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## COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETING

### Interesting Business Meeting. Committees Report Progress in Road work

The Commercial Club met in regular session Monday night December 13th. Y. L. Jones was elected chairman for the night. New members were enrolled as follows: Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company, S. M. Swenson & Sons, H. F. Murray, C. W. Lowery, W. H. Teague, R. H. Bledsoe, and W. E. Keller.

Mr. Bennett, Chairman of the good roads committee, reported that the bridge across Dockum creek had been fixed at the cost of \$12.00. The Townsite Company expressed their interest in the town and country by paying the entire bill and pledging further support in any improvement undertaken by the Club. The report was adopted and the committee retained for further use. Mr. Bennett was advised by the Club to use his discretion in having the roads leading into Spur repaired. Commissioner Carlisle was made a member of the committee.

The advertising committee reported some very profitable advertising being done. The report was adopted and the committee retained for further advertising as they think necessary.

The street and alley committee was advised to employ a scavenger for the town, the question of salary to be decided by them at their discretion.

A motion carried to have all bills of expense, etc. O. K. by the club before being paid by the Treasurer.

The street and alley committee was instructed to request of the telephone company that they put all telephone poles on the alleys.

After a very interesting business meeting the club adjourned to meet in regular session Monday night December 20th.

J. P. HORTON,  
Secretary.

## THE SPUR SCHOOL.

The Spur school is progressing nicely in every respect and the number of pupils continue to increase each week.

The school now has eighty pupils and employs two teachers, Miss Reavis of Haskell having been recently employed to assist the principal, Prof. St. Johns.

The present school building is not large enough and we are informed by Mr. St. John that as soon as the methodist church is complete it will be used for school purposes throughout this term or until other arrangements are made for school building.

The matter of securing suitable location and paving the way for the creation of an independent school district and calling an election for the issuance of bonds to build a school house has been taken up by the Spur Commercial Club and an excellent committee appointed to look after school matters. This committee is composed of men who are interested in school matters and familiar

with school work and know the needs and requirements for good schools, and can be depended upon to make the very best arrangements for the advancement of the interests of the Spur school in every respect.

Spur intends to have one of the best schools in Western Texas from the very beginning, and in the years to come will have schools and colleges second to none. Spur has the advantage in location and those who are building and pushing her interests are men who do things.

## COTTON AND PRODUCE.

Cotton in large quantities has been coming this week to the Spur market from the surrounding counties and even a greater distance.

The prices paid for cotton here throughout the week ranged from fourteen forty basis to fourteen dollars and ninety five cents per hundred pounds.

Tom Davis, the meat market man, reports that he purchased several loads of hogs that were brought to this market from away up on the plains, the price paid being six and seven cents per pound on foot.

The prices being paid in Spur for cotton and all country produce are the very highest and in most instances the price here exceeds the established market quotations.

Spur merchants and cotton buyers are not speculating in their purchases but will pay every cent there is in cotton and other produce in order to establish a superior market here and furnish a trading point surpassed by none and equalled by few towns of Western Texas.

## CLEARING LANDS.

A. E. Barker, of Mart, was here this week looking after his farm interests. Mr. Barker bought a section of land a few miles south of Spur and is now building three houses on the place. He says that if possible he will clear up for cultivation next year about four hundred acres of his land.

There are a number of farms going in cultivation another year in every direction from Spur. Within a very short time this whole section of country be cleared up and growing all kinds of farm produce.

The Spur country now offers an opportunity and many inducements to the man of limited means in securing a home, and those who fail to avail themselves of such opportunities because the country is undeveloped and its agricultural possibilities unknown will in a very short time realize the mistake.

This country will grow as much stuff and in as great variety as any country. This is no pipe dream or newspaper boost, but is a fact already demonstrated and will continue to be demonstrated and more fully throughout the years to come.

From all appearances next year will be a fine crop year and the prospects are that bumper crops will be grown in every section of this country.

## THE SOUTH SHOULD UNITE

### The Southern States Should Unite For Higher prices In Cotton.

Unless all sources of information in regard to the cotton crop are thoroughly unreliable, the yield this year will be very short. Considering the rapid increase in the world's consumption of cotton even during such a period of depression as that of 1907-1908, it may be accepted almost without question that with the wonderful prosperity which is now coming upon this country will spread more or less to all other lands there will be a very great increase in the consumption of cotton goods. The very general claim made by mill owners that higher prices will lessen consumption may prove a fallacy. Last year it was very difficult to find a market for 15,000,000 tons of pig iron when iron was selling on the basis of \$10 to \$11 in Birmingham. Now the market is consuming pig iron at the rate of 30,000,000 tons though prices are on the basis of \$15 at Birmingham. With double the production of last year now going on, with prices at an advance of about 33 per cent, buyers are eager for iron which last year they were unwilling to accept at the lower prices and while production was just about one-half of what it is now. It is therefore, not altogether safe for spinners to count on a reduced demand for cotton goods by reason of higher prices of the raw material. If general business revives commensurate with the revival in the iron trade and it seems that this is absolutely certain, then the world will be ready to consume all the cotton goods that can be produced out of this year's crop, even though prices for the raw material should rule higher than that at present.

The English spinners, as usual, are playing a very shrewd game. Some years ago a leading cotton manufacturer in the South wrote to the Manufacturer's Record that he was opposed to any invitation being extended the spinners of England to visit this country, because, said he, they are the ablest merchants in the world, and he was opposed to their gaining by personal study any knowledge of the cotton conditions in the South. He did not want them as competitors to any greater extent than they then were, and he was afraid that a visit to the South would enlarge their knowledge of cotton production and the cotton manufacture in this section. The English spinners, however, are shrewd enough to thoroughly understand these conditions with out a personal investigation. They and the spinners of the Continent are making a great outcry at present about the high price of cotton and are endeavoring to induce the cotton spinners of the world to curtail production in order to force down the market for the raw cotton, or to force up the market for cotton goods; but, while doing this, they are vigorously at work buying cotton

as rapidly as it can be had. American mills, on the other hand, are limiting their purchases, hoping to secure lower prices.

Considering the decrease in the yield, prices which ordinarily might be counted as good, would this year be disastrous to Southern farmers as a whole. In some states, especially the Carolinas and Georgia, the crop is fairly large and the growers in these sections will be enriched by the high prices due to the shortage in the Southwest. Taking the situation as a whole, however, it ought to be the aim of cotton mill people of the South as well as of every business man in this section, to do all in their power to secure for the benefit of the South a high range of prices.

The policy which would attempt to force down the price of raw staple is unwise from every point of view. So important is cotton in the trade relation of this country and in our financial relations with Europe that every industry in the country is benefited by the prosperity which flows from the prosperity of cotton growers; while many industries would be greatly hampered and their prosperity curtailed by low prices for cotton. The south has a practical monopoly of cotton. Nature has forced upon this section this year a very short crop. It is the south's opportunity, if not its duty, to unite in securing the utmost benefit of this monopoly and compel the world to pay a price commensurate with the world's needs for cotton goods and with the shortage of the crop. The cotton mill owner in the south who takes any other view of the situation is dealing with the problem from a narrow point of view, rather than from that of the best interest of all the people of the whole South. —Manufacturers Record.

## BUILDING CONTINUES.

Quite a number of new residences have been completed this week, and at this time there are something near twenty or twenty five new ones under construction. Every day new houses are started up in different parts of town, and from present indications such development will continue indefinitely.

Several business houses are also under construction, among them being the Bryant-Link Company and bank buildings of brick, others being temporary structures of box and fram build.

As said heretofore without prevarication Spur is the youngest and fastest growing town on the American Continent.

## POST OFFICE BUILDING.

The new postoffice building on Fifth Street east of Burlington Avenue is now under construction and nearing completion.

Postmaster Baker and his assistant, Mrs. Baker, have been somewhat hampered heretofore in the temporary quarters, and no doubt will be glad get into their new location where more efficient and prompt service can be given the public.

Spur is not only growing but improving in all lines.

## TEXAS LEADS THE SOUTH

### Lone Star State Heads The List in Obtaining Homeseekers

Chicago, December 4.—When the roll is counted at the end of this year of the many thousands of people who have gone to the less thickly populated States to seek homes for themselves the South will be found to have received its full quota. The movement of homeseekers to the South during the last three or four years has been steadily each day and thousands of acres which have lain idle for years are now under cultivation and producing profitable incomes for the new comers.

Texas heads the list among the Southern states in obtaining settlers this year, but Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana, as well as some of the other states farther north, have also enjoyed large influxes of homeseeking settlers, who have gone there to make livings for themselves and their families by tilling the soil. The incoming of the settlers has had a beneficial effect on the entire South. It has aroused the oldtimers to a realization of the big possibilities of their own sections.

The United States department of agriculture has given South a great deal of attention and the experiments of the government experts have shewn clearly that many lands, generally supposed to be worn out or worthless, are still among the richest in America when properly farmed. Secretary of Agriculture, Wilson, is a thorough believer in the agricultural possibilities of the South. He has outlined simple methods of farming to guide the planter of the South, which, he declares will make the lands of that section as productive as the rich soils of the North West.

The cheap prices of Southern lands and the possibility for making them the equal in production of any other lands in America convinced the secretary that the South is filled with opportunities for farmers. In a recent interview he declared that he expected to see a very heavy migration to the Southern States during the next year.

## INJUNCTION DISSOLVED.

The injunction suit filed recently in the Dickens County Court by the Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company to prevent the installation and establishment of the Luzon Telephone Company in Spur was last week dissolved in District Court at Matador.

The injunction was filed with the intention of estopping the Luzon Company in favor of the Southwestern Telephone system, thus preventing the establishment of but one telephone system in Spur.

The Luzon system resumed construction work Monday morning, putting up poles, etc. and will soon have their local exchange in operation.

# J. A. LAMB DIN & CO.

## Headquarters For Holiday Buyers

We are just in receipt of shipment of toys, dolls, fancy vases, and such little toys to make the children happy, also fancy water sets of glass in pitchers and glasses to match, albums, A. B. C. books etc. In fact in this line the showing is very good. In connection to this line we are now in better shape to serve your needs in dry goods, clothing, shoes, Ladies, Misses and childrens cloaks, Ladies tailor made suits, petticoats, sweaters, underwear, mufflers, neckwear, belts, novelty, jewelry, lace curtains, window shades, portiers, mens boys and childrens hats and caps, gloves, trunks, suit cases, or any other need we extend a special invitation to those of you who have failed to visit this store to come and inspect our lines, we assure you of your moneys worth in each and every case. Its time well spent to see what "Spur" merchants have on display for the wise buyer. We guarantee prices to be in line with any concern in Texas. Come in and let us get acquainted whether a buyer or not.

<p><b>We Sell</b></p> <p><b>Queen Quality Shoes</b></p> <p><b>FOR WOMEN</b></p>	<p><b>J. A. LAMB DIN &amp; CO.</b></p> <p><b>STAMFORD and SPUR</b></p> <p><b>C. L. LOVE, Manager Spur Store</b></p>	<p><b>PACKARDS</b></p> <p><b>Shoes For Men</b></p> <p><b>\$3.50 &amp; \$4.00</b></p>
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### NEWS BRIEFS.

The total assessed values of the State of Texas for 1909 are \$2,306,648,129. The Controller added the rolls Thursday.

The Santa Fe's extension in the Middle West will be made in the name of the Concho, San Saba and Llano Valley Railway Company, according to a charter amendment filed in Austin Monday.

Approximately 350,000 acres of Texas school land will go on the market during the first six months of 1910, from January 1 to June 30. The land Commissioner issued this statement Thursday.

In an address before an audience made up of people of fashion in New York Saturday, S. S. McClure, magazine editor, declared that there are no less than 10,000 owners of so-called "white slaves" living in New York.

According to a report published Wednesday, E. H. Harriman's estate was valued at \$149,000,000. This is said to be shown in the appraisers' estimate as completed and filed with the New York Surrogate, which, however, had not been made public.

Washington: The government expects to make the sugar trust pay \$8,000,000 in addition to the \$2,000,000 already collected in reparation for various frauds upon the revenues in the importation of sugar during the last few years.

Albany: Brown squirrels by the countless thousands are moving through this section, headed south from the Panhandle and Oklahoma. The migration is due to the dry and cold conditions there, compelling them to seek a better feeding ground. The squirrels in passing through are damaging wheat seed in Jones, Stephens, Shackelford and Callahan counties.

### CHURCH NOTICE.

On the first Saturday night Sunday and Sunday night in each month Elder Mike M. Young will preach. Everybody invited.

Murray, the mason for brick flues

### METHODIST CHURCH.

Members of the Methodist church have secured funds and made all the necessary arrangements to begin building a church in Spur at once. We are informed that work on the building will begin Monday morning and within a few weeks completed and ready for services.

With good schools, churches and lodges already organized Spur is an ideal place in which to locate and build a permanent home, and although the town is but little more than a month old it is full grown today in every respect.

Tom Harkey attended District Court at Matador this week.

### TEMPORARY BANKING HOUSE.

On account of the lack of a bank and banking facilities in Spur, the Spur Hardware Company has been doing a temporary banking business for the accommodation of the business men of town and the general public, and each day cash several hundreds of dollars worth of checks.

The Spur Hardware Company is to be commended for these accommodations to the town and general public, and which demonstrates their public spiritedness and proves that they are not only one among us here but have at heart the general welfare of the town and people.

### LITTLE CLIPPINGS.

In a man's life the greatest necessity is more money.

A wise man suppresses fully two-thirds of his opinions:

Flattery is turned to good account when used as a guidepost to all one ought to be.—Sample.

When his satanic majesty tempts some people they want him to get behind them—and push.

The main ingredients of true manliness are a forgetfulness of self and a constant regard for duty.—Buttler.

I cannot praise a fugitive and cloistered virtue, unexercised and unbreathed, that never sallies out and seeks her adversary.—Milton.

Enthusiasm is something that causes a man to shout when the crowd is shouting, even if he doesn't know what it is about.

Affability, mildness, tenderness and a word which I fane would bring back to its original signification of virtue, I mean good nature, or of daily use; they are the bread of mankind, and staff of life.—Addison.

A cold norther came down on us Friday morning and now the coal and wood men are in demand.

**1,500 TURKEYS WANTED BY DECEMBER 18th.**  
Highest prices paid.  
Spur Grain Company.

**See us for Posts, Sash, Doors, Lime, Cement**

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**Richardson Lumber Company**  
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Sold direct to the homeseeker, perfect title, no selling commission. We give full value for every dollar.

**\$12 to \$17.50  
PER ACRE**

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Cotton, no boll weevil, corn, alfalfa, all feed stuffs, grains, fruits, melons, vegetables. Great hog country---no cholera ever known. The hog farmer is king, and nowhere can hogs be matured so cheaply. Quick run to Fort Worth market. Delightful, healthful climate---altitude 2,000 to 2,500 feet.

The great extent and variety of land insure the homeseeker such range of selection that the man early on the ground can find exactly what he wants.

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**Chas. A. Jones, Manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons,  
SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS**

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**ORAN McCLURE, Editor & Prop.**

Subscription Price \$1.00 a Year.

R. R. Morrison came up from Rotan this week and spent several days in Spur looking after his business interest at this place. Mr. Morrison says that Spur is already the best town in the country, and in his opinion will become within a short time the leading town of the west.

J. P. Higgins, of several miles southwest of Spur, was here this week on business and while in town was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Higgins is one of the old timers here, and says that he has been living in Texas sixty odd years. He owns a big ranch and is one among the best fixed and most substantial citizens of the country.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Bittick, we are sorry to state, has been quite sick this week. We hope soon to report its complete recovery.

Go to the Spur Meat market for fresh Lard.

J. E. MORRIS,  
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON  
Office north of bank block.

J. T. MEERS,  
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON  
Calls answered promptly day or night.

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Will locate in Spur about Jan. 1, 1910. All kinds of dental work at moderate prices.

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SPUR, - - - TEXAS

B. F. EDWARDS,  
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Will be in Spur 2nd Saturday of each month. Bring your horses and have teeth worked over. Examination free. At livery stable or wagon yard. Work guaranteed

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### W. M. KIRKPATRICK

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BY DECEMBER 18th.

Highest prices paid.  
Spur Grain Company.

Go to the Elite Cafe for Tom Moore cigars.

J. P. Horton, secretary of the Spur Commercial Club, has our thanks for two subscriptions to Texas Spur. Mr. Horton, as secretary of the club is the right man in the right place. He is progressive, intelligent, high minded, and a pusher, knows when to push, where and what to push for. Prof. Horton has a bright future, and being full of the Western spirit of progress we predict that he will rapidly advance in either social, commercial or political aspirations and efforts, and Texas Spur suggests here and now that this western district could not select a better or more worthy representative in

the legislative halls of Texas. He is a law student, has a knowledge of the needs of this country, the gift of speech to fairly and convincingly present our claims and desires to legislators.

Rev. Stewart, of Dickens, was in the city one day this week. He reports that the Methodist of Spur will probably begin the erection of a church building Monday.

Miles Lewis and son, Hobert, of near Jayton visited relatives in Spur Sunday.

Suggs Callihan left Wednesday for Big Springs where he will visit relatives for a while.

## H. K. PARKS

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## Wall Paper

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SEE OUR BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY!!

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## Fireworks

### CUT GLASS

We have the latest designs of the famous P. & B. diamond cut. Price very reasonable.

### TOILET SETS

The very thing to give her. We have some real nice ones.

### RINGS

We have a very attractive line of solid gold band and set rings from \$1 up.

## GET OUR PRICES

### Dolls Dolls

ALL KINDS  
From 5 cents to \$5.00  
in prices

We are here to stay and appreciate your patronage. We can save you money. We have only the purest drugs and chemicals and pay strict attention to prescriptions. We are at your service day and night.

### Toys Toys

IRON, TIN, WOOD, PAPER  
Anything from A B C blocks to  
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## Fireworks

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### TOILET SUNDRIES

A complete line of Colgates toilet goods, brushes, paste, powder, La Blanche, Nodine, R. & G. Janice and Pazzonis face powder. Nice line of perfumes.

We have a nice line of Bibles and gift books. Also some beautiful pictures ready framed from 25c up.

WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
WE ARE YOURS TO SERVE.

The Store of Quality

# THE RED FRONT DRUG STORE

Spur, Texas

## SIMMONS & WILLIAMS

DRAY AND BAGGAGE

Meet all trains and give prompt service. Safe moving and heavy hauling a specialty.

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ICKENS, TEXAS

Drugs, Medicines, Paint, Varnish,  
toilet articles, syringes, soaps,  
perfumery and oil.

IF YOU WANT WHAT YOU WANT WHEN YOU WANT IT, COME HERE

C. L. Parrott, a prominent citizen and business man of Wolfe City, was in Spur this week looking for a location for a hardware business. Mr. Parrott was among those who assisted materially in the building of Rotan and the development of the surrounding country, he having disposed of the old Parrott Ranch, all of which is now being cultivated and producing the principal crops of the country. Mr. Parrott is strong financially, is a capable business man and progressive in his ideas and methods, and should he decide to locate in Spur will be a big addition to the town and country.

Mrs. J. P. Horton joined her husband here this week and Mr. and Mrs. Horton will be permanent residents of Spur in the future. Mr. Horton is now having a nice cottage built in the city and which will soon be ready for occupancy.

Melvin Douthit came over this week from Lubbock and will hereafter be associated with his father in the second hand business with the firm of Clingan & Douthit.

Go to the Spur Meat Market for fresh and cured meat and fresh bread—also barbestew meat. Across the street from Western Hotel.

Y. L. Jones returned this week from a business trip to Stephenville and other points.

Go to Spur Drug Company for toilet articles.

## Are You Going to Build?

There are a number of things to consider when you go to build a house. The first thing to consider is the place to get lumber, and your selection of a place to purchase material should always be from the very best and most reliable lumber men, a firm that will give you what you need and want. The next consideration is the price, and in price and quality of material we can not be beat anywhere by any firm. We have a large stock of lumber and building material of all kinds and will be glad to supply you in our line and will at all times give the very best service, the very best material and the very best prices.

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**SHINGLES, PAINT**

All Kinds of Building Material

We handle only the **BEST GOODS**. Our prices are as low as good material can be sold. No trouble to figure your bills.

**COME AND SEE US.**

### FROM EXCHANGES.

L. L. Jeter and family of Cottonwood passed through town this week moving to the Hagins place on Duck creek.

Mrs. M. L. Jones of Espuela has been in town this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Garner.

Mr. Sam Dunwoody and Miss Alpha Driver of Wichita community were married at the residence of Rev. I. D. Ferguson last Sunday, Rev. Ferguson officiating.

These young people are well and favorably known and have many friends of whom the Item joins in wishing them happiness through life.

County Commissioner, W. J. Young of Afton, and a number of Motley county's prominent citizens spent Tuesday night in town enroute to Spur with cotton and on account of the severe cold weather, lodged in our county jail.

Miss Lillian Denton who has been working as saleslady in the store of S. R. Davis' for some time, went to Spur Sunday where she has similar position in a dry goods store at that place. Miss Denton made many friends during her stay in Dickens who regret to see her go, but wish her good fortune and as many friends in her new location as she leaves in Dickens.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gay and baby of Spur, were in town several days this week visiting relatives.

Missionary S. P. Clements organized a Baptist Church at Spur last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mortar and Miss Lillian Denton made Spur a visit Tuesday.

H. T. Burgoon, the hustling land man of Spur was in the city Wednesday.

N. F. Richards and family who have been running a restaurant in Dickens for some time moved to Spur Wednesday where Mr. Richards and Martin Gay will open up a new restaurant. Here's hoping Ned, that you and Martin may make a fortune feeding hungry people.—Dickens Item.

J. W. Carroll returned from Spur Tuesday.

L. M. Dewey, of Spur, visited relatives in our city this week.

The bond election for court house and jail purposes has been deferred to February 5th 1910.—Aspermont Star.

### WE ANNOUNCE

To the public that we are now putting in an exchange at Spur and that we propose to give service second to none. We have been in the telephone business in Dickens and adjoining counties since 1900, we have stayed with the people through the hard times and feel confident they will give us a fair share of their patronage in the future.

LUZON TELEPHONE CO.

YOU get what you BUY at RICHARDSON LUMBER Co.

### AN INJUNCTION FILED.

T. G. Harkey who was putting in a telephone exchange at Spur for the Luzon Telephone Company was stopped in his work Monday by the filing of an injunction against this company putting in an exchange, the right being reserved by the town-site company for the Southwestern Telephone Company. The Luzon Telephone Company, represented by Attorneys L. W. Dalton and B. G. Worswick went before the district court which is in session at Matador and filed a motion to dissolve the injunction, on which motion the court will give a hearing December 11th.—Dickens Item.

Three years ago all the produce grown in this country for the Market was hauled to Quanah, one hundred miles away, and goods and ware of all kinds used here, were freighted from that point. What a change can three years bring about. Spur, a town in Dickens county has a railroad; Paducah, only fifty miles away has a road; and Floydada, only forty miles away will have a road by the first of the year.—Dickens Item.

Wm. JACKSON OSCAR JACKSON

## JACKSON REALTY CO.,

REAL ESTATE  
& INSURANCE

Special attention paid to city property. Non-resident realty and insurance looked after.

### NOTICE.

All parties now living in Spur are hereby notified that we have secured the services of a scavenger who will clean closets, keep streets, alleys and sidewalks clear of trash and rubbish. Everybody is expected to keep their premises clean and the scavenger is now at your service.

Respectfully,

J. M. BENNETT

Y. L. JONES

C. L. LOVE,

Street and Alley Committee.

### BUIDING FARM HOMES.

Uncle Buck Hardin came in this week from his place three miles southwest of Spur and had his name placed on our growing subscription list. Uncle Buck recently bought a quarter section of Spur management and will build two houses immediately and put in cultivation a sufficient number of acres on his place for two men to work. We are glad to have Uncle Buck located with us. He is a good man, a fine citizen and will materially assist in the development of this section of country.

W. G. Broyles has our thanks for two yearly subscriptions to Texas Spur, one to himself and one to his father.

## If You Want Bargains in Second-Hand Goods

...GO TO...

## Clingan & Douthit

5TH STREET, SPUR, TEXAS

## Spur Grain Co.

GRAIN, HAY  
AND COAL...

Highest Prices Paid For Hides.

B. E. Miller, of Carlton, was a recent visitor to Spur. He likes the town and country and will hereafter read the Texas Spur and keep posted as to the town and country, and it is very probable that he will return some time in the near future and make Spur his home.

W. G. Broyles is building a nice four room bungalow on Bluff Avenue and which will be complete within a few days. Spur continues to build rapidly, there being today more nice residences in the town than any other town the same age in America.

John E. Farr, who has for some time been employed at the depot, has accepted a position with the Spur Drug Company and will hereafter be found rolling pills and serving customers of that firm.

H. T. Burgoon left this week for Grapevine where he will spend several days with his family at that place.

Candies, fruits, nuts, apples, oranges, etc., at Elite Cafe.

Spur Drug Company for fancy perfumes and toilet soaps.

Fresh fruits and nuts of all kinds at Elite Cafe.

### FOR RENT.

Three rooms after the 22 inst. on lot west of the tin shop. Suitable for restaurant and place to live in. See H. L. Owens on premises.

### BRIGHT FUTURE.

Old timers are predicting a banner crop next year and we hope their predictions will be true. With a good crop over the entire belt, West Texas will plunge so far ahead that nothing can ever again check its onward march to commercial supremacy in this great State. With unlimited resources and with the railroads doing a mighty work of development the future of this great country is indeed bright as the noonday sun.—Borden Citizen.

### ESTABLISH LAW OFFICE.

P. C. Maynard, a prominent attorney of Roby, was here this week making arrangements to establish a law office in Spur. Judge Bouldin of Matador will be associated with him in the practice of law here, and together they will establish a law business second to none in the west.

Murray, the mason for brick flues

## Spur Hardware Co.

BUILDERS HARDWARE, STOVES,  
TINWARE, WAGONS, IMPLEMENTS,

Wire and Nails and Everything in  
Hardware and Implement Lines.

## Street, Lorbeer Music Company HASKELL, TEXAS.

Representing Jesse French Piano & Organ Co., Western Div.

STEINWAY  
STARR  
RICHMOND  
TTAYSER PIANOS

18 CARS NOW IN USE

In Texas Schools. Write or wire at our expense and we will send a man to see you.

STREET, LORBEER MUSIC COMPANY

"There's a Reason"

## The Western Hotel

BURLINGTON AVE., BLOCK 12.

First-Class accommodations and the very best service is extended guests.

MRS. MAHONE, Proprietor

SPUR, TEXAS

# COME TO SPUR

## Special Attractions To The Christmas Buyers

You can find the little toys to please the children and gifts for the old folks. All branches of business are represented and stocks are complete, car after car of every class of mercandise has reached us in the last few days and not only the grocery buyer but hardware and builders material of all classes are carried by our dealers in an abundance. You can fill any want and prices are guaranteed to be as good "Freights considered" as those in any section of Texas. We ask your presence in "Spur" and assure you that we as a unit are interested in the welfare of this section and ask your co-operation in the general upbuilding of our home town.

## A COTTON AND PRODUCE MARKET

we are paying the top prices and seek the seller to bring along anything you have. you will find the man here who will gladly give you all the market can afford. In the lumber line you can find some of the best assorted stocks carried in Texas and price and grade are on par.

**The Spur Commercial Club offers to the party selling the greatest amount in dollars of Dairy and Poultry Products from Monday, Dec. 20 to Sat., Jan. 1st, a Premium of \$5. Get receipts from buyers and mail to the secretary who will pay the premium.**

## THE CITIZENS CLUB OF SPUR

LAMBDIN & COMPANY, Dry Goods, Clothing Boots Shoes etc.  
BRAZELTON-PRYOR & COMPANY, Lumber, Lime, Cement, Brick, etc.  
SPUR HARDWARE COMPANY, General Hardware Dealers.  
CAYLOR-LAIRD, LUMBER COMPANY, First Class Building Materials of Every Kind.  
SPENCER LUMBER COMPANY, Ask Your Inspection, We Assure you Correct Prices.  
TEXAS SPUR, Send in Your Name; Let us Send The Paper.  
SPUR TOWNSITE COMPANY, We Are With The People In The Upbuilding of Spur.  
DICKENS COUNTY ABSTRACT COMPANY, Competent People Handle Your Business.  
R. C. MORRISON DRY GOODS COMPANY, Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, and Groceries.  
Y. L. JONES SPUR FURNITURE COMPANY, Will Open Shortly and Assure You Reasonable Prices.  
H. NICHOLSON, SPUR DRUG COMPANY, Careful and Accurate Prescription Druggist.  
H. J. DEFORD, REALTY BUSINESS, List Your Land For Prompt Action.  
P. A. FITE, MEAT CUTTER, With Tom Davis, Solicits Your Patronage.  
J. Y. JORDAN, PAINTER, SIGNS, PAPER HANGING.  
BRYANT-LINK COMPANY, Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Implements, Wagons, Buggies  
BOWMAN LUMBER CO., Building material of all kinds.  
RED FRONT DRUG STORE, Prescriptions filled at all hours.

LUZON TELEPHONE COMPANY, Connections to all Principal Points in Central West Texas.  
SPUR NATIONAL BANK, Will Soon Announce Their opening Capital Stock One Hundred Thousand.  
SPUR GRAIN COMPANY, Coal and Feed of all Kinds.  
R. L. KING, TINNER, Tanks, Gutters, Flues and General Tinner.  
H. T. BURGOON, City Property, Ranch Lands and Farms.  
W. J. MABEN, General Insurance Agent, City Property and Farm Lands.  
SPUR FURNITURE COMPANY, Will Open for Business this Week and can Fill Your Wants in Anything, in Wall Paper House Furnishing.  
JACKSON REALTY COMPANY, City Property Farm and Ranch Lands.  
ELITE CAFE AND CONFECTIONERY, Fruits Cigars, Tobacco and Candies.  
CAMPBELL & CAMPBELL, Furniture, Carpets, Rugs Wall Paper and Undertakers Supplies.  
BARBER & HANCOCK, Groceries.  
W. A. JOHNSTON, ROOMING HOUSE, First Class Rooms Courteous Treatment.  
E. J. COWAN, Fire Insurance and Notary Public.  
H. K. PARKS, Livery, Feed and Sale Stable, nice rigs, good horses and courteous treatment.  
W. E. KELLAR, Boot Maker, Harness, etc.  
MURRAY BROS., Artisans. Builders of brick, stone, cement.  
GODFREY REALTY CO., Farms, Ranches, Town Property.

We have just received a car of  
**New Furniture**  
 and are now ready for business

WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU TO  
 CALL AND LOOK THROUGH OUR STOCK

If there is anything in our line you need, will appreciate a portion of your trade. We will carry a large stock of the 1910 Patterns of Wall Paper. Also a complete

STOCK OF UNDERTAKERS' SUPPLIES.

**Campbell & Campbell**

Dunn Building, East Side Burlington Ave.  
 SPUR, TEXAS

TEXAS QUEEN.

We've heard of Maud on a hot summer day, who raked, bare-footed the new mown hay: We have read of the maid in the early morn, who milked the cow with the crumpled horn; and we've read the lay that the poet sings of the rushing corn and the flowers of spring; of all the lays of tongue or pen, there's naught like the lay of the Texas hen. Long before Maud raked the hay the Texas hen began to lay and ere the milkmaid stirs a peg, the hen is up and has laid an egg. The corn must rustle, the flowers spring, if they hold their own with the barnyard ring. If Maud is needing a hat or gown she doesn't hustle off to town; she goes to the store and obtains her suit with a basket of fresh hen fruit. If the milkmaid's beau makes a Sunday call, she doesn't feed him on milk at all, but works up eggs in custard pie and stuffs him full of chicken fry, and when the old man wants a horn, does he take the druggist a load of corn? Not much, he simply robs the nest, and to the town he goes, you know the rest. He lingers there and talks perchance, while his poor wife stays at home and scowls, but is saved from want by these selfsame fowls, for while her husband lingers there, she watches the cackling hens with care, and gathers the eggs and these she'll hide, till she saves enough to storm the tide. Then hail all hail to the Texas hen, the greatest blessing to all men. Throw up your hat and make Rome howl, for the preserving barnyard fowl. Corn may be king, but it is plainly seen that the

Texas hen is the Texas Queen.  
 —Exchange.

J. W. Hodges, of Oklahoma, is making arrangements to open up a grocery business in Spur. The house in which he will do business is now under construction and will be finished soon. Mr. Hodges will also have clothing in connection with his grocery business. He is an experienced groceryman and no doubt will do a good business in Spur.

Chas. E. Jones attended District Court at Matador this week.

WHAT TEXAS HAS.

The Texas farms produce \$1,540,000 per day.  
 The Texas forests grow 9,000,000 feet of lumber per day.  
 There are 30,000 head of live stock produced in Texas per day.  
 The Texas farmer ships 1,200,000 of raw material to the foreign factories per day.  
 The increase in values of real-estate in Texas is \$1,600,000 per day.  
 There is \$700,000 per day coming into Texas and investing permanently.  
 The average Texas Farm contains 357 acres.  
 There are 137,865,000 acres of uncultivated farm land in Texas.  
 Texas has 165,474,000 acres of land surface.  
 Texas has 2,118,000 acres of water surface.  
 Texas has 7.2 per cent of the area of the United States.  
 Texas has 4.1 per cent of the population of the United States.  
 Texas has one half of 1 per cent of the land area of the world.  
 Texas has one-fourth of 1 per cent of the population of the world.  
 The average cotton production of the world is 13 bales per 1,000 population.  
 The average cotton production of Texas is 1,000 bales per 1,000 population, or one bale per capita.  
 Texas produces 20 per cent of

**W. C. BOWMAN**  
**Lumber Company**

**LUMBER, SASH  
 DOORS, PAINT,**

And All Kinds Building Material.

**East Side Barber Shop**

TIDWELL & LEE, Props.

We give you smooth shaves, up-to-date hair cuts and first-class work in every respect.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Blackwell entertained a large number of young folks at a musical entertainment last Saturday night, and all report a nice time and lots of good music.

Meak Turner, of Lockney, came to Spur last Thursday and will make this his future home.

Misses Zady and Daisy Lewis were pleasant callers at Texas Spur office last Saturday.

R. L. Holly has our thanks for two more subscriptions to Texas Spur, he having the paper sent to J. W. McCommis of Wyoming and Mrs. E. A. Putman of Oklahoma.

Mr. Holly is an old timer here having located in Spur country thirteen years ago. He says he can hardly realize the changes being made in the country, but also realizes that within the next few years even greater changes will come about. The country is developing rapidly and within a few years will be densely populated and every available acre of land will be in cultivation.

NOTICE.

All parties now living in Spur are hereby notified that we have secured the services of a scavenger who will clean closets, keep streets, alleys and sidewalks clear of trash and rubbish. Everybody is expected to keep their premises clean and the scavenger is now at your service.

Respectfully,

J. M. BENNETT  
 Y. L. JONES  
 C. L. LOVE,

Street and Alley Committee.

WE ANNOUNCE

To the public that we are now putting in an exchange at Spur and that we propose to give service second to none. We have been in the telephone business in Dickens and adjoining counties since 1900, we have stayed with the people through the hard times and feel confident they will give us a fair share of their patronage in the future.

LUZON TELEPHONE CO.

**MURRAY BROS.**

ARTISANS

BUILD ANYTHING YOU WANT  
 FROM BRICK, STONE OR CEMENT

Houses, Culverts, Chimneys, Cellars, Flues, Cesspools, Sidewalks, Cisterns  
 Sewers, Grain Bins, Silos, Henhouse, Barns, etc.

WE BUILD THE BEST SIDE WALKS "WHAT IS" LET US SHOW YOU

Friday night the Spur country was visited by a light snow. No doubt the hunters of the country will avail themselves of this fine opportunity to have a chase with the hounds.

F. A. Sewell sold his shooting gallery this week and will hereafter do carpenter and contract work altogether.

the cotton of the world.]  
 Texas consumes one-fourth of 1 per cent of the cotton of the world.

The gross income of Texas is \$1,302,505,000 per annum.

The Texas farms produce \$561,339,000 per annum.

Texas mines produce \$16,566,000 per annum.

The Texas factories add \$124,000,000 annually to the value of the raw material.

The increase in all property and property values in Texas is \$600,000,000 per annum.

**WATER**

When you want water hauled I will be glad to serve you. I give prompt service and will appreciate any and all favors shown me in the water supply business.

**W. M. KIRKPATRICK**

T. T. Bouldin P. C. Maynard  
 BOULDIN & MAYNARD,  
 ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW  
 Special attention given to examination of titles.  
 SPUR, - - - TEXAS

B. F. EDWARDS,  
 VETERINARY SURGEON & DENTIST  
 Will be in Spur 2nd Saturday of each month. Bring your horses and have teeth worked over. Examination free. At livery stable or wagon yard. Work guaranteed

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SILVER MOON

**CAFE**

W. D. CLAY, Prop.

Regular Meals  
 Short Orders..

FRUITS, CANDIES, CIGARS.

We keep on hand at all times fresh bread and will be glad to serve you and will appreciate your patronage. Call and see us on 5th Street, across the street from postoffice.

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First-Class Meals 25 cts.  
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I Keep on hand a complete supply of legal forms.

**R. L. KING**  
 TINNER

All Kinds of Tin Work, Roofing, Guttering, Well Casing, Tanks, Etc. All Work First-Class.

**There is a Watch  
 Repairer in Spur.**

I have located in Spur a branch jewelry store. It is my intention to put in a first-class stock of watches and jewelry in Spur and it will be my endeavor at all times to give you the best quality in jewelry at the lowest prices. We repair watches, clocks and jewelry of all kinds. All work guaranteed. My business here will be in charge of Mr. W. C. Grubben, a first-class watch repairer.

**OWEN JEWELRY COMPANY**  
 Located in Lambdin Dry Goods Store. R. O. OWEN, Mgr.

# GOOD LUCK TO YOU

IF YOU BUY FROM

## Bryant-Link Company

We carry a complete line of Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, etc.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FULL LINE OF CALICOS, GINGHAMS, DOMESTICS, ETC.

We Sell  
The Keen Kutter Line

JUST RECEIVED A FRESH CAR OF THE BUTTES EXCELLANCE FLOUR.

We carry a full stock of the celebrated Schwab Clothing.

YOURS FOR TRADE,

# BRYANT-LINK COMPANY

We have sent out an appeal for a printer and when he arrives we will have an opportunity to get out of the office and hustle up more news items. Our material is still in transit and how long it will continue "in transit" we have no idea, but when it does get here we will feel much better and be prepared to do work in first class shape. Up to this time we have been getting out the paper and doing all work in a makeshift manner. However, it is said that all things come to those who wait, and we suppose things will come our way some day.

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Mr. Love, of the Gunn, Love & Company of Dickens, was a business visitor to Spur Thursday. Mr. Love reports that everything is moving along nicely in his town and that considerable cotton is being marketed there at this time.

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### J. B. GEORGE

Contractor  
&  
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Plans and specifications  
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Office at Richardson  
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WORK GUARANTEED

Plans and Specifications Furnished

#### FOR SALE.

Opportunity is here. A choice corner lot—new house \$600, another \$450. A large selection of choice lots and acreage, easy terms.

BARNEY JOHNSON,  
Spur Texas Land Co.

#### ESTRAYED OR STOLEN.

One black horse branded Bar R. H. on shoulder and has a flank cinch mark on one side, when last seen had chain on foot and hobbled with same chain. Liberal Reward for the delivery of horse to owner at Spur.

JON. B. PRUDEN,

H. D. Harvy came in this week and had his name added to the Texas Spur subscription list. Mr. Harvey purchased a lot this week and will begin building a residence on his lot at an early date.

B. F. Edwards, a veterinary surgeon of Aspermont, was in Spur this week and will make regular visits here in the future to practice his profession.

Mr. Babcock, of Stephenville, spent the week in Spur looking over the town with a view of locating a business here.

R. O. Owen was here Thursday from Rotan looking after his jewelry business in Spur.

A charter for the Modern Woodmen of America has been issued with about seventy-five members. A camp will be organized here next Monday, December 20th.

BARNEY JOHNSON,  
Deputy Head Council.

Dave Gray, who has been spending several days with his family at Stamford, returned this week to Spur and resumed his employment with the Luzon Telephone Company.

S. A. McCombs, of Luzon, was in Spur this week looking after the Luzon Telephone Company business at this place.

Spur Drug Company for school supplies.

"The Store Ahead"

## SPUR FURNITURE COMPANY

The Home of the  
SINGER SEWING MACHINE  
Cash or Credit

For Bargains in Ranch  
and Farm Lands and  
CHOICE SPUR PROPERTY

...SEE...

## H. T. Burgoon,

Spur, Dickens County, Texas.