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MRS. STARCHER ENTERTAINS

Mrs. W. D. Starcher entertained the Friday Afternoon Club and some guests of the Club with a St. Patrick's party at the home of Mrs. James B. Reed, Friday afternoon, March 11th. The house was beautifully decorated in green and white, and the St. Patrick idea was carried out in every detail. 42 was the entertaining feature of the afternoon.

The following enjoyed Mrs. Starcher's hospitality: Mesdames A. C. Hull, Clifford B. Jones, E. C. McGee, Chas. Whitener, M. E. Manning, M. C. Golding, L. R. Barret, C. L. Love, Ned Hogan, G. R. Elkins, F. W. Jennings, O. D. Daniels, C. A. Love, J. E. Hall, W. T. Andrews, Jr., W. D. Wilson, W. S. Campbell, Dan Zachry, G. M. Williams, S. H. Twaddell, Jack Rector, E. M. Stringfellow, Jr., P. C. Nichols, Nellie Davis, Leslie Cooper, R. C. Forbis, J. E. Morris, E. L. Caraway, W. F. Godfrey, J. Boyd, Jr., James B. Reed, Geo. S. Link and Misses Allie Powell and Ila Bowman.—Reporter.

MRS. ANDREWS ENTERTAINS

The Friday Afternoon Club met with Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Jr., and Mrs. O. D. Daniels at the home of Mrs. Andrews, Friday evening March 11th. After many interesting games of 42, a delicious salad and ice course in St. Patrick colors, was served to the following ladies: Mesdames L. R. Barret, E. L. Caraway, Nellie Davis, G. R. Elkins, R. C. Forbis, H. P. Gibson, C. Hogan, Lewis Lee, C. L. Love, Geo. S. Link, M. E. Manning, J. E. Morris, James B. Reed, W. D. Starcher, Chas. Whitener, T. A. Johnston, W. D. Wilson, F. W. Jennings, E. C. Edmonds, Gibbs, Jimmie Smith, Weldon Grimes, W. F. Godfrey, J. H. Busby, McGhee and Thurman Harris.—Reporter.

MRS. MARY J. BEADLE

Mrs. Mary J. Beadle, 82, of Spur, who had been here visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cheek, died Monday at the Cheek home on the Dr. Miles place.

Mrs. Beadledied from injuries received in a fall several weeks ago.

Mr. R. B. Collier of the undertaking department of the Brownfield Hardware took the remains to the home of one of her sons, R. G. Beadle, who resides 26 miles below Spur, where the remains were laid to rest.—Brownfield News.

Mrs. Mary Arrington, of Dickens, was in our city Saturday doing some shopping with our merchants.

EXCITEMENT IS HIGH KEYED IN LYRIC SERIAL

The third episode of "The Silent Flyer," the Adventure Picture in which the featured players are Malcolm McGregor, Louise Lorraine and Silver Streak, the famous policedog, will be shown Friday at the Lyric theatre.

This chapter is said to be the thundering answer to the fan demand for a faster and faster serial. Speed and excitement are the alpha and omega of the coming episode during which startling developments take place. A super screen thrill is enacted when the big river dam weakens and finally breaks, carrying with the tremendous flood men, animals and houses.

The story deals with a dauntless and determined young secret service man's efforts in the direction of protecting for the government an invention that will revolutionize air travel and air warfare.

A ruthless band of foreign agents devise endless schemes to defeat him and get the invention for their own uses.

NOTICE

The Rev. L. G. H. Williams of Lubbock will preach a Crusade in the Presbyterian Church at Spur, beginning Sunday morning, March the 20th. Mr. Williams is the Minister in charge of the Episcopal Church in Lubbock, and these preaching services he will hold in Spur constitute the follow-up of what is known as the Bishops' Crusade, which is a nation-wide evangelistic movement in the Episcopal Church.

The services on Sunday, March the 20th, will be at eleven o'clock a. m., and at 7:30 p. m., and at these services Mrs. Williams will announce the time and the nature of the other services that are to follow. The people of Spur are cordially invited to these services.

Mr. Williams is one of the strong men and able preachers in the Episcopal Church in North Texas, and he has done excellent and admirable work as a faithful minister of the New Testament wherever he has worked.

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO HAVE ALL DAY DINNER

The Cemetery Association will have a basket dinner at the Cemetery Tuesday, March 22nd, and an all day working. Everybody come and bring tools.—By President.

NED HOGAN FOR MAYOR

We are authorized to place the name of Ned Hogan before the voters of the city of Spur as a candidate for Mayor subject to action of the city election to be held in April. Mr. Hogan is progressive and has always stood for the best interests of Spur. He was on the City Commission for four years and he acted impartially irrespective of public opinion. If the proposition was right and for the best interest of the city, he was for it. He served on the City Equalization Board in which the interests of both the schools and the city were at hand. Mr. Hogan was true to his trust, and even when he had to go against the opinion of his friends, he stood firm on this convictions. We feel that in the office of Mayor he will serve his town fearlessly—that he would not be influenced against what is fair and right, and that he will stand four-square for the people.

STOVALL FOR COMMISSIONER

The Times is asked to place the name of Roy Stovall before the voters of Spur as a candidate for the office of Water Commissioner, subject to City election in April. Mr. Stovall has been a great influence in bringing industry to our city. It was largely through his influence that the water system was started and made a success. He has put in a great deal of it and is qualified to properly look after it. Mr. Stovall has always been firm in his dealings when the interest of the city were to be considered, and with his experience we could not get a better man for our Water Commissioner.

L. E. LEE FOR STREET COMMISSIONER

Lois Lee is placing his name before the voters of Spur as a candidate for Street Commissioner subject to the City election in April. Mr. Lee has spent many years in Spur and we feel that we can say nothing to add to his prestige as a citizen. He has served faithfully on the Fire Department for a long time, and has been a booster for the best interests of Spur. He has always been faithful to his trust which is a good index to what he would be as Street Commissioner. The people will do well to elect him to that office.

G. L. Delisle, of Duck Creek, was among the visitors on our streets Saturday and was doing some trading with our merchants.

SAVING FARMERS

The Jayton Chronicle, While reading your valuable paper The Jayton Chronicle, I see a piece written by our old friend Judge A. J. Hagins.

He begins by saying, "How about the farmer? Almost all of our cotton has been picked and ginned and we farmers have not realized anything for our last year's labor." And he finishes by asking, "What can we do, is there no help for the farmer?"

Judge, I believe there is something that can be done to better our own conditions. First we should try a little thinking for ourselves, and to avoid our past mistakes I would offer the following remedies.

First, let us reduce our cotton crop one half. Plant the balance of our land in corn, maize, cane beans, potatoes, black eyed peas and all kinds of garden stuff. Get a few more nice turkeys and chickens. And say I almost forgot the hogs. About how many of us farmers put up enough lard to do us three months of the year?

Of course we all know that about 75 or 80 per cent of the cotton farmers are helpless as he is not given the privilege to plant rented land as he sees fit. It he should see fit to plant less cotton.

And now, Mr. Landlord, as the Good Book tells us let us come and reason together. Did you know that what is best for your renter is best for you so far as our farming interests are concerned.

We all know that Kent county has in the past raised and shipped carload after carload of hogs to market and what has been done in the past can be done in the future.

Of course we have short feed crops but we have short cotton crops also. But to say the least, we could raise enough hogs to furnish us meat and lard at home.

Now, I want to say something to you, Mr. Merchant, and Mr. Banker, you can help wonderfully in this move if you will only try. When the old cotton wooleys come to you and want credit or to borrow a little money to buy some feed with find out about how much feed he is going to plant and if he tells you he doesn't expect to plant but just a little three cornered patch of about three acres then turn them down.

It is not what we cotton farmers would like to do for ourselves but is what we must do, if we expect to accomplish anything for ourselves and families. There are thousands of children in this state that have not been to school in the last five years. And why not? They are either mak-

JUDGE OLIVER PASSES AWAY: USEFUL CITIZEN IS GONE

The loneliness reaper of death passed over our city last Sunday morning and claimed the life of Judge F. N. Oliver. He had been in poor health for a few days, but most of the time had been able to look after his official duties and to be on the streets at times. It seems that conditions arose Saturday evening which indicated that his condition was critical. Friends watched at his bedside until life passed at one o'clock the next morning.

Judge Oliver had lived a long and useful life. He was born at Florence, Alabama, February 17, 1848. His father was of English and his mother of Scotch descent. He came to Texas in 1868 and became engaged in the newspaper business at Denton, Pilot Point, Lewisville, Oak Cliff and Lockney. He was the founder of the Lockney Beacon in 1901 and which was the last paper he owned during his career in that line. He was known all over the State as a progressive writer and was a charter member of the Texas Press Association.

He was always active in civic work. He became associated with T. L. Marsailles in promoting and developing the town of Oak Cliff, now suburbs of the city of Dallas. He became the first legal mayor of Oak Cliff which office he used for the material advancement of the town, from which he gained untold respect for his efforts. He also served his State as a Judicial officer spending some sixteen years in that capacity. He qualified as Justice of the Peace in Spur the first of January and was proving a very efficient and valuable officer at the time of his death.

Judge Oliver moved to Spur in 1915, and since coming to our town had won a favorable admiration among the people. Everybody respected his profound judgement, and

ing or picking cotton, going half clothed and half fed. Oh yes, Mr. Cotton Raiser you know that this is a fact and who is to blame, certainly it is not the little children.

Some tell us that we should have laws passed that would give us relief. Yes, but who is going to pay the bill? A farm relief bill would have to be paid by taxation, and that would be a failure to begin with, if we want our conditions bettered, raise less cotton by one half, if you want to stay in debt from one year to another plant all cotton.

Cal Cade

he was considered one of the best informed men in this country.

Surviving him are his wife, three daughters—Maree, Estelle and Pauline, and four sons. The sons are: Ben, of New York City; Frank of Washington, D. C.; Coke, of Slaton and Clifton, of Amarillo. He also has a brother, John F. Oliver, of Portales, New Mexico, and a sister, Mrs. C. A. Floyd, of Lockney, who mourn his departure.

Campbell & Campbell took charge of the body and prepared it for burial. Funeral services were held at the home in Spur Sunday afternoon at five o'clock where a great number of friends paid their last respects to this time honored citizen. The body was shipped overland to Lockney Monday where interment was made in the Lockney Cemetery where members of his family had been previously buried.

In the demise of Judge Oliver many feel that Spur has lost a very valuable citizen. His interests seemed to be in line with the progress of the people and his influence was spent for the best.

JONES NO. 1 MAY BE DRILLED DEEPER

R. D. Clancy and L. E. English arrived in Spur Tuesday and are making preparations to extend operations on the Jones well on section 311, six miles northeast of Spur. Whether or not this well is drilled deeper depends upon the co-operation given by the landholders in that vicinity.

Clancy and English are willing to risk several thousand dollars more on the chance of a well there, provided the land owners will give them an extension on the payment of the leases due the last of this month, which it seems is a very fair proposition. If the development is not continued the outside world will look upon this section as an unfavorable territory for oil and there will never be any chances for other companies to try development here. If the plan to go deeper proves out and a well is secured then the back leases will be paid and the land owners will be made rich. If the land owners refuse to grant the extension the operations on this well will be abandoned and the hole plugged now.

In conversation with Mr. Clancy he stated that all parties with whom he had talked and that owned land near the well had readily granted the extension. He felt that others would be continued. Otherwise the field would be abandoned. It would be greatly to the interest of the people to take the chances with Clancy & English and lend their influence to this further development.

Six King County Wild Cats Under Way

Six wildcat projects are getting under way in King County as the result of the leasing several months ago of 208,000 acres of the Burk Burnett ranch in the county and 20,000 acres from the adjoining Frank Patton ranch to R. S. Mathews of Fort Worth and associates.

The tests are being drilled by companies subleasing through Mathews at al., with the exception of one test on the Patton, being drilled by Mathews and associates.

"6666" Ranch

The Burnett ranch in question is the ranch which carries the late ranchman's widely known "6666" brand. This brand was moved to the King County ranch after a considerable part of the Wichita County land holdings were disposed of to Kemp & Kell for subdivision when the latter were building the Wichita Falls and Northwestern through the area into Southwestern Oklahoma.

The name has often been erroneously applied to the Burnett Carson County ranch, where the first Panhandle production was obtained, and which is producing a small amount of oil from granite wash. The latter ranch was known by Burnett as the Dixon Creek ranch.

"Spreads" Exchanged

With all of the King County tests started as a result of the work of one man, they carry an unusual feature in that each operator drilling a test has a "spread" of acreage around each of the others.

The tests on the Burnett are being drilled by Sinclair Oil and Gas Company, White Eagle Oil and Refining

Company, Gibson & Johnson and Phillips Petroleum Company, Mid-West Exploration Company is to drill on the Patton ranch. The Sinclair test is in the northwest corner of the William M. Elliott survey.

The White Eagle test is in the center of the north line of the Jesse Ax-tell survey.

The Gibson & Johnson test is in the northeast corner of section 34, Sam Lazarus survey.

The Phillips test is in the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 2, M. Schneider survey.

The Mid-West test on the Patton ranch is just south of the river in section 102, John B. Rector survey, block "A".

Mathews' test will be located on the center of the north line of section 114, Rector survey, block "A".

All of the tests will go to a depth of 3,500 feet.

North of Noodle Creek

King County is two county widths west of production in Cisco sands on the Archer-Baylor line. It is about the same distance north of the production opened up from sandy lime of the Cisco series by Phillips Petroleum Company in its discovery well in the Noodle Creek pool in Jones County.

The latter discovery, and the hypothetical subsurface trend generally north and south, to which it is ascribed as behind the "play" of which this is a part. The area has been closely examined by geologists, and each of the tests is located on a well defined surface structure.—Star Telegram.

THE PITCHFORK WELL WILL GO DEEPER

The well on the Pitchfork Ranch which has been drilled to its contract depth, will be continued deeper according to statements given out this week by those in charge. This looks to be a very sensible thing to do since the present formation shows good indications. It seems that the company would have all to gain by the operation. This well is in an excellent location considering the activities of other companies as well as those in charge of it.

There seems to be a great deal of interest being manifested in that section at this time. Representatives for the Roxiana and Humble Oil Companies were in this territory last week who were looking over the situation with a favorable eye. The Marlin, Gulf and Sinclair companies had men in our territory this week looking over the country and trying to see if a new lease could be blocked out.



The Pitchfork Well on which arrangements are being made to drill it a greater depth. It is now 3250 feet with favorable showing.

Mr. Mikels says he feels sure that a well can be had at the Pitchfork location and that they will be justified in continuing the operation to a greater depth. Many are buying more leases in that section of the country with confidence in the field. Others are putting up money on the leases they now hold, in order that the work may be continued. Clifford Lovelace, who has been on the field all the time, expresses a very favorable opinion for further operation.

The Pitchfork well is in close proximity with the many operations just starting in the west side of King County. It is located in the Sam Lazarus survey in which some of the King County wells are located. There are at this time some five or six different companies with operation under way or with arrangements being made for drilling to start soon, and this is a very good proof of what they think of the territory. These new locations lie north, east and southeast of the Pitchfork well.

The interest taken by the Monrath Oil Company with a location southwest of this well, is not a bad indication for this section. In considering everything, it seems that drilling the well to a greater depth is the sensible thing to do.

Mr. Parks, of Highway community was in our city Saturday doing some trading. In speaking of the future he said that Spur needs a good steady market for farm products, stating that more farmers would devote time to many other things if a market could be secured.

Mrs. C. B. Cariens and mother, Mrs. Stewart, of Clairmont, were guests of Mrs. R. E. Dickson last Thursday.

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FOR DEMOCRACY

The plan of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ, as announced by Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, its president, for a five million dollar endowment for the spread of popular education through Chautauqua methods cannot be praised too highly. The purpose is to carry the advantages of popular education to small towns throughout the country—and to preserve democracy.

As a matter of fact, there is no difference between an audience in a great university, listening to a lecture, and a small town audience listening to that same lecturer—except, only a possible difference in dress, which has nothing whatever to do with intelligence.

Give the masses of the people the facts concerning any important public question and they will reach the right conclusion. Jefferson thought so. Lincoln knew it. The Chautauquas have done a great deal in creating progressive public opinion. What man hears, he will discuss—whereas if he reads it he is likely to keep it to himself.

Seventy-five per cent of our public leaders today came from the small town. That is why Dr. Cadman's endowment plan makes for a better and stronger people.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FEEDING AND BROODING BABY CHICKS

One of the difficult problems which gives us almost daily concern during this time of year is the question of feeding and brooding the young chicks. On a great many farms the brooding is very well taken care of by the hens, on other farms the artificial methods of brooding is used. In either method there are a few vital things to keep in mind. Chicks need as much fresh air and clean water as is possible for them to have. They must not be exposed to drafts in poorly constructed coops or brooder houses. There should be free ventilation to carry off any fumes that may accumulate from the brooder lamp or from decaying litter. If you are using hens care must be taken to check lice and other vermin. This is best done by the use of some commercial louse killer or by the use of lard or vaseline on the mother hen. Grease or powder should be placed under the wings and about the vent. Coops or brooder houses should be built to exclude all rodents that may kill chicks. Rats are one of the greatest enemies. A good energetic rat may destroy two hundred chicks in a single night and drag them through a hole that five minutes of time would have closed up and made rat proof. If coops and brooder houses have been used before they should be very thoroughly disinfected with a coal-tar disinfectant which can be bought from your local dealer and used at the strength recommended. In using a brooder the proper temperature can best be judged by the way in which the chicks act. If they huddle about the brooder or in bunches in the corners they are cold, if they lie about on the floor of the brooder house and appear sleepy they are too warm. A baby chick, by nature, is very active and when they are moving about freely, picking up

gravel enough if your thermometer registers between sixty and seventy in the brooder house, when four feet from the floor, the temperature is likely to be satisfactory. One of the greatest dangers in either method of brooding is in chilling the chicks. Chilling results in bowel trouble which is very frequently fatal.

Probably the most common mistake made in feeding is to feed too much and to feed too soon after the chick is hatched. During the hatching period the chick gets food from the yolk and white of the egg. Usually there is about half of the yolk material left when the chick hatches. A few hours before the chick breaks from the shell this yolk material is drawn into the body. In this way the chick is furnished with food for several hours. If food is given immediately or soon after hatching it mixes with the yolk material, ferments and causes digestive disorders which are nearly always fatal. Under no circumstances feed the chicks until they are at least forty eight hours old, sixty hours is better. Many poultry men do not feed until one hundred hours old. Do not think you are starving the chicks for they are amply provided for by nature during this time.

Assuming that the chicks have had time to absorb all of the yolk material and their digestive tract is empty the question of food becomes important. There are a great many chick "Starters" on the market and are usually good. Those carrying a guaranteed percentage of buttermilk in the dry form are probably best. If you do not care to buy these feeds and wish to use a home preparation the most important thing to remember is to have the foods soft and easily digested. Soured milk, from which the whey has been drained, is very good. Cottage cheese is a little more satisfactory but is a bit more trouble to prepare. Many successful raisers use corn bread moistened with sweet milk, the excess milk should be drained off for the food is to be soft but not sloppy. This feed should be given in small amounts about five times a day for the first three days. Give only what can be cleaned up in five minutes the first three days. Give only what can be cleaned up in five minutes the first day and increase the amounts slightly for the next two days. By the third or fourth day the chicks are ready for a grain mixture of some kind. Remember always when changing from one feed to another that the change should be gradual. Again the commercial feeds offer a variety of mixtures. Well advertised brands are usually well mixed, properly balanced and without adulterations of any kind. For a home mix use one part of corn, one part of wheat and one half part of maize, finely cracked. Grit or oyster shell and charcoal of chick size should be given with this feed. By the tenth day the amount of feed can be increased until it takes from fifteen to twenty minutes to finish up each feeding. When the chicks are two weeks old it is well to put them on a growing ration. A satisfactory mixture is made by using one part cracked corn, one part wheat bran, one half part wheat shorts, and about ten percent meat scrap. This should be fed in self feeders and a scratch feed of maize be given night and morning. Such a ration should take the pullets through the growing season. When they are nearly mature they should be given a laying ration which will be discussed in a later article. Remember that sanitation is the watch word in successful poultry raising.

More than 1,000 applications were made to the President for place on the five-man Federal Radio Commission—at \$10,000 per year. Which shows how general is our national patriotism—todo something for our country.

Fashion authorities say longer skirts will be the vogue for this summer. No doubt they will reach almost down to the knees.

CITY SECRETARY REPORT

Statement of Receipts and disbursements for waterworks and streets for the years 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925 and 1926.

Year	Waterworks	
	Receipts	Disbursements
1922,	\$7,319.92	\$7,057.71
1923,	9,113.71	9,503.52
1924,	8,900.05	9,068.29
1925,	14,169.56	13,051.10
1926,	12,309.10	13,239.52
	\$51,812.34	\$51,920.14

Year	Streets	
	Receipts	Disbursements
1922,	\$1,616.97	\$2,664.90
1923,	3,548.86	2,944.85
1924,	2,707.27	3,226.39
1925,	3,111.65	1,990.58
1926,	4,583.36	3,057.58
	\$15,568.11	\$13,884.39

Salaries now paid city officers and employees.

Mayor, Commissioners, Treasurer, and Health Officer, each \$5.00 per month.
 Secretary ----- \$40.00 per month
 Marshal ----- \$75.00 per month
 Water Supt. ----- \$185.00 per month
 Ass. Water Supt. ----- \$120.00 per month
 Assessor and Collector, 5 per cent on amount of taxes collected for assessing and collecting.

Ordered published by City Commission.
 E. J. COWAN, City Secretary

FIRE ORDINANCE

An Ordinance regulating Traffic during Fires
 Be it ordained by the board of commissioners of the City of Spur:

Section 1
 That when the Fire Alarm is sounded all persons driving vehicles of any kind on the streets of Spur shall immediately turn same and park to the right at the street curbing and remain parked for at least two minutes, and until Fire Department Vehicles shall have time to pass such persons and their vehicles.

Section 2
 Any person violating the provisions of Section 1 hereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS, upon conviction in the Corporation Court. Passed Feb. 1, 1927.

Approved, J. L. KING, Mayor
 Attest: J. E. Cowan, City Secretary

Ambitious
 "Why did you turn down the offer to be president of the company?"
 "There wasn't any chance for advancement."
 While There's Life There's Hope
 Old Maid: "I wish God had made me a man."
 Grandma: "Don't worry dear, you may find one yet."

Me-o-w!
 Bertha—Tom says he'll go crazy if I don't marry him.
 Her Friend—Poor Tom! There's not much hope for him either way.

Simply Ridiculous
 zBarking—Did you catch that fox on horseback?
 Dog—How silly! Foxes don't ride horses.

One out of every eight marriages doomed to fail during 1927, says New York professor. Which would lead a sport critic to opine that fourteen out of the sixteen will be in good fighting condition.

Well, Uncle Sam is still in the oil business; Doheny is out ten million dollars—and Teapot Dome yet to be heard from.

1927 is going to be a very prosperous year for wage earners. There are 53 Saturdays.

Congress closed with a singing-bee. No doubt the swan song for the McNary-Haugen Farm Relief bill.

Alabama professor says man is right-jawed or left-jawed just as he is right or left-handed. We have been both—in our two attempts at amateur boxing.

It now develops that instead of only one billion dollar business, there are seven in the United States. Even so, we can't find a farmer's name in the list.

John D. Rockefeller acts the peacemaker getting daughter and granddaughter to settle \$8,000,000 case out of court—which should be a good lesson for persons less able to hire lawyers.

How could Babe Ruth expect to get \$200,000 for the next two years in baseball—when he wasn't in a single scandal all winter long? He will simply starve at \$210,000 for three years.

SPUR LODGE
 NO. 771
 Meets every Monday night. Visitors welcome.
 H. S. DENTON, Sec.
 CECIL FOX, N. G.

SPUR REBEKAH LODGE
 No. 178
 Meets every Friday Night. Members be present; visitors welcome
 Mrs. T. A. Rodgers, N. G.
 Ada Berry, Secy.

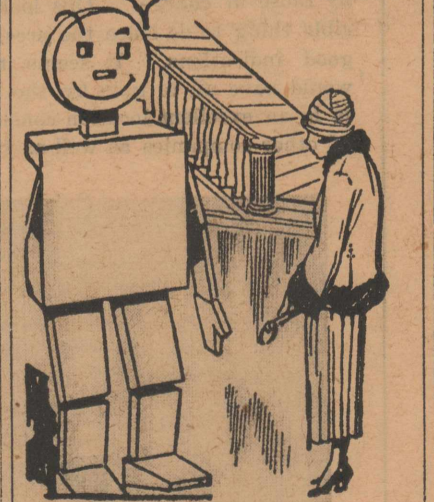
SPUR LODGE
 NUMBER 1023
 Meets Thursday night, on or before the full of the moon. Visitors always welcome.
 H. P. GIBSON, W. M.
 JACK RECTOR, Secy.

SPUR CHAPTER
 NUMBER 340
 Meets Monday night on or after each full moon.
 L. E. LEE, H. P.
 JACK RECTOR, Secy.

ROTARY CLUB
 OF SPUR
 Meets every Thursday at 12 o'clock at Spur Inn. Visiting Rotarians welcome.
 CLIFF JONES, Pres.
 DODGE STARCHER, Secy.

BILL DING SEZ

A STYLISH WOMAN ALSO DEMANDS WELL-DRESSED LUMBER.



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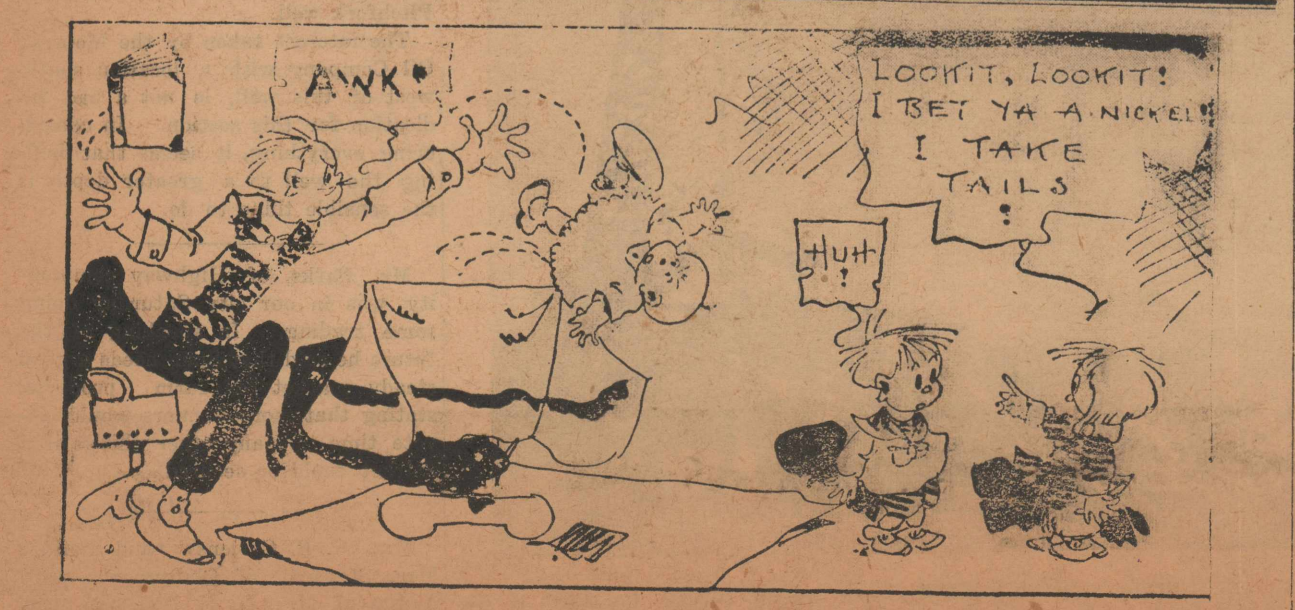
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Community News

RED MUD NEWS

About fifteen farmers and their wives met with F. S. Reynolds, County Agent, at the Red Mud school house last Monday, March 7. The meeting was held for the discussion of the "Watermelon" problem for 1927. Some of the farmers wanted a "Watermelon Contest" and some did not. But at the end of the meeting not any of the farmers wanted a contest because the County Agent from Post City was there and he told them how their contest came out last year.

March is "sand storm" month and makes some of the men living on sandy land kind of sick.

Mrs. Harrell returned home from her sick sister's bedside Friday.

A. E. McClain is having some chickens hatched at the Spur Hatchery and Chicken Farm. Mr. McClain had about 500 little chicks hatched there last year and reared most of them.

Many farmers and their wives went to the I. H. C. Short Course held at Spur Thursday and Friday.

Tom McAurthur has been selling some of his cattle. Mr. McAurthur is about the only man that still has cattle. All the rest of the ranchers have sold all of their cattle.—Red Mud Girl Reporter.

HIGHWAY NEWS

The sun is shining bright and every one is trying to finish pulling their cotton and preparing their land for another crop.

Mrs. Johnnie Sparks sold thirty-nine turkeys last year and has 9 hens and 2 toms for breeding this spring. She has 12 settings of eggs spoken for April delivery.

Mrs. Boren has 8 turkey hens and is going to raise turkeys this year.

Walter Thomason has built an addition to his chicken house and now has room for quite a lot of chickens.

U. E. Weaver killed 3 hogs last winter. He has put up nine hundred pounds of meat and 18 gallons of lard to run him until killing time again. He has five hogs for his meat this year. He said he hardly missed what they ate, feed was so cheap, and they run in the horse lot and got all the waste feed.

Mrs. Luther Denson got 48 dozen and 5 eggs from 60 hens in the month of February and didn't feed anything except grain. She has Rhode Island Reds.

The Highway Demonstration Club met Wednesday with Mrs. F. E. Walker. Miss Gordan gave a demonstration on Kitchen Equipment. Those present were Mesdames Hugh Denson, M. E. Tree, Jno. D. Hufstedler, Luther Denson, F. E. Walker and Misses Essie Denson and Oneta Walker. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Luther Denson March 23.

Quite a number of the Highway people attended the I. H. C. Short Course at Spur this week. Some expressed themselves as it being the finest lectures they ever heard.

There was a large attendance of Young People at Sunday School last Sunday. We are always glad for you to come and try and see if you can get your parents to attend.

Mrs. Bob Morgan has moved back to her farm and will run the place this year. She has added 1,000 strawberry plants to her orchard. She has three bearing pecan trees on her place.

J. Vernon Powell has built a new chicken yard for his incubator chickens.

W. D. Thomason has gone to N. M. to visit his brother, who is quite sick.

J. H. Cornelius has moved on Jno. D. Hufstedler's home place and will farm it this year.—Ladies' Club Reporter.

CROTON NEWS

The junior and sub-junior spelling teams went to Spur Thursday, March 12, to spell against the Spur contestants. It was only a practice match and the girls enjoyed it very much. They are: Johnnie Lowell and Annie Mae White, juniors, Lee L. Lowell and Opal Hemphill, sub-juniors.

Wade Hash has purchased a new Chevrolet truck. He intends to go to the oil fields.

W. L. Thannisch has finished gathering his cotton and is making rapid progress to getting his land prepared for the spring planting.

Ed Hemphill is going to plant 25 acres of peanuts this year.

The play, "The Path Over the Hill" will be presented at Croton Friday night, March 18. Admission charges will be 35 and 15 cents. Your patronage will be appreciated.—Croton Girl Reporter.

RED HILL NEWS

Miss Callie Mae Watson spent Saturday night with Miss Nellie Kerley at Spur.

Clyde Latham has stopped school. Miss Allie McLaughlin is here from Ropesville visiting her friends. Miss Bertha Young ate dinner with Mrs. Latham Sunday.

Miss Gracie Westfall spent Monday night with Miss Cleo Kerley.

Miss Lois Grantham was the guest of Miss Gracie Westfall Sunday.

Milton Smith spent Saturday night and Sunday with Richard Westfall. —Red Hill Girl Reporter

Miss Allie McLaughlin of Smyers is visiting here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Penn Sughart entertained a number of our young folks Tuesday night.

Mr. Malone, Mr. Gunn and families have moved on Mr. Grantham's place.

Mr. Russell Edinburgh and Miss Edna McLaughlin were married March 6, at Levelland, returning Monday afternoon. We are glad to welcome the bride back to our neighborhood. The groom has lived here sometime and their many friends are wishing them the most of happiness.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. Will Watson entertained the ladies of her community with a wedding shower in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Edinburgh.

The popular game of 42 was enjoyed awhile, after which the bride untied her many nice packages. We all enjoyed looking at them.

The hostess then served a delicious salad plate to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Edinburgh, Mesdames W. H. Young, J. Blair, J. A. Kerley, W. Young, J. Hoover, D. H. Brewster, L. A. Grantham, F. E. Henzee, W. R. Horn, J. Smith, C. D. Copeland, B. Watson, T. Westfall, W. Watson, Miss Beulah Copeland, Allie McLaughlin, Bertha Young, Lois Grantham, Callie Watson, and Mr. Henzee Wesley, Frazier and Arnet Watson. —Woman Reporter

HIGHWAY NEWS

Miss Gordan met with the 4-H Girls Wednesday, gave demonstration on sewing and requested the girls to finish their sewing by April first.

Claudia Smith has finished her cupboard and pot holder, also has an incubator full of little white leg-horns.

Oneta Walker has finished her hemmed patch and sewing bag and is caring for a nice little bunch of baby Barred Rocks.

Miss Juaneta Weaver has entered the girls clothing contest.

The young people enjoyed the social at Mr. Boren's Saturday evening.

Mrs. J. Vernon Powell has quite a crowd of young folks in her Sunday school class.

Miss Oleta Tree spent the weekend in Spur, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leonard Blackmon.

Little Fred Blackmon of Spur spent Saturday night and Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Tree.

Ray Walker is the proud owner of a pure bred Poland China gilt purchased of Mr. Walter Thomason recently. Ray also owns a registered Jersey cow he raised as a club project, which produced enough butterfat in five months to pay the purchase price of herself.

Misses Essie and Alta Denson and Miss Mary Butman were shopping in Spur Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Meadows of the Jas. Williams ranch spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Walker. Mr. Meadows is moving to Albany where he expects to take charge of a larger ranch.—Girl Rep.

DICKENS NEWS

Miss Gordan met with the Dickens girls Monday evening.

Several of the girls are planning their clothing for the 4-H Appropriate Dress contest to be held this summer.

Miss Erma Payne accompanied her father on a trip to the border the past week, while there she visited

—See—

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McCOMBS

Buy a Hamburger for
A DIME
And bank the
Difference.

ed Juarez, Old Mexico, which was her first.

Waldron's Electric Show showed three nights the past week at the High School Auditorium. 25 per cent of the proceeds was given to the school funds.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones and Miss Olive Meadows are visiting El Paso this week.

Mrs. Helen Cosby of Lubbock, formerly Miss Helen Meadows, is working in the sheriff's office this week.

Two couples from Crosbyton and one from Guthrie were married at the Court House Sunday. C. C. Cobb, the justice of peace, performed the ceremonies.

The Dickens Girls are working hard each day practicing on volley ball. They are working to be both County and District Champions.—Dickens Girl Reporter.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL

Mrs. D. O. Blasingame had a marshmallow toast at her home Saturday night, March 5. She sold them at 15c per box. She sold six dozen boxes which brought them \$10.80. They took it and finished paying for the community piano. Everyone had a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell gave a singing Sunday night. There was a very large crowd there and the crowd furnished good singing. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

The men of Prairie Chapel met at the school house Monday to work the school ground. They had three friznoes to carry dirt and piked dirt about 12 inches deep all around the school house and then they had five trucks to haul gravel and put over the dirt. Several of the women brought dinner and fixed it on Mrs. Bell's table. The school ground is fixed so the children won't have to wade in the mud.

Judge Brummett was visiting the school this week and he said he liked to slip in on a school so he could see how they did everything. He found everything in nice condition.

He said Prairie Chapel was the wealthiest school in the County. The people of Prairie Chapel are very proud of their school this year.

Mrs. Willie Alexander gave a marshmallow toast Friday night, March 11. There was a large crowd and everyone had an enjoyable time.

CROTON NEWS

We were reminded Friday that we lived in West Texas.

School closed Thursday so that our school could be represented at Spur. About half of the high school went. All report they had a nice time and enjoyed the speaking.

Touhy Legg, Mrs. O. A. Legg, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Crabtree attended the speaking at Spur Thursday. The sub-juniors and junior girls team went to Spur Thursday to practice spelling. The Croton sub-junior girls won but our junior girls lost.

Mrs. A. M. Butler informed us she got 37 chickens out of 50-egg incubator which she had sitting with White Leghorn eggs.

The Waldron Show was well attended every night.

The music and expression pupils of Mrs. John Koonsman are to give a recital Friday, March 18. Everyone is invited.

The executive committee of which Mrs. Robert Reynolds and O. L. Kelley are members met in Dickens Saturday, March 12, at 10:30 to set the date of the County meet.

We understand F. C. Gipson of Dickens is pasturing 125 head of cattle on L. S. Porter's land. —Croton Lady Reporter

STILL FARM PROBLEM

If you don't mind getting hot under the collar, read this. You may thank Mr. Garet Garrett for digging up the facts, and us for passing along the news. News it is—briefly, "truth about our war loans, or, our League of Debtors," which Mr. Garrett explains fully in The Saturday Evening Post, issue of February 12. In substance he proves, "It has gone far enough."

When the war ended we had bought goods and services of the British Empire totaling \$2,500,000,000—for which we had paid in cash. Great Britain had required goods and services of us to the amount of \$3,750,000,000—which she had borrowed from us—and \$500,000,000 more after the Armistice.

In France, our War Department had required goods and services to the value of \$1,750,000,000 which we had paid in cash. France required goods and services of us to the amount of \$2,000,000,000—all of which we loaned her—and \$1,000,000,000 more after the Armistice.

In all, when the war ended, we had loaned the Allies \$9,500,000,000—and had paid them in cash, \$4,500,000,000—a small total of \$13,750,000,000.

England now owes us \$4,250,000,000 and France \$3,000,000,000.

The present cash value of all the settlements, including the one pending with France, is roughly one-half the amount the debtors borrowed—and remember \$2,000,000,000 of these loans were made after the Armistice was signed.

All of this is in reply to another sentimental wave of propaganda which is now sweeping our land for a cancellation of Europe's war debt to us. Don't you think we have loaned with one hand—and paid cash with the other long enough? If you don't, you would, if you will read Mr. Garrett's complete article. You will then help, whenever need be, in that delicate task of removing Europe's hand from Uncle Sam's pockets. And it's high time.

W. D. Robinson, of Dry Lake, was in our city Monday looking after business affairs. He stated his daughter lost a fine wrist watch in town Saturday. The young lady prized the watch very highly because it was a present from her father when she graduated from high school and started to college. Let's help her get the watch again.

Everything Relative
She—"Isn't that blonde girl next to us pretty?"
He—"Next to you anything is pretty."

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THEATRE PROGRAM

THURSDAY
Last Times Today
"THE LAST FRONTIER"

FRIDAY
CLARA BOW
in
"THE PLASTIC AGE"
Third Episode
"SILENT FLYER"

SATURDAY
HOOT GIBSON
as
"THE DENVER DUDE"

MONDAY AND TUESDAY
"DAMAGED GOODS"

WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

Royal welcome was extended C. F. Drake, newly elected full time secretary of the Big Lake Chamber of Commerce, at a banquet tendered him recently. Drake came to Big Lake from the editorial Staff of the San Angelo Standard.

An average of \$1,196 worth of poultry, eggs, and cream is being shipped out of Eden weekly according to statistics kept by a local authority. The town shipped out 12 cars of dressed turkeys the past season, and is becoming widely known for the quality of all its products.

One hundred and twenty-five sacks of pure bred black hull kafir are finding their way through the mails to West Texas farmers this week. The seed is being distributed by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for cost of mailing. More than twice as many calls were received for the grain than could be accommodated.

Initiating Texass' official "Capon Day", Spearman celebrated her lead in the state's new industry recently. In recognition of Spearman's position as leader in the capon field, the town furnished capon for the annual exhibitors and directors ban-

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If your breath is bad and you have spells of swimming in the head, poor appetite, constipation and a general no-account feeling, it is a sign your liver is torpid. The one really dependable remedy for all disorders in the liver, stomach and bowels is Herbine. It acts powerfully on the liver, strengthens digestion, purifies the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy, vim and cheerfulness. Price 60c. Sold by

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J. I. HAYES, Mgr.

ALFALFA

In his talk on "Alfalfa" Mr. G. L. Smith gave a brief history of the legume. It is one of our oldest plants, dating back to about 470 B. C. The Romans took it to Spain and later it was taken to Southern France and other parts of Europe and still later, it was brought to America. It is now grown more or less in nearly every state of the Union, although the western states lead in its production.

He declared that alfalfa yields three times as much as timothy to the acre and its feeding value is five times that of timothy.

Alfalfa should be grown on every farm, he declared, because it is a profitable crop; because it increases farm values; because it excels every other crop in yield per acre, in feeding value, as a drouth resistor and as a soil enricher; because its frequent cutting destroys weeds; because it balances the corn ration and because it leads to live stock farming, which is the only kind of farming that can be permanently prosperous.

With the aid of a chart, he showed that alfalfa is rich in digestible protein, containing 11 per cent, the same as wheat bran, while oats contain only 9 1-2 per cent; corn, 7.8 per cent—clover 7 1-2 per cent; timothy, 2.8 per cent; corn fodder, 1.2 per cent and wheat straw less than one-half of 1 per cent.

"Don't buy your protein, grow it," he said. "Alfalfa, that costs only \$5 a ton to grow is equal to wheat bran which costs \$21. Alfalfa gives over four times the protein for the money and in addition alfalfa improves the soil, diversifies the crops and keeps the money on the farm."

He described an experiment conducted in Nebraska to prove that Alfalfa makes cheap beef. Fifteen steers fed for 167 days on eight pounds of alfalfa, 18 pounds of corn, and one pound of straw; gained an average of 2.2 pounds a day, but when fed on four pounds of prairie hay, three pounds of cotton seed cake, 18 pounds of corn and one pound of straw, gained only 1.9 pounds a day. During this experiment the average profit per steer fed on the alfalfa, corn and cake, corn and straw, was only \$6.90.

Quoting the result of an experiment made at the Illinois Experiment Station, Mr. Smith showed that alfalfa is equal to bran for milk production. In this experiment six cows were fed during two periods those in lot 1 were fed alfalfa and those in lot 2 were fed bran. The cattle fed alfalfa gave the most milk. During the second period the cows that had been fed alfalfa were fed bran and those that had been fed bran were fed alfalfa with the result that the alfalfa-fed gave the most milk although when they were fed bran they had given the least milk.

The speaker referred to an experiment conducted by the Kansas Experiment Station which shows how perfectly alfalfa balances the corn ration. Fourteen pigs were fed for 180 days. One lot were fed corn and water in a dry lot for the entire time. Their average weight was 75 pounds at the end of the 180 days. The other lot were fed on corn and alfalfa pasture for 80 days and on corn and alfalfa hay for 100 days. They averaged 185 pounds. "Corn roots," said Mr. Smith, "spread out just below the surface of the ground and as a result corn is easily affected by dry weather, but the roots of alfalfa go straight downward for quite a distance, which makes the plant a great drouth resistor. It is a subsoiler. It farms another farm which lies beneath the upper farm."

In harvesting an alfalfa crop we should be careful to save the leaves, he declared. Forty-five percent of an alfalfa plant is leaves and 55 per cent is stems, but the food value of the leaves is 65 per cent and the food value of the stems only 35 per cent. Careless handling means the loss of from 10 to 50 per cent of the leaves and the hay is less nutritious, less palatable, less digestible and less marketable.

"If we expect to grow alfalfa successfully," said Mr. Smith, "we must first of all have determination. If we do not get a good stand the first time we must try again and again, many times, but we cannot expect success in wet, poor, weedy soil. If the soil is wet, drain it. If it is sour, lime it. If it is poor, manure it. If it is weedy, summer fallow it. A well prepared seed bed is essential and inoculation is essential. The best way to inoculate the soil is to mix the seed with soil from a field where alfalfa or sweet clover has been growing."

The field should be well harrowed or cultivated to kill the weeds. Alfalfa will not do well in a weedy field. Unless the field is to be sown to

some other crop the following season, the fall growth of the alfalfa should be left to afford winter protection to the plants.

About 10 pounds of seed to the acre is about the right amount to sow, said Mr. Smith. If we fail to secure a stand with 10 pounds we cannot expect to get a stand with 20 pounds.

The proper time to cut alfalfa, he said, is when the new shoots start. When the new shoots start the old plant ceases to grow. We must not wait until the shoots get so tall that they will be cut off in cutting the crop.

WHY? YES, WHY?

Recently a carload of eggs was shipped from Vincennes, Indiana, to a dealer in Texas. This is a fact, not a speculation, yet Texas boasts of being the leading agricultural State in the Union. Why a carload of eggs should be shipped from Indiana to any point in Texas is certainly an interesting question. The hue and cry has recently gone up about the price of cotton and rumors have come out about the financial ruin that is staring our farmers in the face, yet it is a proved fact that from 200 to 500 pure bred chickens properly handled should be producing a living for the average Texas family. Texas has the climate, the soil and marketing facilities, when properly handled, for economical egg production second to none.

Probably one answer to the question is a statement often made by cold storage people that Texas eggs are not fit to go into cold storage, while many local merchants complain that eggs brought to their stores, produced under local conditions, are frequently not suitable for consumption purposes. Should these statements be true, then it is high time for the farmers to take notice of the proper methods of feeding and caring for their flocks, gathering and marketing their eggs so that they may be suitable for cold storage purposes or for consumption by the retail trade.

Why should Texas not produce fresh yard eggs to supply market demands every month in the year? Records on file in the Extension Service show that many families in Texas are doing this. Furthermore, should the supply exceed the demand, why should not the surplus go into storage to be shipped to Indiana and other states in the north and east where egg production must necessarily drop off during the winter months and as a consequence suitable eggs bring good prices.

It would indeed be interesting, were it possible, to ascertain where the eggs were produced which made the carload and then shipped into Texas. It is possible that they were produced on some Texas farm and found their way through the mystic maze of modern refrigerated transportation to the cold storage rooms in Vincennes, Indiana, and then back over the long haul to Texas. This would be no more unreasonable than the journey made by the bacon that graces the breakfast table of the average Texas family.

Transportation costs money. Why should the producer pay the transportation cost? Every man who touches the product must have his profit, for this in a large measure accounts for the big grocery bills and the high cost of living. Eggs shipped from the middle west to Vincennes, Indiana, put in cold storage and then transported back to Texas must necessarily be purchased from the producer at a very low price, when sold in competition with the fresh product going on the market at the present time, at about thirty-five cents per dozen. Furthermore, if the farmers who produced these eggs made any profit, then the Texas farmer who can eliminate many of the various items of expense involved, is certainly missing an opportunity when he fails to produce eggs to supply the local demand and he is also neglecting a big business in production and marketing of a very important product.

Pruning and planting of fruit trees in Claude were explained to the people of that section recently when the horticulturist of A. & M. Extension Department spoke here at a series of community meetings.

Purposeful Canine

Insurance Examiner.—You say you never had an accident? How about the time you were bitten by a dog? Thomason—That wasn't an accident. The dog did it on purpose.

Blonde Bess Opines

And also remember, Archibald, just because a man may be of very high calibre, doesn't say he's a big gun.

THE ARMY AND NAVY CLUB
Washington
March 8, 1927

E. J. Cowan,
Spur, Texas.
My Dear Sir:

Yours of February 28 was received and warmly appreciated. Am glad you liked the story in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The Caption has been changed. It is one of the Chapters in the story I am trying to bring out—"On the Border with Mackenzie"—and the title is—"The Tragedies of Canon Blanca." One of men was killed there and two wounded on October 10, 1871. There is a butte, or was, at the mouth of that Canon where I was nearly killed myself, but managed to ride five days with my leg in splints to near the head of the Canon in pursuit of Quanah Parker's band of Quahada Comanches. Gen. MacKenzie himself was wounded by a Comanche arrow in the thigh, about half way up the Canon and near where Quanah had his village—at the same time one of my men was shot through the bowels—and a second shot took off two of his fingers. These I characterize in my story, as you will see, Tragedies Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Our camps for the years 1871, 2, 4 and 5 were at various times on the Freshwater Fork of the Brazos, on Duck Creek, Double Mr. Fork of the Brazos, near the mouth of McClellan Creek and numerous other places. We scouted out from our base at "Soldier's Mound," which was supplied from Fort Griffin by wagon trains with our pack mules, going as far West as Forts Sumner and Bascom, N. M. Major T. M. Anderson, 10th U. S. Infantry (later a Major-General and in command of the First Expedition to the Philippines) commanded the Supply Camps in 1874-5 at "Soldier's Mound." It was guarded by several companies of the 10th and 11th Infantry. Anderson to make himself secure from attack in the rear by any large body of Indians which might chase us piled boxes, barrels, bags, etc., up in a great rectangle for defense, hence its name—"Anderson's Fort." Some of our men died there, or near there, and were probably buried in the Mound. My man who was killed, was named Gregg. We buried him at the S. E. slope of the butte at the mouth of Canon Blanca, near where Quanah himself shot him out of the saddle. The Chief used him as a shield as we—a small party—were falling back, otherwise I could have killed Quanah myself, as I was only 30 or 40 yards from him. But they were too many for us to handle—and we were fighting a waiting battle until the main Command should come over the hills from the Fresh Fork to our rescue. When they did come the Indians fled up the Canon, and later out on the Staked Plains. This is all brought out in the Story.

Now as to the other Special Events you ask for—these I hope will all be published in—"On the Border

with Mackenzie," which I am about sending to W. E. Mathis at Dallas, Texas, who is quite sanguine that he can secure a publisher there or at Fort Worth among his friends, in the near future. Nearly ten years ago I privately printed five monographs covering nearly all of our operations—the 4th Cavalry—from 1870 to 1875—in editions of 100 copies each. These I distributed among my brother officers in the Army, and to many principal libraries; but I sent copies to Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Austin, Amarillo and other towns in Texas. Their receipt was never even acknowledged. I lost further incentive in trying to inform those people of our work in those trying days. They are all out of print—but I am being now urged through Mr. C. A. Jones of 61 Broadway, N. Y., whose son Clifford, is now the manager of "Spur Ranch" to publish this book—really as a re-print with some added chapters. This I am going to attempt through Mr. Mathis whom I met here at the Cosmos Club two years ago. Thanking you most cordially for your interest, I am,

Sincerely yours,

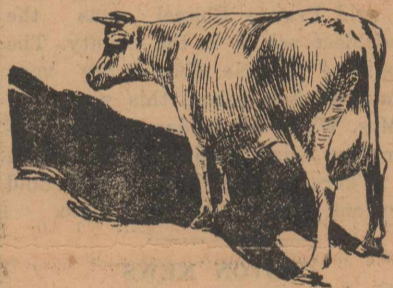
R. C. CARTER

P. S.—There were no engagements at or near "Soldier's Mound." All of our actions took place at or near Blanco, Tule, and Palo Duro Canons, and on the North Fork of the Red River near the mouth of McClellan's Creek, where in 1872 we captured 130 squaws and children, and 800 ponies which the Indians recovered and 2200 at Palo Duro which we killed. The Comanches never recovered from that blow.

Not May Be, But Is

"You needn't look so disgusted," said the Joke to the Editor, "for you may be old yourself some day."

Feed Suggestions That Save Money



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

Substitute 1 lb. of cottonseed meal for 2 lbs. of bran in the dairy ration and increase the milk production.

These are suggestions for cutting feeding costs made by leading veterinarians and Experiment Stations.

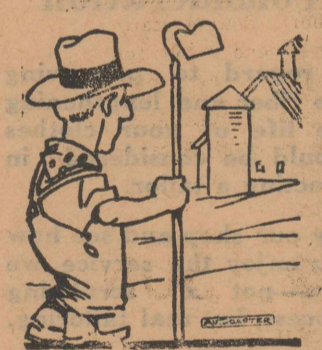
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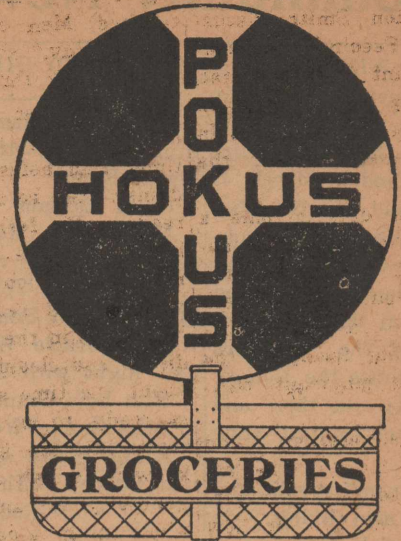
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THE INSTRUCTORS SAID-- 'EAT VEGETABLES'

The chief of instructions given at the I. H. C. Short Course was to eat plenty of vegetables and fruits to preserve your health.

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NOTICE

All Grocery Stores in Spur will close at 6 o'clock, beginning Monday, March 21st, and continue until September 1st.

No orders taken after 11 o'clock for the morning delivery, and no orders taken after 5 p. m. for afternoon delivery.

Wishing you to co-operate with us while we give you the best service possible.

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FEEDING THE FAMILY

Miss Grace Marion Smith
Miss Grace Marion Smith discussed the subject, "Feeding the Family," from two points of view—first, feeding the family to keep it in good health, and second, doing it in a way to make less work for the women folks.

cooks. Then there are the dishes to wash and the sewing and the cleaning to do. Then she is ready to go to bed. Men dislike to milk cows twice a day," she added, "but mother has to cook three times a day."
The speaker took a good-natured dig at Dad. She said that sometimes Dad helps to get the Sunday dinner, then he smokes and rocks and reads. He feels well satisfied with himself, and he can't see that it was much of a job to get dinner. But while he is reading and smoking, Mother is in the kitchen washing the dishes and cleaning up things and about the time she gets through and is ready to sit down and rest Dad comes into the kitchen and wants to know if it isn't about time to eat. It generally is, and Mother has the whole thing to do over again.

DICKENS NEWS

The Women's Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Roy Harkey Monday 14th. The Club discussed kitchen equipment, care of oil stoves and cleaning of wicks.
Charlie Stephens, who is doing carpenter work in Quitaqua spent Saturday night and Sunday with his family in Dickens.
D. Y. Twaddell of Amarillo has been visiting with friends in Dickens and Spur the past few days.
Mrs. M. C. Kennedy, who has been visiting with friends is returning to her home in Seminole this week.
Rve. Mike Young of Abernathy filled his regular appointment at the Church of Christ Saturday night, and Sunday night.
Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones and Miss Olive Meadows are attending the Cattle Raisers Association at El Paso this week.
The Agricultural Short Course conducted at Spur was attended by several of the citizens of Dickens, who report it a great success.
Cecil Meadows has returned from Lubbock where he has recently undergone a minor operation.—Ladies Club Reporter.

WAREHOUSE OF SPUR

HARDWARE DESTROYED
Flames were discovered dragging the large ware house of the Spur Hardware & Furniture Company last Saturday morning. The fire, which was first discovered in the north side of the building was making much headway and soon had enveloped the entire building.
The Fire Department answered the alarm and after nearly an hour working with four strings of hose brought the flames to submission. The entire building was badly charred and will have to be replaced with a new one.
The stock and building had a small per centage of insurance, probably enough to cover one-third of the loss.

CITIZENS GIN DESTROYED

Fire alarm was sounded at five o'clock Tuesday morning when it was discovered the Citizens Gin was in flames. The Fire Department immediately answered the call and by efficient work was able to save the office building and seed house. The main gin, lint room, engine room and mill were destroyed.
The Citizens Gin was one of the largest in this country. It had been in charge of Monroe Hargrove for the past several years and had ginned 6138 bales of cotton this season. The loss sustained was very great in both a financial way and in service to the people.
Mr. Hargrove has just recovered from an operation and had been able to be back at duties just a week when the fire occurred. He stated that he expected to try again, and it is generally understood the gin will be rebuilt and be ready for the 1927 crop.

That's Fair Enough

Visitor—What is that historic-looking dwelling?
Native of Trenton—That's the house at which Washington would have stopped at if he had come down this street.



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SPUR MUTUAL
C. C. HAILE, Secretary

CLASSIFIDADS

J. W. Hilton, of Prairie Chapel community, was greeting friends in our city the last of the week. Mr. Hilton is much interested in progressive farming and has been doing quite a great deal of farm improvement the past year, terracing, planting fruit trees and many other things.
John Randall, of Steel Hill, was in our city Monday looking after business affairs. Incidentally he spoke of the Short Course stating he did not get to attend it but felt it was a great thing for the community.
FOR SALE—A 220-egg incubator, in good condition, three miles north of Spur. D. Y. Twaddell. 120-2tp
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FOR SALE—My home in Spur for sale or trade. Phone 73-T. J. Seale ttc
FOR RENT—A desirable room. Phone 84 or 122.
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LOST IN SPUR—An Elgin wrist watch, round model, white gold with white gold wrist band. Finder return and receive liberal reward.—Lula Alice Robinson, Spur, Route A. 120-2tp

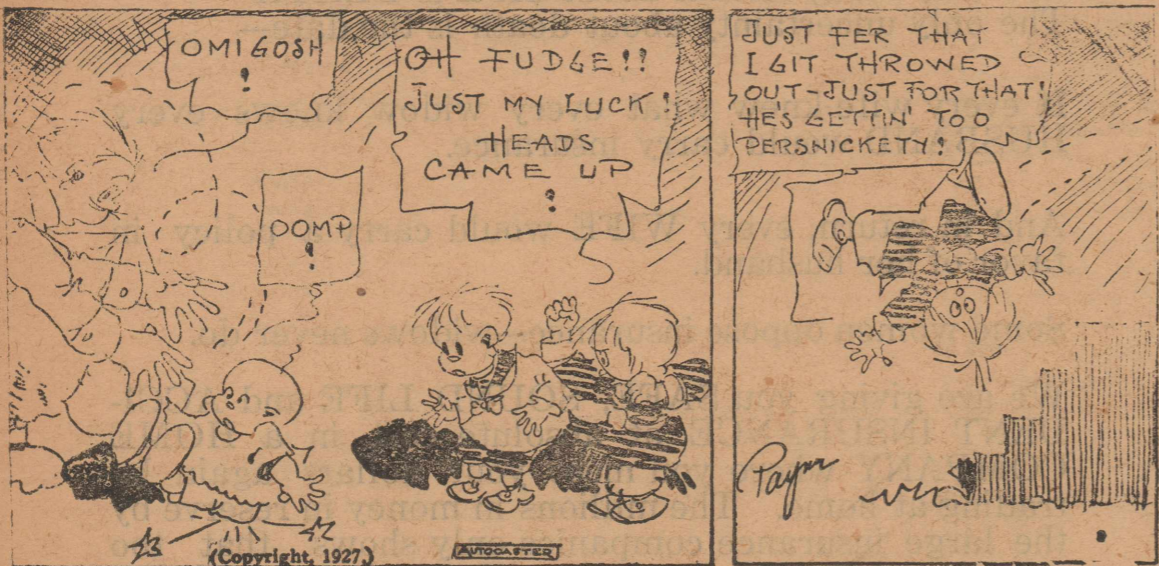
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STILL FARM PROBLEM

The towering event in our national life during February was the closing of the gates on farm relief, for another year at least.

The veto of the McNary-Haugen bill was expected. Public opinion, as expressed in the metropolitan press which okehed the grounds upon which the veto was based—could also be expected. Tariff protected capital naturally would endorse any action which would deny agriculture anywhere near an even break.

One nationally known financial writer was honest enough—and bold enough to admit: "Yet there is not lacking in financial circles an uneasy feeling that something will have to be done more than has been done to place American agriculture on a healthy basis. The indisputable fact remains that Congress has not hesitated to adopt legislation in effect subsidizing various non-agriculture interests. Manufacturers through the tariff. Coastwise shipowners by drastic legislation. Labor unions through restricted immigration. All of which tended to increase cost of farming; to increase the prices of things farmers buy—and leaves him to compete as best he can to dispose of a large part of his products."

Nothing is ever settled until it is settled right. Even if the McNary-Haugen bill was impossible, as the East says it was, it may yet find that agitation for national action will not cease until the farmer—one-third of our population—can share in America's prosperity.

GAS-FOOT ADVICE

"Whom the gods would destroy, their first made mad."

Maybe you can't associate that old philosophy with your 1927 safety. Maybe you are one of those who controls his temper at all times, never getting mad—that is, "anything that amounts to anything."

All fair enough—a few years ago—but not in this day and age. The road hog in his super-six and the growing tendency amongst all of us not to be imposed upon, is the reason.

Don't get mad—ever—while driving an automobile.

Sure it makes you mad—when they cut in on you, pass on the wrong side, fail to signal for turn, etc.

Records from ten traffic courts in as many different parts of the United States show that momentary loss of temper by drivers is the cause of a majority of motor smashups.

Remember this. It may save your life.

Prideful Reply

Joe—Bill, I won't have it! For the last time, I ask you, will you keep away from my girl?

Bill—Thank the Lord, that's the last time I'll ever hear that question.

'Twon't Be Long Now

"Do I bore you," asked the mosquito politely, as he sank a deep shaft into the man's leg.

"Not at all!" replied the man smashing the mosquito gently over the head with a book. "And, by the way, how do I strike you?"

Personally Tested

"Rastus, is my bawth warm?" "Yes, Massah, it's de warmest Ah wuz evah in!"

DO NOT BE ASHAMED OF WORTHY AMBITION

In Abraham Lincoln's first political speech, he said to the voters of Sangamon County:

"Every man is said to have his particular ambition. Whether this be true or not, I can say, for one, that I have no other so great as that of being truly esteemed by my fellowmen, by rendering myself worthy of their esteem."

That was Lincoln's early ambition and one which subsequent events indicate he kept throughout his life.

Contrast with that Napoleon's professed life ambition:

"I propose to make the Mediterranean a French lake!"

In the two the whole life story of each is contained—their achievements and their places in the mind of posterity.

What is your ambition?

If you didn't have to tell anyone, but just by wishing after you have gone to bed could make it come true, what one thing would you like to do most?

Would it be to make one hundred thousand dollars, just it into safe bonds, and have an income assured that would enable you to be protected from want the rest of your life?

Would it be to be elected to a high office, to write a "best seller", or get in the movies, or what?

Would it be to have something, to do something, or to be something?

Just what is your particular ambition?

There are two things to remember about ambition. Ambition of the right sort is one of the most valuable characteristics of a worthwhile man. It is nothing to be ashamed of.

The ready idea was put into words by one of the true gentlemen of the world, Sir Philip Sidney, who, in an age of hypocrisy wore the ideals of chivalry in his heart.

"To be ambitious of true honor, of the true glory and perfection of our natures, is the very principle and incentive of virtue; but to be ambitious of titles, place, of ceremonial respects and civil pageantry, is as vain and little as the things are which we court."

Family of Impersonators

"You keep a dog, don't you?" "No, if we hear a noise in the night, we bark ourselves."

KEEP UP WITH YOUR TOWN

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company added 15 stations to their central office in Spur last year, 1926.

On January 1, 1926 there were 295 telephones here while on January 1, 1927, 310 telephones were in service. The total gain by the Bell System for Texas was 27,990 in 1926.

This increase of telephones is a sure barometer of a city's growth, and indicates an active business development, said District Manager Pinson. He also states that the provisional budget for the company's expenditures in Texas during 1927 provides for more than 7,000 miles of new long distance cable, and 174,000 miles of wire in central office areas. Approximately \$5,000,000 will be spent in this expansion. Every Bell Company in the state will derive benefits and improvements from this expansion program.

FEDERAL FORCES ARE BURNING AS THEY GO

Your Federal Government has financed, drawn up battle lines and a herculean fight is now under way against the European corn borer which threatens the great corn areas of the United States.

The enemy, which first made itself felt in Massachusetts, Maine, and the New England States and invaded Canada, last year swept down from the north into New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and as far west as Northwestern Illinois. The infested areas were so numerous that drastic efforts were deemed necessary.

One of the most intensive campaigns ever launched against a plant pest is now under way. The Federal appropriation of \$10,000,000 provided for a thorough clean-up on every farm in the western portion of the infested area.

This clean-up campaign necessitates the destruction, by fire or burning, of all remaining corn stalks and other refuse on and about corn land and in feeding lots and pastures.

Corn stalks, corn cogs, and other fleshy-stemmed plant material which might offer a harboring place for the corn borer must be destroyed before May 1 in order to reduce the number of borers that pass the winter in such material and prevent emergence of the moths in the late spring.

Full co-operation is necessary on the part of all Federal and State officers, educational agencies, the press, agricultural organizations and especially the farmers themselves, to stamp out this pest.

While it is not certain that the effort will be wholly successful it is reasonably certain that it will result in a very great reduction of the borers carried over the winter.

It is certain that in the future farmers will have to adopt methods of corn cultivation that will result in the destruction of corn stalks that may contain borers before the first of May. Such systems are now being worked out.

The methods now adopted of destroying the corn borer in corn stalks and debris left standing in the field consists of plowing, raking, and burning of such material, to be followed by plowing so as to turn under any surface material previous to putting in the season's crop. This is being done in all infested areas at the discretion of the officials charged with the enforcement of the act.

Exceptions to the requirements for plowing, raking, burning, and plowing previous to planting will be where fields were well plowed last fall or where methods of spring plowing and the condition of the fields are such as to secure equally efficient methods of destruction. All such methods and systems are subject to the approval of the officers in charge.

The regulations will doubtless require that all lands in infested areas on which corn was grown in 1926 which are to be used for oats or other small grains, grass, or millet crops, in either spring or fall seeding, must be prepared with a stubble beater or by plowing under of corn refuse completely, in a manner satisfactory to the officials in charge, before the crop is planted. Federal reimbursement will be made to farmers for labor costs incurred in the clean-up work which are over and above the costs incurred in normal farm operations.

DIABETES

My object in writing this article is to so acquaint my reader with the symptoms of the disease, that he will recognize them, and consult a physician at once; otherwise the diabetes may reach a very difficult stage to handle, without exciting apprehension on the part of the patient.

To begin with, diabetes is not a kidney disease, though its first manifestations appear in that quarter. The patient notices at first, very great over-action of the kidneys, with output as clear as water in the majority of cases; it may reach one, two or three gallons in quantity per day. An inordinate craving for sweets may be noticed; severe constipation is the rule, though not constant—many people are constipated without having diabetes. Then, there is a "progressive feebleness"—the growing weaker and weaker, without apparent cause. I once saw a strong man begin to grow weak—"tried" all the time with no exertion to cause it; his limbs ached so much that he fancied he had rheumatism. Asked about his kidneys, he asserted that "they had never in life acted so well, two gallons or more a day!" This man died within three months—of diabetes, the disease having advanced too far to be remediable by and means known at that time, about twenty years ago.

Whenever this feebleness sets in, and the patient's muscles begin to grow flabby with loss of flesh, and the kidney discharge is increasing rapidly, with constipation and craving for sweets, and for more and more water than is naturally required, it is best to have the physician make an analysis of the renal evacuation, which in health amounts to about fifty ounces a day in the adult. No delay should be countenanced or indulged. The physician of today knows how to handle diabetes, the treatment of which would be out of place here.

WALL STREET SQUAWKS

Wall Street is squawking "thief" at the top of its voice and bringing every influence to bear, fair and otherwise, against the McNary-Haugen Farm Relief bill which is now virtually up to the President for his okeh or veto. This is to be expected and is not worrying the 40,000,000 farmers of the United States, beyond the point that they will not stand for

a defeat of this much needed legislation through crooked and selfish tactics.

The whole attack on the McNary-Haugen bill, when okeh'd by the Senate and returned to the House for approval of some new amendments, was "that the equalization fee would be difficult to collect." In reply, a champion said: "The opponents should wait and see how hard it will be to collect interest on farm mortgages—if we get no agricultural relief."

Which is the whole matter in a nutshell.

As a fact, now as always, Wall Street and the interests are following the same old policy and want: "Everything coming in and nothing going out!"

We ask, What about the tariff? What about the government guaranteeing to the railroads at 6 per cent return on their investments? And Jumping Jeremiah—how those investments are padded and watered!

Of course, it is alright—that the tariff should cost American consumers \$3,000,000,000 per year—three-fourths of which goes straight into the pockets of protected manufacturers. Also, that owners of railroads should "Ish-ka-bible"—and get at least 6 per cent—but of course more—on their investments.

The farmers must have help. The McNary-Haugen bill at least offers a testing ground as to how best the government can assist in getting agriculture on an even keel. Which is something the farmer can not do as long as he is left a prey to the market vultures who have been taking more and bigger profits each year—and getting away with them.

Gold Medal Flour

Billings—Why does Arthur call his girl Gold Medal?

Fillings—I suppose it's because she's been through the mill.

And Time to Think It Over "That's a good gag," exclaimed the robber, as he stuffed his victim's mouth.

Famous Partnerships

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COMMUNITIES ARE MADE BY FOLKS

By H. S. Mobley

Mr. H. S. Mobley, in beginning his talk on "Communities are Made of Folks" pointed out that this town of ours, "is not your town, or my town, but our town." It is something in common to all of us living in it—a community proposition, and to have a real town we must have a community spirit, not a one-man spirit.

"To many of us," he said, "the word 'town' means a group of buildings separated by streets and alleys, containing some stores, some factories, some banks, some residences, a few churches and school houses, but that is not the proper idea of a town. It is in accordance with the dictionary definition of the word, but it is not in accordance with a community idea of a town.

"There are two elements in anything that involves human life under civilized conditions," he explained. "They are production and distribution. Some people must labor to produce; others must labor to buy and sell. The two are essential; either, alone, is a weakness, in fact, impossible.

"The place we usually call a town is merely a business district or trade center. Around it are the farms, or the mines, or the fisheries, where men labor to produce and from where they come to this business district to sell and buy and transact the business end of their labor. I have heard it said that the town and country are separate; that their interests are not mutual. This is a great mistake. Each depends upon the other. Each is as necessary as the other. The country cannot live without the town; neither can the town live without the country, but the town and country, by uniting what they have of production and distribution, can create such a condition of comfort and happiness as will constitute a real community of human beings."

Mr. Mobley declared he was not under-estimating the importance of the physical phases of man's life, but was striving to emphasize the human side.

"Communities are made of folks," he said, "and not of houses and farms and factories. The houses, farms, mines, factories, banks and stores are all necessary but the human life and energy and intelligence back of them determine what they are to be. The higher the type of the people, the better the physical plant of the community.

"The difference between this community today, its houses, its factories—all its physical conditions—and the same community when the Indians lived here, is to be traced to the difference between the people who are here now and the people who were here then."

Mr. Mobley suggested that we study our town. In some communities, he said, the people look on their town as though they are not responsible for it and as a result they are dead and their town is dead.

"Too often we have to go away from home to learn the news," he said. "Do you know the things in your town that should be boosted, and the things that should be corrected? We work ourselves into the frame of mind that the things at home are not worth while. There is a life time study in this community, that is of utmost value to you. Every bit of it is full of practical knowledge. Every bit of it refers to your community."

Some of the things you should know about this community are the home, school, church and work-a-day life in the community, the government of the community, the health conditions, the division of boys and girls in educational matters. "All these things," he said, "are to be found on the greatest page in history—the open page of everyday life. Without a good, wholesome social life there can be no wholesome school life, church life or home life—no wholesome government."

Mr. Mobley described a town that "moved away" when the mines that supported it, played out. The buildings were still there but the people were gone. The town had been composed of people and two other things—productive labor and business transactions. When labor quit, business quit and the people had to move away. "Land in this community wouldn't be worth 15 cents an acre if it were not for the human mind," he said. He next told of attending an Old Settlers' Meeting and talking with a man who ran a refreshment stand. He asked the man if he had been required to pay anything for the privilege of running the stand, and the man said he had and told him how much he paid. Mr. Mobley then asked him how much he would be willing to pay to run the

stand the following day, and the man replied that not only would he not give anything but that they would have to pay him to run it, because the people would all be gone. "So you see," said Mr. Mobley, "everything depends upon the human element."

"Dr. A. E. Winship," he said, "describes such an individual as being one who goes through life riding backwards, sitting on the rump of progress, pulling on the tail of things and hollering 'Whoa'."

"It makes me think of two women who were traveling on a passenger train. One was seated next the window and the other next the aisle. The steam pipes next the window grew very hot and the air became oppressive. The woman sitting there told the porter he would have to raise the window or she would smother to death. The one sitting next the aisle threw her cloak about her and remarked that if he opened the window she would freeze to death. A traveling man, having heard the contrary orders and seeing the negro's perplexity, asked him if he did not know the right thing to do, and the negro said he did not. The traveling man then said: 'If I were you, I would let the window remain closed until the woman sitting next the window suffocated. I would then open it and let the other woman freeze to death.' Of course this is a joke but I have been in communities where the opinion was quite general that what the town needed most of all was a few funerals."

Mr. Mobley picked up from the pile of literature distributed at the meeting a card containing one sentence. "This one sentence, as simple as it is," he said, "is profound with community good sense. It says: 'Co-operation is living so other people can work with you.' Get that point and you will get the spirit of what I am driving at."

Mr. Mobley declared that one of the most embarrassing experiences for anyone who has pride in himself is to find that he has been following or acting upon some half truth, or some rumor, based on false logic.

"The people of this world," he said "who stand out above the masses are those who do not act until they are sure they are right. Start something in this community and keep your ears open for statements of radical people, of half truths, of prejudiced propagandists, and you will see clearly what I mean.

"But when you know the truth about anything, you are practically invincible—everybody listens to you. You are a leader. You are worth while. It is one of the most forceful things in the world, to get the truth about things before you act. But it is difficult. It costs time, money, and a great deal of self-control."

He related an anecdote of some negroes who debated the question: "Resolved that the moon is of more value to the earth than the sun is." Those who favored the sun were about to get the decision when the negro got the floor and won the debate by reminding the judges that the sun shines in the daytime when we do not need any light while the moon gives us light at night when we need light.

"In practically all questions we are called upon to decide," said Mr. Mobley, "we meet the logic of the negro. While sometimes, but the use of such logic, we carry our point, we are not victorious. It is worth while to get right on any question."

Mr. Mobley cautioned the community against getting what he called "the disease of somewhere else," and then explained what he meant by saying:

"In one town in a prairie county of Illinois where we held some of these meetings, they opened the evening session with a song which the children had been trained to sing. Their manner showed that great care had been taken in preparing to sing that song and they sang, down there in their flat, level country, resplendent with miles of yellow grain, kissed with the dew of early morn, 'My Heart Is In the Highlands.' That is, somewhere else.

"Over in Ohio, this Winter, a splendid quartette sang with spirit and sympathy, 'Sleep, Kentucky Babe,' and when I came on to talk I could not resist being rude enough to say that if I were in their place, I should write a lullaby about Ohio babies and let the Kentuckians put their own babies to sleep.

"We went down into Kentucky, made immortal by Stephen C. Foster through his folk songs that will live as long as the heart of man beats true to the impulses of higher emotions, and I expect to hear them sing some of those heart-moving songs, but in Kentucky they sang to me, 'Carry me Back to Old Virginia,' and in Virginia, a land of romance and poetry, they sang like they

mean it, 'Out Where the West Begins.'

"And when we went to South Dakota, there in a great school building, they gathered from all parts of the state and out there, where the West is, where it lies spread out under the heavens and is fastened down by the Black Hills and the Rocky Mountains so that it cannot get away—out there they sang with gusto and with soul-moving pathos, 'I Wish I Was in Dixie.'

"People, this 'somewhere else' is a wonderful thing but we cannot put our hearts on other places and other people and dream dreams and see visions of things foreign to our home town, and people, and community and, at the same time be and do in this place what we ought to be and do. Some of this 'over yonder' doctrine is all right, but too many of us have too much of 'somewhere else.'"

Mr. Mobley said that it is a good thing to get acquainted with our neighbors but it is equally important to get acquainted with our neighborhood.

"Towns are building manhood and womanhood and exporting them to other communities," he said. "If they had instilled in them appreciation of their own town they would have stayed. According to law a boy is worth \$13,000. Are you capitalizing your boys and your girls?"

Mr. Mobley closed by admonishing his hearers to select something they liked and stay by it and study it and work it. "If you do," he said, "something of great value to you and your community will come out of it."

WHICH TYPE OF WOMAN ARE YOU?

There are many varieties of woman, to be sure. But there are two outstanding types with which we are concerned today. The one who is calm, poised, and efficiently conducting the duties to which she has been assigned, and the other harried, strained, rushing futilely about, accomplishing little more than wrinkles with her poor system of management.

Invariably the woman who has no sort of a system for her work is the woman who finds her days so taken up with work that she has no time for anything else—not a minute to read or to play. She is the woman, too, who is cross and irritable and so worn out by the time night comes that she is too tired to do anything but go to bed. Naturally, her looks must suffer.

Tell the average woman that you have heard of a new cream that will erase from her face all the lines of worry and you will never know a minute's rest until you have told her where it might be obtained. But tell a tired, nagging woman that she can prevent tiny lines from creeping into her face

by adopting a system for her work, and she will laugh at you.

It may be bromide, nevertheless, it is true that system wins success. The difference between the hurriers and the people who really accomplish big things and hold to youth and beauty is the system established in the latter's lives. Every big woman who has reached success has done it by conserving her energy for the important things, wasting nothing on fruitless rushing about. Not that she excludes play. No indeed, she provides for that as a necessary part of her upkeep.

Begin your day the night before by getting a full quota of sleep. Get up in the morning and start the day right by first planning your work, that you will have time to read—time for friends—time for pleasure, and time for the observance of health and beauty rules; eating slowly, for one thing, relaxing the muscles of the eyes and the body occasionally during the course of a day's work, brushing the hair night and morning—all of which are very necessary in keeping alive the spirit of youth.

Fast, Fast Worker
A bonnie little lassie named Daisie Drove all the laddie plumb crazy, But what was her system— Whether she hugged 'em or kissed 'em— It's on this very point that I'm hazy.

Facts of the Case
Reporter—Were you and Murphy cool and collected after the explosion yesterday?
Flasherty—Well, you see it was this way. I was cool, but Murphy was collected.

It's true, charity begins at home—but it shouldn't be too weak to travel a bit.

Results
Thursday I lost a gold watch which I valued very highly, at it was an heirloom. I immediately inserted an advertisement in your Lost and Found column, and waited. Yesterday I went home and found the watch in the pocket of my other suit. God bless your paper!

Considerable diversification will be carried on in the Rotan region during the coming year. One of the biggest extensions is that of truck farming. Much stress is being made on raising sweet potatoes in this section.

Voting is to take place in the Iowa Park precincts at an early date on the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$1,750,000 to improve the high-ways of the irrigated district.

This Way Out
"Help you out, why certainly," said the millionaire as he tossed out the panhandler.

ONE IN TEN
Neglecting a little wound, cut or abrasion of the flesh may in nine cases out of ten cause no great suffering or inconvenience, but it is the one case in ten that causes blood poisoning, lockjaw or a chronic festering sore. The cheapest, safest and best course is to disinfect the wound with liquid Borozone and apply the Borozone Powder to complete the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by SPUR DRUG COMPANY

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SPECIALS

For Saturday

We are again having Saturday Specials. Everything out on the counter where you can see it. Come and see what you need this time. Do not forget to look at our ready-to-wear, especially our Black Satin Coats.

Salems

G. B. Erath, of Duck Creek, was seen on our streets Saturday.

A. M. Hoover, of Twin Wells, was transacting business in our city Saturday.

R. Hodges, of Duck Creek, was looking after business affairs here Saturday.

Mrs. W. A. Harris and two daughters, of Dickens, were guests in our city Saturday.

T. L. Conway, of Croton, was doing some trading with our merchants Saturday.

Geo. M. McMahan, of Dry Lake, was in Saturday looking after business affairs.

C. W. Denson, of Espuela, was looking after business affairs in our city Monday.

R. B. Sharp, of Highway, was greeting friends on our streets Saturday.

W. F. Foreman, of Espuela, was doing some trading with our merchants Saturday.

Mrs. W. L. McAteer, of Dickens, was doing some trading with our merchants Saturday.

L. B. McMeans, of Twin Wells, was greeting friends and doing some trading in our city Saturday.

Tol Merriman, south of town, was in Saturday getting a list of supplies to run his farm another week.

Mrs. Fannie Kerley, of Red Top, was in our city Saturday doing some shopping with our merchants.

Rev. J. W. Jennings, of Steel Hill community, was in Saturday looking after business affairs. Rev. Mr. Jennings is also a farmer and was talking up the chicken industry while in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. D. Huffstедler, of Highway community, were transacting business in our city Saturday. Mrs. Huffstедler is a great booster for community progress.

C. M. McCarty, of Afton, was looking after business affairs here Saturday, and while here stated that farmers are picking up courage to make 1927 their best year.

Miss Minnie Lee Meek, one of the charming young ladies of McAdoo, was doing some shopping in our city Saturday. Her father is one of the hustling merchants of McAdoo community.

W. A. Valentine, of Red Mud, was greeting friends on our streets Saturday. He reports everything all right in his community, stating that farmers were making arrangements to start another crop.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hunter east of town, were doing some trading here Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are among the leading farmers of our territory who believe in diversification.

O. O. Love, G. G. Miller and J. F. Womack, business men of Roaring Springs, were in our city the last of the week greeting old friends. Mr. Miller and Mr. Womack had some dental work done while here.

G. F. Harris, of McAdoo, was here Saturday greeting friends. He was just returning from Abilene where he had been called on account of the illness and death of his father. We join friends in sympathizing with Mr. Harris in this great sorrow.

H. E. Watkins, of Watson, was transacting business here Saturday. Mr. Watkins stated that he expected to plant less cotton this year than he planted last, thereby co-operating with the general plan of reduction on that crop. He stated more turkeys, chickens, hogs and cows, with a view of producing a living at home is the farmers' best route this year.

MISS BESSIE HELLUMS of Stamford, Texas

Has opened a Studio in the Cowan Building, where she will begin teaching a class in

PAINTING, including CHINA PAINTING and PAINTING on SILKS.

Miss Hellums is a graduate of the Kidd-Key College Department of Art. Class is now open.

POULTRY BUSINESS PAYS ACCORDING TO REPORTS

According to the reports sent in by the various persons in the county who are keeping records on their flocks, it appears that poultry is a paying proposition. Most of the flocks have shown a net over the expenses when everything has been considered.

We observe that many people have reported eggs that were used for hatching purposes and these eggs were reported at the same market price as eggs on the market. Invariably people have to pay more for eggs for setting because these have to be selected. We wonder if these eggs should not be calculated at the market price for eggs used for hatching purposes.

We observe that the seventeen flocks reported for the month of February netted their owners \$447.32 in eggs consumed at home and marketed and for the birds used in a similar manner. Very doubtful if the owners spent more than thirty minutes per day in time with their flocks. This was clear gain on the farm flocks.

The following shows the recapitulation on the various flocks on which records are being kept.

Mrs. T. J. Rose
77 Brown Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$1.80
Eggs sold \$6.63
Poultry marketed \$8.25
Total \$16.68
No feed.

Mrs. G. F. Smith
175 Rhode Island Reds
Eggs consumed \$3.60
Eggs marketed \$19.40
Total \$23.00
Less Feed \$1.65
Net \$21.35

Mrs. B. F. Middleton
255 White Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$12.00
Eggs marketed \$43.42
Eggs on hand \$4.63
Poultry marketed \$6.10
Total \$66.17
Less feed \$7.50
Net \$58.67

Mrs. W. L. Gragson
102 Rhode Island Reds
Eggs consumed \$2.90
Eggs sold \$1.20
Eggs set \$14.64
Total \$18.74
Less Feed \$1.50
Net \$18.24

Mrs. W. P. Fretwell
300 English W. Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$2.20
Eggs sold \$20.95
Poultry consumed \$2.00
Poultry sold \$64.79
Total \$89.94
Less feed \$9.50
Net \$80.44

Dan Pritchett
168 White Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$2.00
Eggs sold \$32.55
Poultry consumed \$1.50
Less feed \$10.50
Net \$24.55

Mrs. Annie Rose
123 Barred Rocks
Eggs consumed \$6.27
Eggs sold \$13.21
Poultry consumed \$4.50
Poultry sold \$9.90
Total \$33.88
Less feed \$2.00
Net \$31.88

A. J. Allen
236 Brown Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$8.12
Eggs sold \$17.24
Total \$25.36
No feed.

C. C. Neeley
132 Brown Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$2.25
Eggs sold \$20.86
Total \$23.11
Less feed \$1.75
Net \$21.36

Mrs. R. S. Rogers
108 Rhode Island Reds
Eggs consumed \$2.50
Eggs sold \$4.10
Poultry consumed \$2.96
Total \$10.56
No feed.

Mrs. W. T. Lovell
40 Plymouth Rocks
Eggs consumed \$4.13
Eggs sold \$1.15
Eggs set \$3.81
Poultry consumed \$1.50
Total \$8.59
Less feed \$1.00
Net \$7.59

Mrs. J. C. Dopson
50 S. C. White Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$4.20
Eggs sold \$3.05
Total \$7.25
Less feed \$1.35
Net \$5.90

Mrs. W. L. Pullen
150 Buff Orpingtons
Eggs consumed \$7.50
Eggs sold \$17.37
Poultry sold \$13.55
Total \$38.42
No feed.

Mrs. R. N. James
36 White Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$28.57
Eggs sold \$9.55
Less feed Poultry sold \$3.70
Total \$41.82
Less feed \$2.00
Net \$39.82

Fred S. Reynolds
34 Red and Brown Leghorns
Eggs consumed \$2.64
Eggs sold \$6.60
Poultry consumed \$1.80
Total \$10.04
Less feed \$4.00
Net \$6.04

R. C. McMahan
81 Barred Rocks
Eggs consumed \$6.00
Eggs sold \$9.10
Total \$15.10
Less feed \$3.85
Net \$11.25

Walter L. Powell
Eggs consumed \$4.15
Eggs sold \$17.24
Poultry consumed \$1.25
Poultry sold \$8.47
Total \$30.71
Less feed \$2.50
Net \$28.21

RED MUD NEWS

The services conducted by Bro. Jno. M. Rice Sunday afternoon was well attended.

The County Agents of Garza and Dickens met the farmers of this community, at the school house March 7th, for the purpose of organizing a watermelon club.

Two club members, Jim Perkins, and teacher of the Draw School were in company with the Garza Co. agt.

Mrs. W. A. Harrell returned home this week. She reports her sister, Mrs. Manning in a critical condition.

Miss Ray Brantner, our club president, left Thursday for Fort Worth, where she will be for some time.

We regret her leaving so much and will miss her work in the club.

J. E. Arnold is moving back to his farm near Grassburg.

Mr. Arnold planted some cane and made it into syrup the past year, just to see if syrup making was profitable in this country. He now thinks it is and is planning to increase his acreage this year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Causie have

been improving their place by building a new chicken house and putting out a number of rose bushes, also so emblack locus.

Quite a number of people from this community attended the I. N. S. C. School dismissed Thursday and Friday in order for the teacher and pupils to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis, who have been visiting their brother and sister, J. M. and Willie Davis, returned home the latter part of the week.

Mrs. W. G. Hinson has been putting out more flowers, namely, phlox, snap dragon, shasta, daisies, dew plant, also some new geraniums. Mrs. Hinson already had quite a collection of both house and yard plants.

The Baptist people met Sunday for the purpose of re-organizing their Sunday school.

Mrs. Cross had lettuce to eat out of her hot bed Monday, and says the rest of her plants are ready for transplanting.

Misses Wilma and Lillie McArthur who are staying at Spur attending school, were home for the week-end.

Miss Allie Biggs of Spur was the guest of Dessie Maye Cross Friday night. Dessie Maye returned home with her and stayed until Sunday night. She also visited the Oliver girls Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hinson and Mrs. Cross attended the lecture on the Care of the Oil Stove Saturday evening at the Baptist Church.—Red Mud Reporter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation to our many friends for their beautiful flowers, kind deeds and words of sympathy in our recent great bereavement. May God richly bless you, is our prayer.

Mrs. F. N. Oliver and Family

THANKS

I take this method of thanking the friends who were so kind and thoughtful to me while in the Nichols Sanitarium.

Also, I thank the nurses for being so kind and good to me. May God's greatest blessings ever rest upon each one, is my prayer.

Vestal Morrison

F. O. Taylor, of Red Mud community, was doing some trading here Saturday, and stated the farmers were lining up again for another crop in his community.

G. M. Cox, of Soldier Mound, was doing some trading with our merchants Saturday. While here he dropped into the Times office and had a chat with us. In speaking of the Spur schools he stated that he would not take anything for the rural delivery for the children out in his community, and that it was the best method he knew for the rural children to get the advantage of the town schools.

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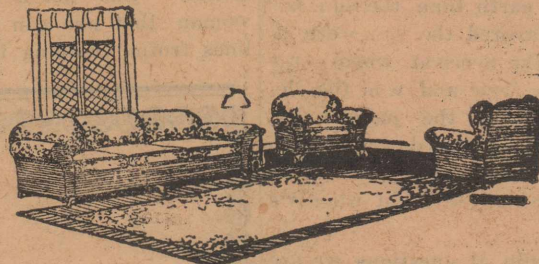
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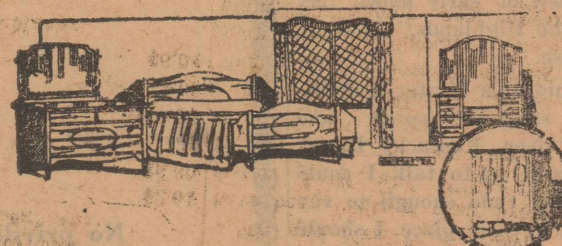
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