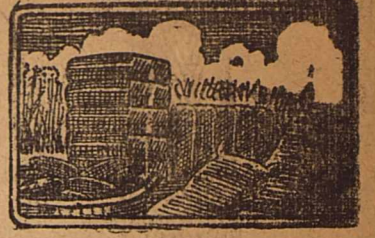




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## Of C Offices In New Location

New office rooms have been arranged in the Bryant-Link building on West Harris Street and the Chamber of Commerce office, the Secretary of the Retail Merchants Association, County Agricultural Agent and the County Home Demonstration Agent have moved into that building. The change was made Wednesday and every convenience has been arranged to make this a very comfortable place for these offices.

In addition to having rooms, there is an assembly room where meetings of the Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Merchants Association or agricultural meetings may be held. Each office will have a separate floor space which will greatly enable the facilities for making the proper files of the work. It is a very nice location where the work can be properly carried on.

The new location is between the Wholesale grocery and the Spur Bottling works where the City Market was.

## Bulldogs Trim Indians 27 to 6

(By Jephtha Craig)  
The Spur High Bulldogs defeated the Haskell Indians at Fair Park Thanksgiving Day 27 to 6 in a spotted game, the Spur team displaying their true form at intervals, enough to score four touchdowns and hold the opposition to a lone tally. The crowd was estimated at 1500. A stiff north wind was blowing throughout the game which hindered the punting and carried them away at other times.

Spur scored in every quarter. The opening marker coming early in the game on a thirty yard pass from Puckett to Hahn. The rest of the touchdowns made by Spur were on end runs. Haskell completed their try for a touchdown in the first quarter on a long pass. They completed several for long gains after that but failed to score. Spur tried several passes but did not seem to be able to complete them and only completed three for short gains.

Puckett, Hahn and Lewis led the offense aided by the blocking of Rickles. Gaines and Barrett were the strong defensive stars with Puckett backing them up behind the line. Morrison and Worthey broke thru several times to tackle the runners in their tracks.

Herman Pittmann and Kimbrough, Captain and fullback were outstanding on the Haskell team. Joe Smith was an exception at snagging passes and missed very few and there were plenty thrown.

**First Period**  
Spur received Haskell's kick on the 45 yard line. Rickles and Lewis failed to gain and Hisey punted to Haskell's 28 yard line. Kimbrough tried twice to gain but lost ten on the second play and punted to Haskell's 45 yard line. Hahn then scored on a pass from Puckett. Puckett went over center for point.

Puckett kicked to Haskell's 40 yard line. Kimbrough, Pittman,

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Mrs. Willard Thompson was doing some shopping in our city Monday.

**Got a Flat! Out of Gas!**  
Call 140!

**WASHING, GREASING  
UNITED STATES TIRES  
SPUR SERVICE  
STATION**

## City Library Is Moved

The Delphian Club, which has had charge of the Spur Library for years, is moving it from the Adams Studio into the office room of the city light and water plant located in the new Palace Theatre Building.

Miss Helen Grace will have charge of the library and will keep the records of the books. There are some 500 volumes in this library which has been built up by the people as time has gone by. Persons desiring good books to read will do well to borrow them from the Spur library and in so doing assist in building up a great library for our community.

## Masterpieces To Be Shown Here Next Week

Can you name all the pictures painted by Sir Joshua Reynolds? To be able to recognize a number of good pictures at sight, to describe them, to be familiar with the artists' names, pictures, subjects, and style is the aim of Art Appreciation as studied in our schools today. Joy, in line, form and color was instinctive even in primitive man and this fundamental love of the beautiful can be made a great uplift to the personal character of everyone.

The Parent-Teachers Association of Spur are having an exhibit of Fine Art Prints which will be on display at the south room of the New Palace Theatre next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 9-10-11. People are invited and urged to visit this exhibition during the three days. It will give everybody a greater appreciation for Fine Arts, something that will mean much to all of us.

There will be competent persons present all the time to tell you about the pictures. Mrs. F. H. Berry and Mrs. J. H. Clay, two very fine artists have already volunteered their time and service to the work. Another, Dr. J. H. Grace, if he be able to be out at all, could not be kept away from such a love feast of beauty as this will be. These people will be glad to assist you in every manner in this work.

The object of this display is to assist the boys and girls of our schools to secure pictures for their schools. It is a very fitting time to give some attention to this work, especially if you have some young people in your homes.

## Ford Sales Lead In All States of Union

Ford Car sales led all other makes in very state in the United States during the months of July, August and September.

43% of all automobiles sold are Ford sales.

October production shatters all records.

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SPUR, TEXAS**

## Spur Country Loses A Good Citizen Saturday

In the death of Walter L. Powell, Spur and Dickens County has lost a good citizen. Mr. Powell died suddenly at his home eight miles northwest of town about seven o'clock Saturday morning, the cause being heart disease. He had been in Spur the day before and appeared to be in good health and was speaking to friends and smiling as was his custom. The next morning after getting up and being about the house for a while, he pitched forward on the floor dead.

Mr. Powell had been a citizen of Dickens county about fifteen years. He came here in 1914 as superintendent of the Spur schools and served in that capacity for two years. In 1916 he made the race for the office of County Judge and was elected. He served the people faithfully as County Judge for four years, and when his time was up in 1921, he moved to his farm in Dry Lake community the place he has lived every since.

Judge Powell was a native of Hood County, Texas. He was born at Tolar, April 3, 1876, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Powell who died in this country some years ago and were buried in the Spur cemetery. He took advantages of his school opportunities and qualified himself for teaching profession which he followed until 1916. In 1904 he married Miss Anna Archer, of Granbury Texas.

Mr. Powell became a convert of the Christian religion when just a boy. He joined the Church of Christ and followed a Christian life until his death. After coming to Dickens county he did not affiliate with any church but fostered the work of all churches.

He leaves his wife, a son, Archer Lanier, 19, and a daughter, Elizabeth, 9, two brothers and three sisters to mourn his going.

Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. Rev. F. H. Berry the pastor, made a talk on the life of the deceased telling the people of the great desires that directed him through life. Rev. W. B. Vaughn, pastor of the First Methodist Church, read the scriptures from the Book of Corinthians. Interment was made in Spur cemetery, Webber Williams acting as funeral director.

The large number of people who were present at the last sad rites was an index of the appreciation that was held for Judge Powell. He had lived a square life before his neighbors and he numbered his friends by the hundreds.

Friends join in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Benham of Afton, were greeting friends in our city Monday and doing some trading.

## Rotarians Enjoy Luncheon With Rotary Anns Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving evening was a gala day with Spur Rotarians since each fellow had invited his Rotary Ann to be present with him at the regular weekly luncheon Thursday evening instead of at the noon hour. The Spur Inn was beautifully decorated to bring out the spirit of the evening and everybody present started in to have a good time from the beginning.

Bill Moffett of Stamford was the speaker of the evening and delivered a wonderful address. Moffett used as the basis of his theme "What is a Good Rotarian?" and by the time he had finished his

## Merry Mad Caps Manager Dies Here

Ernest Stewart, 41, manager of the Merry Mad-Caps Show, died at the Hotel Wilson about eight o'clock last Thursday evening. He had been ill about two weeks being afflicted with pneumonia. At the beginning of his illness he was with his company at Aspermont, but when the show came to Spur, on Monday, November 25, he requested to come along and be here.

Mr. Stewart, together with his brother Charles, had been in the tent Theatre business for thirteen years. Before that time they and another member of the family were engaged in musical acts and vaudeville under the name of the "Three Musical Stewarts", playing in the large cities.

The deceased leaves a son, 15 in San Marcos Military Academy; his brother Charles, his partner in the show business; and three brothers at Llano. His wife preceded him about one year ago, having been killed accidentally in a stage play at Rochester, Texas.

The body was taken care of by Campbell Undertaking parlor. Monday the ambulance of the Mansell Undertaking company at Rochester came here for it. Funeral services were held at Rochester Rev. Pike, pastor of the Methodist Church there, officiating.

The tent and show equipment of the Merry Mad-Caps Company was stored in Spur where it will remain for a few weeks. Mr. Stewart stated that it will require sometime to get proper arrangements made to start the show again.

## Girl Scouts Working Out New Program

Both troops of girl Scouts of Spur are meeting regularly and are doing constructive work. Each week a lesson in some useful art that will mean a great deal to the Scout in future years.

Mrs. Whigham and Miss Lassiter, the Scout captains, are giving the Scouts lessons in Patik dyeing at this time. The girls are using the work in making Christmas presents. If any one has failed thus far to see this work, you are urged to pay a visit to some of the scouts and see the beautiful presents they are making.

The Senior troop is passing first class Nature Work at this time. The Scouts are making booklets of spatter work to illustrate this course.

Regular Scout council meeting will be held next Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Whigham has a new program to offer at that time.

L. L. Delisle of Espuela was looking after business affairs in our city Monday.

We have plenty of bed rollers. The Home Shop.

## U. S. C. Of C. Official Visits Spur Monday

James P. Hatfield, southwestern representative for the United States Chamber of Commerce was a guest in Spur Monday. He visited practically all of the various business houses and had a talk with the managers. Mr. Hatfield's business was to solicit membership and take subscriptions for the publication for the national chamber.

In speaking of the work of the United States Chamber of Commerce Mr. Hatfield stated that it was made up of the various city chamber of commerce organizations, of individual members and in some instances the retail merchants association took membership to foster their work. The object of the organization is to foster movements for the benefit of the people as a whole and to prevent class legislation that is some times put over on the people.

He stated that through the influence of the organization 500 bureaus at Washington had been eliminated from the government. These bureaus had practically the same duties overlapping each other and being of no benefit to the people and causing an enormous expense. During the time since the chamber organization had been perfected that they had been able to save the American people more than \$2,000,000,000.00 in taxes.

It was through the influence that the present government Budget System was established. Vice President Dawes tried a number of times to get the government to get on a business basis in expending its funds. Congressmen turned it down from various stand points. Mr. Dawes met the executive committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce and they drafted the bill. It was sent out to various chambers of commerce all over the country and their approval was attached to it. Congress readily passed the bill. Ninety percent of the proposed legislation by the Chamber of Commerce has met approval by the government.

The organization is now working to assist the people in a taxation program. Considering the fact that taxes have increased double the income on business the past few years, it is time to begin to look into matters. The U. S. Chamber of Commerce will devote the next few years to see that the people get more for their tax money than they have been getting in former years. This will be a very fine thing for the people, and will give us more confidence in the affairs of our government.

The main headquarters for the United States Chamber of Commerce is Washington, D. C. There are four branch offices in America one of which is at Dallas where Mr. Hatfield works.

## Monday Trades Day Best Program Yet

### States Workers Meeting Good

Rev. H. T. Harris, pastor of the Baptist Church at Dickens, Espuela and Friendship, was in our city Monday looking after business affairs. In speaking of the Worker's Meeting held at Dickens Thursday night and Friday, he said the cold weather kept a number of people away. However, they had a great meeting. There were a number of very fine talks made on the various phases of the church work and the interest was good all the time.

Rev. Harris has been in our county only a short time, but he is having excellent success as a pastor for the church that have called him. He is a young man, a student and goes at church work in a business way.

### Hotel Wilson And Cafe Under New Management

Today, Thursday, marks the opening of the Hotel Wilson under new management. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Abney have returned to Lubbock and Mr. W. T. Wilson has assumed charge of the entire building. He has placed a very capable cook in the kitchen, and present plans are to serve short order breakfasts at short order prices and regular meals at noon and evening.

Home killed beef and pork, with a variety of other meats, well seasoned and well cooked, interspersed with plenty of fresh vegetables, will be part of the regular menu. Home made biscuits, jellies pies and cakes will be good drawing cards.

Mr. Wilson announces that both the hotel and coffee shop are equipped to give the very best of service at all times, and the public is cordially invited to visit the Hotel Wilson and get acquainted.

### Congress Is In Regular Session

Both houses of Congress went into regular session last Monday. It had been only a short time since Congress had adjourned from an extra session and there was not many holidays for Senators and Representatives between the two sessions.

The first thing to engage the minds of the present Congress is the \$160,000,000 tax reduction which is being urged by the administration. There is a proposal of one cent reduction on corporation and individual income tax of 1929. If this measure goes over the solons are going to have to work rapidly.

Chairman Howley of the Ways and Means Committee, has introduced the bill and a hearing in the House is expected today.

### CARD OF THANKS

I take this means to thank the people of this city and community, also, each and every member of the American Legion for the kindness extended during the illness and death of my brother, Ernest Stewart, manager of the Merry Mad Caps Stock Company, who passed away Thanksgiving evening.

—Charles Stewart.

WANTED—To buy your used furniture.—Chas. Wolfe.

J. W. Offield of Elton was transacting business in our city Monday.

It was thought Monday morning that the extreme cold morning would keep the people away from Spur and the Trades Day program. However, this conjecture proved untrue as people came from far and near to enjoy the bargains the Spur Merchants offered and to take in the day in town. Every business house used a little extra coal and kept good fires and the people were comfortable while doing their trading.

All merchants intown had to put on extra force in order to take care of their customers. Every body was busy buying merchandise for they knew they were getting bargains in Spur. You can not fool the people—they know good stuff when they see it, and Spur merchants certainly offered the best on the market for the price.

The prizes were awarded at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. F. E. Walker of Highway, M. P. Smith of Dry Lake, and R. F. Bilberry of Gilpin were the judges selected to judge the prizes. These men were selected by the people because they wanted good men and true.

Mrs. C. C. Clark answered the first call which was number B203 93 but could not produce the duplicate. Another call No. B26623 was answered by T. V. Shockley of Soldier Mound, and he received the first prize of \$50.00.

The next call did not bring an answer, and call No. B41461 was made and answered by L. D. Jones of Elton. He was awarded the second prize of \$30.00. The next call brought no answer and so the fifth call was No. B24470 and was answered by A. Wood a Kent county farmer living about 20 miles south of Spur. He was awarded the prize of \$20.00.

The sixth call was B44274 and was answered by J. M. Reese of Spur. He was awarded the \$10 prize. The next call brought no answer and so call number seven was B43721. It was answered by M. F. Hagar, a farmer living a few miles west of Girard and also County Commissioner for Kent Co. He was awarded a prize of \$5.00.

The next call was No. A25664 and was answered by Mrs. Mary Baker who lives 1 1/2 miles south west of town. She received a prize of \$5.00. The next call brought no answer. Call nine was B4170 and was answered by E. C. Walker of Soldier Mound community. The next call was No. A15453 and was answered by Rev. W. B. Vaughn, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Spur. He received a prize of \$5.00. The last call was No. B1383 and was answered by P. E. Hagins, a Duck Creek farmer who is living in Spur at this time for school advantages. He received a prize of \$5.00.

Those calls that received no answer were Nos. B30217, B36208, B9627 and B7392. These persons were not present when the calls were made.

The Retail Merchants Association will have another list of prizes to be given away at next Trade Day which will be Monday, January 6, 1930. Last Monday was Trades Day that will be held this year because the year runs out before the next First Monday. All you need to do is trade with Spur merchants and you will save good money on your purchases. Be sure to ask the merchants about Trades Day and then watch for bargains.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, of Kaufman were in our city the first of the week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kellam. They were enroute to Dickens to visit Mrs. Millers sister Mrs. O. C. Finchum.

Mrs. G. C. Pearce of Soldier Mound was in our city Monday doing some shopping.

Our beds were built to sell—The Home Sta kindly.

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WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN SPUR  
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1. City Auditorium.
2. Paved Streets.
3. Closer Co-operation of Farmer and Merchants
4. Establishment of a Cotton Mill.
5. Establishment of a Cannery.
6. Paved Highways Leading Out
7. A Cotton Oil Mill
9. Farmers in the Chamber of Commerce.
10. Vocational Work in Our Schools Extended.

D. F. Jackson, of Croton country was doing some trading with our merchants Monday.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL

(By D. S. Granberry)

For more than a thousand years following the fall of the great Roman Empire, the countries of Europe passed through a period of transition that was marked by much inertia and confusion. Thru all this long period the church, the only surviving institution of the old civilization wielded the controlling influence over all Christendom. It initiated and passed all laws, had them enforced, served as judge, and in general performed or influenced to a controlling degree of an absolute monarch, to the minute details of a village justice. Not only was the church supreme in civic affairs, but it was absolute in the spiritual realm, which power overlapped and controlled to a marked degree the mental development of the people. No word was written or spoken, or thoughts entertained, upon which the church had not first placed its stamp of approval. It, therefore, naturally follows that the educational facilities of the age were limited, narrow and bigoted almost beyond our power of conception.

The coming of the Renaissance in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries marked the first important movement in the realm of education since the days of ancient Greece. With the renaissance came the period of the passing of the middle ages. It can readily be seen that a new spirit had crept into European civilization and by the fourteenth century a new dawn had been ushered in. Men began to think for themselves.

The period that followed was marked by a general intellectual progress that began to free men from their bondage of ecclesiasticism and to induce them to look at the world about them.

The first faint instance we find on record that even hints that the community might some day take an interest in the education of its members above or at least along with that which their church had exercised for so many years, accrued in some of the German commercial cities in the thirteenth century. The city authorities in

some of these thriving towns along the great trade routes undertook to provide schools to meet the demands not met by the existing church schools, and were called, reading, writing and reckoning schools. These schools at first glance were of no importance but when we study them more closely we are convinced of their importance due to the fact that they set up and firmly established a new field of education; a new educational precedent; namely, the interest and the right of the commercial world in the field of education.

The second, and beyond a doubt the greatest epoch in the evolution of the public school is the period we know in history as the Protestant reformation. With the coming of the reformation, feudalism, with all its incumbrances to personal development and social degenerating influences was relegated to the graveyard of ancient institutions.

Martin Luther the great spirit and leader of the reformation tackled his defiance of Rome on the church door at Wittenberg in fifteen seventeen, and for convenience, if for no other reason, we shall set that as the affinal date for the beginning of the greatest emancipation of slaves spiritually, intellectually and physically that history contains any record of.

The new basis for universal vernacular, elementary education, the three chief elements contained in the term "public school" as we know it that the reformation gave us was found in the necessity of personal study of the scriptures in order to secure salvation. This far we have advanced just two steps; the needs of the commercial world for better trained participants and the need of the individual for a little more knowledge in order to gain salvation. The 1st need might be limited to a few but the latter was necessarily universal.

The invention and development of printing between the years of 1423 and 1480 added great impetus and speed to the development now under way. Martin Luther was able to have his translation of the Bible and many other writings printed with such economy that they soon were read in every household.

The reformation not only defied the old ecclesiastical regime but it inclined toward universal elementary education and control of schools by the state. The Catholics were inclined to leave the organization of education in the hands of the various religious bodies but the Protestants more often thought it wise to support and control education by the authorities of the state. Martin Luther in his famous speech, or letter to the authorities in Germany said, "Education should prepare for citizenship and should be state supported."

"These recommendations," says Graves, "were somewhat embodied in actual schools by his associates," and he goes on to say in the same paragraph that the development of Elementary instruction and state controlled system of education was the most important outcome of the reformation.

Later we find that this idea of Luthers concerning state systems of education degenerated and was greatly weakened, under the Calvinistic idea that attempted to subject the state again to the church, but it remained alive and thriving in the minds of at least a few of the great thinkers.

In the period immediately following the reformation the strong secular interest gradually overthrew the narrow religious conception of life and education. Before the year 1700 many theatrical discussions of education had been published which were concerned primarily in the secular spirit with the religious element as only a factor which we shall call the fourth step in our evolutionary developments.

We have seen how the small schools established by the cities in the latter middle ages established once and for all times the practical basis for education. We have seen how the religious teachings of the reformation made the need for education universal and how the teachings of Luther and his associates established the interest of the state in education from the point of view of citizenship and fourth we have seen the secular spirit advocated by such men as Comenius, Locke and Rausseau revolutionized education from the point of view of subject matter and methods. We shall now take up the evolution of the public schools from a more or less legal or civic point of view.

It might have been an accident

of history that Germany was the first to set up a system of public schools, but it seems to the writer to have been more or less a natural consequence. It was in Germany that the Guild schools developed to such a high degree and were later taken over or absorbed in the Burgher schools, which as Graves says paved the way for the tendency toward the secularization and civic control of education.

It was in Germany that Martin Luther had so thoroughly scattered his revolutionary ideas of state controlled education.

In 1642 the little Duchy of Gotha, one of the small city states of Germany introduced education to relieve social distress caused by the Thirty Years War. The system included three very revolutionary ideas; education as a social relief, having a practical curriculum and compulsory attendance. A few years later Frederick William 1st declared compulsory attendance. There followed at intervals of about twenty years several famous laws. The Code of 1763, not so famous, the Code of 1787 in which the control of the church was forever lost, being transferred to a national council of education.

The final secularization act occurred in the Fundamental Prussian Legal Code of 1794. It sets forth the school as a state institution, it can be founded by or with the consent of the state, it is to be supervised by the state at all times.

"The influence of Rousseau's 'Emile' combined with the efficient measures of the Prussian Kings started and carried out the secularization of Prussian education in the 18th century." Basedow agitated for non-sectarian national schools in Prussia as did Voltaire and Rousseau in France.

The principle of innovation during this period extending from 1600 to 1800 was the taking over of the elementary school from the church by the state, the compulsory attendance of all children at school being recognized and enforced as a civic duty, up to the 16 century the elementary school was little more than an annex to church.

At the end of the 18th century it was in all German countries no longer an ecclesiastical but a political institution. The state had assumed full control over the schools.

In England the first affinal act that indicated in that country the tendency that was later to develop into state controlled education at institutions was found in the Chantry Acts of 1545-52 which abolished chantry schools and proposed to use the endowments of these institutions for establishing other schools.

As early as 1563 we read that some of the towns in England, "Among other matters occasionally made legal provisions for schools," but no where did they reach the degree of development and popularity that they did in Germany. "The secularization of elementary schools in England," says Parker, "was retarded by the power of the established church, and the conservative influence of the House of Lords."

The real fight began in England in 1807. It was started by the non-sectarian British and Foreign School Society, wielding a big influence. In 1833 Parliament finally made a grant of money to erect some school houses. In 1839 a committee consisting of the members of the Privy council were appointed to administer fund appropriated to education. The final act occurring in 1870. It provided for the local election of the school board with power to levy taxes. The same act provided for non-sectarian schools and compulsory attendance. Thus with the general principles firmly established, the present efficient English system of free public schools was gradually evolved.

The development of the public schools in America was naturally influenced by the ideals and conditions in the mother country. The race and types of people in the various colonies was wrought into their educational systems. We find this plainly illustrated in the development of New York, Massachusetts and South Carolina educational ideals.

"In nearly all the American colonies," says Graves, "the radical ingrained religious conviction that everyone was a child of God, capable of becoming a vital and useful member of society, and that the community was obliged to give his training to that end, in the home, the church and the school served as the guiding spirit of educational development." This principle was carried out in Massachusetts by the Acts of 1642 and 1647. The former being an apprenticeship law and the latter one compelling each town to provide some sort of elementary school to be maintained by way of supply. These simple laws were in exact harmony and contemporary with those enacted in Germany.

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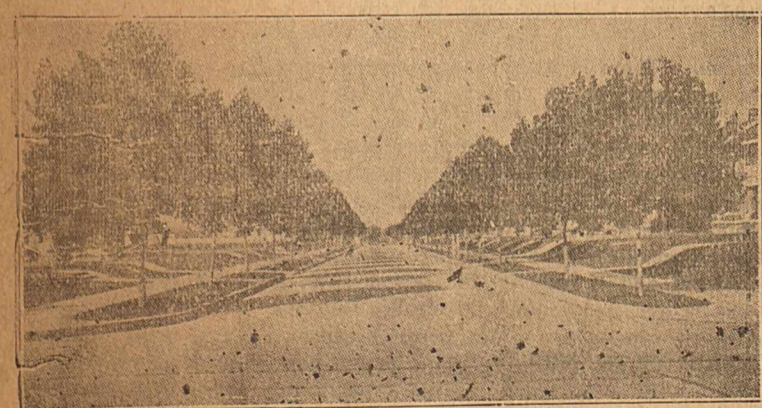
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to the evolutionary process due to his prestige and great ability. There were no marked developments in American school systems until in the first half of the 19th century which was the great period of transition in this country. In 1828 Rhode Island passed her basic state law for common school with an appropriation of ten thousand dollars. New York passed her basic law in 1842. It created a city board of education and provided that no portion of the school funds was to be given to any school in which any religious sectarian doctrine or tenets shall be

taught, inculcated, or practiced. Tax supported schools were made optional in Pennsylvania in 1834 establishing the principal of local taxation for support of public schools. Massachusetts created

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SPUR VS HASKELL

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and Sherman tried to advance but failed and Kimbrough punted to Spur's 15 yard line. Lewis and Puckett tried to advance but failed and Puckett punted to Spur's 37 yard line. After a failure at passing Pittman made 9 yards through the line and then passed to Smith for 17 yards. Pittman Sherman and Kimbrough again tried to carry the ball but were held and Kimbrough passed the ball to tally. No goal. Spur received the kick on their 10 yard line and returned to 24. Rickles and Hahn failed to gain and Puckett punted after Spur received a five yard penalty for off sides. Starting on their 36 yard line Haskell made three yards on two plays then passed

for 20. After another 6 yard gain through the line Haskell passed for 14 yards. The last two passes were from Kimbrough to Whitaker. The quarter ended with Haskell on Spur's 17 yard line trying to advance over Spur's forward wall.

Score Spur 7 Haskell 6.

Second Quarter

Kimbrough failed to gain, and Spur received the ball on downs. Puckett made 6 yards around right end and Lewis followed with one. Hahn on a reverse fake made ten yards. Puckett and Hahn then made ten yards through the line. Incomplete pass. Rickles then made 5 yards and Spur received a 1 yard penalty for hurdling. Clifton for Foote. Lewis went around left end for 12 yards. Lewis punted to Haskell's 20 yard line. Pittman and Kimbrough tried

four times to advance but lost five and five more on a penalty and Kimbrough punted to 40 yard line. Lewis returning 12. Puckett went around left end on the first play for touchdown. Hahn went over left tackle for point.

Puckett kicked to 10 yard line, Haskell returning 18. Pittman and Kimbrough failed to gain and Kimbrough punted to Spur 41 yard line. Hahn Puckett and Rickles made first down in four attempts. Lewis passed to Puckett for 20 yards. Rickles and Hahn failed to gain and the ball went to Haskell on downs. Pittman and Kimbrough again tried to advance but were forced to punt, Spur receiving on their 20 yard line. Lewis returned to 37. Spur tried two passes completing the second for no gain. Puckett went around right end for 18 yard to close the half.

Score Spur 14 Haskell 6.

Third Period

Spur kicked to Haskell's 10 yard line, return 5. Pittman and Kimbrough made 6 yards this time before punting to Spur's 44 yard line. Puckett made 5 yards over left tackle. Hahn made 21 yards around left end. Lewis made one yard over left tackle. Hahn went around right end for 30 yards and touchdown. No goal.

Spur kicked to Haskell ten yard line. Kimbrough returning 10. Haskell was unable to gain and Kimbrough punted out of bounds on his own 40 yard line. Hahn went around right end for 9 yards. Lewis followed with 5 more. Lewis went over left tackle for one yard Hahn over the same for 2. Lewis made one yard, and then passed but it failed and the ball went to Haskell on downs. Haskell punted on the third play to their 42 yard line. Spur failed to gain and punted to Haskell 32 yard line. On the third play Haskell tried a pass which was intercepted by Puckett on Spurs 48 yard line. Spur tried to pass but failed to connect and Puckett punted to Pittman on Haskell's 34 yard line. Kimbrough punted on the 4th down after failing to advance. Receiving the ball on their own 40 yard line Spur failed to gain on the first play but on the next Puckett went through center for 30 yards. Hahn made seven more around left end. Lewis followed with 11 in two plays.

Score Spur 20 Haskell 6.

Fourth Period

Lewis made 4 over right tackle but Spur couldn't get started and the ball went to Haskell on downs. Reddell for Hisey. From this point on Coach Taylor made substitutions until every man on the squad had seen action. Haskell punted to Spur's 40 yard line. Hahn returned to Haskell's 35 yard line. 25 yard penalty on Spur for clipping. Lewis made two yards over left tackle and Hahn went 60 yards around right end for touchdown. Lewis went over center for point.

Puckett kicked to Haskell 45 yard line being an onside kick. Worthen covered for Spur. Lewis made ten yards and then was stopped on the next. Hahn made 5 yards. Rickles made 15 yards around end. Lewis, Puckett and Hahn failed to gain and the ball went to Haskell on downs. Haskell opened with a long pass for 25 yards. Again passing Rickles intercepted and Spur had the ball on Haskell's 48 yard line. Lewis made 18 yards over right end and 5 more over left tackle. Spur was penalized 5 yards and Rickles followed with a 10 yard gain. Rickles 6, Puckett 6 Lewis 6 and then they were stopped within one foot of the goal and the ball went to Haskell on downs. Haskell punted to 50. Spur made ten more yards before the game ended.

Score Spur 27 Haskell 6.

Line-up:

Spur	Position	Haskell
Hisey	LE	J. Smith
Morrison	LT	Whitaker
Morgan	LG	Sanders
Gaines C.	C	Gilstrap
Holley	RG	Lisles
Barrett	RT	Foote
Worthen	RE	Whitaker
Lewis	Q	Pittman
Hahn	LH	Leflar
Rickles	RH	Sherman
Puckett	FB	Kimbrough C

Referee Hembree; Umpire Brown; Headlinesman, Manning; Timers, Link and Jones. Time of Quarters 12 1-2 minutes.

Mrs. D. L. Pace of Afton was doing some shopping in our city Monday.

Miss Maggie Smith of McAdoo was shopping with our merchants Monday.

W. E. Ballard of near Dickens, was greeting friends and attending to business here Monday.

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WHAT HAPPENED IN WALL STREET

The principal sufferers from the slump in the stock market are the business enterprises which purvey luxuries to the newly rich. One New York beauty parlor that charged a minimum fee of \$25 for a "treatment" has already closed its doors. The "exclusive" jewelry shops where no customer was really welcome unless he had a hundred thousand dollars to spend report a decided falling off in sales. One fifth Avenue furrier imported some Russian Sables to make a \$50,000 wrap for the wife of a wall street gambler has had the garment thrown back on his hands and is now advertising it for sale for a mere \$30,000! Slackening of trade in things like those represent no real economic loss. Quite the contrary. The \$50,000 which the furrier did not get for

his sables is now in the hands of gentlemen who know what to do with money. It will be invested in something which will enable some great manufacturing company to add a dozen workers to its payroll. And that is worth more to us than a dozen sable wraps. There is just as much money in the country as there was. The business whose shares have declined in price are earning as much as they did before. The folk who have lost money are those who tried to get something for nothing by buying stocks at more than they were worth in order to resell them to others who were even more gullible.

What really happened is that a vast amount of money and credit has been taken out of the hands of wasters and has got into the bank accounts of men of constructive vision. Most of this money will now go into useful channels. —Plains Progress.

J. C. PENNY CO. WILL HELP WIPE OUT SWEAT SHOPS

The J. C. Penny Company, Inc. operating approximately 1,400 chain stores throughout the country with annual sales running close to the \$200,000,000 mark has reached an understanding with International Ladies Garment Workers Union by which it will confine its cloak and suit production exclusively to manufacturers having contractual relations with the Union.

The radical departure by the Penny organization from making price the most important factor in their relations with manufacturers has been interpreted to mean that only garments bearing union labels will be sold in their stores. It is also believed to be the first time such an agreement has been effected between a distributing organization the size of the Penny Company and a Union.

This is the first time a Distributing Organization has made such arrangements with a union. —West Texas Labor Journal.

P. M. W. CLUB ENTERTAINED

Members of the P. M. W. Club were entertained in a charming manner on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Perry Pryor at her lovely home in the East part of Spur.

The Thanksgiving theme was emphasized in all details during the evening. Following the games of 42 Mrs. Lester Ericson was awarded the turkey prize for being the most consistent "gobbler". Mrs. Tom Teague was presented with a pretty bottle of perfume for being the lucky one in drawing from the Turkey platter.

A delicious turkey dinner was served to the following guests Mesdames Bill Brown, Cecil Addie Chas. Kearney, R. S. Harkey, Daie Johnson, Fontis McFarthey, Eric Ounsley, Gordon Barrow, O. L. Stevenson, B. F. Crockett, Tom Teague, L. R. Burrow, Harvey Stack, Thurmon Moore, Mac Tidwell, Henry Gruben, Foy Vernon, Lester Erickson, D. J. Dyess, Bailey, James Williams, Chappel A. Reese and Miss Odessa Crowley of Post.

Bessie Love was born in Midland, Texas. Her father was a rancher and her mother a school teacher. The family moved to Los Angeles while Bessie was a baby. While in Los Angeles High School Bessie applied one day for a job with D. W. Griffith and was accepted and given a five year contract! Not for days did little Bessie now how fortunate she had been.

Her recent great success in "Broadway Melody" brought her a five year contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Previous to this triumph however, she had played in "Sundown," "Dress Parade," "The Lost World," "The Woman on the Jury," and "The Song and Dance Man." She is five feet one inch, has blonde hair and brown eyes, and is an expert dancer. Her last appearance is made in M-G-M's all talking production of "The Girl in the Show," playing at the Palace Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

A. B. Hogan, our bustling tax Assessor was over from the county seat Monday greeting friends and looting after business.

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is not a disease, but merely a symptom or adaptive condition of some other trouble. NERVOUSNESS is merely a feeling of unrest, uneasiness, discouragement, dissatisfaction—a feeling that life isn't worth while—and may be associated with any disease whether it be stomach trouble, liver trouble or simple constipation. Come to Room No. 9 SPUR NATIONAL BANK BUILDING and learn how CHIROPRACTIC MASSAGE will remove the cause of NERVOUSNESS.

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"And all who told it added something new; And all who heard it made enlargement too."

With the foul birds of society which carry about moral carrion, veracity is an unknown virtue and mendacity a cultivated vice.

Disseminators of tales calculated to stir up strife, promote unhappiness and sorrow and enmity, strife and jealousy not only defame the good name of others, but cause feuds and quarrels among those who are friends. It is well said by the writer of Proverbs, who had a deep insight into

human nature, "He that repeateth a matter separateth very friends." Surely the separation of friends is one of the sins for which the evil one might well offer premium to his demons for inducing men to commit.

If there are social castes in Satan's realm, surely those who peddle scandal, who malign and calumniate others, who would rather drag forth from its hiding place a family skeleton than to build monuments to virtue and valor belong to the aristocracy of hell.

There are few crimes in deed that are equal in their venality to that of assassinating character.

The purveyor of scandalous stories is never satisfied with repeating only that which is true.

Such a person is never content with the truth, and neither is he who listens to him; but before he finishes with his putrid tale must make such additions as will be sure to make it "interesting" for his "customers"—those who are willing to listen. There is perhaps no greater source of earthly misery and woe than idle, useless and unjust criticism. Surely if it is true as the old adage has it, "An idle brain is the devil's workshop," the most effective instrument he has is the busy tongue voicing the unclean and untrue thoughts of a sordid and vulgar mind.

Very pertinently has some one asked, "Should not the tongue be a Christian, too, as well as the head and heart?" The truth is that the head and heart are not Christians so long as they furnish the thoughts which give the tongue of the talebearer utterance.

To build a spotless reputation requires the work of years, but only a moment is necessary to destroy it in the mind of him who is willing to give ear to the traducer and malinger of character.

It is pretty safe to assume that he who is the victim of a scandalous tongue is much less deserving of its asseverations than he who circulates the accusing story.

It must have been for the social hyena who not only delight in destroying the innocent, but also who enjoys the digging up of bones of buried infamy and dragging them forth for the world to gaze upon that the following lines were intended:

"If you know of a skeleton, hidden away

In a closet, and guarded, and kept from the day

In the dark; and whose showing whose sudden display

Would cause grief and sorrow and Lifelong dismay,

It is a pretty good plan to forget it."

Like Othello's occupation, that of the human vulture who scatters social uncleanness abroad through the divine power of speech would be gone were it not that there are always those who are willing—sometimes eager—to listen to him.

Were there no receptacles into which he could pour his moral garbage, he who carries it about would soon drop his lathesome burden.

Thus the listener is found guilty along with the talebearer; and we are told by Solomon that "A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue."

Strange that any person should be willing to allow his ear to be converted into a moral garbage can.

The scandalmonger and slanderer would soon be put out of business if those to whom they undertake to give one of their sweet morsels of gossip would only turn away from them or plainly tell them that they do not care to listen to such tales.

The fact that purveyors of scandal seek to pour into one's ears their vile concoctions is evidence that they believe such a one welcomes their tales implying that their listeners are as impure and dishonest as they themselves are.

The circulation of that which reflect upon one's character is the most cowardly and contemptible of all offending. Some Oriental writer has said, "Every other demon attacks you in front; slander assails you in the back."

Wonderful would be the effect did those who are disposed to speak evil of others follow the example of the Psalmist when he said, "I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue."

So great and general a vice is scandalmongering and backbiting that the wise King Solomon said, "He that bridleth his tongue is a perfect man."

It is always noticeable that when the unclean birds of society would disseminate their putrid bits of infamy, it is invariably done in

the absence of the victims of their viciousness.

This foul bird of society, this serpent of slander, this hyena of hate, this ghoul of moral graveyards, seems to have existed all down the ages. And this is not all strange, since human nature has always been the same in its impulses and innate tendencies.

Man is the only creature to whom God gave the faculty of speech. He was also endowed with intellectual power to reason. It is easy to conclude that it was because of his intelligence that speech was given man—that he might be able to convey his thoughts to his fellows.

Certainly it was not that he might by its use gender strife and thus make unhappy himself and those about him; and surely such perversion of the Divine faculty of speech must rank as one of the most heinous sins.

The oft-repeated warning against this sin, the many admonitions to be watchful in avoiding it and the withering denunciations of it to be found in the Bible should be sufficient to impress us with the wickedness of the profane swearer, the gossip, the scandalmonger, and whisperer of the vulgar, the vile and the untrue.

Just here comes again the great truth compacted into a few words by a wise man of old time, "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he."

In thus speaking of man the writer of proverbs gave a most wonderful insight into human nature, for a man is what he thinks. He speaks what he thinks, and does what he thinks.

The man who thinks honestly will not be a thief; if he thinks mercy he will not be a tyrant; if he thinks tenderness he will not be cruel; if he thinks purity, cleanliness and truth, he will not be a talebearer or scandalmonger.

He who sincerely prays, "Create within me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me," will have no inclination to expend time and energy digging up family skeletons, or besmirching the apparel of another with mud from the bog of moral degradation.

If every social gathering should have as an imperative feature of its proceedings the repeating of these words from the Psalmist it would exert great influence toward discouraging to the point of elimination much of the unjust, uncharitable and even criminal scandalmongering now indulged in: "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer."

The "Star Witness" on the side of the accused in probably the majority of the cases all down the centuries where the assassination of character has been involved has been "They Say".

The malevolent trio, Malice, Envy, and Jealousy, with Egotism and Pride not far behind in importance to the accusers, have usually worked up the case.

What they cannot prove by "They Say" the star witness they try to confirm by circumstantial evidence. It must have been of this witness that Pollok wrote when he said:

"'Twas slander that filled her mouth with lying words—

Slander, the foulest whelp of sin."

"They Say" is a vulture which feasts on scandal and becomes stupefied with the poison of jealousy and hate. Hate is not only destructive because of the acts of the hater, but it actually is destructive to his own being, physically as well as mentally and spiritually.

Voltaire says, "To really stop criticism they say one must die."

Some one who had an understanding of the wicked work of the backbiter and scandalmonger expressed his idea of him in unique and impressive phraseology when he said, "After God had finished making the rattlesnake, the toad and the vampire, He had

some-awful substance left, of which he made the scandalmonger. A scandalmonger is a two legged animal with a corkscrew soul, a water logged brain, and a backbone made of jelly and glue. Where other men have hearts he has a tumor of decayed principles. When the scandalmonger comes down the street, honest men turn their backs, the angels in heaven weep, and the devil shuts the gates of hell to keep him out."

Slander, like death, loves a shining mark. The sport of throwing mud at any other wouldn't interest the character assassin. He wouldn't soil the raiment of such as himself.

A dignified and contemptuous silence is about the best antidote for the poison which comes from the tongue of this human serpent.

"An ungodly man diggeth up evil; and in his lips there is a burning fire."

"Think truly and each thought of thine shall the world's famine feed;

Speak truly, and each word of thine shall be a fruitful seed; Live truly, and thy life shall be a great and noble creed."

—Dallas News.

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Come Ask about our special Christmas gifts that please.—The Home Shop.

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L. W. Daniels of Twin Wells was attending to business affairs in our City Monday.

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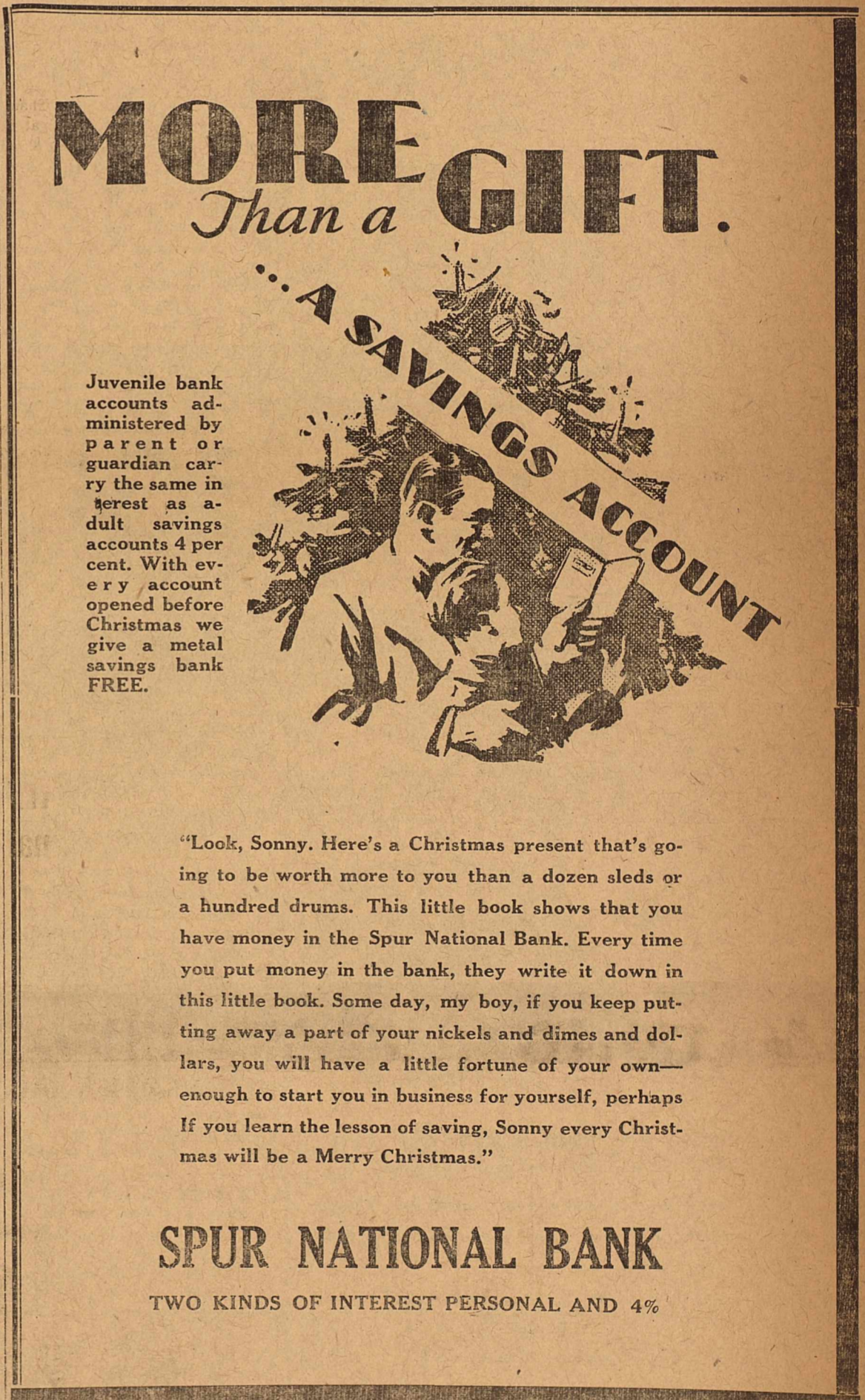
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**Girard News**

Mr. Hugh Turner and Fred Harwell of Flomot spent last week end at Girard visiting relatives.

Miss Grace Westfall spent Wednesday here with Miss Elsie Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Graves went to Lockney last Thursday.

Misses Grace Westfall and El-Clark were the guests of Miss-Lois and Grace Langford on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner and folks moved to another home last Thursday.

Mr. Curley went to Jayton last Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Langford motored to Spur last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Elmer James home was destroyed by fire last Wednesday.

Mrs. Pursley and daughter Thelma were business visitors in Girard Wednesday.

Mrs. Raymond Turner was shopping in Spur last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Bailey went to Spur Wednesday afternoon.

The Montgomery children began school here Monday.

Miss Evelyn Dial made a trip to Clairemont Monday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Phipps visited Sunday here with her aunt Mrs. Sybil Smith.

Mr. Fred McGaha of Lubbock spent Sunday and Monday in Girard.

C. V. Wright of East Texas has been visiting his brother Calvin Wright of Girard.

Mr. and Mrs. Spradling were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Harwell Thursday.

The Girard Senior basket ball girls and boys played Dickens Tuesday night, the scores for the girls was 8-5 in favor of Girard and the boys game was won by Dickens.

Misses Inez Vincent, Irene Boland, Edith Harwell and Elsie Clark were guests of Misses Lois and Grace Langford Sunday.

The Girard school turned out for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. B. O. Wilkerson and daughter Miss Mable of Denton, were visiting in Girard last week end.

Mr. C. N. Kennon was ill last week but is able to be back in school at the present.

Mr. Curley and Calvin Stephens returned to Girard last week.

Mr. Glen Huls went to Lockney last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Darden of Idalou are visiting with relatives in Girard last week end.

Mr. Henry Simmons of Plainview was here last week visiting his parents.

Mr. Sanford Cooper spent last Sunday with Mr. Wallace Barnett.

Mr. Womack was back in Girard last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Stephens spent last Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Rucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Pryor and wife have returned to their home Marshall after a weeks visit with their brother Mr. Perry Pryor and wife.

G. T. O'Guinn of Dry Lake was in our city Tuesday attending to business affairs.

G. W. Willis of Duck Creek was looking after business affairs here Monday.

Mrs. J. M. Howze of Highway was in our city Monday doing some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil C. Cairnes of Clairemont, were greeting their friends and trading in our city Tuesday.

Bargain rates now in effect—The Star-Telegram, Daily and Sunday, and the Dickens County Times for \$7.45.

Ed Lisenby was in from his Wichita farm Tuesday getting supplies for the force.

W. T. Harris of Espuela, was attending to business matters in our city Tuesday.

Get your mortgages and notes at the Dickens County Times, standard form carried in stock.

T. S. Lambert, the merchant of the Wichita community, was dealing with our wholesale people here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Twaddell, of Amarillo, were in our city the last of the week visiting their brothers, S. H. and D. Y. Twaddell.

Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Bilberry of Dickens, were in our city Wednesday with their baby for medical treatment.

Bargain rates now in effect—The Star-Telegram, Daily and Sunday, and the Dickens County Times for \$7.45.

Babe Graves, merchant at Dumont was attending to business matters in our city Tuesday.

Mrs. Emmett Dobbs of Dickens was doing some shopping in our city Wednesday.

Edgar Fisher, of Highway community, was looking after business affairs in our city Wednesday.

Typewriter Ribbons for sale at the Times office.

The Home Shop has some good used stoves at bargains—Chas. Wolfe.

I would like to buy your surplus dressers and kitchen cabinets.—Chas. Wolfe.

Trades Day Monday was attended by many people from all parts of this country.

Pay your subscription now.

H. B. Lewis, of Croton country was doing some trading in our city Monday.

Have the old rocker made new for mothers Christmas.—The Home Shop.

J. A. Brown of Elton was attending to business affairs in our city Monday.

E. Duggans of Dickens, was in our city Monday doing some trading with our merchants.

D. W. Pritchett of Espuela, was looking after business matters in our city Monday.

The most widely circulated weekly in West Texas. Are you a subscriber? Is your subscription paid up? The new year starts soon, and it is election year.

J. B. Barton of McAdoo was transacting business in our city Monday.

Jim H. Smith of Dry Lake was attending to business affairs in our city Monday.

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**Notice Children**

Send In Your Santa Claus Letters We will Print them and see That Santa Claus gets them. Address Santa Claus care Dickens County Times

D. T. Robinson of Girard, was transacting business in our city Monday.

Mrs. M. S. Murphy of Deer Lake was in our city Monday doing some shopping.

C. M. Jackson, of Croton community was doing some trading in our city Monday.

J. C. Christopher of Afton, was doing some trading in our city Monday.

Will trade you good used furniture for older furniture.—Chas. Wolfe.

**McADOO NEWS**

Mr. Floyd M. Lawson, superintendent of McAdoo school had his tonsils removed last Wednesday evening. He has been getting along nicely and was able to be at school Monday.

The Board members of McAdoo and Pansy schools met at the Pansy school house Wednesday night November 27 for the purpose of discussing whether or not Pansy school would consolidate with McAdoo. It has not yet been decided definitely, but another meeting has been called for Tuesday afternoon to decide the question.

Miss Oberia Hamblen, a teacher of McAdoo school, spent Thanksgiving with her father and mother at Abilene.

Mr. J. W. Hargis, was ill the latter part of the week. He has been improving and is now able to sit up.

The Farmers Co-operative Gin have ordered three car loads of coal this fall and have sold it to its customers.

Mr. Jack Derr spent Thanksgiving with grandparents at Slaton. Miss Eula Whitaker, a McAdoo school teacher, spent Thanksgiving with parents at Whiteflat.

Mr. J. R. Robertson, a prosperous farmer of McAdoo and family spent several days in Sherman County on his wheat farm, looking after business interests there.

Mr. Clovis Harris, who is a student in Oklahoma University was visiting friends and relatives in McAdoo during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Leatrice Sparkman spent

the holidays with friends in Ralls and Crosbyton.

Mr. Asa Gatlin has moved to his farm near the Caprock. He has recently had an addition to his house.

Mr. Holmes and family are leaving McAdoo for Clayton, New Mexico which is to be their future home.

We are glad to state that Mrs. Leonard Dennis, who has been in the Lubbock Sanitarium for the past two weeks is doing fine at this time.

Mr. C. C. Neely canned a beef last week.

A very interesting Thanksgiving program was rendered Wednesday morning in chapel by Mrs. Normans room.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cherry and baby spent Thanksgiving at Lorenzo.

Miss Frances Eldredge was visiting in Spru during the week-end.

The McAdoo basket ball teams will play the Afton teams, Friday afternoon at McAdoo. From all reports this will be a fast and good game.

A Thanksgiving service was held at the Methodist church, Thanksgiving morning. The program was given by the different churches and was attended by the entire community.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to express our heartfelt thanks to our many friends and neighbors for all kindness rendered and words of sympathy and consolation spoken to us when death so suddenly claimed our dear husband and father. Also we thank you from the depths of our hearts for the beautiful floral offerings.

When it is yours to go through the shadows of this dark hour of deep affliction may you be surrounded by a host of loving sympathetic friends as we have been.

May our dear heavenly Father bless and protect you all in our prayer.—Mrs. Walter L. Powell and children.

**CHRISTMAS PACKAGES SHOULD BE WELL PREPARED**

The U. S. Postal Department is sending out special requests that all Christmas packages should

be well wrapped. Do not depend on the flimsy light wrappings of fancy paper, but after the package has been wrapped in the Christmas paper and Christmas seals placed on it, then re-wrap the package in heavy, strong paper for mailing purposes. This will insure parcels to be delivered in good condition.

Canes, golf sticks, etc. should be reinforced the full length. Hats should be packed in strong, corrugated boxes. Candies should be packed in strong outside boxes. Sharp pointed or sharp edged tools must have points or edges protected to prevent damages.

Articles easily broken such as glassware, fragile toys, crockery etc. should be packed with liberal quantity of excelsior in boxes to protect them. It is a good idea to mark all such packages as fragile. Perishable objects that are liable to spoil within a reasonable time of delivery will not be accepted by the postal department

for transportation.

Address all packages plainly. This prevents delay and loss of time in shipment. Then all the Christmas packages should be posted as early as possible. There are hundreds of other people who are sending packages from your post office, and there are millions of packages going to different parts of the United States that the postal department must handle. You help them by getting yours posted early.

**GRANBURY CITIZEN DIES HERE**

Joseph Leon Archer, 28, of Granbury, died at the home of Mrs. W. L. Powell, eight miles northwest of Spur, about one o'clock Wednesday morning. Mr. Archer had been in ill health as a result of diabetes for about two years but was considered in serious condition at this time. However, it appears that heart trouble set in

sometime Monday and the attention of a physician was needed. Dr. B. F. Hale was summoned and he administered treatment which seemed to be relieving the situation. A change for the worse set in late Tuesday evening and the crisis came at one o'clock.

Mr. Archer who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Archer of Tolar, came to Spur the last of the week to attend the funeral of his uncle, Judge Walter L. Powell. He was remaining with his aunt for a few days and to rest up a little before returning home. He owned a market in Granbury and was preparing to get back to his business.

He leaves his wife and child, his father and mother to mourn his departure.

The body was prepared by Campbell Undertaking Parlor and left on the noon train Wednesday for Granbury where the funeral service will be held and interment made.

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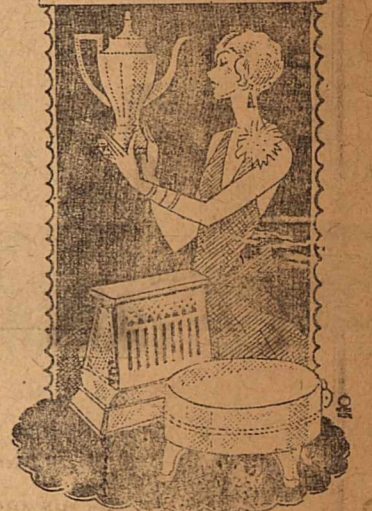
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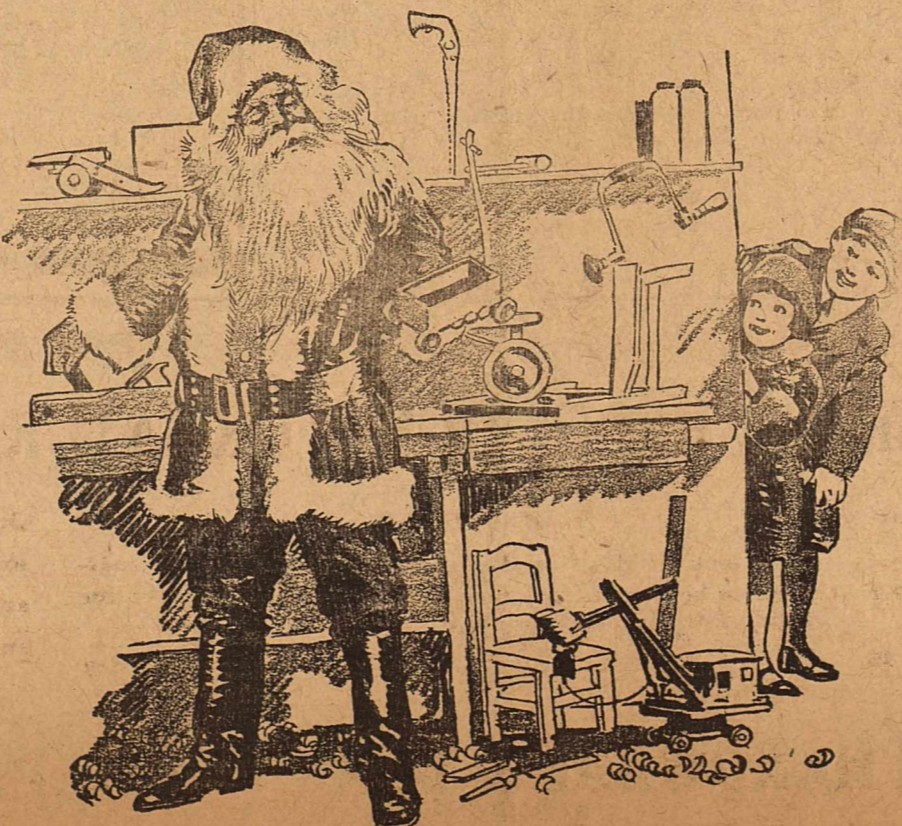
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**EVEN THE POLICE DIDN'T KNOW HIM**

Laura La Plante had one of the easiest jobs of her career during part of the filming of Universal's taling farce comedy, "Hold Your Man" coming to the Palace Theatre Friday and Saturday.

Her part called upon her to portray a poor artist—poor in technique, that is, not in worldly goods.

"Enacting the role of a mediocre artist is something that I would never need a double for," laughed Miss La Plante. "I think my artistic ability is better now than it was when the picture started considering the hours I spent spreading paint upon canvas."

"Hold Your Man" is one of the most amusing of Miss La Plante's many triumphs as a screen comedienne. It gives her ample opportunity to demonstrate her talents, especially her genius for mimicry.

**HIGHEST BRIDGE IN THE WORLD NOW BEING COMPLETED**

The world's highest bridge is nearing completion. A new thrill for tourists in the Rocky Mountains will be offered soon with the finishing of the suspension bridge over the Royal Gorge in Colorado.

The floor of the structure will hang 1,053 feet—approximately a fifth of a mile—above the bottom of the chasm. The cost has been nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

Visitors to the gorge who are awed by a peep over the steep south side will be able to drive their cars to the center of the 880 foot span and gaze directly down a fifth of a mile on the narrow ribbon, which is the Arkansas river. A still narrower ribbon beside it is the winding track of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad.

Including the approaches, the bridge is 1,200 feet, or a little less than a quarter of a mile long. At the present to drive from one to the other of the two points it connects is a 17 mile trip by a roundabout route.

The highest in the world, it is more than twice the height of the previous record holders, the latest of which is the bridge at Twin Falls, Idaho, which crosses 500 feet above Snake river. The famous bridge of Pont de la Calille in southern France is only 480 feet high.

The floor of the Royal Gorge Bridge will hang from two cables each composed of 2,100 strands of steel wire. These cables will weigh 300 tons and an additional 1,000 tons of steel will be added to this weight by the floor construction ties, guys, etc.

The roadway will be 18 feet wide, ample for two autos to pass in the middle of the span.

The work was begun June 1 and the engineering task has been a monumental one. In hanging the

wires that form the cables, it was necessary to have men in the center of the span to adjust the arc and tension of each added strand to those already hung. Getting the men out to the center—a perilous swaying perch a fifth of a mile above the ground—was accomplished by a specially constructed cage, the wheels of which rode the mass of loosely strung wires. Such a cage was used for the first time here.

Towers 150 feet high stand at each end of the structure. From these the cables are strung.

This is the second recent big engineering feat in spanning the deep chasms of the Rockies. Earlier this year the Grand Canyon was crossed by a narrow suspension bridge connecting with the trails on both sides that lead upwards to the rim. The canyon itself is about 20 miles wide across the top and obviously it was impossible to bridge it from rim to rim. But the Colorado river flows in a narrow gorge at the bottom and it was this gorge that was spanned by a narrow bridge.

**B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM AT DRY LAKE CHURCH, SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 1929**

Meeting at 2:30 O'clock P. M. Welcome Address—Velma Cudd. Response—Tandy Legg. Devotional—Fred Crabtree.

Special Music—Volunteer Band of Wayland College. Business Meeting—Mr. B. J. Howell.

Demonstration—Senior Union of Dry Lake.

Special Music—Spur Quartette. Inspirational Address—Member of Volunteer Band from Wayland.

**JUDGE INDICTED AS HEAD OF BIG LIQUOR GANG**

Pittsburg, Pa.—John A. Berkey, presiding judge of Somerset county and fifteen others, including several political leaders, were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury on charges of conspiracy to violate the national prohibition laws. Judge Berkey is accused of directing the solicitation of funds from bootleggers and of joining in guaranteeing protection by Somerset county authorities to those purchasing liquor from the agents of the alleged rum ring.

Those named, in addition to Judge Berkey were Foster Zeigler and James McIntyre, alleged whole sale liquor dealers; Emmett Buckman, special county detective; Ed Darr, chief county detective; Victor Glessner, former constable; J. C. Tucker, Ed Sheeler, John Clark John Gross, John E. Custer, Harry S. Sellers, Constable; William Dittman, Florist, and Peter Hanlon former deputy collector of Internal revenue.

The indictment charges the defendants with having conspired from Jan. 1, 1928 to the present time, with Claude A. H. Welsh, James Turnbull, Bruce Keefer and Harry A. Watkins and others to

sell intoxicating liquor in violation of the law.

Among other charges, the government is understood to contend that Judge Berkey is the real owner and operator of the West View Publishing Co. of Somerset, publishing the Public View.

The Government will contend that liquor law violators and potential law violators were solicited to make contributions to the publishing fund of the Public that they in return might expect immunity or leniency if they were brought before the Common Pleas Court of Somerset.

Of her contentions understood to be made by the government are that the jurists operated the publishing organization through a set of officers chosen by himself and that some of the funds derived from various sources were credited to his personal account and some to that of the paper which he controlled.

Judge Berkey, a former state Banking Commissioner, was an important factor in the old Penrose Republican organization, being one of the Philadelphians chief lieutenants in his own county of Somerset and surrounding territory.

The judge last figured prominently in public attention when an attempt was made to impeach him during the 1925 session of the General Assembly.

He was charged with "conduct unbecoming an upright judge" and a subcommittee of the judiciary general committee, to which the allegations were referred, heard testimony which made up a voluminous record.—Exchange.

**B. B. PEACOCK KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK**

Last Thursday while enroute to Breckenridge to look after business matters, B. B. Peacock, after whom the town of Peacock was named, was killed in a car wreck. A Mr. Tubbs who was with Mr. Peacock lived about three hours after the accident and died. A son of Mr. Peacock was badly injured and it was thought he would not survive for some time. A fourth party in the car escaped injuries.

Mr. Peacock was one of the pioneer citizens of Stonewall county and was a business man in Pea and was a business man in Lusk engaging in the mercantile business at the time of his death.

**MRS. RILEY WOOTEN HOSTESS ON WEDNESDAY**

Mrs. Riley Wooten gave a delightful party on Wednesday afternoon at her home, having as her guest the 1925 Bridge Club and a number of other friends.

The Club colors, black and gold were effectively used in the tally cards, displaying Thanksgiving Turkeys. This color note was repeated in the table covers at the close of the Bridge games when refreshments consisting of "heavenly hash" and tea were High score for club members was made by Mrs. James B. Reed with Mrs. Bill McAlpine holding high guest score. Low went to Mrs. Sol Davis. Prizes were beautiful flowering potted plants.

The guest list included, besides the prize winners, the following Mesdames; R. E. Dickson, Frank Laverty, M. C. Golding, W. A. Hardin, Shirley Robbins, C. L. Love, Hill Perry, Roy Harkey, F. W. Jennings, Sanders, Malcom Brannen, Cecil Fox, David Burns, Jimmie Smith, H. O. Everts, Arnett, Harrison, Clifford Jones, Al Van Dyke, William Manning, Mae Watson, Charlie Powell, Homer Schrimsher, F. E. Ripley, Houston Searbrough, Dan H. Zachry, Gene Taylor and A. C. Hull.

G. F. Smith, of McAdoo, was in our city doing some trading. Mr. Smith stated he has some fine feed for sale.

Archer Powell was in our city Monday doing some trading.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Nolan of Afton were in our City Monday greeting friends and doing some trading.

Miss Eula Norris of Afton, was in our city Monday doing some shopping.

R. S. Sutton, of Roaring Springs was doing some trading in our city Monday.

E. B. Loper was in our city Monday selling some produce.

I. J. Hurley of Dickens was transacting business in our city Monday.

Haney Moss, of Elton, was doing some trading with our merchants Monday.

Frank Speer, county school superintendent came over from Dickens Monday and enjoyed a few hours enjoying the associations of a good town.

**Santa says... "Come in"**

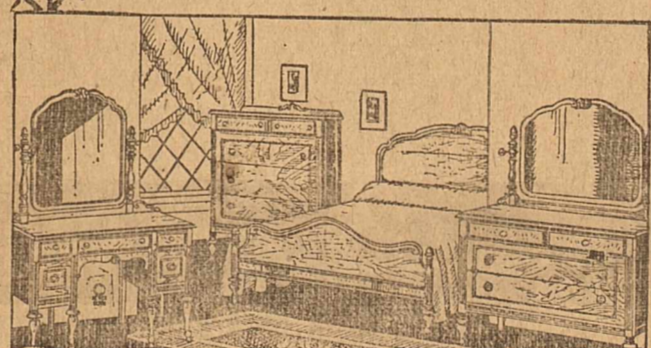


And Inspect These Christmas Values!

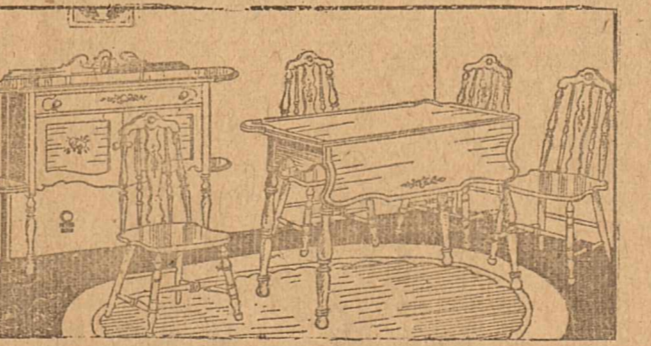
Hundreds of Lovely Gifts

And furniture is by far the most welcome gift of all. Make this a practical Christmas by giving presents to please the family.

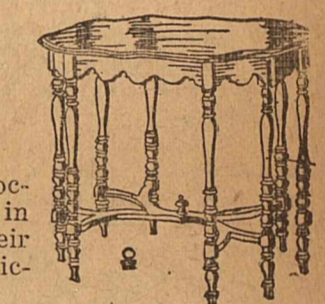
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**A Handsome Bed Room Suite**  
This suite will make a splendid gift. It is walnut veneered, and consists of Bed, Dresser and Chest of Drawers. Nicely styled and at our price it is a real value. **\$95**



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Including drop leaf table and 4 matching chairs. In green, ivory or autumn brown finish. The server to match may be bought separately. **\$27.50**



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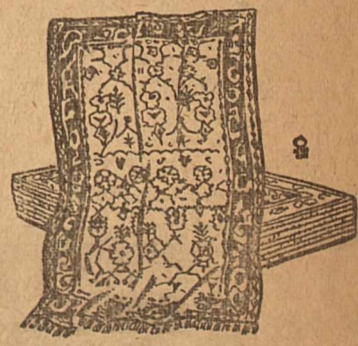
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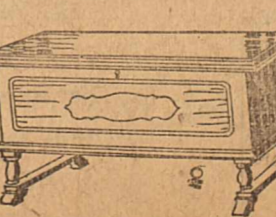
**Gift Smokers**

**\$6.50 and up**

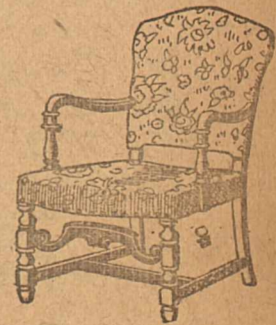
These are finished in green and walnut and have copper linumidior compartment. All styles.

**Pull-up Chairs**

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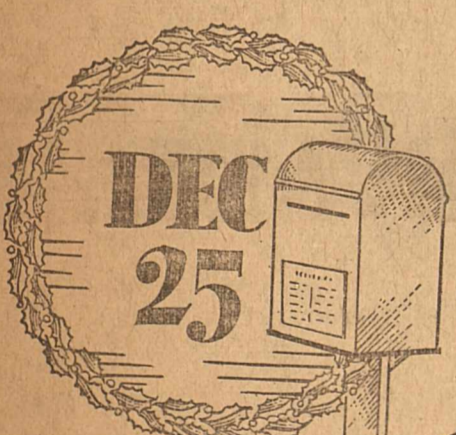
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**DICKENS CO. TIMES**

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 ESTATE OF A. J. THOMAS, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.  
 Notice to the creditors of the Estate of A. J. Thomas, Deceased: Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the Estate of A. J. Thomas, deceased were granted to me, the

undersigned, on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1929, by the County Court of Dickens County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present same to me with in the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Spur, Texas.  
 Clifford B. Jones,  
 Administrator of the Estate of A. J. Thomas, Deceased.  
 Published Nov. 14-21-28, Dec. 5, '29

**SCHOOL SYSTEM**  
 (Continued from Page 2)  
 The State Board of Education in 1837. Horace Mann served as its first secretary and achieved a notable success; success that influenced not only his native state but the entire educational system of these United States.  
 The distinguishing characteristic of the American school has thru out been the attempt of a free people to educate themselves, and through their elected representatives, the people of the various states have come, in harmony with the genius of American civilization, to initiate, regulate and control their own systems of education.

**SENATOR BLACK SAYS PARTY BAR ON HOOVER "DEMS" A MISTAKE**

Washington.—It would be neither nor expedient to place bars against voters or candidates in the Alabama Democratic primary of 1930 because of their attitude toward the presidential candidacy of Gov. Al Smith last year, and if the state Democratic executive committee should apply the party lash, an era of strife and division fraught with grave danger to Democratic supremacy in Alabama would result Senator Hugo Black in a letter to Ben F. Ray member of the state executive committee from the ninth congressional district.

Senator Black and Congressman George Huddleston, of the Birmingham district were the first members of the Alabama delegation in congress to respond to Committeeman Ray's request for a public expression of the views of all members of the delegation concerning the proposal to deny a place on the Democratic ticket next year to candidates who declined to follow the Smith-Raskob leadership in 1928.

Congressman Huddleston replied briefly to Mr. Ray to the effect that his views were well known to the people of Alabama. If a further detailed statement from him was desired, he indicated he would be glad to make it.

Heretofore Senator Black had refrained from making any public statement concerning the political situation existing in the state, but he wrote Mr. Ray that in view of the large number of requests that had recently come to him for an expression, he felt justified in stating his position in detail.

"You request a public expression of our views as to whether or not the Democratic executive committee of Alabama should permit citizens to vote or run for office in the next Democratic primary, regardless of their vote in the last Democratic campaign," Senator Black's letter began. "It is my best belief that the committee should place no restrictions of any kind against voters or candidates. Conciliatory action leads to harmony and reunion. Punishment would imply intentional wrong doing and would tend to perpetuate strife, conflict and division."

Pointing out that the Democratic party since its beginning has been composed in the main, of independent thinkers and individualists the senator declared that "such people are never cowed by the cracking of party whips, nor do they tamely submit to the application of the party lash."

Punitive methods by Democratic leaders have been employed in very few instances, and at no times have such methods been successful, the Junior member of the senate asserted. He recalled the fact that "big stick" methods were not effective in quelling the populist revolution.

Alabama Democrats who bolted William Jennings Bryan and supported Palmer and Buckner were not disciplined but were given the privilege of holding lucrative offices in the state under Democratic rule, he pointed out.

Discussing the recent Virginian gubernatorial campaign which resulted in Democratic victory, Senator Black declared this victory was largely attributed to the action of the Democratic leaders in opening wide the party doors to those Democrats who voted against Governor Smith a year ago. He also cited the liberal policy adopted by the Republican party towards those who broke away to support the late Senator La Follette of Wisconsin for the presidency.

The Senator asserted that few people question the honesty and sincerity of those Democrats who declined to vote for Governor Al Smith.

"These voters," he continued, "followed their conscience, and did the right as they saw the right. It was not simply a rebellion of the few, but it became a revolution of the many. Men reared in the environment and traditions of Democracy honestly interpreted the principles of their party as being in conflict with the political philosophy of Governor Smith, the selection of a Democratic national chairman from the inner circle of republicanism and the reasons so indiscreetly given by his for deserting his party and the acceptance of this post gave added zeal to their opposition to Governor Smith."

"Conscience is man's great leader," the senator continued. "The right to think and act on individual

judgement on great fundamental governmental issues is a Jeffersonian doctrine, inscribed on the tablets of democracy. No voter who followed his conscience will submissively accept punishment inflicted upon him or those who thought and acted with him."

**CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE**

It appears that Sheriff Hood of Dallas County, cannot tell the difference between friend and foe rich or poor when it comes to executing his duties as an officer. At the recent Baylor-S. M. U. football game he arrested 29 "old grads" for having in their possession intoxicating liquors. There are those who argue that the bars should be let down on certain occasions, but Sheriff Hood seems to think that violation of the law on gala occasions is just as wrong as at any other time, and that the privilege that men take to flourish openly their little silver flasks in the presence of women and children at a football game fostered by two colleges of religious denominations, is not the best moral example to set at such times.

The Sheriff stated that he saw less drinking openly at Colonel Waggoner's race track at Arlington Downs than the Baylor-S. M. U. game. It is said that his determination to eradicate drinking from the Dallas football games has the unlimited approval of all S. M. U. authorities. The University of course is not responsible for the acts of certain alumni and neither does it approve of such conduct.

Texas is closely watching Sheriff Hood and the fine record he is making in office. He enforces the law without fear or favor, and takes in wrongdoers from all classes and societies. A just, and in some cases merited criticism against the enforcements of the 18th Amendment in Texas and elsewhere has been the tendency on the part of some of the officials to overlook the lapses of the rich and strongly condemn the shortcomings of the poor. Sheriff Hood dispenses even justice to all, rich and poor.

Adding machine paper, good grade—Dickens County Times.

**ALBERT POWERS HAS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT**

Last Thursday evening while returning from a visit with friends in Matador, Albert Powers went into a culvert opening on the highway just south of Dickens. Mrs. Powers received some painful cuts and several bruises and had to be confined in the sanitarium from Thursday evening until Monday.

In speaking of the accident Mr. Powers stated that everybody had to have an alibi for an accident but that he was going to be honest and say it was carelessness on his part. He was driving around 35 miles an hour and was talking with Mrs. Powers and the children and forgot about the culvert being out. He was within 20 feet of the place before he realized the danger. It was at twilight time when automobile lights do not show up very bright, and he was in the ditch before he could do anything.

The car hit the bank with much force and then turned over into the ditch which caused the family to be considerably shaken up. They are getting along all right at this time and soon will be over the shock.

Within a few minutes after Mr. Powers met with his accident, another car wrecked at the same place. The occupants were not hurt but the car was considerably damaged.

**ASPERMONT PHYSICIAN KILLED IN CAR WRECK**

Dr. T. V. McKnight, of Aspermont, was killed the first of last week about three and one-half miles east of his home while out on a call. He had been summoned to Old Glory and upon leaving home told his wife he would be back in about two hours. He was found in a dying condition about two hours later.

It appears that his car started off the road near a bridge swerving toward the left side. He turned its course back toward the right side of the highway but could not get control and the car went over the embankment. The car must have been going at a rapid speed since it broke off a post and also a tree about five or six inches in

diameter. The Doctor was found several feet away from the car.

Some people from Dublin found the car and heard Dr. McKnight groaning. The reported the incident at a farm house nearby and Dr. McKnight was placed in another car and started to the sanitarium at Stamford. He died just as they were entering Stamford. Funeral services were held at Quitman his old home, interment being made in the Quitman cemetery.

He leaves his wife, a son, Per-ton McKnight at Alba, a daughter who lives in Dallas and a sister Mrs. A. R. Lowe of Abilene to mourn his going.

R. L. Edwards of Afton was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

M. D. Goulsby of Duncan Flat was doing some trading in our city the last of the week.

Mrs. H. H. Goodwin of Prairie-Chapel was doing some shopping in our city Saturday.

Miss Edith Ince, a student in Draughtons Business College at Lubbock was a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ince, from Thursday on through the remainder of the week here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Myers were guests of relatives and friends in Aspermont the last of the week.

Monday we were in the store of C. R. Edwards and Co. and making inquiry about the manager, was told by clerks that he was out. Knowing that a big sale is being conducted at that store we thought it funny that the manager should absent himself from the business on the first of the week. Upon close questioning we were told he was at home milking the cow. You can believe it or not, but that is what the salesman in the store told us.

Mrs. J. Rank Potts of Abilene, spent Thanksgiving in our city with her sister Mrs. M. A. Lea.

C. A. Clement, representative of the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co. with headquarters in Lubbock, was in our city last week looking after his company's business.

Bargain rates now in effect—The Star-Telegram, Daily and Sunday, and the Dickens County Times for \$7.45.

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 Jack Rector, W. M. W. R. King, Sec.

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 Meets every Thursday at 12 o'clock at Spur Inn. Visiting Rotarians welcome  
 Fred W. Jennings, President  
 DODGE STARCHER, Sec.

**SPUR REBEKAH LODGE**  
 No. 178  
 Meets each Friday night. Members be present. Visitors welcome.  
 Mrs. Lula Hail, N. G. Mrs. Minnie Rogers, Sec.

Stated Conclave of Spur Commandery No. 76 K. T. Second Tuesday in each month. Visiting Sir Knights welcome.  
 Jimmie Sample, E. C. T. C. Ensey, Rec.

Stated Meeting of SPUR CHAPTER No. 340 R. A. M. Monday night on or after each full moon. Visitors welcome.  
 W. D. Wilson, H. P. W. R. King, Sec.

**SPUR LODGE**  
 No. 771 I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday night. Visitors welcome.  
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 For constipation, rheumatism, acute and chronic, indigestion, stimulates biliary secretion.  
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 Will Be Scarce This Fall You Can't Afford To Let Any Of It Waste  
 Repairs are much cheaper than feed  
 Prepare Now To take care of the feed you make—or buy.  
 Let us figure a new barn for you, or the repairs on your present barn. We carry a complete line of material of truck beds, trailers, etc.

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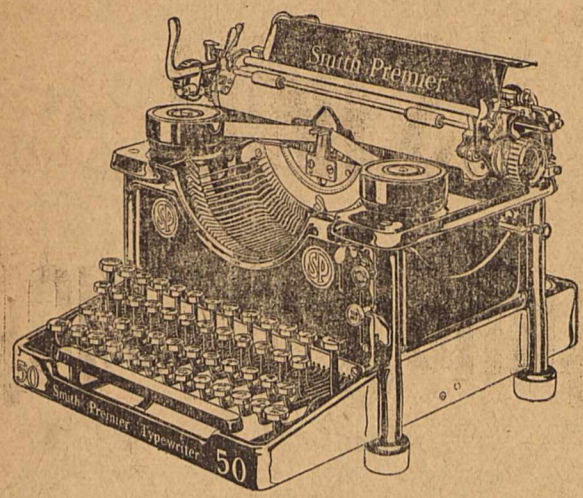
**It's Gift Time At Gambill's**  
 On account of delay in getting new fixtures arranged we will not move until after Christmas. Part of our Christmas merchandise was not shipped until late as we had planned to have it arrive after moving to our new store, but new goods are arriving every day and Gambill's will be your headquarters for gifts that will be appreciated at prices you will appreciate. These are but a few of our offerings for Saturday—New merchandise is coming in every day—watch our windows.

**Rayon Underwear—An Ideal Gift**  
 Useful, beautiful, and, at Gambill's prices, doubly attractive. We have just received three new shipments of rayon in best colors and qualities—bloomers, step-ins, gowns, combination sets, priced from **59c to \$1.19**

**TOYS**  
 Of course we have them, the kind the boys and girls will want at prices you can afford to pay—Don't miss looking through our toy department.

**Chocolate Covered Cherries**  
 Everybody likes candy—and our boxes of chocolate cherries and fruits are real values at **59c**

**Buy Your Christmas Boxes**  
 Ribbon, cards, seals, wreaths and other decorations now while our line is complete and you can get just what you want.



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### And Rebuilt Machines of All Makes

All typewriters sold by us are guaranteed. All rebuilt machines in first class condition.

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Rated by stenographers all over the United States as the best movement and lightest touch.

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# Dickens County TIMES

#### MESDAMES FOY VERNON ANR HARVEY STACK ENTERTAIN FRIDAY

Mesdames Foy Vernon and Harvey Stack were joint hostesses on Friday afternoon at the Vernon home, when they entertained a number of friends, naming Mrs. Bill Brown as honor guest.

The afternoon was spent piecing a lovely quilt for the honoree. A novel presentation of the gifts was used, numbers being drawn from an inverted umbrella, Mrs. Brown drawing the winning number.

Refreshments of Sandwiches, pickles, coffee were served in baskets, school day style.

Among the guests were: Mesdames Bill Brown, Ralph Jackson, Bynum Brittain, Chas. Kearney, Gordon Barrow, Tom Teague, Perry Pryor, Sevann, Jimmie McClenahan, Lee, Gilbert, C. H. Perry, Eric Ousley, J. E. Berry, Thurman Moore, S. C. Fallis, M. C. Briley, Walker, John Walker, R. C. Crockett, F. B. Crockett and Mac Tidwell.

E. B. Shaw of Wichita community was greeting old friends in our City Monday.

Remember you can get the Times and the Star-Telegram both one whole year for \$7.45. Subscribe at this office.

J. M. French of Afton, was attending to business matters in our city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens of Idalou, came down Tuesday evening and are spending a few days visiting their daughter Mrs. W. J. Berry.

#### WANT ADS

**LOST OR STRAYED**—White pale red colored heifer yearling strayed away about ten days ago from pasture two miles southeast of Spur. Reward for its return. See Dickens County Times. Tn

**FOR RENT**—A good modern 5 room house close in. See Mrs. P. H. Miller at City Nat'l Bank. cn

**FOR SALE**—A good 5 room house and lot. See or write to Frank Laverty, Spur, Texas.

**FOR SALE** or trade 60 acres of well improved land, 1 mile from town. House and lot part pay, balance terms. Write J. E. Sanders, 1233 Palm Street, Abilene, Texas. 4tn

**TRADE FOR FARM**—A 20 room Hotel to trade for good sandy land farm—S. A. Phillips, Benjamin, Texas.

**ROOM AND MEALS**—We have moved into the Dr. Hale property west of Hotel Wilson. Have rooms to rent and will give meals.—Mrs. George Snodgrass. 4tc

**FOR RENT**—First class apartment completely furnished. Private bath and garage. Phone 122. Mrs. Paulene Clemmons. ttc

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Western Hotel, 25 rooms, furnished, clear of debt, will sell on good terms or trade for good farm land also have furnished apartment for rent see—J. H. Dobbins or phone 15. 11-28 tn

**WANTED**—to plow your garden, haul away trash, and fix your yards. Good work, prompt service—J. M. Reese, North Parker. 11-28 5tp

**COCKERELS FOR SALE**—A few choice Barred Rock Cockerels from the W. D. Holterman line of prize winning aristocrats. We are disposing of these birds cheap in order to let people of Spur country have them for their flocks and get the best.—W. D. Starcher Spur, Texas.

**FOR SALE**—50 choice, single comb, white Leghorn hens. Mrs. W. P. Fretwell, McAdoo, Texas. 12-5 1tp

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—160 acres, or will sell teams and implements and rent farm. Write J. E. Sanders 1233 Palm St., Abilene Texas. 12-5-29

**FOR SALE**—Bundle hegira. Priced right. Nice and bright. See G. F. Smith 6 miles South of McAdoo. 12-5 2tp

**FOR RENT**—Front bed room, and garage, also living room with heating stove furnished with room.—Mrs. T. A. Johnson. Phone 111. 12-5 tn.

#### LINEMAN GETS ELECTRICAL SHOCK

Red Carson, highline worker for the West Texas Utilities Company was painfully burned Monday afternoon while working on the high line just south of Dickens. Mr. Carson was up a pole, and made a cut off in the line, and while lowering the piece of line to the ground in some manner an arc was formed the current passing through his right hand and arm and out at his right foot. The right arm and hand and foot were painful burned.

He was rushed to Nichols Sanitarium where treatment was administered and at this time he is getting along nicely. He says he cannot tell just how he was injured it was done so quickly. Another workman was below him and stated that he was looking on at the time and is unable to tell.

Rev. A. G. Abbott returned Tuesday from a trip to South Texas where he was looking after business matters.

Mrs. M. D. Robinett of Calgary is receiving treatment at the Nichols Sanitarium this week.

Mrs. R. N. Cluck, who is in the Nichols Sanitarium for an operation is getting along fine and soon will be able to be out again.

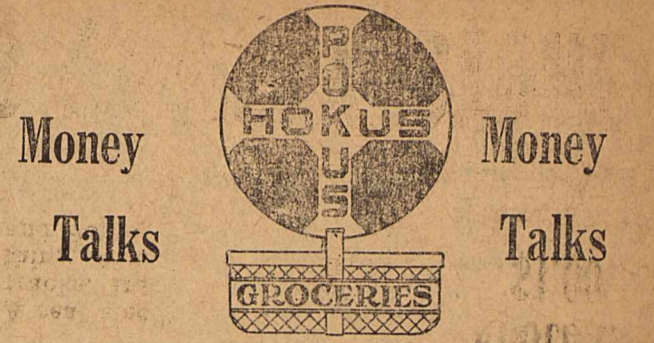
Reports state that E. M. Wilson, local manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, is getting a long fine in the sanitarium at San Antonio. He was deer hunting and shot his foot.

Gus Martin of Afton, was attending to business matters in our city Monday.

W. F. Clements of Duncan Flat was in our city Monday looking after business affairs.

H. E. Watkins of Highway community was looking after business affairs in our city Monday.

F. F. Sonnamaker was in our city Monday doing some trading.

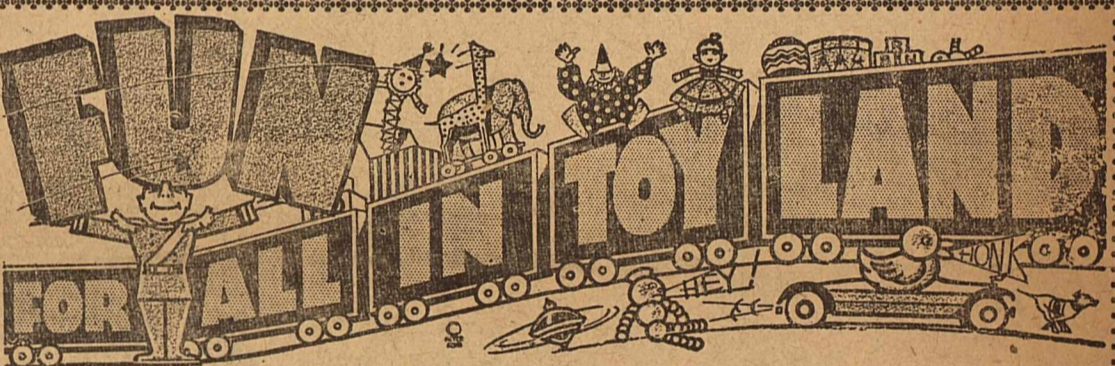


#### SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

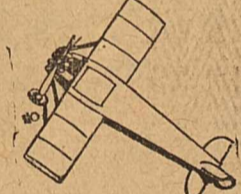
- Grapefruit, Marsh Seedless ... 5c
- Turnips, sweet home grown 3 1/2c
- Dates, pitted, per pkg. .... 18c
- Lard, 4 lb. bucket ..... 58c
- Sugar, 25 lb. bag ..... \$1.58
- Oats, 3 minute, small ..... 9c
- Cake Flour Swansdown large 32c
- Cake Flour, Instant ..... 25c
- Wheatena ..... 20c
- Olives, 10 oz. stuffed ..... 31c
- Bananas, best Fruit ..... 23c

WE WANT YOUR TRADE.

J. H. Miller of Espuela was attending to business matters in our city Monday. Paige E. Gollihar, of McAdoo, was attending to business affairs in our city Monday.



If you want to give your children the time of their young lives bring them to Toyland. Here they may have a personal introduction to Santa Claus. Here you may absorb some of their remarks on what they want for Christmas. You are always welcome at Speer's Variety Store.



#### Cross Country Fliers

**Travel in Wide Circle**  
Just wind up the spring and away go the fliers with propellers revolving, on a long flight. Cross beam is 37 inches wide, tower 18 inches high, with 6x6 1-2 inch steel hangar. Enameled in brightest of colors.

\$1.25



#### Blackboard Desk

Numbers and an extra good stand and board. For the Child with a bright mind.

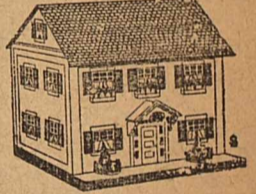
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#### MAMMA DOLL

This doll should be adopted by a dear little girl who will love to hear her say "Mamma!" What a gift!

\$1.00



#### Doll Houses

It is easy to build a colorful home-like bungalow with one of these Schoenhut Construction Toys. Can be taken down and rebuilt innumerable times.

Choice of styles, 59c

#### Mechanical Autos

Choice of Six Styles About 10 inches long. Regular 35c values, each

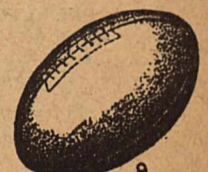
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#### Electric Train

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\$1.25



#### Full Size Football

\$1.00

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