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Spur Carries Honors in Meet

Lubbock Coursing Club Opens Sunday Monday, April 3-4

LUBBOCK, Texas, March 30.—The racing season at the Lubbock Coursing Park will open Sunday and Monday, April 3 and 4, and plans are being laid for a feature meet for the opening. Gene Wofford, president of the Lubbock Coursing Club announced here recently.

Loving cups and cash prizes are offered to the winning dogs and in addition to the regular races, a number of matched races will be staged. Letters of invitation to the meet have been sent out to hundreds of sports over the entire Southwest and a large number of dogs are expected to be entered.

Bring all your dogs as there will be races for all, is the invitation broadcasted by the Club here. Disinterested parties will class the cold blood dogs so that each will have a fair chance. There will be stakes for cold blood, registered All age, puppy, and sapling hounds.

The invitations urge that each sport send in a list of the number of dogs he will have here in order that space in the kennels may be allotted to him. There is ample kennel space for all, Wofford said.

A larger number of dogs than have been gathered on the South Plains in the history of the club is expected Sunday and Monday. The closing of the races in Florida is expected to send hundreds of the best dogs of the nation to the Southwest and to the Lubbock meets.

Invitations have gone out to racing owners at Altus, Oklahoma City, Elk City, Electra, Leonard, Sherman, Denton, Gunter, Royse City, Waxahachie, McKinney, Cleburne, Midlothian, Venus, Ralls, Hereford, Throckmorton, Clarendon, Memphis and other points. Dogs at these points are expected here next Sunday and Monday.

The coursing club expects to hold a race each week now that the season has opened. All the meets will not be held in Lubbock, will be staged in different South Plains towns. The Merrill Park here with a seating capacity of over 1,500 is the home of the club and will be the scene of a majority of the races this season. Both the ground and bagging has been remodeled and the Park is one of the best equipped and fastest in the United States.

Program for Tract and Field Events Saturday, April 2nd, At Dickens

10:00—12:00—Volley Ball, (Girls). Junior Indoor Baseball. Boys Tennis Doubles. Boys Tennis Singles. 12:00—1:00—Noon. 1:00 P. M.—Girls Tennis Doubles. Girls Tennis Singles.

Tract and Field Events
(1) 120 yard High Hurdles.
(2) Pull up (Chinning bar) Juniors
(3) 20 yard Low Hurdles.
(4) Running High Jump (Juniors).
(5) Pole Vault (Seniors).
(6) Running Broad Jump (Juniors).
(7) Running High Jump, (Seniors)
(8) Running Broad Jump (Seniors)
(9) 50 yard Dash (Juniors).
10 100 yard Dash (Seniors).
(11) 100 yard Dash (Seniors).
(12) 220 yard Dash (Seniors).
(13) Discus Throw.
(14) Javelin Throw.
(15) 12 pound Shot Put.
(16) 440 yard Dash (Seniors).
(17) 880 yard Dash.
(18) One Mile Run.
(19) Junior 440 Relay.
(20) Senior One Mile Relay.
(Rural Pentathlon is under the directions of the Rural School Director).

Signed: H. A. C. Brummitt, Chairman of League.

W. F. Godfrey, one of our hustling Ford salesmen, made a business trip to Paducah and spent several days looking after business.

Bryant Link Co.

Mrs. King is in the market selecting the newest in Ladies Wear. Easter is coming. We are preparing to have a real Easter showing. We are expecting ladies from surrounding towns to be here to do their shopping. We cannot tell you in words or by pictures; you will have to come and see. Don't forget to ask for "Blue Profit Sharing Stamps."

Our Mr. Hubert Wester, who has charge of the Furniture Department, is now in market selecting the new things that are coming out in the furniture line. Styles are changing in furniture; more snap and color to cheer your homes. See Wester when in need of home furnishings. He has spent his life in the furniture game. Shipment of refrigerators just arrived. Keep your food cool and sanitary by proper refrigeration.

Business is good with us. We are selling for cash and our friends who owe us are being loyal by spending their cash with us. We appreciate their loyalty. By your help, 1927 thus far has been better than 1926. Help us to keep going good through April. Don't forget your Blue Profit Sharing Stamps. They are worth money. Save them and they may save you.

We still think this is a good world, full of opportunity for the fellow who is willing to pay the price. We believe in Dickens County. We do not think we have begun to develop our natural resources and de don't mean oil. While there may be lakes of liquid gold under our prairies, yet the surface when terraced and properly tilled will make us more prosperous than oil or even gold. We would say to the youth of this country, many of you want to get away to the city when under your feet in your community are greater opportunities and your home town needs your help. Build the community or town in which you live and then you will like to live in the town or community you helped build. Ask for Hawk Brand Overalls and work clothes made in Texas and of Texas cotton by Texas labor and they are the best. Watch for the Hawk on the label.

Spring is here, the time when nature is rebuilding her castles torn down by winter blasts and they will not be less beautiful than they were before winter had her way. May we from nature learn a lesson. 1926 was disappointing, but should we give up? No, let's all determine to make 1927 the best year of our lives. Let's forget the blasts of winter that called our ideals and hopes "and build more stable mansions." Even though they too may in time topple and fall, we will find joy in the building. God is still in this old world regardless of all the crime and sorrow, and there are millions who are true to Him and would suffer and die at the burning stake rather than deny Him. Keep your eyes looking at the good and you can't see the bad. No, we don't believe in tadpole theory for the origin of man. We don't see any in the process of changing and if man came from tadpoles he ought to still be coming that way. It's a good world full of beauty and hope to all who believe in the Bible way.

Come on with the crowds and bring the children.

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Revival at First Christian Church To Begin Sunday

Rev. L. P. Kopp of Cisco, Texas, evangelist, and Rev. A. L. Haley, of Abilene, Texas, will begin a revival



REV. L. P. KOPP, Evangelist.

at The First Christian Church Sunday, April 3rd. Rev. Kopp is an interesting and forceful speaker. Rev. Haley is a splendid singer and children worker.



REV. A. L. HALEY, Singer.

We invite the community to cooperate and attend every service. We give a special invitation through this column to all the singers to come and help us.

A. G. Abbott, Pastor.

Called Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce

A meeting of the Spur Chamber of Commerce is called for this (Thursday) afternoon to discuss arrangements and to determine what part Spur shall take in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention at Wichita Falls May 16-17. The meeting will be in the Directors' Room of the Spur National Bank at three o'clock, p. m. All Chamber of Commerce members and other business men are asked to be present at that time. Don't forget the time—it is three o'clock today.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

We desire to call the attention of our readers to the election of members on the Spur School Board next Saturday. There have been some very fine men offered for the vacancies, and it behoves our citizens to elect the best qualified persons in respect of friendship. Our school is the most important institution in our community and deserves the attention of our best citizens to make it a success. Elect qualified men, honest men, men who will stand for the upbuilding of our schools and then let's stand by them while they are in office.

Sunday School Class Has Banquet

The Young Ladies Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church enjoyed a banquet at the Spur Inn last Thursday evening. There were twelve members of the class present. Mrs. Geo. S. Link is teacher for this class and the banquet was given through courtesy to her.

The evening was pleasantly spent in games after the dinner. Many expressed their appreciation for the evening and felt it is a good thing to get together once in a while on occasions like that one.

Lyceum Number Friday Evening

The last number of the Lyceum course for Spur will be given next Friday evening, April 1, in the auditorium of the Methodist Church. Miss Sarah Mildred Wilmer, a reader and impersonator, will present this number, which we are sure will meet great applause from the people.

Miss Wilmer has been on the chautauqua platform for some years and has always met the approval of the people. She was in Matador in 1920 at the Summer chautauqua, and hers was considered the best number of all.

The ladies organizations of the different churches who are fostering the Lyceum, ask that the people give them a good attendance at this last number for this year.

Matador Students Give Program Here

Students of the Matador High School, known as the Ukelele Club, gave a very fine program at the Spur High School Thursday evening. The program consisted of readings, a short play, a number of musical selections and songs. The program was of such nature that it brought great applause from the congregation. Attendance was small but this was due to the fact that the program had not been thoroughly advertised.

These people are to give a radio program over the Fort Worth Star-Telegram station in the very near future.

Young People of Spur Enjoy Picnic

A number of the young people of Spur, chaperoned by Mrs. J. E. Johnson, enjoyed an evening picnic at the Langston place just east of town. They enjoyed a good lunch and spent the time in free open air exercises.

Those present were: Misses Dorothy Williams, Flossie Hawley and sister, Allie Powell, Ila Bowman, Jennie Salem, Margarite Mowatt of Dallas, Mesdames, Homer Hindman, Hazel Ogletree, W. D. Starcher, Geo. M. Williams and J. E. Johnson.

Family of Seven Suffer Big Fire Loss

House burns on the Mrs. Goff place ten miles north of Spur. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Smithwick. Everything they had were burned, they didn't save anything, they were down in the field pulling bolls when they saw it and they could not get back in time to save anything. A family of seven were left without any clothes. They stayed with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Watson until they got some more things to put back in their new shack. It was near Espula school. They were gathering cotton for A. B. Morgan.—Contributed.

B. Y. Love, the hustling ginner of Dickens, was over Saturday looking after business affairs. Mr. Love aside from being one of the leading gingers of the county has interests in banks and real estate.

W. A. Valentine, of Lower Red Mud community, was in our city Saturday greeting old friends. He says everything is looking good in his community.

SOUTH PLAINS MUSIC TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION WAS HELD IN LUBBOCK

Interscholastic League Meet In Spur Friday

The literary events of the County Interscholastic League will be held in Spur Friday, April 1st. All schools in the county are to be represented in these events. The following is the program:

Program for Literary Events, Friday, April 1st, Spur, Texas.
10:00—General Assemblé in Auditorium.

10:30—12:00—Spelling (all Divisions); Arithmetic Contest, Essay Writing, Extemporaneous Speaking, and girls and boys Debaters.

12:00—1:00—Noon.

1:00 P. M. Declamation, to wit:

- (1) Rural Junior Boys.
- (2) Rural Junior Girls.
- (3) Rural Senior Boys.
- (4) Rural Junior Boys.
- (5) High Junior Boys.
- (6) High Junior Girls.
- (7) High Senior Boys.
- (8) High Senior Girls.
- (9) Ward School Senior Boys.
- (10) Ward Schools Senior Girls.

Three R Contest is under the direction of the Rural School Director.

Signed: H. A. C. Brummitt, Chairman of Interscholastic League, Dickens County, Texas.

District C. of C. Convention Meets at Crosbyton

CROSBYTON, March 29.—(Sp.)—Everything is all set for the District West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention which will be held at Crosbyton April 7th.

The convention will be the best ever held it is believed. The morning session will be held at the High School at Crosbyton while the noon and afternoon meeting will be held at Silver Lake Falls, the beauty spot of West Texas.

The program includes lots of entertainment, lots of music by South Plains bands, speeches by leading West Texans, and other attractions. The meeting will afford South Plains friends to renew acquaintances, to get together to discuss the needs of this section and to enjoy a day of outing and recreation which will be hard to equal elsewhere.

Reports Business Much Better In His Trade Territory.

W. M. Ledford, the man who sells more Busby gloves, came in Saturday from a tour of south and southwest portions of the State and gave some very encouraging accounts of business conditions. He said, "I visited Coleman, Brownwood, San Angelo, Sonora and many other towns and found conditions good. The cattlemen and sheep men are in better condition than they have been for years. In fact, all the stockmen are in good shape in that country."

Upon being asked if the oil situation was having any effect, he said that it was helping out some. "But", he said, "I feel that the greatest thing is that people are learning to rely upon themselves." Considering what Mr. Ledford said it seems that getting back on cash basis is one great feature of progress for the people.

Bob Davis, of the City Drug Store at Quitaque, came over Sunday and spent a couple of days greeting his many friends here. Bob was formerly with C. R. Edwards & Company here and is an excellent salesman.

J. C. Dopson, of Dry Lake, was looking after business affairs in our city Monday.

The South Plains Music Teachers' Association held in Lubbock Thursday, Friday and Saturday, had as its outstanding feature the music contest between the different towns of West Texas. All the South Plains towns were represented, taking part in the various contests conducted.

In the contest of the different town orchestras Lubbock won first place with 88 points. Slaton stood in second place with 86 2-3 points and Spur stood third with 86 points. In this contest Spur was declared the town that made the best showing since both of the other towns had been in the contest at different times and both of them entered orchestras of four years training. The Spur orchestra is doing its first years work, and even at that showing better class than either of the other two winners.

The failing point with Spur was balance in instrumentation. There were too few violins to make the music balance. Their execution, interpretation and tonation was declared excellent, but their points fell too low on balance. This was the first year that Spur orchestra had entered the contest and it is very difficult to judge everything in the first contest that will be a complete winner.

Cleo Hazel won first honors in the trombone contest, thus gaining one first place for Spur school. Miss Estelle Scudder, of Slaton was one of the two first winners in the piano. She is a niece of Miss Scudder of Spur, who has worked so faithfully with our young people in the contests.

Curtis Harkey made 82 points in the saxophone contest and the winner made only 84 points. Very close not to be a winner.

The people of Spur should feel complimented with the fine school orchestra they have. Every member has worked faithfully and have made a showing that far excels many orchestras in towns much larger and with many more students to draw from.

If we can just keep our present music teacher for another year, and give these young people the proper encouragement, some of those so called Plains cities had better make a good record or Spur will stand in the lead.

Leaves To See Sister In Houston

Rev. A. L. McClellan left Friday for Houston to be at the bedside of his sister who was seriously ill. A message received Monday stated that his sister had died early that morning. Funeral services were held in Bremond Tuesday.

The deceased was a grandmother to Frank Turner.

Practically everybody in Spur knows Mr. McClellan and extend to him sympathy in this sad bereavement.

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EXTENSION DEPARTMENT COOPERATES IN THE TON LITTER CONTEST

The Extension Service Department of the A. & M. College of Texas is co-operating with the Progressive Farmer and Farm Woman, Dallas, Texas, in putting on a Ton Litter Contest for the year 1927. The Progressive Farmer in turn has interested the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' Association and the Texas Safe Farming Association to help make possible the Ton Litter Contest this year.

Due to the moderately good price of hogs and the abundance of cheap feed on so many of our farms, we are confident that it would be a good investment for any farmer to enter this contest and feed out a litter of pigs. In order to get into the contest litters must be farrowed between February 1 and May 25. The contest does not specify that any particular breed should be used, therefore, it is permissible to use purebred, grade or scrub litters in the contest. The contestant, however, must notify his county agent, The Progressive Farmer at Dallas, or E. R. Eudaly at College Station within thirty days after the pigs are farrowed.

Any of our farmers who desires to enter the contest can secure nomination cards from the county agent or from The Progressive Farmer at Dallas. Every farmer who enters is requested to keep a memorandum of the rations fed the sow during gestation period and while suckling the pigs. Also a memorandum of the feed fed the pigs from the beginning to the end of the contest.

In this contest the litters may be weighed the day they are 150 days old or anytime between 150 days and 180 days after farrowed. Litters with seven pigs or less must go the full period of 180 days. The awards will be made on the basis of actual weight above the required weight for age. The required weight for age is based upon the following scale:

180 days—2,000 pounds for all but 7-pig and smaller litters, which shall be 1,750 pounds.
 165 days—1,700 pounds.
 150 days—1,425 pounds.

Between the age of 150 days and 165 days, the required weight will be increased 18 1-3 pounds for each day above 150 days; between 165 days and 180 days, the required weight will be increased 20 pounds per day for each day above 165 days; for each day after 180 days, the required weight will be increased 21 1-2 pounds per day.

A certified report of the final weight of the litter must be made by the person supervising the weighing, on cards provided for that purpose, and forwarded to either The Progressive Farmer or E. R. Eudaly.

The money premiums will be divided as follows:

Heaviest litter of 7 pigs or less—\$35.00.
 Heaviest litter of 8 pigs—\$40.00
 Heaviest litter of 9 pigs—\$45.00
 Heaviest litter of 10 pigs—\$50.00
 Heaviest litter of 11 pigs—\$55.00
 Heaviest litter of 12 pigs or more—\$60.00.

Ton litter with highest average weight per pig, regardless of number of pigs—\$100.00.

Ton litter with highest total weight, regardless of number of pigs—\$100.00.

Club Boys and girls only, between ages of 10 and 20 years—Ton litter with highest total weight, regardless of number of pigs—\$50.00

Club Boys and girls only, between ages of 10 and 20 years—Ton litter with highest average weight per pig, regardless of number of pigs—Purebred boar.

This boar is to be donated by the North Texas Agricultural College at Arlington through Prof. D. F. Kiber. Boys and girls may compete in other classes as well as their own special classes.

The premiums will be awarded on the basis of the margin of weight above required weight for age.

The county agent would like very much for every farmer in the county who will have litters farrowed between February 1 and May 25, to get into this contest. Your county agent will be glad to co-operate with you in working out your feed rations for the sow and pigs, and in any other way possible to help you with your litter. Get a nomination card and enter that litter of pigs and let's see if we can't bring some of this premium money to our county. Even though we do not win any premium money, those who enter the contest and feed properly will surely make a good profit on their feed investment.

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THOUSAND OF POUNDS BUTTER EVERY WEEK

A representative of one of the largest handlers of butter and cream in the state told a representative of the Denton Record-Chronicle the other day that his company was shipping 20,000 pounds of butter into Texas every week. Swift & Co., another of the largest representatives of the butter and cream industry, is authority for the statement that production of cream is less than one-half what the consumption demands.

Texas producers who attempt to produce cream by buying roughage and all grain feed for their cattle complain that they cannot meet the competition of the North where cattle must be kept in a barn and fed every ounce of feed they get for six months out of the year. The man who grows his own feed, especially his own hay and roughage, and most of his grain, has no such complaint. It is possible to have pasture for cows in every month of the year and the time of the greatest stress is not the winter months but the summer months especially when the summer rains and neglected straw stacks combine to make the fly a thing of terror to the dairyman, large or small.

Many seem to feel that dairying and the production of cream especially, cannot be made to pay because of over production. The fear is known to be groundless when it is understood that one firm and it is a comparatively local firm at that, is shipping into the state 20,000 pounds of butter each week. Other firms are doing the same thing perhaps on as large or larger scale.

Texas imports more than \$80,000,000 worth of dairy products alone from outside states and other nations. This is in the face of the fact that we have potentially one of the greatest dairy states in the whole country. We can produce milk and cream cheaper than almost any state in the Union, but our methods are crude and our production mishandled. We must continue to grow cotton to buy butter and cheese and milk until we get in the road and reform our methods of production and realize that the cow is more profitable than the cotton farm that is farmed in the same crop every year. When Denton county has from two to six cows on every farm and special attention is paid to the care and production of the surplus milk the mortgage records of the county will decrease and the bank accounts of the producers increase.

Any farmer who goes into the dairy business to the exclusion of other interests is inviting trouble, but if he can handle a few cows and sell his surplus he is building a foundation for independence and the Jersey cow will make a good foundation for prosperity.—Royce City Times-News.

"Her countenance fell," read the mother. "Why doesn't she have it lifted?" asked 6-year-old Dorothy. Then papa, the author, shot himself. American tragedy.

J. H. Partridge, of Dickens, was greeting friends and visiting his children here Saturday.

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WHAT SENSES HAVE INSECTS?

Are insects attracted to certain plants through their sense of smell? By duplicating certain odors artificially, can insects be lured to their destruction? Entomologists have been working along these lines for some time, fairly positive that insects have definite senses which can be utilized by man in his continual warfare against them. The Bureau of Entomology of the United States Department of Agriculture has developed a sensitive instrument called an insect "olfactometer," and by its use considerable progress has been made in determining the reaction of various species of insects to odors from plant extracts, from plants, and from insects themselves. This field of investigation is promising as pointing out ways for the utilization of materials to attract insects in large numbers so they can be destroyed, or to repel them from plants they are likely to injure. The senses of the cotton boll weevil have been given especial study, and other investigations will follow.

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Another investigation of the senses of insects is concerned with the reactions of bees to intensities and colors of light. Whether or not bees are color blind is a point much in dispute, and this study will endeavor to ascertain whether bees can be trained to associate food with a certain wave length of light; that is, to distinguish colors.

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 He—Darling, would you like to help me choose a suit?
 She—No, dear, but I'll pick the pockets.

That Never Will Be
 He parked the car in the darkest part of the road. As her arm stole around his neck, she asked, "Do you love me still, dear?"
 "Yes, sweetheart but you never are."

On His Terms
 Client—I want a good detective and I'm willing to pay a pretty penny.
 Chief—Try Scotland Yard. They are great scent performers.



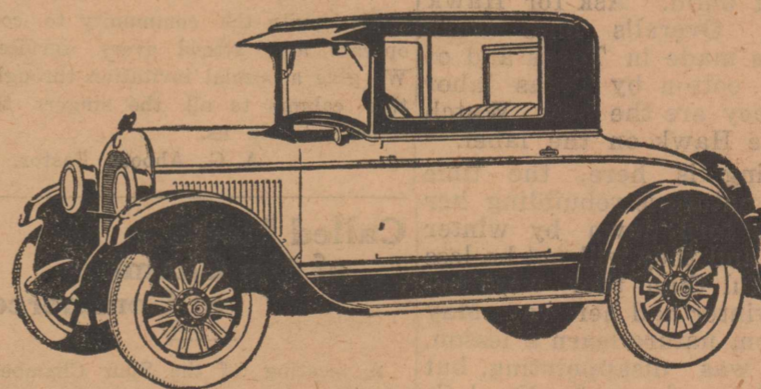
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 Mrs. T. A. Rodgers, N. G.
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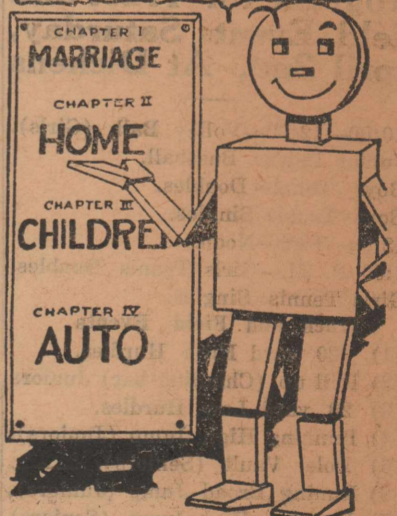
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 Meets Thursday night, on or before the full of the moon. Visitors always welcome.
 H. P. GIBSON, W. M.
 JACK RECTOR, Secy.

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

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

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Community News

CROTON NEWS

Mrs. Bessie Terry of Lubbock, was in the community on business last week. Mrs. Terry was formerly a teacher in the Croton school.

Joe Shamrock has been improving his home by planting an orchard, an alfalfa pasture and by building and improving his lots. He intends to repaint his house also.

Bob Starcher and Lee Mimms are conducting a Broccorn campaign in the community. The farmers have already promised to plant over two hundred acres. They hope to have about 600 acres promised before the planting season is over.

T. L. Caraway has finished gathering his cotton. He had an eight bale crew in his field the last week.

Mrs. Wady Shaw recently left for Oklahoma where she will have her tonsils removed. Mrs. Shaw has been in ill health for some time.

Mrs. O. E. Minix has been improving her yard by setting out numerous Gladiola and Dahlia bulbs, rose bushes and planting a number of seeded flowers. Mrs. Minix has been making her pin money by selling butter, eggs and milk. She sometimes makes as high as five to eight dollars a week, selling to local customers.

Mrs. L.S. Lambert has begun her spring garden by planting beans, peas, potatoes and onions. Mrs. Lambert always has a good garden and a beautiful yard during the summer by irrigating.

Inspector Smith was at Croton Wednesday afternoon. Judge Brummet was also present. The following five trustees were present: Chas. Jackson, S. L. Porter, J. A. Legg, Chas. Perrin, W. L. Lowell and Elmer Rogers.

The music and expression class of Mrs. Johnnie Koonsman rendered a short program Friday night at the school house. A large crowd was present showing the great interest of the patrons in the school.

Rev. John M. Rice preaches at the school house at 2:30 every second Sunday afternoon. Every one is invited.

Girls' Club Reporter.

RED MUD NEWS

A new son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McClain, Saturday, March 26. That is the fifth child in the McClain family. Three boys and two girls.

Mrs. Alice Harrell and her son, Ira, moved Thursday on a place three miles east of Spur.

Mr. Joe Chamlee and family moved on Denson's place at Highway, Thursday.

There has been a good many prairie fires here the past week. The fires were caused by cigarettes and done considerable damage to the farmers pastures.

Mr. Branenter has just finished putting a cement floor in his chicken house.

Another program was given at the Cat Fish (or Higgins) school Friday "nite."

The program was very interesting and the music consisted of Guitar and Violin. The players were as follows: Mr. Joe Thornton, Violin, Mr. Bill Rucker, Guitar.

Miss Maggie, the teacher, will give another program the last Friday in April, and a big play in May.

Red Mud Girl Reporter.

HIGHWAY NEWS

The young folks enjoyed a social Friday evening given by Mr. and Mrs. Harrelson.

A number of the 4 H Club girls have baby chicks growing nice, others have incubators setting.

Oneta Walker has completed the required amount of sewing.

Claude Smith is doing excellent work for a first year girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Vanleer are moving in their new home this week.

Miss Mary Putman has fine spellers among her little folks. Those making one hundred on daily work for the sixth month of the term, was Bernice Parks, Hazel Williams, Ken-

neth Brazil, Mary Blackburn, Frances Walker, Mable Doris, Han Leer, Eldon Powell, Dorthie McCombs, Winnie Sparks and Mary Rucker.

Mrs. T. L. Denson took off quite a nice bunch of baby Reds Saturday. Miss Essie Denson returned from Haskell where she visited relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Blackmon of Spur spent the week end with their parents.

Misses Mildred and Frankey Hutton spent Sunday with Miss Lola Brazil.

Misses Juanita Weaver and Thelma Blackburn spent Sunday with Miss Oleta Trée.

RED HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Watson and children visited Mr. C. D. Copeland Sunday evening.

Miss Bertie Vernon visited at Abilene this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Young, Mrs. John Blair, Mrs. Joy Hoover and Mrs. Watson attended the cemetery working Tuesday.

Mr. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Parks and children visited Mr. and Mrs. T. Westfall Sunday.

Everyone, except Md. Smith, in this neighborhood are through with their cotton, we guess he still has money.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Edhburgh Wesley Frazier, Allie McLaughlin, Lois Grantham and Bertha Young took supper with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kerley Sunday night.

Huby Horn spent Sunday with home folks.—Woman Reporter.

HIGHWAY NEWS

The Highway Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. T. L. Denson Wednesday, March 25, there were six women present. Mrs. Bernice Clayton, the home improvement specialist, gave a demonstration on judging textiles, how to know them, how to buy them and how to care for them. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jno. D. Hufstetler, April 13, the subject will be appropriateness in dress.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Tree, J. Vernon Powell and wife, Jno. D. Hufstetler and wife and mother attended the cemetery working at Spur Tuesday. There was lots of work done in the way of cleaning the graves and planting shrubs and flowers.

Jefferson C. Smith, rural school state aid inspector, and Judge H. A. C. Brummett, visited the school Monday morning.

Mrs. Belle Martin has just completed a new storm cellar and bought a good Jersey cow.

Mrs. B. E. Morgan has been improving her place by way of papering her house and planting flowers and garden.

M. E. Tree was appointed Justice of the Peace by the Commissioners Court last week. Judge Tree is fully competent to fill the place and Highway compliments the Court.

Bro. John M. Rice preached at Highway Sunday at 3 o'clock to a good audience on the subject of putting on the whole armour of God.—Ladies Club Reporter.

29 AND 24 IDEAL MARRIAGE AGE

Dear Miss Flo:
I am a girl of nineteen, engaged to a young man of twenty-three. We have been engaged for a year, and would like to marry in June. However, my parents object, saying that I am still too young to think of marriage. I say it is better for us to get married now than go through a long engagement. What do you consider the proper age for marrying?
Helen.

The ideal age for marriage is a topic of wide and unending interest, and now it has been submitted to scientific research. Data collected from the Domestic Relations Court and the marriage license bureau of Philadelphia by Hornell Hart and Wilmer Shields offer some interesting conclusions.

In their treatise they have fixed the ideal age for marriage at about 29 years for the groom and 24 years

for the bride. They say, however, that deviations of four years on either side of the ideal age for the bride, make no noticeable difference, but that marriages in which the bride is under 21 or the groom under 24 become rapidly more dangerous as younger ages are considered, and that marriage in which either party is 19 or younger are from ten to one hundred times as risky as marriages at the ideal age.

These conclusions were based on the fact that premature or delayed marriage is a symptom of permanent character traits which are unfavorable to success in family life, and second, that the boy or girl under 21 has not had sufficiently broad experience or has not reached sufficient maturity to select a mate with whom a successful home can be established.

If this is the correct interpretation, the postponement of marriage until the woman is 21 and the man 24 would be an extremely important preventive measure looking toward elimination of domestic disaster.

On the other hand, there are exceptions to all rules, and long engagements are apt to prove more disastrous for both the man and the woman than early marriage. A couple engaged over a period of years, seeing each other continually are sure to get on each other's nerves, and the bloom of romance is bound to wear off, because Romance being an airy fairy thing made of cobwebs, will not endure being knocked about.

Also, an engaged couple stand to each other in a position which is peculiarly full of jealousies and which must cause many misunderstandings and bickering, and as a result love and romance just naturally peter out. Furthermore, it is human nature to get tired of waiting for any event too long, and to lose enthusiasm when it drags along over a period of time. As a result, when the engaged couple finally do marry, it is often just because they

have become a habit to each other and because everybody expects it of them, rather than because they want it for themselves.

Contrary to most theories, matrimony promotes love just as surely as a long engagement kills it, because a husband and wife go into marriage with their love unwasted through years of waiting, and because marriage draws a couple close together.

You are both young, but if you are serious minded rather than frivolous; if you have a full understanding of the duties and obligations of marriage; of the sacrifices it entails; if you are financially able to carry on, I see no greater risk in an immediate marriage than is taken in marriage at any age.

ACT NOW

The interests which spent a million or more dollars in Pennsylvania in the nomination and election of William S. Vare to the United States Senate seem determined that the money shall not have been spent in vain.

Hardly had the last echo of the disgraceful Pennsylvania inspired filibuster, which marked the closing of Congress, died away, before a great campaign was launched seriously attempting to explain away the wild spending and make it appear logical and well within Mr. Vare's rights to expect to be permitted to enjoy his "well earned" victory.

Pamphlets defending Mr. Vare's campaign fund as "honest and legal" have been sent to all Senators; to the Press; and to powerful individuals throughout the nation.

It is your time to do something, Mr. Voter. Are you going to sit idle and allow it to be said—and proved—that money can buy anything in the United States?

You will be serving your country—and proving to the interests that this still is a government of the people, by the people for the people—so all may prosper.

THE LYRIC THEATRE

TONIGHT ONLY

Spur High School Players

Presents

"The Arabian Nights"

As a Benefit Performance for the HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

—on the screen—

"As No Man Has Loved"

From Edward Everett Hale's Story "The Man Without a Country"

SPECIAL MUSIC!

Show starts at 7:30 P. M.
Curtain Rises 8:30 P. M.

Adults 50c

Children 25c

Week End Specials

Grape Jelly, 10 oz. size
2 for 49c

Vanila Extract, 2 oz. size
2 for 39c

Ballardvale Cherries, 3 oz. size
19c
8 oz. size 39c

Genuine Royal Thermic Jug \$3 value
While they last \$1.49

Pineapple, Grape, and Strawberry Jam,
15 oz. size
2 for 69c

Melody Linen Stationery, \$1 value
While they last 49c

CITY DRUG STORE

BIG SALE ON WASH DRESSES



The most distinctive modes of the season are offered in this timely presentation of new "WIRTHMOR" FROCKS shown nowhere else in town.

We cannot too strongly emphasize the importance of this sale—the dresses are so very wonderful at

The styles are new and smart.



Great News For Mothers



"School-Mate" Dresses for Girls in the cutest and most adorable models.

GUARANTEED TUB FAST COLORS

Mothers will be quick to realize what a timely opportunity is presented them through this sale and will be present in great numbers. So! We urge you to get here early.

C. R. EDWARDS & CO.
IN THE HEART OF SPUR

SPRING IS HERE BEAUTIFY THE HOME

There is nothing that assists more with a "Home Beautiful" than to have a nice out-lay of walks. The flowers do better than their arrangements can be made more effective with concrete curbs. The expense for all these is very nominal considering the pleasure derived from them. Let us figure your work. We'll treat you right.

CHARLES WHITNER

Plans and Specifications Submitted. Surveys on Work Made

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.

Twenty-Seventh Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Friday, April 1, 1927, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, March 19, 1927.

R. A. NICKERSON, Treasurer.

She Wasn't Geographical

Old Colored Mammy—"Ah wants ticket fo' Florence."
Ticket Agent (after ten minutes of weary thumbing over railroad guides)—Where is Florence, Madam?
Old Colored Mammy—"Settin' over dar on de bench, suh."

Careful Consideration

In regard to preserving the fiber and lengthening the life of your clothes should be considered in selecting a tailor.

Try our shop and see how you enjoy the service we give—not a scrubbing process, but real tailoring.

Quality Cleaners
Otto Mott's Shop

Try our Classified Department

GINNING OUR ART

Our Machinery is such as to give you the best turnout in both quantity and grade of staple. Immediate, efficient service is our object. Bring your cotton to us for ginning.

SWIFT GIN

J. I. HAYES, Mgr.

Merchandise of the highest quality, prices the very lowest at which good merchandise can be sold. All of this we offer you, combined with large stocks, prompt, courteous service.

Every effort is exerted to make your visit to our store pleasant and profitable.

Below are listed **Outstanding Values** that are representative of the daily savings to our customers. Following prices are good all week. You owe it to yourself to investigate the prices listed below.

In case you are dissatisfied with your purchases for any reason, or no reason, we ask you to return the articles at once. We will exchange it for exactly what you want or return your money.

GENUINE HONAN BLUE EDGE PONGEE

\$1.45 Value, Yard 98c

Genuine imported Honan Pongee, all silk and washable, complete range of the new desirable colors for spring, an extra special value at per yard.

98c

JAPANESE ALL SILK PONGEE

95c Value yard 69c

A new shipment of this wonderful Pongee, the genuine Fubin brand Red Label. 12 momme Pongee shown in a clear Bamboo shade. Early shopping is advised.

A. C. A. Feather Ticking yard 25c

Genuine A. C. A. Feather proof ticking—regular 40c value only per yard.

32 inches wide, 8 oz. feather down ticking, a very special offer at per yard.

25c

A Good Safe Place To Trade

B. SCHWARZ & SON

The Store of Little Profit

Rayon Dress Gingham per yard 25c

A high grade cloth, and very serviceable in a range of stripes, plaids and checks, to select from. This fabric is being put on sale by special request by those who were disappointed the last time it was on sale. Early shopping is advisable.

Rayon House Frocks, Extra Special at \$1.95

All sizes up to 52 Bust measure. A single glance at these frocks will convince you of their style, value and quality. We offer them at the very reasonable price **\$1.95**. Price good all week.

We Feature for Friday, Saturday and Monday's Selling a very interesting group of



Lovely Spring Frocks at \$10.95

About 50 taken from our regular stock. \$22.50 value at special price of **\$10.95**

The fact that every garment featured reflects a very substantial saving from its original price is an incentive that few women will overlook. A truly versatile collection of the new spring style versions in an excellent array of the favored fabrics and colors.

Coats—Extra Values at \$9.95

A special selling of every Coat in the house. Value up to \$29.95. Close Out price **\$9.95**. Approximately 50 Coats are embraced in this offering. Sizes range from 14 to 42.

A pleasant surprise is in store for the woman who needs a Spring Coat and yet must be conservative. Good patterns in Coats that have been popular this Spring. A score of attractive colors in a complete size range. A most unusual price. No alterations, no approvals, every sale must be final. We will not deviate from this ruling.

32 in. Plisse Crepe only yd. 24c

Soft and lovely, suitable for all kinds of dainty lingerie, so easily laundered, needs no ironing. The assortment includes such shades as pink, flesh, light blue, orchid, white and honey dew. Value price per yard.

24c

40 INCH HARD TWIST SOLID COLOR VOILE

Special yard 25c

Hard twist solid color voiles in white, pink, blue, mouse, sweet pea, nite, peach, honeydew, and orchid, highly mercerized finish. A fabric suitable for drapes, lingerie or dresses. Special all week.

IMPERIAL CHAMBRAYS

Special yard 25c

Imperial Chambray, the most serviceable of all wash fabrics, checks, plaids, and solid colors, a very special price per yard.

25c

RAYON DRESS FABRICS, 95c VALUE

Special per yard 49c

An interesting price. The rayon fabrics are smart and favored for spring. A large variety of patterns to choose from in dainty patterns and novelty weaves. Very early shopping is advised on this item. The last time we had it on sale many folks were disappointed, and while the quantity is large, it will move at once.

49c

Well On Pitch Fork To Go Still Deeper

Preparations to deepen the well on the Pitch Fork Ranch are being made at this time. Mike Mikels arrived in Spur the last of the week from the east where he had been purchasing fuel oil for the work. Two cars of oil were unloaded the first of the week and are being transferred to the well.

J. H. Clay is overhauling the boiler and getting the machinery in good condition. Mikels said, "We want everything in shape and have no delay in this work. We want to push the well on down and see what there is for us." He further stated that they expected to work day and night until the well was completed.

Mr. Mikels said the people were coming in fine with their portion as assessment on leases. "Crosbyton came in to a man, and practically the same thing can be said of Spur. Oh, there are a few here yet, but they will do their part in time." In speaking of this he said that many in California had sent in their part and that others would.

This well is just west of the Phillips Well in King County which is now drilling around 1250 feet. There are five other well drilling in that vicinity with excellent formations and good showings.

It is understood that the Douglass Oil Company, of Tulsa, Okla., is making three new locations in Kent County and that the derricks are being hauled out this week by Will Walker, a local freighter. This being the case, there are different people who believe that there must be oil in this county. The Pitch Fork Well must be in a good location since these others seem to line up with its territory.

The Man's Store Has New Equipment

The Tailoring Department of Hogan & Patton, "The Man's Store," has installed new machinery such as is found in the tailoring establishments in larger cities. The new equipment consists of a cleaner, extractor and dryer.

In the cleaner there is a constant

flow of cleaning liquid passing in while that which has been used passes out and is filtered before it is used again. This enables the garments to be made perfectly clean and no stain or odors from dirty cleaning liquids are left in the clothes.

Then the extractor removes the remainder of the liquids from the garments, leaving them approximately dry before they go through the drying machine. In the drying machine a series of turning and fanning takes place which eradicates all moisture, odors and lint from the garments leaving them ready for the press. The clothing is not exposed to the sun or wind and are, therefore, left bright with no faded colors.

Tailors of Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and other large cities in Texas are using the same class of machines and the process is meeting great approval.

New Fence At Local Cemetery

The Cemetery Association has just completed a new fence around the local cemetery. The work was under the supervision of Chas. Whitner and consists of good substantial concrete posts, new wire and latest made gates.

There has been a new addition to the cemetery which had not been included. With a little more work the cemetery will be in fine condition so far as the fence is concerned. The total cost was about \$800.00.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN DANGEROUS

A little accident which might have created much damage occurred at the Sunshine Service Station Monday. A small boy drove in and asked for water in his car. This was about the fourth or fifth time he had done this. In some manner he let his car hook one of the hose from the filling tank on the pump and full ten gallons of gasoline flooded the station front.

Luckily everybody cut off their engines and no spark ignited the gas, or there might have been great damage. It does not pay to trifle with gasoline, and this should be a lesson to all boys.

Central Meat Market Installs New Machine

The Central Market has just installed new machinery for slicing meats. It is known as the Jim Vaughn Slicing Machine and is capable of doing the work of many men in a market. The machine cuts through bone and meat with a great degree of evenness, and all slices are of the same thickness. This means a great deal in the preparation of meats. It is a wonder just to see it work.

PICTURE GREATLY ENJOYED

The Volga Boatman which was given at the Lyric last Monday and Tuesday, was pronounced a great program by those present. The new machine which furnished the accompanied music, made the program more impressive as the music fitted with the picture. We are promised a program like this every month, and according to what those present said, it will be greatly appreciated by the people of Spur. We are getting some excellent programs at the Lyric now.

AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Geo. C. Hutto, of Oklahoma, will preach at the Baptist Church at morning and evening services next Sunday. Rev. Hutto is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hutto, west of town, and is here visiting his parents. Recently he was called to a work in Arizona.

J. W. Hilton, of Prairie Chapel, was in our city Tuesday looking after business affairs. Mr. Hilton stated that farmers needed to study their work more and try to get farming on a business basis. He makes farming a business and is making a success at it.

J. M. Aston, of Wake community on the Plains, was in our city Tuesday greeting old friends and looking after business affairs. He was once a citizen here and we are all glad to see him come back with us.

J. Vernon Powell, of Highway, was greeting friends on our streets Tuesday.

School Gives Program Tonight At Lyric

Students of the Spur High School will present a play entitled the "Arabian Knights" at the Lyric Theatre this evening. This play is given for the benefit of the school.

In addition there will be a notable screen program, a William Fox production, "As No Man Has Loved," which has met the approval of people everywhere. Both of these fine entertainments will be given for practically the price of one.

In speaking of the picture Governor Smith of New York said "It was the unanimous consent of all present that 'As No Man Has Loved' is a wonderful picture and should meet with popular approval." Samuel Lewis Shank, Mayor of Indianapolis, said, "I was thoroughly thrilled by 'As No Man Has Loved.'" Mrs. Alton B. Parker, Chairman of National Woman's Committee, said, "As No Man Has Loved" made a very great and lasting impression on me." This program will be at the disposal of Spur people at the Lyric tonight. You will enjoy it if you see it.

MRS. JOPLIN ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Leonard Joplin entertained the P. M. W. Club and other guests Thursday afternoon with a St. Patrick's party. Five tables were arranged for 42. After playing several games, delightful refreshments were served to Mesdames Orbis McCombs, Bob Davis, Lee Davis, F. A. Vernon, Charlie Ensey, J. P. Wilkes, Lummers, Jameson, Gibson, Boyd, Irl Joplin, Simpson, Sullivan, Edwards, Perry, Ousley, Brown, Hazelwood, Crockett, Chas. Wolfe, Loyd Walfe, McHeathery.

Billie Bryant, manager of Bryant-Link Company, was in our city greeting friends the first of the week. He stated that Hamlin was building and several new residences were under construction.

Frank Owen, salesman for the Wilson Packing Company at Oklahoma City, was transacting business with our merchants Tuesday.

Chesley Peck, of Bryant-Link Company at Rotan, was greeting friends in our city the first of the week.

John D. Huffstader, of Highway, was looking after business affairs in our city Tuesday.

W. E. Gates, of Afton, who transacting business in our city Tuesday. Mr. Gates said everybody was getting along all right in his community.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walker, of Trent, are here this week visiting relatives and friends.

Nick Carter, representative of the Witherspoon Company at Stamford, was interviewing our merchants Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gibbs and Mrs. Thurman Harris were week end guests in Dallas. Mrs. Gibbs went out to Greenville to visit her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Webber Williams are the proud parents of a fine girl born yesterday at the Nichols Sanitarium. Mother and baby doing fine and Webber soon will be all right.

Miss Jennie Shields, of Abilene is here this week visiting relatives and friends. She is a niece of Mrs. P. H. Miller and was formerly with Clemons Insurance Agency here.

RED HILL NEWS

Everyone is through with their cotton for this year, and are beginning to farm again.

Hatched last week, nearly all of the eggs hatched. We understand she is going to set it again with Rhode Island Red eggs. She has several little chickens besides them.

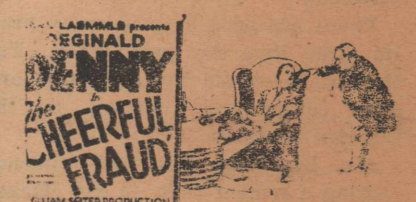
Some have gotten chickens from the hatchery at Spur.

Miss Bertha Young has entered the Clothing Contest.

There are many pretty gardens and little chickens in the community. The singing at Mrs. Russel Edeburg's was enjoyed by everyone.

Quite a few young folks ate supper at Mrs. Kerley's Sunday night.—Red Hill Girl Reporter.

LYRIC



Monday and Tuesday

DENNY HUNTS MOUNTAIN LIONS ARMED WITH BOW AND ARROW

When Reginald Denny finished his starring role in "The Cheerful Fraud," his latest Universal production which comes to the Lyric theatre Monday, he revived a sport which hasn't been indulged in for many years.

Believe it or not, he went a-hunting mountain lions with a bow and arrow.

Denny became interest in archery a few months ago, and after some practice, became as adept with the bow as with the rifle. As soon as the picture was completed, he dashed off to the California mountains with a party of friends, armed only with his trusty bow and a quiver of arrows, spent a week tramping up and down snowy peaks, and returned bearing the trophies of the chase in the form of the skins of three mountain lions.

In as much as there were no firearms in the party, even the most skeptical friend in Denny's circle had to grant that the chances were pretty fair that he actually had slain the animals with his bow.

The bow used by Denny was an 80 pound hunting bow of osage, with which he can send arrows through three-inch planks. Denny, an exceptionally fine all-round athlete, was the only member of the party who could draw the giant bow.

Inasmuch as Denny comes from a distinguished family of England which traces its genealogy back hundreds of years to the old Saxon warriors, his killing for the bow and arrow may be atavistic.

Charter No. 9611 Reserve District No. 11

Report of Condition of the

SPUR NATIONAL BANK

AT SPUR, TEXAS

In the State of Texas, at the Close of Business on March 23, 1927.

RESOURCES	
(a) Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks and foreign bills of exchange or drafts, sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in Item 1-b)	\$350,010.84
(b) Acceptances of other banks discounted, excluding those sold with indorsement reported in Item 1-a	258,476.81
Total loans	\$608,487.65
Overdrafts, unsecured	12.84
U. S. Government securities owned:	
(a) Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	25,000.00
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc., owned	3,750.00
Banking House, \$18,500.00; Furniture and fixtures, \$4,000;	22,500.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	20,814.92
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	52,938.62
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	118,924.14
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12)	2,840.60
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	\$121,764.74
Miscellaneous cash items	2,941.63
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
Other assets, if any	214.99
Total	\$859,675.39
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits	\$22,293.63
Less current expenses paid	7,510.78
Circulating notes outstanding	24,600.00
Amount due to Federal Reserve Bank (deferred credits)	5,330.21
Amount due to national banks	20,144.07
Cashier's checks outstanding	52.23
Total of Items 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28	\$25,526.51
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
Individual deposits subject to check	593,763.06
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34	\$592,763.06
Other time deposits	76,002.97
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 35, 36, 37, and 38	\$76,002.97
Total	\$859,675.39

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss:
I, W. T. Andrews, Jr., Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of March, 1927.
Willie Stafford, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
Geo. S. Link,
Clifford B. Jones,
W. B. Lee,
Directors.

(SEAL)

DICKENS NEWS

The Woman's Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. M. L. Jones Monday, March 28th, there being only a few present, the business meeting was postponed until the first meeting in April when the ladies will again meet with Mrs. Jones.

Mr. B. Y. Love is improving his home by adding a 3,000 gallon tank and piping water to his house, garden and yard.

R. C. Littlefield is having a new barn built and has put out one hundred strawberry plants.

Elsie and Tressie Foreman spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents who are now living at Espula.

The Dickens gin closed down last Saturday having ginned 2255 bales this season.

Loren Harkey, one of the Dickens High School track team spiked himself Monday while pole vaulting and probably will not be able to make

his team Saturday.

Mrs. H. P. Cole spent Thursday of last week in Lubbock.
Ladies Club Reporter.

20th CENTURY CLUB

Program
Seat of Past Greatness and Modern Progress—Mrs. Crockett.
Livingston and Stanley in Africa—Mrs. Cowan.
Prehistoric Times with Special Reference to Egypt and the Pyramids—Mrs. Powell.
On the Nile in Central Africa—Mrs. Hogan.
Progress of Discovery with special Reference to Egyptians, Phoenicians, and Carthaginians.—Mrs. Roberts.
A visit to Karnak—Mrs. W. B. Lee.
Leader—Mrs. P. C. Nichols.
Time, April 6th, 3 o'clock.
Place, Mrs. W. W. Sample.

Spur Merchants Enjoy Good Trade Last Saturday

The good people of Spur territory are showing their loyalty to their community by the trade they are giving their merchants. Most every week for the past two months have been very encouraging to the local business men, and the exchanges in values have been very satisfactory to the farmers as well.

In making a short canvass among some of the dry goods stores and the hardware, many encouraging features were given out by the merchants. In conversation with those employed at C. Hogan & Company it was stated, "We had the best day in years." However, this firm was opening a big sale for that day and expected big business, and they got it.

The Cash Variety Store stated they had a good day, and "It was an extra day for this time of the year," was the modified statement. J. P. Wilkes & Son stated "The day was way above the average," and the manager made a number of other statements that indicated his good feeling for the business. B. Schwartz & Son had a great day. "It was better than a week ago and business is mighty fine. People are appreciating the bargains by home merchants more and more," was some other thoughts dropped.

C. R. Edwards & Company replied "We surely sold the goods. People came from miles around and our entire force was busy all day." Bryant Link Company, Spur's Department Store, said, "We had a fine day. Business is generally better this Spring than a year ago. People are paying cash and are enjoying trading this year." Salems Guaranty said, "Yes, our business was better Saturday, and was good all week. We are selling lots of goods now." There were a number of statements expressing appreciation for the business given our home merchants.

When the question was propounded to the Spur Hardware Company they said, "We had the best day we have had in five years." And they continued, "People are not spending money foolishly this year but are buying steadily of the things they need." Riter Hardware Company expressed delight at the business given them. However, this store was handicapped on account of sickness, but the business was very gratifying. Campbell & Campbell, Spur's exclusive furniture store, spoke highly of the business. They have been specializing on a new kind of cook stove which is meeting the people very favorably.

We did not have time to visit all the grocery stores, drug stores and other business houses, but all of them in general have expressed pleasure at the patronage they are receiving. Many said, "We stood by the farmers during their trying time, and now they are helping us out." That is what makes a country progressive. Land becomes more valuable, markets are more study and a greater variety of produce is in demand close to a good town. The town is built by home patronage and inducing a variety of industries to start business in that town. An oil mill in Spur, a small cannery that will grow, a creamery, a good milling and feeding plant, all of these have a good field here, and if the farmers and business men will just jull together, we will get them before many years.

An Expression of Appreciation

R. N. Cluck, superintendent of schools for the past six years, has declined the offer of the school board to fill the position next year, and has accepted a similar position at Spur.

In going from Hubbard, Supt. Cluck leaves a record of which both he and the school may well be proud. Physically and scholastically the schools have made rapid and permanent progress and now occupy an enviable position among those of its class in the State. The fact that this has been done in the face of many hindering circumstances is all the more credit to the superintendent and the capable and energetic faculty who have co-operated with him in helping to make and maintain this high standard.

Physically, the school has made several noteworthy advances under Mr. Cluck's regime. The Grammar School building has been improved, playground equipment has been installed at both schools, with the assistance of the Parent-Teachers Association, and the laboratories of the domestic science, agriculture, and science classes have been installed and enlarged. The library at the High School has been greatly increased.

But it is in the scholastic work that the school has witnessed its most important improvement. The affiliation has been increased by 51-2 full credits and the removal of the condition on 6 other credits, every subject now being recognized in this manner by the state department. Of these the greatest importance must be attached to the addition of a fourth credit in English, a signal honor for any school.

That the recognition is not without merit is attested to in the fact that out of 137 graduates that have gone to college there have been only two complete failures.

The general activities of the school have been greatly enlarged, especially along the scholastic lines. Especially is this true of debate, in which Mr. Cluck's team have made an enviable record, climaxed by the winning of the state title in 1924 and the county meets every year since 1921.

Along with his many other duties, Mr. Cluck coaches the foot ball team. In leaving the school Mr. Cluck has the honor of having remained as superintendent of the schools longer than any of his predecessors. The esteem in which he is held by the student body is perhaps most forcibly expressed by a petition which they submitted to him and which requested him to remain with the school another year. The people of Hubbard regret the departure of Mr. Cluck from their midst and extend to him their wish that he may succeed in the larger field in which he will labor.—The Hubbard City Neks.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT "PLUNGE OF PERIL" NEXT EPISODE OF STRAND SERIAL

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the Universe to call from among us one of our most respected and distinguished members in the person of Bro. F. N. Oliver, and

Whereas, we deeply feel the loss in the taking of such a one from our Lodge; that we realize in him the loss of valuable counsel, a lovable brother, a member that was true to the tenets of our order, therefore

Be it Resolved, that we express our appreciation of his life in trying to carry out the great principles of our order, that we shall make paramount the principles of friendship, love and truth in our practice as Odd Fellows:

Be it Resolved, that we recognize the loss of a dear member that the great principle of "all that is born must die" is an earthly example to us magnified in his being called away, and that ere long we shall be called to pass that Silent river, to meet the loved ones gone on before:

Be it Resolved that we extend our sympathy to the family of our deceased brother, and that we shall do all we can to comfort them, to help make their burden as light as we can, and

Be it Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the wife of our deceased brother, that a copy be spread upon our minutes as a record of his death, and that a copy be published in a local paper.

C. F. Applegate,
Roy A. Marsh,
H. S. Denton,
Committee.

Adopted by Spur Lodge in regular session this 28th day of March, 1927.
Joe Bailey Whitner, N. G.
Attest: H. S. Denton, Sec.

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Silver Falls Lake To Open Saturday

Silver Falls Lake, the playground of West Texas, will formally open Saturday night, April 2nd.

This beautiful scenic spot is located four miles east of Crosbyton and is noted all over this section of the state for the outdoor sports and diversions. Swimming, Boating, Skating, Golf and Dancing are among the amusements afforded at this picturesque resort.

Free camp ground with ample water and fuel are available for tourists and pleasure seekers who desire to rusticate a few days on a beautiful water shady stream.

This popular resort is under new management this season and every effort is being put forth to put the place in readiness for the grand opening.

H. A. C. Brummett, our efficient County Judge, was over from the capital Saturday greeting friends and looking after business. The Judge enjoys getting out in different parts of the county and see personally what is needed.

Vets May Get Loans After April 1

HOUSTON, March 26.—Loans on adjusted service certificates may be secured by World War veterans after April 1, it was announced by W. J. Johnson, attorney and leader in American Legion work.

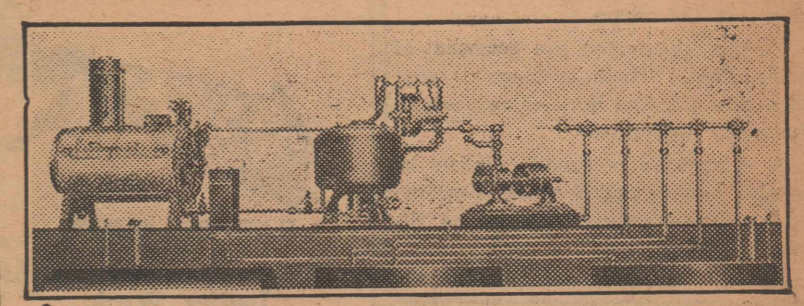
Application for the loan must be made to the nearest veterans' bureau headquarters and must be accompanied by proper identification, which can be given either by the postmaster or by an American Legion post.

It is important that the certificates not be disfigured and the loans will be made for one year, with interest not to exceed 6 per cent. If at the end of the year the loan is not repaid, it will be automatically renewed.

Texas veterans' bureau headquarters are in San Antonio and Dallas.—Star-Telegram.

S. H. Twaddell, who was indisposed a few days last week, is back at his post at the Spur Grocery. He claimed to have had the mumps, but some down town think his wife just "slapped his sassy face" on both sides.

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THIS WEEK

The good thing about American prosperity is that it spreads further and further from the great control sources of wealth. In ancient days, a rich nobleman in his palace was surrounded by ignorant, miserable, half-starved, barefoot peasants. Later the owner of a great factory in New England had the "satisfaction" of knowing as he lay in bed before day-break that his men and women were already on the way to his mill to make money for him and earn for themselves barely enough to keep alive.

The Dives-Lazarus dinner party is over. Dives still has more than he needs, more than he should have, but Lazarus has plenty, and travels in his little limousine while waiting to travel in Abraham's bosom.

It would have interested you to see a Southern Pacific train getting ready to start from Oakland, one evening last week. Half a dozen well-kept, good automobiles drove up, one after another. A man, well dressed, contented, prosperous-looking, and proud to take her husband to his work. Those were colored porters of the Southern Pacific Pullman cars and their wives.

What a change from the days of Uncle Tom's Cabin, and the change is as great for white workers as it is for colored men. Seventy-five years ago pious New Englanders, excited about "abolition" and the terrible lot of poor black slaves in the South, were told by the late Albert Brisbane, "By all means free the black slaves in the South. But what about white slaves in your own New England factories? What about the white women who go to work in your cotton mills before daylight and get home after dark? It is worse than black slavery, because the black slave owner keeps him fed and healthy that he may continue to live and work, whereas you don't care what happens to your white slaves, since you can get, for nothing, more when they die."

Slavery can be and has been as bad on a "wage basis" as on a basis of physical slave ownership. Modern industry, highly productive, intensely organized, immensely profitable, takes a step toward civilization when it allows those that do the work and produce the comforts to have some comfort for themselves.

Those colored women, driving their husbands to work, in good automobiles, will cause the foolish to ask, "Dear me, what is the world coming to?" It is coming to better days, greater happiness for the crowd and greater security for the few that skim off the cream.

Certain clergymen are accused of being "red." Their accusers want them investigated by a Congressional Judiciary Committee.

A clergyman is "red" when he doesn't believe that a whale swallowed Jonah and coughed him up on the land.

He is "red" if he believes that the

advice to give all to the poor was really meant seriously.

He is "red" if he doubts that Joshua made the sun stand still in its trip around the earth, in spite of the fact that it doesn't go around the earth.

He is "red" if he says the four angels could not have stood on the four corners of the earth because it hasn't four corners.

And he is BRIGHT red, if he thinks anything should be done to let everybody have enough, here where so many have too much.

KITCHEN CONTEST NOW IN PROGRESS

There are many housewives throughout the county who have entered the Kitchen Contest that is being conducted by the Extension Department through the office of the County Demonstration Agent. This is a great movement and is commendable on the part of the ladies. The following is the points recognized by the Extension Department in this work and the Times is publishing them feeling that these points might be of benefit to those in the contest.

- Score Card for Kitchen Contest
- I. Sanitation—185 points
 1. Lighting—40
 - Artificial—20
 - Natural—20
 2. Ventilation—25
 3. Water Supply—50
 4. Waste disposal—35
 5. Screening—25
 6. Cleanliness—10
 - II. Interior Finish—70 points
 1. Walls and ceiling—25
 2. Woodwork—10
 3. Floor—35
 - III. Equipment—95 points
 1. Large equipment—45
 2. Small equipment—35
 3. Height of working surface—10
 4. Business equipment—5
 - IV. Storage Facilities—65 points
 1. For equipment—20
 2. For food supplies—30
 3. For cleaning utensils—15
 - V. Arrangement—70 points
 1. Arrangement of large equipment to save steps—40
 2. Grouping of utensils—30
 - VI. Attractiveness—15 points
 1. General appearance—5
 2. Color—5
 3. Outlook—5
- Yard
Porch
- TOTALS—500


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THE FARM FLOCK

Next in importance to the milk cow, a flock of twenty-five hens will furnish a valuable addition to the supply of food. From this number sufficient eggs can be secured to provide for each member of the family every day and enough eggs can be set to increase the flock in sufficient numbers to replace those that are removed during the season. It is better to use standard breeding fowls, if possible, and it is of importance that they be kept in a healthy, vigorous condition. If the flock can be increased to 100 hens comfortable housed and properly fed, they will not only furnish the necessary amount of eggs and a considerable supply of meat for the family use but will also produce surplus eggs for market. The profit from these eggs will, in large measure, pay for the necessary grocery bills for the products that cannot be raised on the farm.

A number of hens does not require a large expensive house, but it is important that the house be comfortable, well ventilated and dry. A patch of winter oats close to the barn will furnish an abundance of green food for the flocks during the winter months.

Poultry produces a greater profit for the amount of expenditure than any other kind of live stock on the farm as a large part of their food supply is secured from what would otherwise be wasted.

Turkeys may profitably be added to the poultry flock as they can be raised for very little expense for feed, on account of the fact that they forage for insects almost constantly during their growing period.

A flock of twenty-five hens will nearly pick up a living foraging a-

worth twice its cost for feeding horses and mules



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

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

Feed cottonseed meal

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

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J. J. ALBIN, Manager

about the barns and corrals and will require only a limited amount of greenfeed, but if the flock is increased to 100 hens then provision should be made for the regular ration, suitable for egg production. If this is not done, a flock of 100 hens may not be so profitable as a flock of twenty-five.

Those interested in poultry and turkey raising should consult the County or Home Demonstration Agent or write to the A. & M. Extension Service for bulletins L-1.

Please Don't Shoot!
"The only way to make a pair of pants last," shouted the tailor, "is to make the coat and vest first."

American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Bell System
150th Dividend
The regular quarterly dividend of Two Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents (\$2.25) per share will be paid on April 15, 1927, to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 15, 1927.
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DAIRYMAN'S PROBLEMS

Talk by M. S. Mobley

Mr. H. S. Mobley, who is superintendent of the International Harvester Company's demonstration farms of Montgomery, Alabama, and Deering, Missouri, began his talk on "The Dairyman's Problems" by stating that those farms are not operated by money furnished by the Harvester Company but must be so in as to pay their own expenses and make money and that they never have abandoned a farm yet.

"I am not saying the farmer has no basis for complaint," he said. "I know they have. I own a farm. My wife and boys are on the farm yet. I told my boys to stay on the farm and milk cows instead of going to town and milking soda fountains to make a living.

"I've done about every ordinary thing that any farmer has done but about the first thing I learned was that a wagon cannot run on one wheel or on three wheels. A wheelbarrow can run on one wheel but a wagon can't. A lot of us try to run a four-wheeled vehicle on one wheel—that's the one crop system. We think we can make enough on one to pay for the other three. The four are: Food, clothing, shelter, and amusement. But when we try to make enough on one wheel, we are trying to run a wheelbarrow instead of a four-wheeled wagon."

Mr. Mobley admitted that it meant work to keep dairy cattle but declared that hard work is necessary to make a success of any business, but that it was not a disgrace to work. "I can get as much sweat in a potato patch as any man can on a golf course," he said. "But in a potato patch it is called sweat and on a golf course it is called perspiration. That's the difference."

He quoted figures to show what it costs to properly feed, clothe, shelter and amuse the average family in America and declared that was a riddle that needed answering.

"On our farms," he said, "we try to solve that riddle. I've tried it on my farm. I know many who are working it out. I know no farmers who are following a good diversification plan and milking cows, who are going into bankruptcy, and moving off their farms."

He pointed out that in the sections where diversified farming is followed we will find a high standard of living and reasonable wealth. No one is going to the bow-wows.

The cow, the sow and the hen were the "big three" of agricultural prosperity, he added. While nothing we have will do its best unless it is given attention this trio, he added, can be so managed that they will produce something every day.

"Many of us do not believe that the cow is the mother of prosperity because what the cow gives us comes

a little at a time while that given by the one-crop system comes in a big lump, all at once," he said. "We think one is little, the other big, but that's a mistake."

He declared that last year the hen produced a billion dollars which is about equal to a dollar a minute since Christ was born. The hens beat all the wheat farms by over a million dollars "and," he added, "most of them were not well cared for."

"The cow is the mother of prosperity because she brings in a little every day," he continued. "That puts its owner on a cash basis. Cash pay as you go. Most crops don't permit us to pay as we go, but we go in debt as we go, expecting to pay out in the end. They are credit crops. They are the beginning of credit; the continuation of credit. They pile up the debt on us. They force us to buy at retail and sell at wholesale."

Having drawn that picture of the one-crop system of finances, Mr. Mobley drew a contrasting picture of the financial conditions which prevail when the cow and the hen are given a chance.

"You feed a hen today," he said. "Tomorrow she lays an egg. You take the egg to the store and cash it in. That's a 24-hour turnover."

"There are only two cash crops known," he continued. "They are the dairy cow and the hen. All other crops are more or less credit crops. The reason the cow is the mother of prosperity is because she takes the family out of the credit class and puts it in the cash class. A little money is not to be sneezed at, if it comes in regularly."

"The cow is the mother of prosperity because she furnishes us a steady job. There are men who want to work part of the time and do nothing much of the time, and when it doesn't pay them they get mad at everybody but themselves and they are the very ones they should get mad at."

"A good, steady job is the best gift God ever gave to man and the old cow will give every farmer a good steady job. The trouble is that too many of us want to gamble on what may happen—on the weather; on the insects; even on our welfare."

Touching briefly on some of the details of raising chickens, Mr. Mobley said that a chicken house should be built on the same general principles as a palouser. He had a palouser. To some of the older folks in the audience the palouser was not unfamiliar but to the younger generation it was considerable of a curiosity.

A palouser is a home-made lantern, quite commonly used by the pioneers. It is made of a large tin can or small tin bucket, one end of which is out. A handle is attached to

one side of the can to carry it by, and a hole is made through the opposite side, near the closed end. Through this hole a candle is thrust. When the candle is lighted, the light is thrown out the open end and by the bright walls of the palouser.

Mr. Mobley took hold of the handle and swung the palouser rapidly over his head, around him, back and forth and in all directions, but the burning candle was not blown out. He explained why the candle flame was not affected by the swinging of the palouser.

"There is no draught in it," he said. "The top, bottom, sides and one end are water tight and air tight. That's the idea to employ in building a poultry house. Make the floor, roof, sides and one end air tight and water tight and there will be no draughts. It is a draught you want to prevent in chicken houses."

He declared that the farmer who milks and sells all the milk is almost running a one-crop system because he is selling so much of the fertility off his farm. "The big thing is to sell the butter fat and feed the skimmed to calves, pigs and chickens and put the manure back on the land. As the skim milk contains nearly all the fertility found in milk, this method saves practically all the fertility."

"The profit on a cow is equal to your profit on the co's feed which you sell to yourself at retail prices, to which must be added about 30 percent."

"When you have some cows you begin to study how to provide pasture for them, and pasturage for the cows is the biggest thing on a dairy farm—bigger than a silo," he said in closing.

PRINTERS' TOWEL

"When I think of the towel, the old-fashioned towel, that used to hang up by the printing house door, I think that nobody in those days of shoddy, could hammer iron to wear as it wore. The tramp who abused it, the devil who used it, the make-up and foreman, the editor (poor man), each rubbed some grime off while they put a heap on. In, over and under, 'twas blacker than thunder, 'twas harder than poverty, rougher than sin. From the roller suspended it never was bended and it flapped on the wall like a banner of tin. It grew thicker and rougher, and harder and tougher, and daily put on an inkier hue, until one windy morning, without any warning, it fell on the floor and was broken in two. — Swiped.

Omigosh!

"Did you ever know that you look like Helen Brown?"
"That so? I look even worse in Blue."

Cerise, How Could You!

Mike—That boxer is in the pink condition.
Tyke—Yes, he makes me see red.

T. C. U. STUDENTS WIN HONORS ON THEIR SONG HIT

Henry Elkins and Lamar Chapman recognition in the national college two T. C. U. students won national song contest when their song, "Dear T. C. U.," which with the Texas University song, "The Eyes of Texas," won the honor of being the best college songs in Texas.

The major universities of each of the 48 states were represented in the contest. From this number the two best songs of each state were selected. And, by way of reward, the judges have compiled a book made up of the winning songs called "America's Favorite College Songs." The book is in the hands of the New York Publishing Company and has not, as yet, come off the press. Separate copies of the T. C. U. song are being printed with pictures of the Fighting Frogs.

Although the titles are the same, the song composed by Elkins and Chapman is not the same one used here last year. The new song is more impressive and majestic than the former jazzy tune. It is not a war song, but partakes more of the alma mater type hymn. This is a most noteworthy effort on the part of these students. Perhaps in this song we may find the long wished for and needed T. C. U. hymn.—Horned Frog.

Mr. Elkins is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Elkins of Spur and a graduate of Spur High School. He has been making a fine record since he entered the T. C. U. four years ago and last year was awarded two degrees from the university. It is only a mild expression to say that the people of Spur are proud of Mr. Elkins and all his friends join in sharing his pleasure as a winner in the above stated contest.

BRINGING THE KITCHEN UP-TO-DATE

Miss Grace Marion Smith "Bringing the Kitchen up to date," was the subject of a short talk by Miss Grace Marion Smith.

"In the old time farm home," she said, "the kitchens were large because nearly everything was done in the kitchen—cooking, weaving, spinning, washing, ironing, even visiting."

She said that the kitchen should be a place for only one thing, the preparing and serving of food, and it should be so planned that it will be easy to do the work in.

It is sometimes an advantage to have a dining room, she declared, as it enables us to get away from the heat while dining. When men on the farm come into the kitchen and take off their outer clothing, the dust scatters and that is unsanitary. They should have another room for that purpose.

"Many matters must be considered in deciding the size of the kitchen," she said. "If our kitchen is too large it may be possible to cut off a pantry and a laundry room and so make things more convenient."

With the assistance of a chart, Miss Smith outlined the work that must be provided for in deciding the location of the sink, stove, storage room, garbage receptacle, table, etc., so as to save steps in preparing a meal and in washing the dishes and putting them away.

Keeping the well sanitary is extremely important, she declared. Surface water must not be allowed to seep in and pollute the drinking water.

"Every kitchen should have a sink," she added, "and every kitchen should have a drain. It is much harder to carry out dirty water than it is to carry in clean water." In conclusion, she said:

"We go through life saying, 'I will do this thing or that thing but I can't do it now,' and it never gets done. We don't need to do it all at once, but we can make a start and complete the job as soon as possible. It may not be necessary to buy a lot of new things. We can arrange what we have so they will be the most convenient."

"We can't keep house without modern equipment any more satisfactorily than we can run a farm without modern equipment."

Either way you look at it, right side up or upside down, the 69th Congress—is the 69th Congress.

Rather subtle sport writer who informed his readers that "Babe Ruth starts shaping \$elf for \$lugging \$ea-son."

President Coolidge suggests that poor farms be converted into forests, which isn't a bad idea. We nominate Billy Sunday and Aimee Semple McPherson to do the converting.

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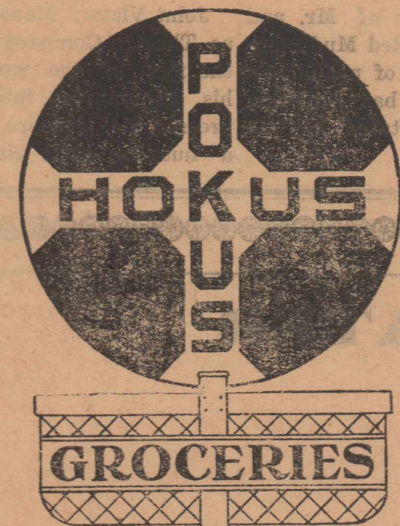
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SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

FREE 1lb of sugar with every pound of Elegant Coffee.

This is a high grade Coffee with a nice premium equal to the best.

3lb Can and 3lb Sugar Free.

If it is HOKUS-POKUS it is Good.

WE WANT YOUR TRADE.

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SPUR GROCERY CO.

HOKUS-POKUS GROCERIES
"A Self-Serving Grocery Store"

TRY OUR WANT AD COLUMN

Rex Merriman, south of town, was in Saturday doing some trading.

Mrs. D. L. Delisle, of Duck Creek, was doing shopping in our city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds at Croton Sunday.

L. C. Horn, of Red Hill, was greeting friends and trading in our city Saturday.

Bob Hahn, of Highway, was chatting with the boys on our streets Saturday.

Clude Latham, of Red Hill community, was in our city Saturday doing some trading.

Mrs. Jack Rector, who has been visiting friends at the Pitch Fork Ranch, returned home Friday.

Mrs. E. C. McGee was reported on the sick list the first of the week but is improving at this time.

E. L. Caraway, the Chrysler salesman, is in California this week taking a vacation and visiting friends.

Pat Rogers, a Spur boy, is in Borger ill of influenza. His condition is not considered very serious.

C. D. Copeland, one of our progressive farmers east of town, was in Monday looking after business affairs.

Mrs. Janie King, of the ready-to-wear department of Bryant-Link Company, was in Dallas the first of the week selecting new goods for her department.

Dick Shugart, who has been in the Borger oil field for some weeks, came home Sunday. He has been down sick of influenza and came home to recuperate.

Eugene Rasco, of Dumont, was in our city Saturday taking advantage of our bargains. He came a long way but he knows when he's getting bargains.

Ellis Draper, of Espuela, was looking after business affairs in our city Saturday. He stated that farming was getting started off in his community in a great way.

G. T. Dunn, of Afton, was among those on our streets Saturday. Mr. Dunn stated that everything was moving along fine in that community.

Luther Morrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Morrison of Red Mud community, is reported ill of pneumonia at Borger. He is in bad condition but a report Monday stated he was better.

Clyde Roberts, of Twin Wells, was trading with our merchants Saturday.

Joe Ericson, of the West Pasture Ranch, was in our city Saturday doing some trading.

White Moore, north of Highway, was looking after business affairs here Saturday.

Lee Watson, one of the good Plains farmers, was transacting business in our city Saturday.

C. C. Cornelius, one of the progressive Kent County citizens, was among those on our streets Saturday.

M. P. Duncan, of Twin Wells, was transacting business with our merchants Saturday.

O. M. Smith, of Soldier Mound, was doing some trading in our city Saturday.

D. W. Thomason, of Highway, was looking after business affairs here Saturday.

E. J. Lassetter, of Espuela, was greeting old friends on our streets Saturday.

Rev. J. V. Bilberry, of Dickens, greeting old friends on our streets Monday.

J. C. Dopson, of Dry Lake, was transacting business in our city Monday.

Mrs. Allen Ledbetter, of Mineral Wells, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Payne, west of town, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ensey.

Mrs. Buelah Patterson left Sunday for Waco where she visited relatives and friends.

G. P. Rucker, manager of J. L. Jones & Company at Girard, was looking after business affairs here Monday.

Wylie Grubbs, of Bird's Ranch, was doing some trading in our city Saturday.

A. M. Hoover, of Twin Wells, was in Saturday greeting old friends on our streets.

Mrs. W. A. Harris and two daughters, Misses Opal and Odell, of Dickens, were in our city Saturday taking advantage of the many bargains being offered by our merchants.

John Victor, Manager of the Texas Theatre Company, was in our city the first of the week looking after his company's interests. He expressed his pleasure in finding Spur a hustling little city.

Specials at SALEM'S GUARANTY For Saturday

One pair Knox Knit pure thread Silk Hose FREE. We are running these Hose on special at 95c pair, in six different shades. With each pair you buy of us we will give you one pair FREE.

One assortment woll jersey two piece suits forladies, suitable for Spring wear, special \$6.95

Assorted Bleached and Brown Domestic 10c yard

Fancy small size colored border towels 10c each

Men's fancy rayon stripe madras shirts Choice 95c

81-90 hemmed sheets 95c

A table full assorted ladies hats \$3.95 and \$2.50

Silk jersey teds 95c

We have received other new ready-to-wear, millinery and ladies fancy shoes.

We want you to visit us Saturday where you will find good values.

SALEM'S GUARANTY, "Where Everything is Guaranteed"

Band Needs To Go To Convention

The interest in the Spur Band has been rather prominent since the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention at Amarillo last year. The members have offered their willingness to enter the Band Contest at Wichita Falls Monday and Tuesday, May 16-17.

At a meeting of the Spur Chamber of Commerce Monday arrangements were begun whereby Spur is to be represented by our Band. Different phases of the convention were discussed and a plan was recommended for action. As a result of a motion a committee consisting of Messrs. Lee, Jones, Burrow, Perry and Starcher, was appointed to work out the problems of finance for the convention.

The above named committee held a meeting at three o'clock Monday afternoon. After some discussion as to what should be considered the different lines of expenses were determined. Recommendations were passed by the committee which will be placed before the Chamber of Commerce this (Thursday) afternoon.

E. B. Gober and daughter, of near Roaring Springs, were in our city Monday visiting friends and doing some trading. Mr. Gober stated that he had just got through picking cotton and would now have to begin preparing land for another crop.

R. L. RITER DIES IN EL PASO

A message came Monday morning stating that R. L. Riter had passed away in El Paso sanitarium at six o'clock Sunday evening. Mr. Riter had undergone two or three operations, the first one for appendicitis, and others followed as a result of complications which set in later. He had lingered some three or four weeks and it was thought for a while that he would recover.

Mr. Riter is a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Riter of this city. He had been employed in the postal department at El Paso for some time and two years ago was awarded the Fort Bliss office. He had been in El Paso and Fort Bliss more than twenty years.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Riter, his father and mother, had been with him several days before he passed away. Mrs. John C. King, his sister, went to his bedside a week before. John King left upon receiving the message of his death.

Funeral services were held in El Paso Tuesday after which interment was made.

PLANTING SEED FOR SALE

I have for sale 100 bushels of Russell's Improved Pedigreed Cotton Seed direct from the Russell Cotton Breeding Farm, Annona, Red River County, Texas. This cotton is noted for big boll, good staple, easily picked and good turn out. Call at the Farmer Gin, J. E. Johnson, Owner, Spur, Texas. Phones 48 and 156-1f

AGED CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

William S. Clark, 74, died at his home on Harris Street about three o'clock Monday. Mr. Clark had been feeling ill for several days and last week suffered a paralytic stroke which was more than his physical condition was able to overcome.

Funeral services were held and interment was made Monday afternoon in Brazis Valley Cemetery near Swenson.

Mr. Clark was a native of Missouri and came to Texas in an early day. He had not lived in Spur very long.

SWENSON CITIZEN DIES HERE

John Mullens, 29, of Swenson, died at the Nichols Sanitarium here Wednesday evening of last week. Mr. Mullens had been afflicted with influenza during the fall and emphysema developed from this. An operation was performed and it was thought he was getting along all right. He seemed to improve rapidly for a time. Not long ago he came back to the sanitarium here for treatment, and upon examination it was found his heart was in very bad condition. However, his condition was not so serious until Wednesday evening when his life went out like a flash.

Mr. Mullens was reared in the Swenson community and his body was shipped there Thursday where funeral services were held and interment made.

MEETING AT DICKENS

The Methodist Church at Dickens will start a revival meeting with the morning services next Sunday, April 3. Rev. C. B. Meador, of Abilene, will do the preaching. Rev. M. B. King, the pastor, states that Rev. Meador is an able speaker, and is termed in the pulpit orator class. People of Dickens will enjoy many good sermons during this revival. Rev. King stated that everything was being done to give those people a good meeting.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people for their kindness in helping us after our loss and helping us as much as they did in this strange country. Our native home was in Burnet county, Texas.

Jim Smithwick and family.

C. W. Frazier, of Prairie Chapel community, was in our city Tuesday looking after business interests. He said he was through picking cotton and was far on the road preparing for another crop.

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 CARL LAMARLE
 REGINALD DENNY
 THE CHEERFUL FRAUD

Monday and Tuesday CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED—Plain Sewing and Dressmaking. Mrs. G. C. Collum, Phone 234. 123ff.

FOR SALE CHEAP—One almost new wood or coal range. Mrs. Jim Ed Hall. tn

FOR RENT—Light House Keeping Apartment, or Rooms. Phone 27. 120-tnc

FOR SALE—Two residence lots, well located. See G. W. Grimes at Post Office. tn

FOUND—A good casing on rim, fully inflated. Owner can have by describing and paying for this ad. See H. S. Denton at High School 121-3t

WANTED—A single man to work, share of crops. See or write M. L. Blakely, Afton, Texas. 120-4tp

THEATRE PROGRAM

THURSDAY
 HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS
 Presents
 "THE ARABIAN NIGHTS"
 also
 "AS NO MAN HAS LOVED"

FRIDAY
 "THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER"
 also
 "THE SILENT FLYER"

SATURDAY
 JACK HOXIE in
 "THE WILDHORSE STAMPEDE"

MONDAY AND TUESDAY
 REGINALD DENNY in
 "THE CHEERFUL FRAUD"

CHRISTIAN CHURCH BEGINS REVIVAL

The First Christian Church will begin a series of meetings next Sunday, April 3rd. Rev. Lewis P. Kopp, of Cisco, and Rev. A. L. Ha'ey, of Abilene, will have charge of the preaching and is hoped they will be given the best of encouragement. If the people will line up and do their Christian duty there can be much good accomplished for our town.

Rev. Abbott, the pastor, extends a cordial invitation to everybody to hear these men. In speaking of the meeting Rev. Abbott said, "I hope that everybody will feel they have a part in this work and will attend, making themselves at home with us."

Don't forget the first services. Next Sunday at 11:00 o'clock, and if you attend the first service then you will want to attend the others.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION

An election will be held in the Spur Independent School District, on Saturday, April 2, 1927, for the purpose of electing four members to the School Board of said district. The elections will be held in the Director's room of the Spur National Bank and will be governed by the election laws for such elections. All qualified voters living in Spur Independent School District are entitled to vote in this election.

Given by order of the School Board of the Spur Independent School District, this 4th day of March, A. D., 1927.

B. F. HALE, Pres of Board
 S. H. TWADDELL, Sec of Board.
 10-24-31

A. H. Stephens, one of the hustling grocery men of Girard, was transacting business in our city Monday.

GREATER

ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE

YES!

OUR SALE WAS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS LAST SATURDAY—BUT IT WILL FAR EXCEED THAT THIS COMING SATURDAY (REMEMBER IT IS THE LAST DAY) NEW BARGAINS—NEW MERCHANDISE—COME EARLY BEFORE THEY ARE PICKED OVER—REAL BARGAINS FROM A REAL HIGHCLASS STOCK OF MERCHANDISE.

YOURS FOR BARGAINS

C. HOGAN & COMPANY