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# Can We Afford To Take A Chance? 

## A Problem from the Begining

When Spur was fist founded, only three or four wells furnished water that was drinkable and the owners of such wells furnished many neighbors with water to drink, the really good neighbor furnished soft water so the ladies could wash their hair.
In a few years, the Spur Inn and a few of the butsiness houses had a pipeline to Spade tank, but this water was muddy and had to be filtered for drinking.
Ten years later water in good quantity was located at the confluence of the Dockum-Duck Creek Valley, two miles north of town. First wells were hand dug and quicksand in the alluvial sand-gravel formation was a major problem. A few years later the gravelpack technique was employed to drill wells to red beds, and wells of greater capacity resulted.

## Water Supply Threatened

Water from City wells has been adequate in quantity, but rapid development of irrigation in the two valleys now threatens to deplete this supply.
Quality of water is below standard of the U.S. Public Health Service in total solids by 150 to 420 parts per
million, sulphate by 68 to 181 ppm , and some of the wells show iron above the recommended level. All wells show flourides more than the 1.5 ppm recognized as a safe maximum. Some wells are $65 \%$ above the maximum. Mottled teeth are common among school children and adults raised here. Many families with children use bottled water.
Our water is expensive in many ways. Household appliance dealers in Spur say the average life of a water
heater is three years and an evaporatheater is three years and an evaporat-
ive air conditioner two years. Washing ive air conditioner two years. Washing
machines, plumbing - - even surgical and dental instruments have a very
short life because of the water we use in Spur.
Estimates have been made that irrigation is withdrawing 80 times as much water from the Dockum-Duck drilling of irrigation wells has continued to increase this year. While the rate of recharge in the Valleyts are comparof recharge in the Valleyts are compar-
atively high, it has or will be exceeded by the rate of withdrawal by irrigai tion.

## White River Is Our Only Chance

The premeable formations from which the City derives its supply of water, and the very flat contour of the valley proclude storage of adequate amounts of water to serve the needs of Spur.
The watershed north and east is in the Croton Breaks area of gypsum beds offering no possibilities for a source of water. The Salt Fork and Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos south of Spur are below the level of the gypsum beds and are therefore not possibilities.
White River affords us our only opportunity in this area for a surface water supply. And it is quite possible that if we do not take advantage of the present opportunity of building a dam and reservoir we may never have the chance again. Other people down river on the Brazos have water trouble too, and if the water that rus down White River is ever anity is gone.

## Costs May Co Down!

While the cost of underground water will continue to sore, surface water will continue to sore, surface water
will cost less as the years go by. Inwill cost less as the years go by. Increase in consumption and retirement of bonds will both lower the cost of
water to you. Within a few years water to you. Within a few years might possibly cost you lesk than you are paying for water today.

## VOTE FOR THE WHITE RIVER DAMBONDS SATURDAY, AUCUST 17

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| Spur Super Market | Wacker's |
| Wilson \& Young Lumber Co. | Reece McNeill |
| Barclay - Hale Gulf Service | Davis-Holly Insurance Agency |
| Don Hill Texaco Station | Spur Electronics |
| Bell's Cafe | Spur Mattress Company |
| Brazelton Lumber Company | Dr. O. R. Cloude |
| Rector Insurance | West Texas Furniture Co. |
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| Rickels Chevrolet | Myles Drilling Co. |
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| Buzbee Butane Service | Hill Top Service Station |
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## THE MONEY TREE

is still here ... Come on in and take another guess. . . Remember, everyone gets 1 guess a week until someone guesses the exact amount, or until August 31, at which time the closest guess over the six-weeks period will be declared the winner.

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