

# THE SPEARMAN REPORTER

ENTIETH YEAR

Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, March 8, 1928

NUMBER 13

## Local Dealers to Stage Big Power Farming Meeting

### Contract for City Hall Let to Jno. L. Beck & Sons Tuesday

Board of aldermen of the city Spearman on Tuesday night of week, let the contract for the building of Spearman's city hall to Jno. L. Beck & Sons. The contract was \$5,990. This building will be set on the diamond shaped lot west of the Panhandle Lumber Company offices, on Davis street, completed this will be one of the best buildings in this section of country. It will not be of great but will be constructed through brick and steel, and in a way manner that will allow of adding on stories at any time more is needed. The walls will be of red brick. The plans and specifications call for a mighty nifty looking building; one which will add to the appearance of that part of business section of Spearman. Jno. L. Beck, of the firm of Beck & Sons, informs the Reporter that work on this job will be begun at once. The firm has constructed sixteen buildings in the business portion of Spearman, most of which are on Main street. They have also put some of the best ones in the city.



TOM CONNALY  
Member of Congress and candidate for United States Senator.

### BAND BOYS MET IN REHEARSAL

A number of Spearman band men met at the chamber of commerce rooms on Monday night of this week for an hour or so made the welkin ring with the sound of noises issuing from instruments made of brass, accompanied by the rat-a-tat of the snare and the boom, boom of the big bass drum. This was the first rehearsal of the band men for a year or more, and those interested are greatly encouraged with the start made. Several new band men have located here recently and by summertime Spearman should have a first class band. Another meeting is called for Thursday night of this week, at 7:30 o'clock.

### JEWELER IN TOWN

J. H. M. Bennett, jeweler of Texoma, was in Spearman Tuesday attending to business matters. Mr. Bennett recently put a stock of nice jewelry in the C. & L. Clothing store here. He will make regular trips here in the future, coming about the first of each month. Mr. Bennett is one of the most reliable jewelers in the country, and Spearman is fortunate in having his services in this line. He repairs anything, almost—watches, clocks, sewing machines, radios—and his work is always satisfactory. Work left at the C. & L. store will receive his careful attention.

### SHERIFF OWNBEY SICK AT HOME IN STINNETT

Word comes from Stinnett that Sheriff Joe Ownbey is seriously sick with influenza, and possibly pneumonia. His little daughter Laverne, is also sick with influenza. Their many friends here hope for a speedy recovery for both.

Read the Reporter.

### New School House at Kimball to be Opened With Entertainment and Supper

The fine, new brick school building at Kimball is nearing completion, and the good people of that community are planning a celebration of this event on the night of Friday, March 9. An interesting program is being arranged, which will be followed by a box supper. Boxes will be sold at auction and the revenue thus derived will be used in purchasing a piano for the new school building. Everyone is invited to attend this entertainment, and to take along a little spare change. The Kimball school building is one of the best school plants in this section of the country. It is conveniently arranged according to the latest plans and specifications of modern school houses. C. R. Oldham of Spearman was the contractor on the job and the material was furnished by the Tulsa Rig, Reel and Manufacturing Company of this city. The trustees and patrons of the school are mighty well pleased with the job and are justly proud of their new school house.

### SOWING WINTER WHEAT

W. S. McNabb, John L. Hays and others seem to be trying to see just how easily wheat can be grown in the Spearman country. Owing to dry weather and a rush of work last fall these gentlemen failed to get in such a large acreage of wheat as they desired, so after the rains and snows of February had put the ground in the proper shape they finished sowing winter wheat. They put in quite an acreage and will watch the experiment with much interest. Much of the wheat sown last fall is now coming up to a good stand, and promises a big yield. These gentlemen believe that there is a probability that it will do about as well sown at this late date. Spring wheat, oats and barley are the crops that are attracting the attention of farmers at this time.

I know employees who have "enjoyed" poor health all their lives.

### J. W. JONES A CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN HUTCHINSON COUNTY

J. W. (Johnie) Jones of Berger, authorizes the Reporter to place his name in the Hutchinson county announcement column as a candidate for sheriff and tax collector of that county. Mr. Jones is a resident of Berger, where he is well and favorably known. He has had experience as a peace officer, and is known as an honest, fearless citizen and a good official. His friends are boosting his candidacy in all parts of the county and believe that he has a good chance of election. Voters of that county should give the claims of Mr. Jones careful consideration before casting a ballot.

### CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Viola Davidson entertained Wednesday from six to eight p. m. for her little son, Craig, in honor of his eighth birthday. The decorations were cleverly arranged in red and white, to the most minute detail. The guests enjoyed themselves with several games before they were called to a table and served a delicious birthday dinner. The large red and white birthday cake with its eight candles occupied the center of the table, which was a very clever continuation of the red and white color scheme. Craig received many birthday remembrances from his little friends. The guests were: Oleta James, Doris Kirk, Betty Morton, Patricia and Marilyn Snider, Doris Jean Russell, Ella Jane McMurry, Carolyn Garner, Evelyn Garner, Lola Andrews, Anna Carol Davidson, Bill Russell, Jr., D. C. Boland, Perrin Lyon, Jr., Floyd Hull, Paul Hook Woodrow Gibner, Robert Neilson, and Mrs. Kirk, Craig's Sunday school teacher.

### D. A. COMPTON DIED SUDDENLY

The entire town and community were shocked on Monday night when it became known that D. A. Compton had passed away suddenly at his home in Spearman, of heart failure. Mr. Compton apparently was enjoying the best of health and was employed on public work in and around Spearman for the past several weeks. At the time of his death he was employed on the sewer system job. Mr. and Mrs. Compton and their children, a son and daughter, both grown, came last spring. They bought a half-section of fine farm land seven miles east of town and have 440 acres sown to wheat. They were getting along nicely and the untimely death of the father came as a great shock to the entire family and their friends. He died at 11:00 p. m., Monday, March 5, 1928.

B. W. Compton and son V. N., J. W. and R. L. Compton, all brothers of the deceased, came from their homes in Oklahoma Tuesday, to visit with the bereaved family. The remains were prepared for burial by Wilson Funeral Homes and shipped to the old home at Ringwood, Oklahoma, for burial.

### WM. D. MYERS DIED AT PERRYTON

Wm. D. Myers, well known farmer of the Perryton country, and brother of Elmer Myers of this city, died at his home here on Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. Myers had been a sufferer from pneumonia fever for about ten days. Funeral services were held at the Perryton Methodist church, followed by interment in Ochiltree cemetery. The Masonic lodge of Perryton had charge of the funeral services. Mr. Myers was an old-timer of Ochiltree county and was a highly respected citizen.

### Hansford County Singing Convention Held Interesting Meeting Here Sunday

One of the most successful and enjoyable meetings in the history of the organization was that held by the Hansford County Singing Convention at Spearman last Sunday. The crowds began to gather about 9:00 a. m., and by 11:00 o'clock the big auditorium at the Spearman school building was packed to overflowing. The largest crowd gathered in the afternoon, however, when the attendance was estimated at 1,000. Congregational singing was indulged in during a greater part of the forenoon, with a few selections by quartettes, soloists and regular organized classes. All the classes in the county were represented, and the male quartettes from Hooker, Gruver and Spearman added variety and much fun to the occasion. In a short business session, W. W. Grooms was re-elected president and A. H. Frazier was elected vice president. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kimball, in the new school building recently erected by the progressive people of that community.

The Hansford County Singing Convention is now seven years old. It is one of the strongest organizations in this part of the state, and is doing a great good. The large crowds that attend the meetings four times a year to indulge in singing the good, old songs with enough of the newer music and singing to give a touch of variety to the programs, can not but be benefited. As an evidence that the people take an interest in this organization, we have but to mention the fact that not a single quarterly meeting has been missed in the last seven years, since the organization, and only one was postponed. It was held two weeks later than the date scheduled. W. W. Grooms has served as president during all these seven years, and his work is greatly appreciated by those who take an active part in the convention proceedings.

### A. A. MEETING

The Alumni Association met at the school house Monday night at eight o'clock. This was a business meeting given over to the discussion of future activities and the reading and adoption of the constitution and by-laws. Anyone who was not present at this meeting and who wishes to know the contents of the constitution may obtain a copy of the same from the secretary. The constitution provides that the membership dues shall be .25c per quarter, or one dollar per year, in advance. These dues should be paid immediately. Regular meetings of the Association will be on the last Friday of each month and call meetings when necessary. Every member should make it his duty to be present at these meetings. The next regular meeting will be March 30.

### CONVALESCING NICELY AT HOME IN AMARILLO

E. F. Hilmer, superintendent on the job of putting in the disposal plant for Spearman's sewer system, was taken sick with pneumonia the latter part of last week, and for several days was in a dangerous condition, at his rooms at Hotel Tice.

### CLUB MEETING

The Twentieth Century Study Club met with Mrs. W. L. Russell on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Delon Kirk competently led the lesson, the subject of which was, "The Fairy Tale and Myth as Answering a Fundamental Need." The program included talks on and discussion of the following topics: "Value of Fairy Tales,"—Mrs. P. A. Lyon. "Myths and Legends for the Little Ones"—Mrs. A. F. Barkley. "What to Read"—Mrs. M. L. McLain. "How to Develop Imagination"—Mrs. J. H. Buchanan. "A story from Homer"—Mrs. A. H. Wilcox. "The Fairy Land of Science"—Mrs. H. L. Campfield. The Club will meet Tuesday March 13 at the E. K. Snider home.

On Monday night Mrs. Hilmer left with her sick husband for Amarillo their home, and their friends were glad to learn on Tuesday night that they made the trip without mishap, and that Mr. Hilmer is improving nicely.

### COUNTY COURT AND OTHER COURT MATTERS

County court of Hansford county convened Monday morning, with Judge King presiding. Cases disposed of were: O. C. Raney vs. Walter Jackson and D. P. Tice, suit on division of commission, dismissed as to Tice; judgement rendered against Jackson in favor of Raney for \$287.50.

Johnson Grain Company vs. Tomlinson. Dismissed.

State vs. Chas. Buckley, vagrancy. Trial by jury, verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Geo. N. Reed. Charged by complaint sworn to by C. E. Deaner with diversion and appropriation of water belonging to state, unlawfully. Trial by jury resulted in verdict of not guilty on court's instruction.

C. H. Deaner vs. W. L. Davis. Suit for commission, settled at cost of plaintiff.

Probate matters were heard yesterday and are being finished today. Court will remain open several days.

Commissioners court of Hansford county will meet Monday, March 12.

### HOTEL OWNER IN TOWN

H. M. Wiley of Wheeler, owner of the Spearman hotel, was in the city Tuesday attending to business matters. Mr. Wiley informs the Reporter that he is having some improvements made in the hotel and that it will soon undergo a thorough renovation and general cleaning up. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cox, from Wichita, will take charge of the hotel. They are experienced hotel people and will conduct a first class place. Mr. Cox is the district manager for Nichols & Shepard, manufacturers of the Red River Special tractors and combines.

### AMERICAN LEGION STAGE OYSTER FEED WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday evening March 7, the members of Sullivan R. Spivey American Legion Post No. 159 staged an oyster feed and stag smoker at the City Cafe. There were about 40 ex-service men present and all reported a very enjoyable evening. Music was furnished by Max Lackey and his orchestra. Short talks were given by the Commander C. W. Smith, vice-commander M. L. McLain and L. A. King. The main talk of the evening being given by Mr. John H. White of Berger. Mr. White has had a great deal of experience in Legion work in various posts over the United States, and the information he gave was very much appreciated by all of the men present. Mr. White had a varied army experience during the war, having served with two nations, Canada and the U. S. He is the organizer and one of the best commanders of the Berger Post. The following new members were taken into the post Wednesday evening, bringing the total number up to 35: Fred Wilbanks, E. B. Dodson, P. A. Lyon, Vernon Rosson, Henry Wilbanks, Herman Reed, Jake Sparks, Jake Schneider, Dennis Jones and O. E. Woody.

The next meeting of the Post will be held on Wednesday evening March 21, 1928. All ex-service men, whether you are a member of the Legion or not, are invited to attend. —Contributed.

Eight business firms of Spearman, handling tractors, combines, trucks, plows and automobiles are arranging a mammoth joint demonstration of their wares, to be held in Spearman on March 16 and 17. The plan is to have a machine of each make sold in Spearman, placed on a convenient vacant lot near the business section, with a competent demonstrator in charge, and for two days, to do nothing else except explain the mechanism and general make-up of power-farming machinery and automobiles. Much advertising matter is being sent out, and it is thought that a big crowd will be here each day. Farming conditions are improving every day, and the north plains seem to be the natural home of power farming machinery, hence the intense interest in these lines.

On Friday and Saturday, March 16 and 17, anyone who is interested may come to Spearman and see in actual operation any of the several different makes of tractors, combines, trucks, plows and automobiles sold here. This can not but be an interesting program, especially to farmers, and all are especially invited to come, look and listen.

The demonstration has been arranged merely as a convenience to farmers. They are invited to come, investigate as much as they please, at no expense whatever, and will be placed under no obligation to anyone. Remember the big Machinery Show in Spearman, March 16 and 17.

### THREE WAY READY TO DRILL AGAIN

Drillers at the Three Way Test, northeast of Spearman, are again about ready to send the bit toward China, with no limit as to depth they will go. Those interested state that they will go as deep as possible, or until oil is found. They have the hole straight-reamed to the bottom, a new boiler has recently been installed, and it now looks like they are in shape to go beyond the 4,000-foot mark within the next few weeks. The hole is now 3358 feet deep. Experts claim that this is one of the most promising wildcat tests in this section, but that the well must be a deep one; deeper than the average for this country.

### JUST A LITTLE TROUBLE AT THE COOTS WELL

The drilling crew on the Coots-wildcat test, 18 miles northeast of Spearman, has been experiencing just a bit of trouble and has done very little drilling during the past ten days. At 1706 feet, they had to straighten the hole. Next their boiler gave trouble and now they have a string of tools in the hole. Everything is straightened out now except the lost tools and this will take only a short time. They expect to be making hole the latter part of the week.

### CIVIL WAR VETERAN DIED AT RIO VISTA

Mrs. Lucile Wilbanks received a message on Friday of last week, stating that her grandfather, W. P. Kizzar, had died at his home at Rio Vista on Thursday, March 1. Deceased was 86 years old at the time of his death. He was a veteran of the civil war.

### Twymans Will Take Charge of Rex March 19--Now Remodeling House

### REMEMBER THESE COMING ELECTIONS

The first of the 1928 elections takes place on Tuesday, April 3, when a mayor and four aldermen are to be elected for the city of Spearman. Mayor McClellan and Alderman Haas have announced their resignation, to take effect on this date, and the regular term of three other aldermen expires on that date. Closely following this election comes the election of school trustees on Saturday, April 7.

Nothing of importance shows up on the political calendar, after the election of school trustees, until May, when the precinct conventions, May 6, and the county convention, May 8, take place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Twyman were here the first of the week, coming from their engagements in Oklahoma to close the deal for the Rex Theatre here. All arrangements have been perfected and Mr. and Mrs. Twyman will take charge of the Rex on March 19. This popular show place will be closed until that time, while workmen make some changes in the interior. New opera chairs will be installed, a large show piano has been purchased, and many changes will be made in the fixtures, stage, etc. The Twymans are real show people and know how to build a show house. They intend to make of the Rex one of the best show places in north Texas. Mr. Twyman is expected here on Saturday, to take personal charge of the work of improving the Rex.

**WONDER IF HE DID**

An exchange reports that a Mr. C. Moore has gone on a sight seeing trip through Europe.

**IN 1928**

Prodigal Son: "Yes, I came home for the rest."  
"Rest of what?"  
"Rest of the old man's money."

Read the Reporter.

**AND A LOOK OF TRIUMPH**

"The bride was beautifully attired, wearing a pearl necklace and a corsage bouquet of roses."—Exchange.

Our financial reporter announces that the onion market continues to show strength.

Why are they called secrets of success, asks a local citizen. The men who tell them are all quite liberal in giving all details.

The race may be gaining in longevity, but the race to the grade crossing contributes nothing to the favorable showing made by statistics.



**W. A. SUTTON**  
Breeder of Registered Big Bone DUROCS

A GOOD sire is half the herd; A few good fall boars for sale now. Spring Pigs for Sale about May 1.

One Mile North of Spearman Equity

**ADVERTISING AND QUALITY**

"That advertising certainly paid," said an experienced national advertiser to the editor one time. "It cost me \$200 and brought in \$150 worth of business."

"There's something wrong with your calculations," we interrupted. "Your merchandise certainly cost something and you sold less than the total cost of the advertisement."

"Ah, but you forget," he explained, "that I have a quality product. Every one of those sales means a new customer who will continue to do business with me year after year."

In this, we believe, there is a lesson for the business man and for the general public as well.

To the business man it demonstrates that advertising has a cumulative effect. The man who tries to make one advertisement pay is bound to be disappointed. The advertiser who considers it a medium for securing new customers is bound to grow commercially.

To the public it shows why advertised merchandise is always better. A business man cannot afford to advertise a poor article. To make advertising successful it is really necessary to back it up with a commodity that has merit.

There may be exceptions to this rule, but in nine cases out of ten you will fare better by buying from the merchant or business firm that sells an article that can be advertised successfully.

**A SERMON ON TOWN LOYALTY**

No citizen is so powerful, none so humble, but what his town is an aid to him in some way or other. There is where he employs his labor or his capital, builds his home, enjoys the society of his kind and, in short, finds everything that makes life worth the living. Failing to find these things he usually goes in search of them elsewhere. If he remains it is natural to suppose he has found that which he sought.

Since your town boosts you why not do as well by it as it does by you? To progress it needs the help of every citizen, and every citizen benefits individually from every community improvement, whether that improvement takes the form of public works, population growth, increased prosperity or "business development."

No community is so miserable and unattractive that it has not its boosters and none so perfect it has not its knockers, but that city or town achieves most in civic betterment which has the most boosters.

There are boosters and many of them here. They and their forerunners have made it the fine community it is and are making it the better community all want it to be in the future. But there are two reasons why every citizen should be a civic worker and booster. First, it is unfair to place the whole burden upon the few and, second, every citizen owes it to himself and his fellow citizens to do every thing within his power to make the community better that it may the better serve all.

However, one should not make the mistake of confining his boosting to talking about the virtues of his home town. Direct advertising pays, but the kind of boosting that pays the highest dividends is sober and preserving endeavor of the kind that builds and beautifies the community.

**PROPERTY VALUES**

Two men stand on the busy corner of a city thoroughfare. In their hands they hold little counters, on which they registered the number of passing pedestrians. One counts the men, the other the women.

Then they compile this information, take into consideration the class of people passing the spot, and come to a decision as to the rental value of the site. If the crowd is very heavy, if it consists quite largely of women, and if the site is adjoined by high class shops, they may agree that the rental value of the location is as much as \$3,000 per front foot per year.

In other words it is the size of that crowd that determines the value of that piece of land. The building is not taken into consideration. If the crowd is big a little plot across which one might easily pass a stone may be worth many millions of dollars.

In other words population makes property values.

It is therefore to the interest of all property owners in Spearman or in any other community, large or small to contribute something to the up-building of the community. Every new family brought to Spearman adds something to the value of all property here, particularly of the business property along main street.

The business man who is boosting for his community is merely serving well his own financial interest. The home owner who believes in co-operating with community leaders is merely adding to the amount of money he will receive some day when he decides to sell his place.

**WORDS, WORDS, WORDS**

After seventy years of painstaking labor, the celebrated Oxford dictionary has finally been completed. The last word has been found and set down. This last word, "zyxt," the 411,074th word in the language, is the obsolete form of what would now be "thou sayest." It seems the ideal last word for a book of words.

Back in 1882, Sir James Murray sent the first pages to A to press. This explains why such a common word—now—as "appendicitus" is not in this huge dictionary of ten volumes. In 1882, "appendicitus" had not been recognized as a separate disease and the word had not been coined.

But there will be a supplement to the work to take care of just such omissions. The supplement will have to be a very large one, and perhaps it is just a bit early to begin talking about it since Volume X, the last one, of this great dictionary will ever catch up with a language as alive as English.

And many people think they are good merely because they are tired of sinning.

One reason why success goes to the head is because nature doesn't like a vacuum.

**Furnished in Good Taste**

A fine set of overstuffed living room furniture would look ridiculous in a home furnished according to the fashion of horsehair sofas and large mottoes.

In other words intelligent buying of furniture involves more than the wise selection of individual pieces. In buying a single item you must consider carefully how well it harmonizes with the general furnishing scheme of the home.

And it is this feature of home furnishing as a whole that we emphasize. We are not alone selling fine furniture that will add to the beauty and comfort of the home—we are also assisting you in the problem of furnishing the entire home in good taste.

**Armstrong Quaker Felt Rugs**

**HARBISON FURNITURE**

and HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS  
LOWER MAIN SPEARMAN



**Three Cardinal Principles**

Fresh goods, complete lines, rapid turnover—overstocked in nothing—well stocked in everything.

We study the sale of all items closely. We aim never to run out, and never to overbuy in any one line. This is why you can always get it when you want it here, and why it is always fresh.

**PROMPT DELIVERY SERVICE**

**Spearman Equity Exchange**

The Better You Know Us, the Better You'll Like Us  
On Elevator Row ..... Spearman



**For Your New Home**

Fine, kiln-dried, well-seasoned Lumber will mean a sound, substantial home or garage for you. You can easily have a home of your own.

**WE WILL GLADLY HELP YOU WITH PLANS**

**Tulsa Rig, Reel and Mfg. Co.**

HARRY BOWEN, Local Manager  
Phone 80 West Spearman

**Stock Up the Icebox**

To keep the family well-fed at a price that suits your plans for economy trade at Burran's Store We will have some specials that will surprise you. Something that is good every day in the week. Come in and let us show you. Make our place headquarters

**WE WILL BUY YOUR EGGS**

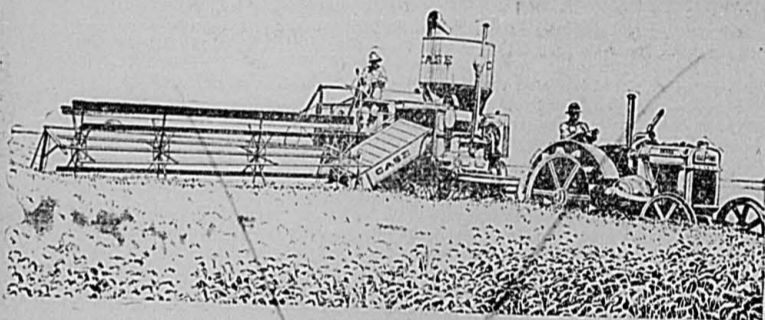
GARDEN SEED.—The Season is Fine—Our Seeds are Good—IT'S UP TO YOU!

**BURRAN BROTHERS**

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Phone 71

Main St.—Spearman



**A PRODUCT OF THREE GENERATIONS**

Back of the Case Combine, which is now revolutionizing harvesting methods, are three generations of human effort, ingenuity and experience.

All the experience gained in all the grain fields from remotest Russia to southern Argentine, together with the vast engineering and manufacturing knowledge and facilities of the largest manufacturer of grain threshers in the world, have gone into Case Combines.

There are thousands of Case Combines in use today. They have established a new standard in mechanical efficiency and perfection, applied to farming.

There are essential mechanical features that make Case Combines outstanding—in operation; in the saving of grain under all conditions; in ability to do fast work; in simplicity and easy handling; in unflinching dependability and long life. These are exclusively Case features. They are the result of three generations of experience of the largest builders of threshing machines in the world.

BE SURE TO SEE CASE COMBINES.



The Sign of Outstanding Quality is—

- Tractors
- Threshers
- Combines
- Silo Fillers
- Hay Balers
- Said Engines

Also—Grand Discour Plows and Tractor Tools

**R. L. McClellan**

Phone 109

SPEARMAN

# Combine :-: Tractor

PLOW and AUTOMOBILE

# SHOW

At Spearman, Texas

Friday And Saturday, March 16-17

Farmers of Hansford county and the adjoining trade territory will be given a rare opportunity to inspect the several different makes of farm machinery sold by Spearman dealers, on March 16 and 17 Friday and Saturday.

All the dealers of Spearman have arranged to hold a two-day Power Farming Demonstration on this date. The demonstration will be conducted along the same lines as are similar demonstrations held each year in the larger cities. Each dealer will have his machinery on exhibition—all of it; Tractor, Combine, Plows, Automobile, or any other Power Farming equipment which he sells. This machinery will be placed on vacant lots near the business section of Spearman, and a competent demonstrator will be placed in charge of each exhibit.

It will be possible for a farmer to see demonstrated every kind of tractor, every kind of combine, practically every plow and automobile sold in Spearman, within a very short time. It will be here—all the farmer will have to do is to come, look and listen.

This demonstration and show is being staged by Spearman dealers, solely for the benefit and convenience of the farmers of this section. Appropriate entertainment will be furnished each day. It is to be made a "Farmers Meet," without expense to the farmer. An oppor-

tunity to see what kind of machinery they like best and what is best adapted to their needs, that no mistake may be made in purchasing.

Hansford county, 30 miles square, containing 900 sections of fine land, is only about 15 per cent under cultivation. Ninety-five per cent of the land in this and adjoining territory is agricultural land. It is either perfectly level or slightly undulating, affording the natural home of the "Power Farming" Farmer. Twenty-foot combines, pulled by an 18-27 tractor are getting to be common.

You want a tractor, you want new plows, a combine and isn't it about time to trade "Old St. Vitus" in on a new car. Come to Spearman on Friday and Saturday, March 16 and 17 and pick out the make you like best—not of one, but of all.

The opportunity to "look and listen" has been arranged merely as a convenience to you, and you will be placed under no obligation whatever. Look and listen whether or not you wish to buy. Ten or a dozen combines, tractors and automobiles, all in operation, will afford a pretty good show. If you love good machinery don't miss this.

The dealers named below will all have machinery on exhibition, and are anxious that you come to Spearman, both days, and look it over. The opportunity is yours. Come and take advantage of it.

Good Equipment Makes a Good Farmer a Better Farmer  
You Can Operate the Kind You Like Best Better

<b>Spearman Hardware</b> McCormick-Deering Harvester THRESHERS McCormick-Deering Farmall Tractor McCormick-Deering Farmer's Favorite Trucks 7.50	<b>Spearman Motor Co.</b> COOKE-MATHEWS HART-PARR TRACTORS AVERY ONE-WAY DISC PLOWS 7.50 STAR CARS	<b>R. W. Morton</b> BALDWIN COMBINE FORDSON TRACTOR, FORD TRUCK 7.50 THE NEW FORD CAR	<b>Womble Hardware</b> JOHN DEERE COMBINE JOHN DEERE TRACTOR 7.50 JOHN DEERE PLOWS
<b>McNABB</b> Land Company 7.50 RED RIVER SPECIAL COMBINE	<b>R. L. McClellan</b> Grain Co. 7.50 CASE COMBINE CASE TRACTOR GRAND DETOUR PLOWS	<b>W. H. Douglas</b> Grain Company RUMELY OIL-PULL TRACTORS 7.50 RUMELY and MINNEAPOLIS COMBINES EMERSON-BRANTINGHAM PLOWS	<b>McClellan Chevrolet</b> Company 7.50 HOLT COMBINES 7.50 CHEVROLET CARS AND TRUCKS

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Reading notices, 10 cents per line. Recognized agent's commission, 15 per cent; cash discount, 2 per cent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANSFORD COUNTY

For Tax Assessor  
MRS. BESSIE CATOR  
MRS. J. H. BUCHANAN  
For Treasurer  
BARNEY SPARKS  
For Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
H. L. WILBANKS  
For County and District Clerk  
MRS. R. L. PORTER  
J. E. WOMBLE  
For County Judge  
C. W. KING

HUTCHINSON COUNTY

For County Judge  
W. R. GOODWIN  
For Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
JOE OWNBEY  
J. W. JONES  
For County Attorney:  
C. D. WORKS  
For Commissioner Precinct 3:  
W. C. WOMBLE  
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4  
C. T. RODGERS  
R. W. HUFFSTUTTER  
J. R. KIRK

"Go to a friend for advice, a stranger for charity, and a relative for nothing" is a little piece of advice an "old timer" gave me years ago.

Another splendid way to keep a nervous man's mind off your business while you explain it is to have a few silver dollars in your pockets and jingle them while you talk.



Appetizing!

MINIMUM prices are the rule at this store. But oh, how good our meats are!

Sirloin Steak ..... 25c  
Side of Bacon ..... 32c  
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Faus Market

POLITICAL

Austin, Texas,  
March 5, 1928.

Dear Sir:

I've seen one political meeting in Texas in which horse sense prevailed over horse play. I am referring to the meeting last week of the state democratic executive committee.

There has been a lot of discussions and arguments since then about their actions, but I claim they showed a lot of sense in everything they did. They did not adopt a resolution indorsing the administration of Governor Moody, which caused a lot of talk. It wasn't their place or duty to do it. The state executive committee is a body picked to handle the machinery of the party in the state, and not to voice the opinions of the people. Conventions, and only conventions, with delegates selected directly from the people, can do that.

This stuff of state committees presuming to speak for the people does not mean a thing. Two years ago the committee indorsed Mrs. Ferguson's administration, but the people did not do it four months later.

The committee did adopt a resolution against party bolters, which is proper, for the statutes provide that the committee may and shall fix the party rules governing primary elections. It is hard to see how any real democrat could object to a rule requiring those who go in the primaries to abide by the results, for one of the fundamental tenets of the party is to abide by the will of the majority.

A lot has been said about the failure of the committee to adopt a resolution having to do with precinct and county conventions instructing their delegates. It looks to me like it would have been presumptuous for the committee to have said anything on that subject.

The most powerful political body in Texas is the little old precinct convention, for it is composed of the sovereign voters, themselves. Nobody can tell or suggest to them what to do.

Next in power is the county convention, for its delegates come direct from the precinct convention, where they have just heard the will and mandates of the voters. Then comes the state convention, whose delegates were selected by the county conventions. The state convention creates the state democratic executive committee. Therefore, it would not be good taste for the committee to tell the people who created

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its creator what to do.

Besides, there will be plenty of instructing done in Texas at the precinct and county conventions, without any hints from the state committee. The biggest county delegation at the state convention will be the Dallas County crowd, 86 strong, and don't worry but what they will be instructed—and instructed against Al Smith, too. It would take the votes of 50 or more counties with light votes to offset the force of this one county.

Bexar County will have 34 votes in the state convention, and these probably will be for an uninstructed delegation to the national convention at Houston. Harris County will have 23 votes, doubtful but possibly uninstructed. Tarrant will have 17, instructed against Smith; El Paso will have 15 uninstructed; Travis will have 13, instructed; Hidalgo will have 14, doubtful.

The meeting of the state committee and a plan to offer a resolution indorsing him for the presidency or vice presidency caused Governor Moody to issue a virtual announcement of his candidacy for re-election. He bore out the prediction I have made several times in my letter to you, that he was not interested in any other offices.

L. J. Wardlaw of Fort Worth, Moody's opponent for the gubernatorial nomination, announced his platform last week, in which he says he is for less taxation, less spending of money, better schools and roads, fewer bond issues, wants every city man who labors to join a union, wants to stop cotton futures speculations and favors paying bounties for criminals.

The race for the senate is beginning to warm up a bit. Alvin Owsley opened his campaign at Denton Saturday. Tom Connally was in Austin last week, lining up his supporters. So far, Mayfield has been doing his fence building quietly. Another month will see that campaign well under way.

The lieutenant governor's race is still pretty quiet. There is an impression out that Barry Miller may run again, in an effort to beat Tom Love. It is likely that if he gets in the race several now in it will drop out, and then we will see a hot race between Barry and Tom.

Well, Mr. Editor, there isn't much more news in politics this week. I will write you if I hear anything else that is new.

Yours truly,

THOMAS JEFFERSON BROWN

YOU BET WE CAN TELL 'EM

A Frenchman of note recently returned to his country from a visit in our land and wrote an article on his impressions of America. Therein he commented upon the apparent absence of class distinction in this country saying that it is almost impossible to distinguish a brick layer from a college professor out of work hours.

Now of course if he from across the sea knew this country better he could tell easily. If he drives to his work in an old time Ford, or something closely related thereto, he's a college professor. But if he goes to work in a handsome, new sedan, he's a brick layer.

I have for sale complete poll lists of Hutchinson County. Will sell in separate precincts. Prices on application.

ROY HEDGECOKE,  
Stinnett, Texas.  
124.

KIMBALL KLIPPINGS

(Too Late For Last Week)

Mrs. A. H. Frazier visited Mrs. S. E. Dillow one day last week.

Mrs. A. H. Frazier called at the home of Mrs. Charley Davis Tuesday.

Mrs. Satterwhite was assisting in the care of Mrs. Davis Monday night.

Elsie Fern Tomlinson was a guest of Dorothy Hobbs Monday night.

Mrs. C. C. Beck and Miss Eleanor called on Mrs. V. H. Ogle Friday.

Most of this community attended singing at Gruver Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Frazier were shopping in Guymon Saturday.

Eula Frazier had Rachael Lackey as a guest Monday night.

J. M. Beck went to Guymon Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Lackey called on Mrs. W. C. Nollner Monday afternoon.

Bill Lackey was a guest of D. C. Gamble Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beck and Charley were callers at W. C. Nollner's Monday night.

Several from Kimball visited the Home and Farm Demonstration train at Spearman last Friday.

Messrs. R. D. Tomlinson, P. M. Chesser and A. M. Gore were business visitors in Guymon Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Frazier, Dutton and Eula were Sunday guests at the home of W. C. Nollner.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tomlinson visited with the family of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Thompson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hezz Frazier and Weta Faye called at the W. C. Nollner home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cline and family, Mrs. Jack Tomlinson and D. A. Tomlinson went to Perryton Monday.

W. S. Thomas, P. M. Chesser, A. H. Frazier, Hezz Frazier and W. C. Noller delivered chickens in Spearman this week.

We expect to formally open the new school building in the near future. Watch these items for further details of announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Thompson had as week-end guests the following: Mrs. Eldon Bolinger and baby, Miss Thompson, and Robert Gerrard of Perryton.

Friends of Rosa Klink will be interested to learn of her recent marriage. She has made good and reports that each of her brothers and sisters are doing well.

Mr. Boyd of Brinkham, Oklahoma, and Mr. Holland of Texola, Oklahoma, were here on business last week. They were guests of A. H. Frazier while here.

Mrs. Charley Davis was stricken with an attack of appendicitis Monday and her condition was such that it was necessary to take her to the hospital. Mrs. A. C. Wirt of Perryton took her to Amarillo Tuesday.

BUT WE THINK OURS IS

"What's the most expensive car in America?" we heard someone ask Marvin Chambers the other day. "When I come to paying my bills each month I'm quite sure mine is," Marvin answered.

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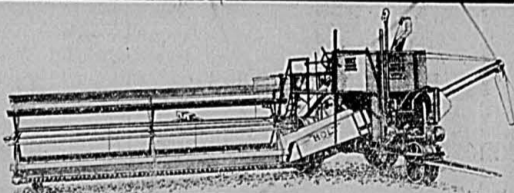
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SCHOOL BUILDING WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE MCH. 19

The Kimball old school building will be sold at public sale on Monday, March 19, 1928, sale to begin at 2:00 o'clock p. m. The new build-

ing will be ready for occupancy by that time and the trustees desire to dispose of the old building as quickly as possible. The building is 24x40 feet, and is constructed of first class material. It will be disposed of at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash. If interested, be on hand at this sale.

P. M. CHESSEY,  
W. S. THOMAS,  
A. F. FRAZIER,  
Trustees.

Next to money the hardest thing to keep is a secret.

W. S. McNabb was a business visitor to Amarillo the first of the week.

That good Mistletoe Ice Cream at Hastings Drug.

Magazines and Sunday papers at Hastings Drug.

Just received new line of novelty hose, in Radio and Topsy brands. SPEARMAN DRY GOODS CO.

Three first class Jersey cows for sale. See

W. L. DAVIS, Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Waters of Guymon were guests Sunday in the home of Mrs. Waters' sister, Mrs. Sid Clark.

Joe Miller and P. M. Chesser were in from the Kimball country Monday morning, looking after business matters.

Little Miss Floydene Hays spent several days of this week, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Fuller in the Black community.

Albert Jacobs, proprietor of the Spearman Produce, on north Main, is in Beaver City this week attending to business matters.

Mrs. Grace Adams is here from Dallas, a guest in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller, of the upper Palo Duro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hastings have taken a lease on the Yarborough residence in west Spearman, and are making their home there.

Purebred Rhode Island Red eggs for hatching, from fine stock. Will sell at 50 cents per dozen. Phone 70 11tf. GEO. W. McMURRY.

Dr. Powell, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, will be in Spearman, at the offices of Dr. Gower, on Wednesday, March 14. Glasses fitted; tonsils and adenoids removed.

Jack and Walter Allen, attorneys of Perryton, and Jack Jr., passed through Spearman Wednesday evening enroute to their home from Stinnett, where they tried some cases in a special term of district court.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jackson and sons Royal and Clifford and little Miss Louie Catherine, came from Guymon Sunday to attend the singing convention. They were dinner guests at the Reporter home.

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ROY HEDGECOKE,  
Stinnett, Texas.  
12tf.

Mrs. Floyd Wilbanks returned Monday of this week from a several weeks visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bill Bradford, at Tulsa. Her little grandson, Glen Bradford, has been seriously ill for several weeks, but is much improved.

Attorney and Mrs. Wakeman and their daughter Miss Ruth came from Pampa Monday, Mr. Wakeman to look after legal matters in county court and the ladies to visit with friends here. They remained until Wednesday. Their many friends were mighty sorry that the Wakeman family left Spearman, but were glad to learn that they were doing nicely and pleasantly located in their new home at Pampa.

Sterling P. and Kent Jackson, hardware dealers of Guymon, accompanied by their mother Mrs. W. H. Jackson and sister Miss Kate, came Sunday to attend the meeting of the Hansford County Singing Convention. They were pleasant guests at the Reporter home for a few hours. Jackson Brothers have been prominently identified with the business interests of Guymon for almost a quarter of a century, and have many friends throughout this section.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION  
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Spearman, Hansford County, Texas on Tuesday, April 3, 1928, the same being the first Tuesday in April, at the office of the Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and four Aldermen to serve as provided by the Statutes governing cities of this class, relating to expired and unexpired terms. The Mayor and one Alderman to be elected for one year to fill the unexpired terms of R. L. McClellan, Mayor, and A. L. Haas, Alderman, resigned. Three aldermen to be elected for the regular two year term.

M. L. McLain as assistant judge, and C. O. Collard, W. D. Cooke and J. Melvin Jackson shall clerk the said city election, and they shall make the due returns to the Mayor of the city of Spearman, Texas, as required by law.

Given under my hand and seal of the city of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, on this the 29th day of February, 1928.

12tf. R. L. McCLELLAN,  
Mayor of the City of Spearman, Tex.

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## POLITICAL

Austin, Texas,  
February 27, 1928.

Dear Sir:

Since I last wrote you I spent nearly a week in Dallas, talking to the politicians up there and watching the political wheels turn around. There was one thing I found up there that surprised me a lot, and that was the opposition of the Dallas big boys to Dan Moody. Especially was this true in klan circles. Nearly all the klan leaders I talked to are against Moody.

Two years ago, you remember, the

klansmen were for Moody strong as horseadish. They admit very frankly now that they were for him because they were against Mrs. Ferguson, and not that they had any love for Dan. Two or three of the leaders admit that they are now for Wardlaw, or anybody who can beat Moody.

Nobody could say exactly why they are opposed to the governor, except to say that he spends too much time out of his office, or that he has not given them as much recognition as they expected in Dallas. My private opinion is that that is the whole story. The klan fought for Moody and figured they would get a lot of recognition. Dan knew they were

for him simply to beat Mrs. Ferguson and hasn't paid them much attention since then.

My recent visits to Houston, San Antonio and other South Texas towns indicate that there is no general dissatisfaction with Moody, and certainly no thought that he can be defeated for re-election. But in North Texas a lot of pretty experienced politicians predict that Wardlaw may run Dan a close race.

It looks to me like the klan is figuring on taking advantage of Al Smith's candidacy to build up some prestige for itself, which would be good politics and an opportunity they would hardly overlook. They know Smith's religion is in the minority and his liquor stand is not popular in Texas. Probably that is why Hiram Wesley Evans and the big boys of the klan are sticking pretty close to the state these days. They figure that if Smith is beaten in Texas they will get some of the credit, which is reasonably good figuring. The campaign is bound to bring some former klansmen back into the fold, even if it doesn't get many new members.

I found a considerable showing of strength for Tom Blanton for the senate in Dallas—much more than I found in South Texas, where he is not conceded a chance for the runoff. Few people in Dallas seem to think he has any chance of election, but they believe he will be second to Mayfield. It is agreed all over the state that Blanton is going to take the lead in attacking Mayfield, especially the personal life of the senator.

Tom Connally seems the choice of the rest of the state as the runner-up to Mayfield, with indications that these two will have a hot race in the runoff. Connally has had the biggest silent support prior to his announcement of any candidate for state office I have ever seen. In other words, his candidacy seems to come nearer being in response to the demand of the public than that of any other man in Texas in many years.

Mayfield is going to adopt good tactics. He is not going to fight any one of his opponents, on the theory that he is certain to get in the runoff, and he does not want to antagonize the followers of the defeated candidates. Then if he is in the runoff with either Connally or Blanton he hopes to get a good division of the other's support.

However, it is more than likely that the other candidates will pursue much the same tactics. It is doubtful if Connally will say much about Blanton, or vice versa, but all will hop on Earle. Consequently in the second race Mayfield is likely to be faced with strong, united opposition.

A big delegation of Denton citizens called on Alvin Owsley at his Dallas headquarters last Saturday and asked him to open his campaign in his home town. Owsley shows much more strength in Dallas than he does in South Texas, where he is not conceded a chance for the runoff.

People may wonder if the klan will support Mayfield again this year, after having elected him six years ago. The answer is "Yes." The leaders are all strong for Mayfield. They will not have anything like the organization they had six years ago, however.

Yours truly,  
THOMAS JEFFERSON BROWN

### HOW DO YOU READ

"Tell me what you eat, and I will tell you what you are," has cried a publicist so often that he has coined a household axiom. Well might another say: "Tell me what you read and I will tell you what you are!"

The mind is the house in which we live more truly than is the body. If we furnish the mind garishly we must live in a garish house. If we furnish the mind carelessly, we must live in a slovenly house. If we take our mental furniture only from the past, we shall live in the past alone. If we take it only from the faddish notions of the present we shall live amid fads and follies, which vanish as we know them.

But if, on the other hand, our mental diet is balanced, comprised of the foods tested by time and sauced and spiced by the piquancy of the present, we may live a balanced, ordered life.

We can with impunity pour poisons and dark wild disordered thoughts into our minds no more than we can day after day find strength and health from spurious foods, hastily prepared, indigestible.

To read well, read discriminatingly, widely, thoroughly. What we read becomes part and parcel of us.

Everybody makes mistakes. But the newspaper man is about the only one who makes them where everybody else can see them.

## KEEPING THE BOY ON THE FARM

"Keep the boy on the farm." That cry has become feeble. Economic forces are against it. With a great surplus of farm produce it seems unwise to advocate anything that may lead to even further expansion of the agricultural industry.

So let us modernize this slogan, or propaganda catch phrase, or whatever you want to call it. Let us say: "Keep the intelligent boy on the farm."

There has been a great exodus from farm to city during the past few years. Viewing it in a broad and general way we may call it good. It is bound to mean a reduction in agricultural production within the next few years, and with surplus eliminated agriculture may again be placed upon a profitable basis.

But unfortunately this movement to the city is draining the country of its best blood. The bright, intelligent and enterprising boy sees that it is hard to operate a farm profitably. He naturally turns to the city where he feels that his energy will be more highly rewarded.

"How then," you may logically ask, "are you going to keep this intelligent boy on the farm?"

By convincing him one may answer, that he is needed in the country, by showing him that agriculture is the most important of all basic industries and that with proper guidance it may again assume its rightful place in the scheme of things.

Intelligent business leaders today recognize that a national prosperity based upon an impoverished agricultural industry is resting upon a weak foundation. Big business to remain big requires a good farm market. When this idea is firmly fixed in the minds of all leaders throughout the country then we may expect to see movements under way that will restore to the farmer his just share of the fruits of his labor.

We can say to that intelligent boy on the farm whom we wish to keep there: "Don't become impatient, though they may be the prerogative of youth. Don't feel that there is no future in farming, through you may have every reason to feel discouraged at times. Don't start life by chasing the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow over the city, for it is apt to move on when you arrive there.

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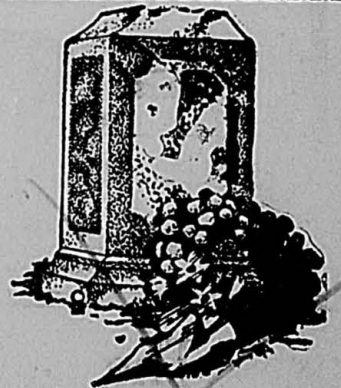
### FOR RENT

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### HEMSTITCHING

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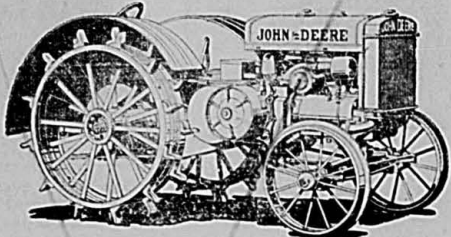
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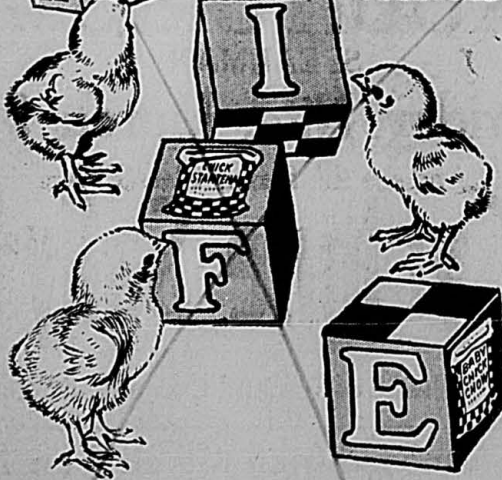


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In this selection you will find a frenchy frock or a tailored dress in all the desired materials. A printed or plain georgette, a flat crepe or Indian prints.

A group of Ladies Spring Hats, \$5 and \$6 values, sale price — \$4.00  
Ladies \$8.00 hats, received this week go in. Sale price — \$6.50  
New line Children's and Misses' Hats — \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$3.00  
Full fashioned Chiffon Hose, \$1.50, while they last — \$1.00  
More of those Basque Street and House Dresses at popular prices..

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### AMARILLO BALL PLAYERS WILL BE WELL FED

If any of the players reporting to Mgr. Sled Allen this spring complain of not getting enough to eat at the training table furnished by the Amarillo Baseball Club, they will be challenged by the Mgr. himself. Sled believes in a diet for a man while in training, and will offer himself as a subject if they so demand. "I have always followed a set rule regarding my food while conditioning for the long grind ahead," says Sled, "and have never failed to be in condition when the bell rings. I don't expect them to starve, and won't ask them to eat anything that I wouldn't eat myself." A private dining room with a special cook will be established in the Carter Hotel where the candidates will be quartered during the training season.

Long before the team is picked the new uniforms will be ready and waiting for someone to fill them. The home uniforms will be white with a broncho's head on the left breast of the shirt. The road uniforms will be a solid grey with a small broncho's head on the left sleeve. This is in keeping with the club's policy of giving the fans a new deal in every respect this season. The club this year is an AMARILLO club, and from the president, Bob Ames, down to the human fly, Dinty Moore, the park manleurt, every one connected with the club is a resident of Amarillo. They know what the fans of the Panhandle want and will make every effort to supply the demand.

### A TOWN'S BEST BOOSTER

A writer in a current magazine observes "if the newspaper is just a little better than its town, the latter is the gainer thereby."

Towns and their newspapers usually lag or lead together. Progressive journalism is the unfailing tonic of the lethargic community, but it is equally true that a lifeless newspaper can seriously retard the development of its community.

There is no better community asset than a home newspaper equal to the needs of the community. While a poor newspaper is better than none to the individual reader, that does not hold true for the town.

What can a good newspaper do for its community? It can serve as the town's messenger to the outside world. It must take the leadership in all community projects if they are to be successful. It is the infallible line of communication between local government and citizen. It is to the newspaper that all organizations turn for assistance in public welfare movements and without that assistance they face failure.

The newspaper reaps the reward of its initiative by sharing in the general improvements of business and community affairs it has been instrumental in bringing about. The good newspaper deems it a pleasure to serve its community and its readers and is fully aware that it is only through giving a full measure of service that it can progress and prosper.

### FORESTS AND FARM SURPLUS

The United States Forestry service has in its files many pictures that are more eloquent than the finest speeches on the subject of reforestation ever delivered. Among them are views taken in the orient, in China in particular. In these one can see vistas of hilly country that is as barren as desert land. Once these hillsides and valleys were fertile and fruitful. Today they look almost as desolate as did the Western Front in France along in 1918.

Why? Simply because the hill tops and sides were long ago denuded of forest growth. Then came heavy rains. The soil washed, in spite of every possible effort, the rich humus gradually disappeared into the bottoms of the valleys. The soil above became barren, and even the labor of thousands of oriental coolies where human beings are the cheapest of all commodities, was insufficient to make it produce.

This is one, but only one, good argument for maintaining a good woodlot on the farm. Keep timber growing somewhere on the farm. Above all keep it on steep hillsides. That land is not all needed for crops. It is needless to say that there is a surplus today of the products of the fields. But there is no surplus growth of timber.

If all of the farmers in this country devoted a little more of their land to reforestation, it might help considerably to reduce the agricultural surplus that has proved to be such a source of distress during the past few years.

About the only plan where a conservative is handicapped is at the wheelbarrow course.

### A RESUME OF EXPERIENCE

"I hate history," said a thoughtless student of Spearman high school to the editor not long ago. We troubled not to ask why. We merely smiled, and thought, here is a subject for an editorial some day. Now the time has arrived.

History, we feel, should be the most interesting of all studies to the alert or imaginative mind. When properly taught it is a synthesis of all knowledge, a resume of the experiences of mankind.

No where in fiction will one find such dramatic and exciting adventures as are recorded in the pages of history. The accounts of the early expeditions into the far west, of the Lewis and Clark expedition, of the discovery of gold in California and of the construction of the first trans-continental railroad—any one of these is more exciting than the finest western story ever written. And where in all the realms of fiction may one see such character delineation as can be found in almost every page of an ancient, medieval, or modern history. What a procession of amazing individuals may pass through our recollection of history. Aristotle, Plato, Archimedes, Caesar, Frederick the Great, Napoleon, Cromwell,—profound thinkers, great adventurers, mighty rulers. And think of our own country with its illustrious group of warriors, statesmen, scholars and scientists.

But we do not teach history in public schools in order that pupils may be entertained. There is a serious purpose back of it all.

In ancient monarchies, the young prince always had able tutors to instruct him in the ways of leadership in order that his rule might be characterized by firmness and justice. Today the people are the sovereigns, and it is equally important that they be instructed in the fundamentals of good citizenship, that they may be able to guide their affairs with justice and intelligence, that they may choose as their representatives men of trustworthy character and sound judgment.

And where may we acquire this much needed knowledge of the essentials of good citizenship better than from the pages of history. For

history, when properly taught, is a record of the past experiences of the race. It gives knowledge to the voter on which he may make an intelligent approach to the problems of the future.

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Some prognosticators are having much to say about the good outlook for farmers as a whole. One of our local friends thinks that they mean "for farmers in a hole."



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3 large heads Lettuce	25c	Ladies Aprons at 49c and 79c	
Soup, any kind	10c	New arrivals: Men's Shirts and Trousers to match.	Be sure to see them.
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## REVIVAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH IN PROGRESS

Much Interest is Manifest, and Large Crowds Attending Services—Singing is Feature

Interesting revival services are being held twice each day at the Baptist church, Spearman. Rev. Dunsforth from Canadian is doing the preaching and Mr. Frazier from Fort Worth is leading the song service. The sound, logical sermons and splendid song services are attracting much attention among church-going people of Spearman and vicinity. The little folks have organized a choir of 40 or 50 voices and their singing is a treat. The series of meetings will be continued until Sunday, March 18, and the Baptist congregation extends a hearty welcome to all to come and take a part. Services begin at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

B. Y. P. U.

We have been having some splendid lessons this past month. We wish to invite other young people that do not belong to some other union to come and study with us. The B. Y. P. U. meets each Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

### Program for March 11 Bible Study Meeting

Leader—Cleo Gill.  
Scripture Reading—Frances Noe.  
The King of Glory—Sibil Baley.  
When Work is worth While—Paul Gill.  
Paul Pictures Our Position—Mae Raney.  
Workers Together With Him—Aaron Gill.  
Study Christ's Commissions—Harrell Collard.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Missionary Society met with Mrs. G. P. Gibner on Wednesday afternoon with a good attendance. We were glad to have Mrs. Don Wake-man of Pampa and Mrs. C. E. Campbell as visitors. The lesson for next week will be from the Missionary study book, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow." Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. L. McClellan.

### UNION CHURCH

The revival is still going on at the Union church. Evangelist Jack Neville is still bringing some wonderful soul inspiring sermons. At every service we are made to say: "It was good to be there." And we praise God we are expecting greater things. Jesus has promised that our prayers shall be answered and we are praying for a mighty revival in Spearman. May God help every christian to get under the burden and pray till the answer comes.

### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to extend to the good people of Spearman and vicinity who so kindly assisted us during our recent great bereavement, our sincere and heartfelt thanks.

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**MRS. J. D. COTTER.**

## FOR SALE

Cheap for cash. 1 Ford touring car, good condition, new radiator and battery and 1928 license. Inquire at Thomason Bros.

W. H. Douglas was here from Texhoma the first of the week, attending to business matters.

Lester Howell returned Tuesday from a several days' visit with relatives and friends at Hopart, Oklahoma. He is again on the job at Thomason Brothers store.

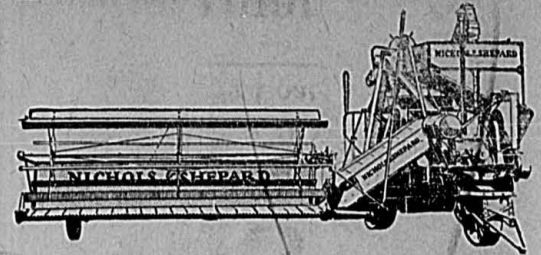
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burran and son Jimmy, were here from Amarillo Wednesday, attending to business and visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Burran.

R. E. Burran went to Elk City again the first of the week, to visit his father, Grandpa W. A. Burran, who is seriously ill in a hospital at that place. He reports his father's condition as not improved. Mr. Burran was accompanied on the trip by C. A. Robertson.

Mrs. H. I. Gay and daughter Miss Iola, went to Perryton Monday afternoon, where Mrs. Gay was joined by Dr. Jarvis and Mrs. Rayzor of that city, and all went to Elk, to visit a brother Osseo Jarvis, who received dangerous injuries in a run-away of a team of horses on February 29. Latest reports from Elk City indicate that the injured man is recovering.

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