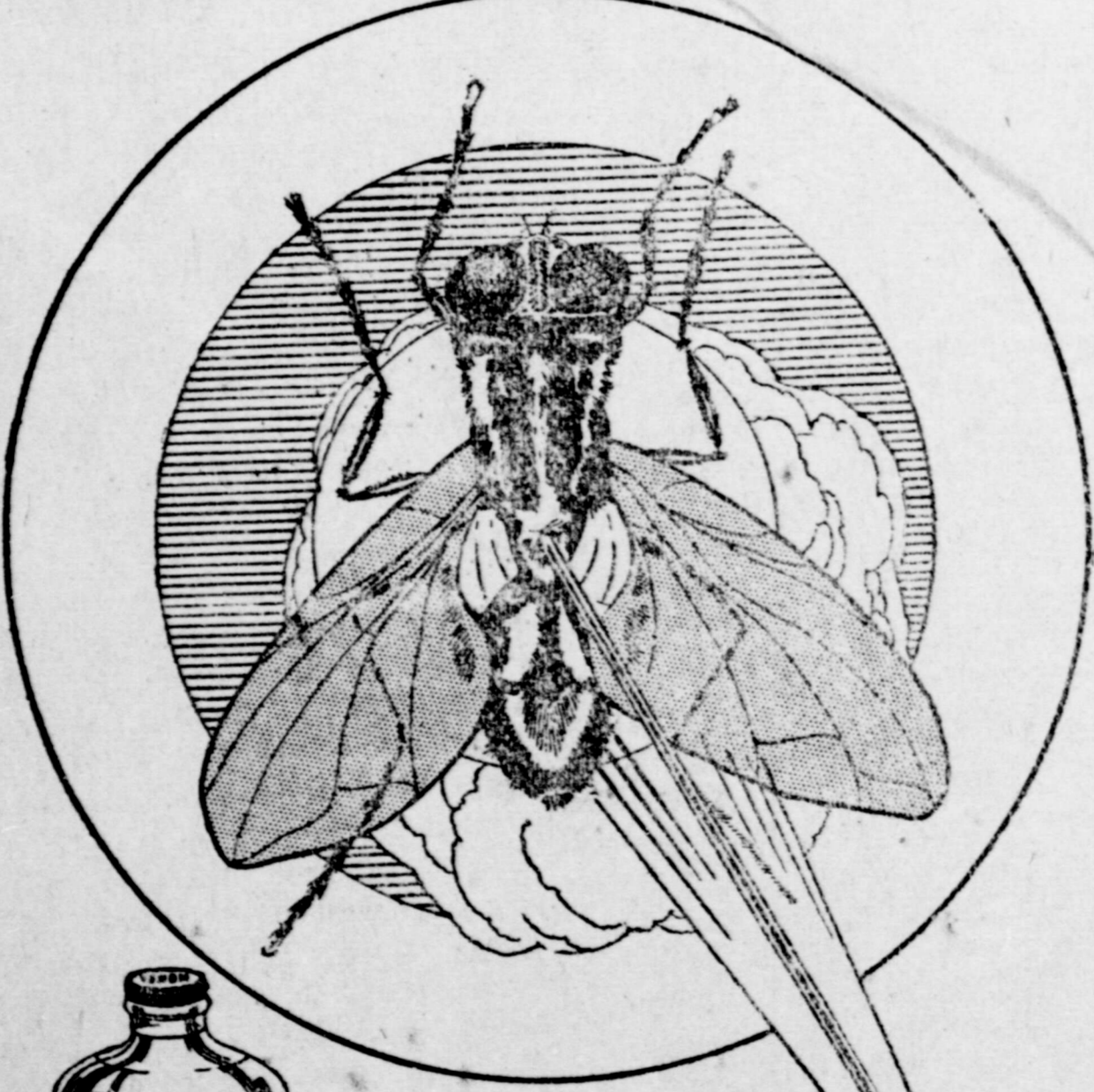
The most costly thing in the United States is government, and it is becoming more costly all the time. While voices of protest are heard here and there, the people as a whole demand more and more regulation from their governing units. There will be no end to the expansion of governmental costs until the people decide to do more things for themselves and demand less from the government, or until the people are bankrupt. The National Industrial Conference Board is authority for the statement that in 1928 local, state and federal governments took a tax toll

from the people of the United States amounting to \$9,289,000,000. Think of it. Taxes in one year more than half as much as the entire national debt, which includes what remains of the war debt. In five years the tax bill increased from \$6,746,000,000 to in excess of \$9,000,000,000. The Washington Post points out that all this increase has come from state and local tax levies. The federal tax rate has been steadily declining, but the per capita federal tax payment has continued about the same because of increased income in the last five years. According to the Post: "The actual cost of government is considered higher than the total receipts from taxation, as the treasury receives large sums from custom duties and other sources. But a large per centage of the funds for all governmental budgets comes from the pockets of the people. The estimate that approximately 11 per cent of the national income goes for governmental expenses indicates that taxes are an important item in the family budget. In this respect, however, citizens of the United States are fortunate compared with many people of Europe. A few years ago the French were paying 20 per cent of their incomes in taxes, and such excessive levies are not uncommon. Reduction of federal taxes was to have been expected following the war. Yet the lowering of taxes while the government was paying approximately \$1,000,000,000 per year on its debt is a notable achievement. The states have no such record to their credit. While retrenchment has been the rule in Washington, the states have swelled their budgets by 25 per cent in the last five years. Local governments have followed close upon this pace with a 20 per cent increase. At the same time, bonded indebtedness has been growing to meet the widespread demands for public improvements."

W. D. Blair, of just east of Spur, was among those on the streets the first of the week.

M. L. Ganns, district manager of the Safeways Stores Inc., and Piggly Wiggly, was in Spur the past week looking after the interests of the local Piggly Wiggly store now under the management of J. T. Hooper. Mr. Ganns reports that business at all points has increased following the recent rains and 'loosening up' of the financial stringency.

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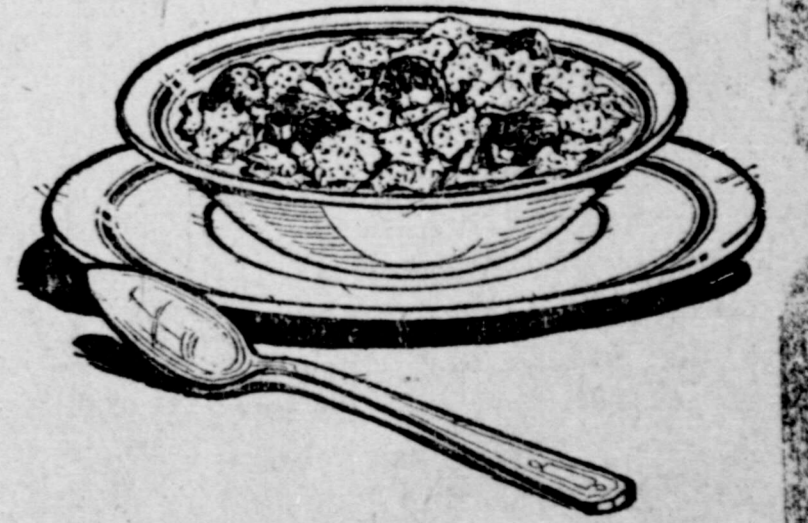
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That the business that is "stepping forward" ADVERTISES?

That merchandise must be bought by the dealer to sell to the people at the right price?

That live merchants keep business good by selling good merchandise and ADVERTISING that fact?

That they should get more good business by ADVERTISING more?

That courtesy is a salesman that helps ADVERTISING sell goods?

That many people hesitate in buying and are not sure as to what, where and when to buy? Help them by ADVERTISING.

That progressive citizens like to do business with progressive merchants? Find out what they have by reading the ADVERTISEMENTS?

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The bed bug may be said to be the bane of all housewives, says a local official of the Gulf Refining Company. It is a thief in the night. It bites and pierces your skin and sucks your blood. Because the bed bug sucks blood from the sick and the well, it is a potential carrier of any communicable disease. The bed bug is not merely an annoyance but a very dangerous insect to have in your home. An infestation of bed bugs can be easily remedied by spraying one of the modern types of insect sprays developed and marketed by the large oil companies during the past three or four years, and regularly advertised in this paper.

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WILLIAMS & BAKER GIN

Tol Merriman, of south of Spur, was among the crowds on the streets Monday, trades day. Mr. Merriman states that everything is now in fine shape on both farm and ranch, and the prospect is that the year will now develop into one of the best and most prosperous of many seasons.

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WHEN we can furnish you seed
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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 Representative, 118th District: J. M. CLAUNCH, of Snyder

For District Judge 110th District: KENNETH BAIN

For District Attorney 110th District: A. J. FOLLEY

For District and County Clerk: ROBT. REYNOLDS (Reelection) A. B. WINKLER J. H. (HOMER) DOBBINS J. V. McCORMICK

For County Attorney: J. R. SANDERS H. A. C. BRUMMETT ALTON B. CHAPMAN

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

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

For Tax Assessor: A. E. HOGAN (Re-election)

For Commissioner Precinct One: AUSTIN C. ROSE (Re-election)

For Commissioner, Precinct 2: E. N. (Nuge) JOHNSON (Re-election)

For County Commissioner, Precinct 3: W. F. FOREMAN J. C. PAYNE

For Commissioner, Precinct 4: CHAS. PERRIN (Re-election) LEE MIMS

For Public Weigher, Precinct 3: FRED HISEY (Reelection) ROY ARRINGTON G. W. RASH BURL HARRINGTON A. M. SHEPHERD

For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 2: FRED DOZIER J. T. JACKSON J. H. PALMER J. W. VANDIVER

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3: S. B. RODDY. (Reelection)

For County School Superintendent: FRANK SPEER MRS. DE WITT TWADDELL

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: G. L. BARBER (Reelection) M. L. JONES

For Constable, Precinct 3: R. S. HARKEY S. C. RAWLINGS (Reelection) E. L. SMITH J. M. REESE

For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 1: C. P. AUPELL

KENT COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Commissioner, Precinct 2: M. F. HAGAR (Reelection)

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means to express our thanks to the people of Spur for your kindness and thoughtful considerations during our recent great sorrow caused by the death of our beloved one, Mrs. A. B. Morgan. We appreciate everything done or said for our comfort and it all meant so much to us at this time.

A. B. Morgan. Lawson Morgan. Mrs. Estelle Stith. Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Harris and children.

Mrs. Eula Ford Nolan, of the Afton country, was shopping in the city Wednesday. She reports the storm of Tuesday severe in the north part of the county, stating that she was forced to light a lamp to see in the house during the worst of the storm.

Good Seasons and Most Promising Prospects for Crops

Jim Carlisle, of the Carlisle place on Duck Creek, was in the city during the week. He reported fine rains in that section, falling slowly and at intervals and with the result that they now have the best crop season of years. Up until the last days of April conditions and prospects looked gloomy to all except the most optimistic, whereas, now, since the rains, the country never had a brighter outlook and prospect for bumper crops of all kinds—and everybody is smiling, and those who left will now return.

E. B. Shaw Predicted Rain and Now a Bumper Crop Year

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was among the many in Spur Monday. Some time ago Uncle Eb predicted plenty of rain over the country the latter part of April and first days of May—and later developments have proven that he knew what he was talking about. At this time Uncle Eb predicts that this will be one of the biggest crop producing years within the history of farming.

Judge Worswick is Reported Improving at Home in Dickens

Reports are to the effect that County Attorney E. G. Worswick, who is critically ill at his home in Dickens, is slightly improving at this time. All the children are now with him in the home, Mr. and Mrs. Roy K. Harkey and Mrs. Luther Johnson, of Glendale, Arizona; Mrs. Steve D. Dawe of San Antonio; Mrs. T. B. Walker and Miss Virginia Worswick of Wink; and Miss Bennie Worswick has returned from a seven weeks visit in Arizona with relatives; Bob Worswick also being at home. The many friends of Judge Worswick sincerely hope that his condition may continue to improve.

Pat Watson recently returned from Borger where he had been some time with the Love Dry Goods Company. He informed us that the business of Love Dry Goods Co. at Borger had been sold, this firm retiring from the Borger field of business.

G. E. White of the Soldier Mound community, was in the city Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Dann returned last week from Vernon and other points where they spent some time visiting with relatives.

Will Rape, of Dry Lake, was one among the crowds here Monday on account of trades day.

J. R. Robertson, of McAdoo, was in Spur the past week end, trading and meeting with friends and acquaintances of this part of the county. At the time Mr. Roberson stated that fine prospects prevailed for a wheat crop on his place, but since that time he has put in a claim for hail insurance to the extent of a ninety per cent loss. The hail came Tuesday, destroying practically all the wheat crops of that section.

W. A. Stevens, of the Tighway community, was able to be on the streets of Spur the first of the week. He has been sick and his friends are glad to see him out again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shugart and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arrington, of east of Spur, were in the city Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Shugart, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis, we are glad to note is very much improved at this time.

For Sale or Exchange—for Dickens county farm land—I have 71 acres in Smith county, about 10 miles from Tyler, Texas, and not far from the biggest oil fields in the state; Van is an oil city; wells going down on every side of my farm eight or ten miles; am moving to Dickens, reason for selling. Address D. W. Jackson, Tyler, Texas. Itc

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Slayden, of Dickens, were recent visitors and shoppers in Spur.

W. A. Harris, of Dry Lake, was among the many in Spur Monday with the trades day crowds.

W. D. York, of Dry Lake, was in Spur Monday with the crowds of trades day visitors.

A boy baby was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Ermal Bural at their home near Gilpin.

Letter from H. L. Pullen

Bryan, Texas.

To my Dickens county Friends:

Thinking a short letter from me might be interesting to some of you, I am going to ask our editor for a little space, but as I am not gifted to writing for publication, and really haven't much to say anyway, I promise not to worry you with a lengthy letter.

I suppose politics is the order of the day there now, the same as here. But there are other kinds of ticks at work here, including cow ticks, dog ticks, speck backed ticks and seed ticks. There are ticks both fat and thin and tall, but the worst of all is politics. Now, the reason I say politics is the worst is because the other kind work on the surface only and never pollute the inner man (unless possibly one is extremely high tempered; in such a case an exception might be formed if they bite too hard.)

We are located in Brazos county ten and one-half miles east of Bryan. Generally speaking, this is a poor country, but many people are making a living despite the fact that they are still growing cotton. Yes, and the half and half variety, at that. This is a fine country for hogs and dairy cows, as Bermuda grass is everywhere. One acre here will graze as much as three acres in the west. Also plenty of acorns for hogs and peas, peanuts and sudan grass sure do grow. Most everyone raises a few turkeys. Vegetables of most every kind do well here. Figs and pears do well and grapes, dewberries and blackberries grow wild in abundance. Dewberries are ripe now and we are using the spare time picking and canning them. Irish potatoes are large enough to begin eating now. My better half is preparing some now to cook for dinner which are larger than eggs.

This country has been a beautiful flower garden for the past thirty days, and the sweet fragrance fills the air everywhere. The pastures are just solid acre after acre with beautiful flowers of various colors. The people here seem to have good health. Really, it seems to be a more healthful country than the west.

We arrived here March 15th. The boys have a fairly good crop of corn and cotton growing and we have a nice garden. It rained the last two weeks of March but no rain had fallen in April till yesterday local showers came; but more rain would be appreciated. The crops are not particularly suffering.

The roads through this country are bad and hard to get over when they are wet. But the people have the "good roads" spirit now and have voted bonds for road improvement. Work is now under way setting back fences and re-grading, and making wider roadbeds, etc. Some hard-surfacing is being done.

The farmers have been pretty well up with their work the past week and the river has been lined with fishermen and most everyone eating fish. The Navasota river is near us and is said to be a better fishing stream than the Brazos. Fish are caught weighing from one to sixty pounds. I think it too bad that I'm not able to go along and get my part of the fun, but am confined to my room and can only hope for better days.

Ah, now just look what has happened, and all at once my temper is raised sky-high, and I'm sure you will all agree that under such circumstances I should not be writing to my best friends just at this time, so I will have to quit; but of course, now since I've said it, you will wonder what's the matter, so I will stop long enough to tell you. No, it isn't ticks; the old sow has broken out and rooted up the sweet potato bed ate the potatoes and made havoc on the slips. Now, shouldn't I close this letter?

Your true friend, H. L. PULLEN,

Rte. 2, Bryan, Texas.

Fishing Party to Lake Kemp Tuesday of This Week

A fishing party composed of M. E. Tree, R. A. Brown, Carl Tree and Exa Blackmon, left Spur Tuesday, just ahead the storm, going to Lake Kemp, near Wichita Falls. Their friends here are very much concerned about them, but feel sure that if they survived the storm they will get the fish.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Chambers, of north of Afton, were among the visitors and shoppers in Spur Thursday.

Church Items

LA FELIZ CLUB

Miss Pauline Brown entertained the La Felz Club last Thursday night at her suburban home in her most charming manner. After several games of bridge, Miss Brown served ham sandwiches, carmel-nut pie and iced tea to the following club members: Misses Nell Albin, and Mildred Williams, and Mesdames Thurman Harris, Elzy Watson. Joe Shelby Clay, David Burns, Pat Watson and Mac Watson.

W. M. S. CIRCLES MEET

The four circles of the W. M. S. of the Spur Baptist Church met at the church Monday afternoon with quite a number present. An interesting program from Royal Service on Missions was rendered.

The Devotional was lead by Mrs. T. J. Seale. After song and prayer a mission program was rendered as follows:

Love, the law of Life, Mrs. Walker.

Suffer the little children to come unto me, Mrs. H. P. Schrimsher. Christianity and Industry, Mrs. J. H. Busby.

The Lighted Cross, Mrs. L. W. Langston.

Several ladies brought flowers to be taken to sick and shut-ins.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Lloyd Wolfe.

These mission programs and business meetings are held each first Monday afternoon at four o'clock. They are very interesting and should be attended by every Baptist in the city. You have a special invitation to come to all these meetings; also you are invited to attend the circle meetings each Monday afternoon. Find the circle you belong to and go next Monday. You will find a hearty welcome awaiting you—Reporter.

METHODIST CHURCH MOTHERS DAY

No better way to honor mother than going to Church and Sunday school. We will remember our mothers in the services at the church next Sunday.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

The three Leagues will meet at

7 p. m. Come and enjoy this day with us.

The Wednesday evening prayer service at the First Baptist Church was led by Mrs. Minnie Lewis. The subject was the second coming of Christ, and was interestingly discussed by Mrs. Lewis and others. Mrs. Lewis can always do a subject justice, and those who failed to come missed a wonderful lesson. The discussions were all spiritual, inspirational and uplifting. Prayer meetings every Wednesday evening at eight o'clock. Everybody invited to come.—Reporter.

AFTON MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Afton Missionary Society was entertained by Mrs. Stark April 17, 1930, with music and singing and Bible questions. Special chapter was read by Mrs. Mrs. Blakeley and prayer by Mrs. Mesdames Wendfield and Lawson. Cake and punch were served as refreshments.

A nice time was enjoyed by all. Those present were:

Mesdames Johnson, Wendfield, Blakeley, Ford, Gipson, Powell, Fullingim, Arthur, Stark, Williams, Lawson and Grandma Lawson.

RED TOP CLUB NEWS

The Red Top Club met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Matt Howell. Five members and one visitor were present.

The house was called to order by our president, Mrs. C. A. McClain.

Our lesson was taken from previous studies in council, found in the book, "Your Money's Worth." All parts were discussed and all business settled or to be taken up later; and not having any other business we adjourned, so all present could work on the quilt. We will meet next on the second Wednesday in May at the home of Mrs. C. A. McClain. Every member is asked to be there as we aim to have our butter judging contest.—Reporter.

SOLDIER MOUND CLUB NEWS

The Soldier Mound Home Demonstration Club met Thursday, May 1 with Mrs. J. L. Bowman, with eight members and one visitor present.

Our lesson was on "Your Money's Worth." We discussed the lesson and Mrs. Baughman gave us a report on what she had learned about butter making.

Our next meeting will be with Mrs. W. F. Cathey, Thursday, May

15, and our lesson will be on "Color and Color Combinations." We will be glad to have new members, also visitors with us.—Reporter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank Mr. Golding, of B. Schwarz & Co.; Spot Cash Grocery; Spur Chamber of Commerce; \$18.50 cash donation from the following firms and persons: R. E. Dickson; W. E. Lee; Spur National Bank; Simpson Barber Shop; Sanders' Pharmacy; Sunshine Service Station; Bryant-Link Co; and dry goods and groceries from the following: Kellam Dry Goods Co.; C. E. Stone; Mrs. Sparks; and Hokus Pokus. We also thank gratefully Mr. Sample, East Side Market, "M" Grocery Company, Mrs. Dickson and all our neighbors and friends who so kindly aided us in our hour of sadness in the death of our son and the suffering of our family; also the total loss of our household effects and clothing, in fact, all we had.—Tomas Gearamillo and Family.

L. D. Davis, of McAdoo, came down Wednesday, reporting a big rain, hail and wind storm in that section Tuesday, the storm blowing up about twelve o'clock. At his nypplace, one and a half miles north west of McAdoo, he got the biggest rain of the year, and since he had just commenced planting, no damage resulted to him from the accompanying hail. However, those who had wheat crops suffered almost a complete loss of crops. The principal part of the rain and hail was to the west of McAdoo, while it is said the wind did blow in the town, and the sand was so thick one could see only a few feet.

We are sorry to note that Grandma Carlisle is reported in ill health at this time, at their farm home on Duck Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Ritter returned this week from an extended trip to El Paso and through New Mexico and Arizona.

Friends of W. B. Arthur are soliciting him to get in the race for sheriff of Dickens county, and he is considering the possibilities of the political campaign. W. B. Arthur has been raised in the county, is qualified and well fitted for the duties of a peace officer.



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Trade at Home

FOR SALE—Three fresh Togenburg Milk Goats. The milk is wonderful for invalids, stomach trouble and babies.—F. G. Rodgers. 28-3c

Trade at Home

J. R. and R. D. Hill were in Spur Monday from the Steel Hill community, were among those here for trades day Monday.

Land Utilization In West Texas

By W. B. Lee, vice-president of the Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas. Delivered before the Land Utilization Meeting, called by A. & M. College, Tech College, State press, agricultural papers and other organizations at Waco, Texas, April 15, 1930.

The subject assigned to me for discussion at this time is "Land Utilization in West Texas." Land is the source of all wealth. The question of how it is utilized should and does concern every citizen of West Texas, and other sections of Texas, for that matter, regardless of his or her occupation or profession. The extent of our growth, development and progress depend almost wholly upon agriculture and allied industries—products of the soil. Land utilization has commanded the interest of all nations and peoples since time began.

The European nations were founded, built and are being maintained largely through the utilization of their lands. Since the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock and began to till the soil for livelihood, the utilization of our lands has played an important part in commerce and has kept the wheels of industry moving.

Land is a God given heritage and we are charged with the responsibility of its care and preservation. It was given to us to use and not to abuse. Any one-crop farming system, which tends to rob the soil of its fertility, is a high crime against society and a gross injustice to future generation. I agree with Colonel Clarence Ousley in his statement that "persons who persist in depleting the soil and robbing it of its fertility when they know better, should be tried and convicted in the courts of our country the same as a highwayman or a bank robber."

About half a century ago, the Northern farmers began to realize that they had robbed their soil of its fertility through a system of one-crop farming. They began studying proper utilization of their lands and at once set about to rebuild it through the use of livestock, crop diversification and crop rotation. Many sections of the northern states have almost fully restored fertility to their soil, and, in some instances, it is even richer and better than it was in its primitive state.

A recent tour of the northern states with a group of men to study the livestock and poultry industries and the improved farm methods of those thrifty farmers, with the view

of capitalizing their experiences for the purpose of upbuilding our own sections, convinced the entire group beyond shadow of doubt that it pays to grow a variety of crops and keep livestock on farms.

The progressive farmers of that section grow every kind of crop adapted to their particular localities. They raise, first, a plentiful supply of food for their families and feed for their livestock. Then, wheat, oats or corn is raised as a money crop. We were constantly impressed with the fact that the farmers who are keeping livestock and practicing diversification in its fullest sense are prosperous and successful and those who were not were falling by the wayside.

In every such community visited, we found happy, contented and prosperous farmers, with magnificent farm homes, big red barns, well filled silos, brick school buildings, prosperous merchants and liquid banks. In direct contrast were farmers in the one-crop farming communities who were laboring under heavy obligations, poorly improved and unsightly farm homes, empty barns and silos and depleted soils, poor school facilities, bankrupt merchants and banks with frozen assets and heavy rediscounts.

I am told that the farmers of Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia and other eastern states have almost revolutionized agriculture in that section, during the past few years, and are becoming prosperous and independent through livestock and crop diversification and are rapidly building up their once-depleted soils through use of dairy cattle and crop rotation on lands formerly given over almost wholly to cotton. I understand that portions of north, east and central Texas are doing likewise.

I was reared on a black land farm in Hamilton county, about 65 miles west of Waco, in a community composed largely of thrifty German farmers. My observation of their methods of farming and the way they utilized their land made a lasting impression on me. The average German farmer, after making a payment on a piece of land, builds a barn large enough to hold an abundance of feed and a stack lot large enough to hold the surplus roughness. If there is anything left, he builds a humble little cottage in which to live until the barn pays for a better home. "Believe it or not," it is not long until he has a real home and has it paid for. Those fellows raise every kind of feed that will grow successfully in that section and they raise livestock to eat it. They have every kind or livestock on the farm from guineas to dairy and beef cattle.

My observation over a period of twenty-four years in the banking

business in agricultural communities has been that the farmer who raises an abundance of food and feedstuffs and keeps plenty of livestock and then plants a reasonable amount of cotton or wheat for a money crop has always been on the right side of the ledger. Such farmers are not unreasonable in their request for credit and they always have tangible collateral to secure their requirements.

I believe that a close check on all the master farmers reported by the Dallas News some time ago, will reflect the fact that every single one of them keeps livestock and poultry on his farm and utilizes his land, first, to grow food for the family and an abundance of feed for the livestock, and then a reasonable acreage of cotton or wheat for a money crop. In other words, they are practicing a "live at home" program.

I have gone somewhat into detail to show that no country nor people have ever become prosperous, happy and contented without the proper utilization of land through the use of livestock and a balanced system of agriculture.

West Texas is in preferred position. It is a new country. Its soils are comparatively virgin and productive. We have the advantage of the failures and recoveries of the older agricultural sections and should profit by their rich experiences. The experiments being carried on in wa-

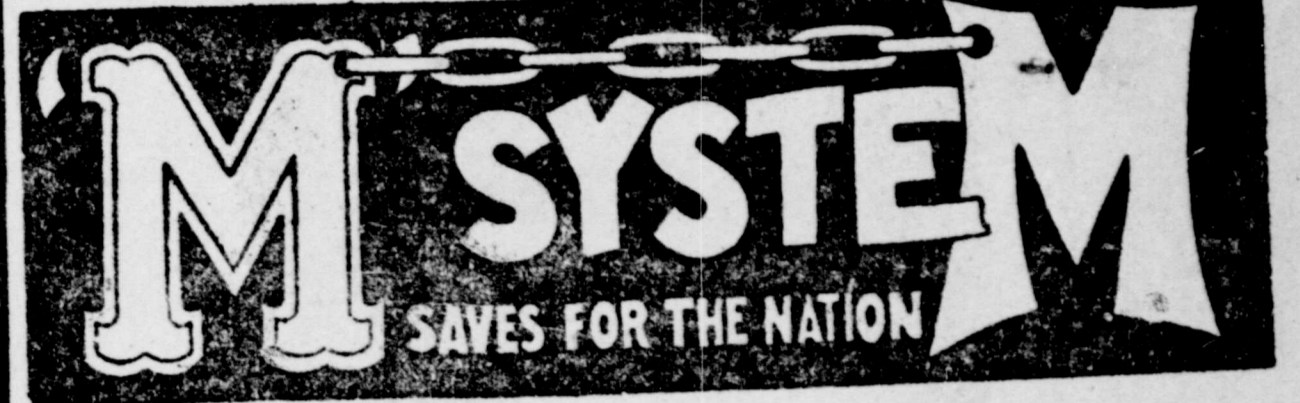
ter conservation and soil preservation at Sub-Station Number 7, located at Spur, Texas, is an outstanding contribution to the stabilization of agriculture and should be very helpful to our agricultural program. West Texas covers a large area and has a varied climate and a variety of soils. Some localities are especially adapted to wheat as a major crop, other sections are better suited to cotton. Practically the entire belt produces grain sorghums and other feedstuffs in abundance.

I believe the utilization of land in West Texas should include a balanced farm program—food for home consumption, every kind of feed crop that can be grown profitably, live-

stock on every farm, then some ton to lift the farm mortgage and improve the farm home. This kind of program will make a happy, prosperous and contented citizenship.

I hope that we may see our way clear to take advantage of the experiences of other sections and begin to practice a safe, sane and constructive system of agriculture before we are placed in the position of Pat, who introduced his five sons by saying, "They are a bunch of big, fine, husky boys, and just think, I have never struck one of them in me life, except in self-defense."

If we do not change now, we will be forced to change later in self-defense."



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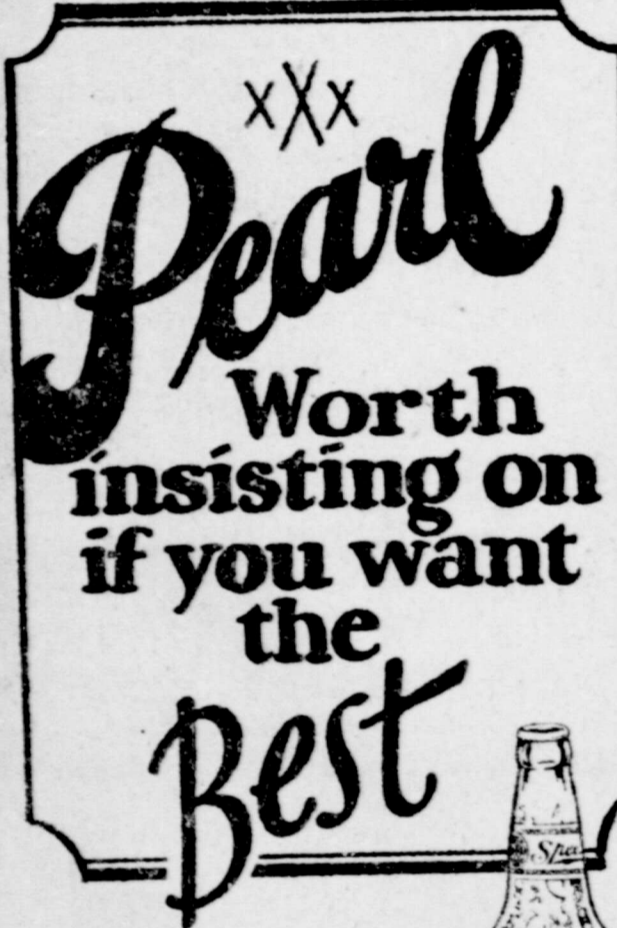
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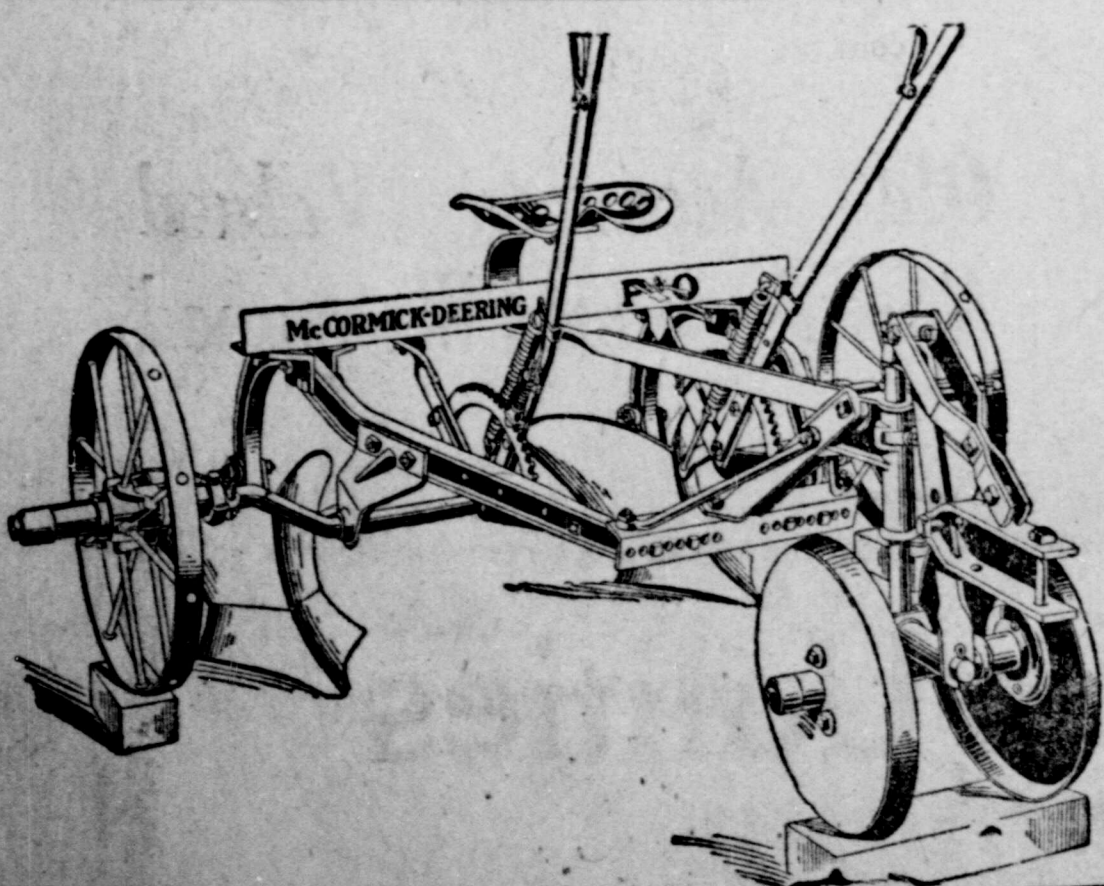
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Too Busy to Worry

By Albert T. Reid



When is a Man Old? Is Dairying a Safe Business?

By Bruce Barton

"I read to come to the end of a year," said a friend to me recently; "it makes me realize that I am growing old."

That suggests a question. When is a man old?

In Shakespeare's time a man was old at forty, and often invalided long before that.

Sir Walter Scott at fifty-five be-moaned the fact that he was an old man.

Montaigne retired to his castle at thirty-eight to spend his declining years in peace and study.

Dr. Samuel Johnson once remarked that at thirty-five a man had reached his peak, and after that his course must be downward.

Physiologists tell us that in all mammals except man the period of life is five times the period of growth. A dog gets its full growth in two years, and lives ten; a horse in five years, and lives twenty-five. On this basis a man should live from one hundred to one hundred and fifty years.

But William James, the great psychologist, said that most men are old fogies at twenty-five.

He was right. Most men at twenty-five are satisfied with their jobs. They have accumulated the little stock of prejudices that they call "principles," and closed their minds to all new ideas; they have ceased to grow.

The minute a man ceases to grow—no matter what his years—that minute he begins to be old.

On the other hand, the really great man never grows old.

Bismarck, who died at eighty-three, did his greatest work after he was seventy.

Titian, the celebrated painter, lived to be ninety-nine, painting right up to the end.

Goethe passed out at eighty-three, and finished his "Faust" only a few years earlier; Gladstone took up a new language when he was seventy; Commodore Vanderbilt increased the mileage of his lines from 120 to more than 10,000 between his seventieth year and his death at eighty-three.

Laplace, the astronomer, was still at work when death caught up with him at seventy-eight. He died crying, "What we know is nothing; what we do not know is immense."

I suppose that is the real answer to the question, "When is a man old?"

Laplace at seventy-eight died young. He was still unsatisfied, still growing, still sure that he had a lot to learn.

As long as a man can keep himself in that attitude of mind, he is still young.

W. R. Gannon, of west of the city, was on the streets with the crowds here Monday, attending the trades day events. Mr. Gannon states that everybody is now ready to plant crops, lands all being prepared and the seasons inviting, and now merely waiting for the ground to dry out sufficiently to get in the fields.

Trade at Home
For Good mules see J. Y. Stone, at Dickens, Texas. 20-2p

WE SHOULD WORRY ABOUT FREEDOM OF THE SEAS. IT'S THE FREEDOM OF THE BACK LOTS THAT CONCERNS US NOW.

Livestock is Key to Sound Agricultural System

By John W. Carpenter

Livestock is the key to a well-rounded, sound, stable, diversified system of agriculture.

Every Texas farmer should make it a rule to keep a milch cow or two, a few good layers, and a good brood sow, no matter what prices are prevailing at the packing houses and commission merchants.

Health calls for a balanced ration and wholesome foods, eggs, milk, and meat have a definite and important role to fill on the rural table. I am among those who believe that country dwellers, engaged as they are in the production of essential food and other commodities, ought to be the best nourished and best cared for people in the land.

That means that they must not only be financially prosperous, but comfortable, happy, healthy and contented.

We often speak of diversification in the restricted sense, involving only the variation and rotation of growing crops. The truest and most complete diversification, however, and the only one coinciding with the balancing of table rations and the safeguarding of a regular income, is one which includes livestock.

It is as foolish to leave livestock out of the farm program as it would be for a machinist to omit an essential cog from a tractor or combine.

And of course the livestock must be good. Scrub rosters, boarder cows and runty sows are out of the picture. When we talk about a cow, sow and hen policy, it goes without saying that we imply well-bred sires and a forward-looking breeding plan.

A good milch cow is a good predicate for an equally good sow and a busy flock of chickens. Texas has seen this trio adopted by many a progressive farmer in the last few years.

There is no better feed for poultry and swine than the skim milk which is a by-product of a cream-producing business. And the grain, pasture and feed requirements vary for each one of the three livestock leaders.

The complete farm is one in which are featured several cash items such as cotton, milk, eggs and pork, and which produces most of its own feed-stuffs and foodstuffs. It encompasses small grains, legumes, pastures and gardens. It is sufficiently fenced for purposes of rotation. Every day in the year its soils become richer and more valuable, because

on a farm where milch cows are kept because of the conditions under which they have to work. It is not alone for the sake of the help that every farmer should have clean well ventilated stables. That goes without saying on any farm where cows are milked. But the fact remains that no matter how small the herd may be, the farmer who sees to the comfort of his cattle and employees will greatly reduce his labor worries.

The investment angle is the first consideration, naturally. The farmer who begins with a few cows and builds gradually, can master that problem with a limited amount of money. Some farmers are complaining that the milk business, once profitable, is now a loss because feed and labor are higher while the price of milk has not advanced proportionately. Those men are going to have to study their records carefully and do everything possible to increase production through better methods of feeding and care, and better bred cows.

In dairying, as in other lines of business, we have men who compete for pleasure rather than for profit. Others engage in it simply to keep their farm hands busy and are satisfied to break even. Still others keep herds solely to fertilize the soil. But let us not forget that the great bulk of the milk produced in this country comes from the farmer where small herds are kept and not from the specialized farms.—Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S.

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they are constantly improved in organic and inorganic content and in physical condition.

I see no reason why every Texas farmer should not have several regular pay checks each month. There should be a cash revenue coming in every month, indeed every week, in the year. From now on there is going to be more warehousing of cotton and less dumping. This cotton is going to be produced in higher quantity per acre and over a smaller acreage of every progressive farm. Cotton is being joined by wheat as a headliner cash producer. And in between harvests there are going to be more and more other crops—corn, barley, sorghums, alfalfa, cottonseed meal, small grains, and other feeds—finding profitable and easy markets in the form of milk, butter, eggs, pork and beef. Over and over again it has been shown conclusively that the most economical harvest hands are livestock. They do the job more thoroughly and efficiently and carry it farther than any harvesting machinery ever devised. They save on cost of transportation and take a short cut through the milling process.

The farmer who accepts this modern formula for living at home and providing himself with several sources of cash income is in a happy position indeed. He need not spend his paychecks for daily living but can devote them to reducing the mortgage on his property, to adding to his acreage or to improving the equipment of his business.

It has been my own good fortune, and the privilege of the Texas Light and Power Company, to be of some assistance in the awakening of agricultural Texas to its larger opportunities. Our rural service department has found ways to cooperate here and there throughout the territory served by our lines. We have been able, where conditions were favorable, to extend rural electrification lines to numerous farm establishments with a resulting pickup of efficiency and profits by the farmers so served. We have never ceased to advertise Texas farming opportunities throughout the nation, and I believe that we have given some support to farm values in this way. We have been glad to assist in get-

ting innumerable industries established in small communities, bringing to the farms a reflective benefit.

There is much to be done, and without delay. I am convinced that Texas should have more textile mills to take Texas cotton at better prices, to furnish employment to our people, and to assist Texas to profit further by the industrial decentralization trend that is definitely under way. I am sure that our dairying renaissance is but at its beginning, with many more cheese factories, creameries and milk plants yet to be built.

Yet with all this industrialism which carries with it such great promise for enhanced rural prosperity and a broader agricultural-industrial stability, the late Governor Roberts' maxim continues to hold good.

"Civilization begins and ends with the plow."



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in the West), is now only in its experimental stage, but application is being made for a wave length designation from the federal department for a permit to operate, after which broadcasting from Spur will go out over the entire world at regular intervals and regularly.

Newton Ellison is the announcer, and at present the station is broadcasting on a wave length of 960.

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Diversify or Quit Farming

"The only way to balance agriculture is with livestock," summarized Frank A. Briggs, president of the Southwestern Dairy Association, editor of Farm and Ranch, and a leading exponent of safe farming practices.

Diversification, according to this authority, is not optional in Texas—it is a necessity forced by economic pressure. It is the only means of survival for the average farmer.

"If cotton were profitable year after year, there would be no need for balanced farming," said Mr. Briggs. "But cotton cropping has come to be a precarious undertaking, except as it is given support from other sources of farm revenue.

"Heretofore we have followed the line of least resistance. It is relatively easy to plant, cultivate and harvest cotton. Landlords have favored the staple because it has been simple for them to keep books on it. And in the past they have made money from it.

"But the heyday of all-cotton farms is over. Soils have been depleted through constant repetition of the crop. They have been robbed of much of their organic and inorganic wealth. Worse—twenty times worse—they have been washed and gutted and eroded, because cotton is not a plant to bind lands and on the contrary, it is a growth which takes from the soil many of the very elements which serve to combat the menace of wind and water. Yields have been sliced to a third or a fourth of their former amplitude. The assault of insects has become more and more persistent and varied. Acreage has been increased at home and abroad. In the new cotton-growing areas of west Texas and south Texas machine methods and wholesale production have created a new and a ruthless competition. As a result of these modern complexities, we find ourselves with smaller cotton yields, larger cotton acreage, cotton prices that impinge upon or entirely preclude profits, and a situation that amounts to an emergency.

"How shall we meet the situation? There's only one practicable way, and fortunately, it amounts to a permanent solution and one upon which shall develop a prosperity exceeding any that the southwest and Texas has yet enjoyed.

"Way back in 1893 the late Col. Frank P. Holland was advocating the very measures which must now be invoked as a matter of pure necessity, as a very life preserver. He was writing in his Farm and Ranch in behalf of gardens, smoke houses, eggs and milk—in short, he was saying that Texas and southwestern farmers should, first of all, produce their own groceries, set their own dining tables groaning under loads of good and wholesome foods; then, said he, the logical course would be to supplement this healthful, economical living with an income from cash crops.

"In Iowa and some of the other older agricultural states, landlords were more liberal than the earlier Texas owners. They expected their tenants to maintain gardens and milk cows and laying hens to produce without the landlord's interference or sharing in the profits, all that they could for their own family use. Until recently Texas landlords have pursued a narrower policy. This is now, however, going by the boards as more and more landholders learn the advantages of having healthy, happy, industrious and intelligent tenants who are smart enough to see that the only salvation of any agriculture is high and sane diversification.

"In coming to diversification, Texas farmers are doing what agricultural people who have prospered have done since the beginning of recorded history. They are turning to rotation, to livestock, to feed and food crops—combined and adjusted to each other in the indicated proportions.

"The only logical markets for feedstuffs is, of course, in the form of livestock. Iowa produces some 450,000,000 bushels of corn a year. Of this, 91 per cent is sold in the form of livestock. Iowa's farm income is at the rate of 15 per cent from the direct sale of crops and 85

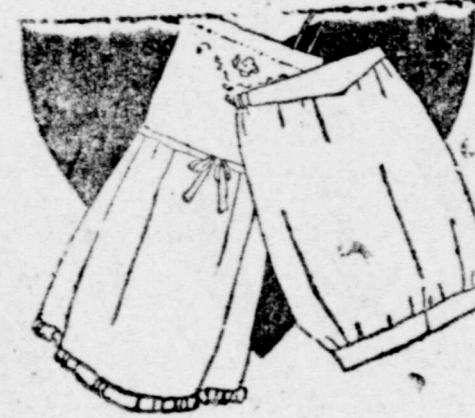
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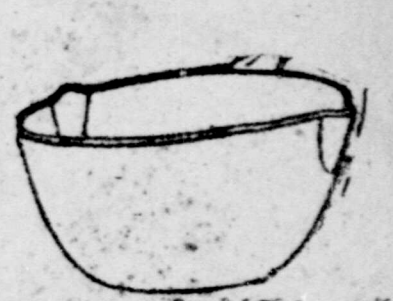
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Spur Girl in College Dancing Chorus

Miss Lenora Lisenby of Spur will have a part in the dancing chorus of Texas Christian University's production of "The Chimes of Normandy," on the evening of May 10. Miss Lisenby will dance in the folk dances.

The performance is in charge of Dr. H. D. Guelick, head of the School of Fine Arts.

Approximately 300 girls from the department of physical education, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Murphy, will make up the dancing chorus for the opera. Sixty members of the Choral Club will make up the singing chorus.

The production is being given as the climax of Fort Worth's annual celebration of National Music Week, and as a preliminary of T. C. U.'s observance of Mothers' Day.

Graduating Exercises May 14th for Dickens High School

Miss Mae Williams, principal of the Dickens High School, was among the visitors in Spur Saturday, informing us the commencement exercises of the Dickens Public Schools would extend over a period of several days,

beginning May 11th with the baccalaureate sermon to be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Drennon of Roaring Springs.

Wednesday evening, May 14th, the graduating exercises will be had at the school auditorium, Dr. Cunningham, head of the English department of Tech College at Lubbock, will deliver the class address.

In the graduating class this year there are only four members, three girls and one boy, including Misses Louise Gay, Immogene Neaves and Effie Dawson, and Hubert Taylor, each of whom are completing the high school courses and graduating with honors and a bright future.

SPUR NOW HAS A RADIO BROADCASTING PLANT OPERATING

Spur now boasts a radio broadcasting plant, placing the city in the class with the larger cities of the country.

Andrew Edgar, the generator and battery man at the Mission Service Station, made and perfected the broadcasting apparatus in his shop, and in the test of radioing over the town Wednesday the program came in over our radio as plainly and in as great volume as any one of the other larger stations of the country.

The Spur Station, which is already named "SBTW" (Spur the Best Town

Last Survivor



Charles Lockwood, 89, of Chamberlain, S. Dak., last of 33 men of the First Minnesota Civil War regiment who formed the "Last Man Club."

per cent from the indirect sale of crops via livestock. And much of Iowa's feed production is marketed in hide containers sent up from Texas and Oklahoma.

"It is said that a bale of cotton removes \$14 worth of fertility from the soil. That figure, of course is someone's guess. No one can gainsay, however, the fact that every time a bale of cotton, a load of oats or a ton of hay moves to market, we are dipping into the capital stock of our farms. But when hay or grain is fed to livestock on the place, the loss is materially reduced and often, indeed, almost imperceptible.

"In figuring profits livestock farmers don't always take into consideration these intangible returns of soil elements to the soil.

"However we calculate the benefits of balanced farming, the clinching argument must always be the prosperous example of the fellow who practices it. He may specialize in cotton, in wheat, in dairying, in poultry, or in something else; he may throw some one item into the immediate foreground of the picture, but it takes no close looking to see that thick in the background is a group of other sources of revenue. He lives well, pays his bills, reduces his mortgage, and equips his farm establishment for purposes of efficiency. There is always a man of this ability and vision in every farm-

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Trade at Home—Mrs. W. E. Putman returned this week from Dallas where she had

been several days taking a special course of instruction in corsetting.

Trade at Home—Frank Ross, of Duck Creek, was among the trades day visitors in Spur Monday.

Trade at Home—S. W. Vernon, of Highway, was on the streets Monday, meeting with friends in the crowds here that day.

Trade at Home—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens, of Lorenzo, were in Spur last week visiting with their friends.