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Pay Your Poll Tax Before The First Day of February.

In the course of human events there is a time in the destinies of all men when it becomes necessary within a limited time to act wisely and use good judgment in the affairs pertaining to our country and in shaping the destinies of our government. That time has now arrived and confronts the people of this country.

YOU HAVE JUST TEN SHORT DAYS IN WHICH TO ACT AND BECOME A VOTER.

According to the laws of the land at the present time citizens of the country will be disfranchised and deprived of the privilege of balloting in any election unless a poll tax receipt dated before February first is held by them and issued by the tax collector. Whether or not the disfranchisement proposition is consistent with free American government the tax proposition is a debt we all owe and one which should be paid promptly and unhesitatingly.

During the year important elections will be held. In July the Democrats will hold a general primary election, and since this election determines the result of the final and general election of state and county officers every Democrat who desires a voice in selecting men to serve in public office should be prepared with the necessary qualifications.

No doubt other important elections will be held in the several counties of the state, and especially in Dickens county. It is very probable that the people of Spur and surrounding country will have elections to create an independent school district, issue bonds for building purposes and create a tax for maintenance.

At the present rate of building and settlement of the town it is also very probable that the citizens of Spur will desire within the year to incorporate the town not only for school purposes but for municipal government, and should this materialize we all want to be prepared to push things along and also have a voice in selecting city officers.

In conversation recently with Sheriff Cole, he stated that probably arrangements would be made for Constable W. N. Blackwell of Spur to receive taxes and issue receipts to the people of this part of the country. This will be an appreciated convenience to tax payers here in that it will save a personal trip of several miles to the county seat.

The prompt payment of taxes is a very important matter at this time, and one which should not be neglected nor put off to the last minute. According to the old proverb, every man who pays his Poll tax may not be a good citizen, but every good citizen should pay his Poll tax—and do it now

New residences are going up all over town, and a number of substantial business houses are now under construction in Spur.

Farmers Raising Cow Peas for Hog Feed

Cow peas grow almost anywhere in Texas and are largely planted for the benefits they produce in enriching wornout soil. The value of cow peas as a hog ration is not generally known.

Recent experiments with the cow pea at the Kansas State Agricultural college demonstrated that cow peas for hogs was one of the best rations, results from it being equal to those secured from corn rations. Hogs are fond of it and on cow pea pastures take on fat rapidly.

Where cow peas are planted for pasturage for hogs, it is best to plant with corn. In this way the mixtures of peas and corn make a ration on which the hogs do exceptionally well. When planted with corn the usual method is to plant the same as for other ensilage, taking care not to plant the corn so thick as to stunt the growth of the cow pea.

Cow pea seed has a high feeding value furnishing two and a half times as much protein and nearly as much carbohydrates as corn does; and if the pea be ground and mixed with corn meal or other grain, it makes a hog food that cannot be beaten for results.

There are other reasons why more attention should be given to growing of cow peas, one of which is that they greatly improve the soil.

Being a rank feeder and deep-rooted, the crop is able to use plant food which the roots of other plants may not secure. Much of this plant food later becomes available to other crops planted after the rotation with cow peas. This crop has the advantage over other crops which are not legumes in that it is able to use the free nitrogen of the air through the aid of the bacteria which live upon its roots. The plowing under of a crop of green cow peas will greatly increase the supply of humus and nitrogen in the soil, and even when the crop is harvested for hay or seed some increase in soil nitrogen will result from the soil.

Result of Experiments.

As a result of the experiments made at the Kansas Agricultural college the following points of the cow pea are claimed by A. M. Ten Eyck in charge of the

agronomy department of that institution:

1. The cow pea is a leguminous crop enabled by the bacteria that live upon the roots to make use of the nitrogen of the atmosphere and store it in the soil for the use of non-leguminous crops, like wheat and corn.

2. Cow peas make nutritious hay relished by nearly all classes of stock, but the plant is a rank grower and the hay is somewhat difficult to cure.

3. Cow peas planted with corn make ensilage of higher feeding value than corn alone, being richer in protein. Cow peas planted with corn produce as much ensilage per acre as may be produced by corn alone.

4. Cow peas planted with corn at the last cultivation increased the yield of corn in which the cow peas were planted by more than three and one-half bushels per acre as an average for five years.

5. Cow peas planted as a catch crop between crops of wheat in continuous wheat growing increased the yield of wheat four and one-third bushels per acre as an average for five years. Where cow peas were used the yield of wheat has continually increased. Where not used the yield decreased.

6. Cow peas used as a catch-crop after wheat in rotation of wheat and corn increased the yield of corn over nine bushels per acre as an average for four years.

HANSOME ESTABLISHMENT

J. C. Bryant, of Stamford, came up Monday to Spur looking after business interests in connection with the Bryant-Link Company. The Bryant-Link Company is one of the biggest and strongest general mercantile firms in this section of the country. They are now having a large two-story brick business house erected on Burlington Avenue, and expect to move into it by the first or middle of February. The store fixtures selected is all quarter sawed oak, marble top and base, show cases and stands of the very finest make and latest pattern, and in every department best fixtures will be installed. In fact when established in the new building the Bryant-Link Company will be the most handsomely furnished general mercantile establishment in western Texas and second to none in Fort Worth or Dallas.

What Causes the Low Yield of Indian Corn

The low yields of corn which have characterized southern agriculture for so many years must be due to specific causes. What these may be is a subject worth serious consideration, for it is yearly becoming more and more essential that the southern planter grow more corn, because of the increasing number of animals he must necessarily keep to till the land, and the high price which the cereal now commands, and will continue to do in the future.

Corn is one of the most gross feedings of all the plants produced in America. This truth is not realized, and is one of the principal reasons why larger yields are not obtained in the south. Our land yields relatively heavy crops of cotton without making serious drafts on soil fertility. For example, a crop producing 190 pounds of lint, including the stems, roots, leaves, boll and seed will remove from the soil only 40 pounds of nitrogen, 16 pounds of phosphoric acid and 25 pounds of potash. When we consider that 190 pounds of lint contain but little more than .5 of a pound of nitrogen, .19 of a pound of phosphoric acid and .87 of a pound of potash, we see that it is quite easy to grow cotton on the land several years with but seriously impairing its fertility.

When the seed is taken away from the soil, the condition is much more serious, but even then, the lint and seed would take away less than 14 pounds of nitrogen, six pounds of phosphoric acid and six pounds of potash. The reader should not misunderstand and conclude that 190 pounds of lint is a satisfactory crop of cotton to grow. No farmer should be satisfied with less than one bale per acre, and a crop of this size would impoverish the land much more rapidly than one yielding 190 pounds of lint. But even then it is easy to see that the draft on the soil would be relatively light, and one that could be easily counteracted through the judicious use of fertilizers containing liberal amounts of potash, phosphoric acid and nitrogen.

Twenty bushels of corn is not a large yield. There are many farmers making 40 and even 60 bushels; but even where only 20 bushels of corn are grown per acre, the amount of nitrogen removed in the grain is 20 pounds making in all 46 pounds. Of phosphoric acid the grain removes about eight pounds and the stover seven pounds, making in all 15 pounds. Of potash the grain removes five pounds and the stover 35 pounds, making in all 40 pounds. Remember that corn stover makes an excellent feed

and it is becoming more largely used by the farmer every year, which means that a 20 bushel crop of corn removes from the land practically 46 pounds of nitrogen, 15 pounds of phosphoric acid, and 40 pounds of potash. The lint, cotton and the seed, the only two parts of the plant removed, even where a bale to the acre is grown, would not make anything like the same relative draft on the soil.

Suppose a man desired to grow a 60-bushel-crop of corn, we find that the grain will remove 61 pounds of nitrogen, the stover 37 pounds, or a total of 98 pounds. Of phosphoric acid the grain will remove 24 pounds and the stover 10 pounds making a total of 34 pounds. Of potash the grain will remove 14 pounds and the stover 49 pounds, making a total of 63 pounds. Sixty bushels of corn is not an extraordinary yield, yet it would remove from the soil more than twice as much nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash required to produce a crop of cotton, including the plants, yielding 190 pounds of lint per acre.

Cotton is a plant which is better adapted to the climate conditions of the southern states than corn; it can withstand the vicissitudes of weather to better advantage; it resists drouth much more effectively than corn, and takes a much longer period in which to develop. Probably no crop can utilize advantageously all the fertilizing materials added to the soil in a single season of growth, much less corn with its comparatively short and rapid period of development.

Is it any wonder, under the circumstances, that the yield of corn is so low, when so little plant food is returned to the soil in the way of commercial fertilizers? For instance, corn is some times fertilized at the rate of 300 pounds per acre with a 3-10-4 fertilizer, which would be considered a very high grade material by most farmers. Yet this is applying 12 pounds of potash where 40 are taken away in a 20-bushel crop, 51 in a 40-bushel crop, 63 in a 60 bushel crop, and 93 in a 100-bushel crop. It would take to supply the needs of a 20 bushel crop about three times as much potash as we ordinarily apply, and if we allow for some waste incident to washing and erosion, we would have to supply not only 50 pounds but at least 59 pounds.

The corn crop can be doubled and threbled in the South.—M. G. H. in Farm and Ranch.

HOTEL CONTRACT LET.

Just before going to press we are informed by Chas. A. Jones that the contract for the construction of the Spur Hotel is let to Holderness & Oates, contractors of the bank building here.

The contract price was \$40,000 and work will begin Monday.

You ought to see the swell post cards at the Elite.

The Elite invites you around to see a swell line of post cards.

A swell line of post cards at the Elite. You ought to see them.

Fred Danforth and wife, of Tap, were in Spur trading Wednesday.

A. R. Fouts returned this week to Rotan after spending several days in Spur.

J. E. Sparks, a prominent citizen of Tap, was in Spur Wednesday with cotton.

Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city this week.

Dr. Blackwell, a prominent physician, of Dickens, had business Wednesday in Spur.

W. J. Maben is again circulating among his friends in Spur after an absence of several days.

Mr. Crego, manager of the Spencer Lumber yard, has been quite sick, but we are glad to note that he is now able to be up.

E. Luce was here Thursday from Tap. Mr. Luce is running a store at Tap and while here secured a supply of groceries.

Misses Kate and Nell Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Parks, Miss Lillian Denton and Andy Hodge were among those who attended the Stamford Fair Thursday.

G. T. Davis, a prosperous citizen of near Afton, was in Spur Thursday after wire and posts to do considerable fencing on his place about four miles from Afton.

B. F. Yates was in Spur Thursday from his place four miles north of Afton. Mr. Yates hauled out lumber and posts with which to make improvements on his place.

W. E. Lyle and L. R. Barrett, of Stephenville, recently purchased the R. L. King tin shop. These gentlemen are experienced tanners and expect to increase the working facilities of the shop.

Don't throw your hats, suits and skirts away because they are soiled. We make them new.

VINSON & EDWARDS,
Tailors & Hatters.

The young people of Spur enjoyed dancing Wednesday night at the new residence just completed by Will Mathis in the northwest part of town. Excellent music was furnished and the large number in attendance seemed to enjoy the evening to the full extent.

Mr. and Mrs. Deck Powers entertained a number of friends recently. Those present were John Johnson and Miss Reavis, Ross Edwards and Miss Jones, Jno. E. Farr and wife and Ed Shelton. The popular game, Forty Two, was the principal feature of the occasion, and from reports those engaged at the tables had one of the most interesting games of the season.

We are now prepared to make a new hat of your old one.

VINSON & EDWARDS,
Tailors & Hatters.

George Pryor, of the Brazelton-Pryor Lumber Company, is in Spur this week and will probably remain indefinitely looking after the lumber interests here. The Brazelton-Pryor company is a large concern and has a number of lumber yards in this Western country. They do an extensive business and are most agreeable in their business transaction with their patrons.

Dr. Grace, a prominent physician of Royston, was in Spur this week looking over the town.

S. S. Alcorn, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was in Spur Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Sudberry, teacher of the Garrett school northwest of Tap, was a visitor to Spur Wednesday.

Dr. G. M. Bachelor, Dentist of Dallas, is now in Spur and will be ready for business in the next few days, office at Spur Drug Company.

Barney Johnson went over to Crosbyton Wednesday and will spend several days at that place with his family.

Clay Rash, of Claytonville, was in Spur Wednesday. Mr. Rash and family are visiting J. E. Sparks and family of Tap.

The corn and cotton and oats and cattle and wheat from the bulk of the commodities in which the great exchanges of the country deal.

What would become of the south should one whole crop of cotton fail, and what of the West should its corn and wheat not yield its abundance?

WANTED.—Woman or girl for general housework, washing and ironing included, small family, fair salary. Apply to Mrs. H. P. Cole, Dickens, Texas.

L. C. Link, of the Bryant-Link Company, came up Wednesday from Jayton and spent Wednesday and Thursday looking after business interests.

Jan. 19th, 1910.—Herring and Ellis have this day dissolved partnership in the Realestate & Insurance business. Ellis will maintain a land office at same place and Herring will occupy a room in the Jones new building.

HERRING & ELLIS.

Sheriff Cole, of Dickens, had business in Spur Wednesday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. The Sheriff says that occasionally he hears politics mentioned around the county capital but that it is not warmed up sufficiently to create very much interest.

J. A. Lambdin came up Wednesday from Stamford looking after his business interests in Spur. The J. A. Lambdin Company is doing a big business here and under the efficient management of C. L. Love will continue to increase its business and supply the trade handsomely with all that is required of a dry goods department store.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Two bay mares about 14 1-2 hands high. One branded O-bar on left thigh; the other branded L on right thigh. Left home December 26, 1909. A liberal reward will be paid for any information leading to their recovery. J. O. Yopp, Spur, Texas.

ELECTRIC THEATER.

Workmen are now engaged in the construction of a building on Burlington Avenue, and which will probably be completed this week, for an Electric Theatre.

O. C. Scarborough will be manager of the business and informs us that the machinery, engine and other necessary equipments will probably arrive this week and that a show will be put on immediately. Ten cents will be the popular price of admission and shows will be had each night throughout the week, and amusement will be furnished for old and young.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 16.—Hon. O. B. Colquit, candidate for Governor, has opened his headquarters in the Driskill Hotel in this city and they will be in charge of his son, Rawlins Colquit, a graduate of the university of Texas. It has been previously noted that ex-Attorney General Davidson has established headquarters at the Hancock Hotel in Austin, which are now open and the work progressing.

Messrs. Davidson and Colquitt are sending out literature and otherwise prosecuting their campaign, while the Hon. Cone Johnson is on the stump and Mr. Poindexter is using the press to give his views. All of them are active, though winter is not over. It shows what can be expected when real campaign weather comes and the candidates are able to meet the people. The hustings will ring and orators will be everywhere.

All but fools, such as his sort, know that it requires more common sense, general intelligence and industry to be a successful farmer than is required for almost any other business. The producer is the mainspring of prosperity. Unless he prospers all trades and professions must suffer, and those who sneer at him are unworthy to be called men. They haven't sense enough to end their lives by butting their thimble full of brains out against a tree.—Grandview Tribune.

W. C. Parnell, a prosperous citizen of the Afton country, had business in Spur Thursday.

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DICKENS ITEMS.

T. A. Gilmore was over from Spur ranch en business Wednesday.

P. C. Maynard returned Wednesday from Bastrop where he had been visiting his parents. He was accompanied home by his sister, Miss Jeanett, who will spend several months here.

Misses Julia and Johnnie Morrison, who have been attending school at this place, left Friday for their home at Fort Smith, Arkansas. They were accompanied as far as Paducah by their aunt, Mrs. E. D. Chambers. They made many friends during their stay at Afton who regret to see them leave.

In the case of the State vs Doc Edwards, the jury turned in a verdict of guilty on last Monday and gave him five years in the penitentiary. The case was appealed to the higher court. Edwards was released on bond.

If pleasure is an index, the box supper at Afton Friday night was a success, for all seemed to enjoy themselves very much. The supper was given for the benefit of the school library, and fourteen dollars was received. This makes a total of more than fifty dollars. The energy which the pupils display in obtaining funds for purchasing a library is in keeping with their school interest.—Dickens Item.

MEAL FED CATTLE.

J. D. Patterson, a prominent citizen and ranchman of Orianna, Stonewall county, was here recently and sold to the Spur Meat Market a car of meal fed cattle. The meat market has ordered a car of meal and hulls and will put their cattle on feed. Feed and slaughter pens are also being built on Mr. Cowert's place two miles from town on Dockum flat.

Editor White of the Crosbyton Review passed through Spur last week on his return to Crosbyton. While in the city he paid the Texas Spur office a pleasant call. Mr. White is a most pleasant gentleman and is giving Crosbyton an excellent paper.

W. J. Elliott was in Spur Monday from his Spring Creek farm south of town. Mr. Elliott recently closed up the Espeula store and retired to engage in agricultural pursuits. He had managed the Espeula store for years and years and its closing removed one of the old landmarks and historical points of this section.

John Mayes, of the Riter Hardware Company of Hamlin, was in Spur Tuesday to secure a business location for a business here. The necessary arrangements were made and they expect to be doing business at an early date. Spur continues to grow in both business and residence sections. Residences are going up on every hand and business concerns establishing themselves on every street.

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Tol Merriman was here recently from his place south of Spur.

Uncle Buck Hardin was in from his place south of town this week.

Miss Baker, of Haskell, is in the city with Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McCormick.

O. C. Scarborough returned Tuesday from a visit to his family at Hamlin.

M. A. Rose, of the M. A. Rose Company of Jayton, had business Tuesday in Spur.

R. F. McGill, a prominent citizen of Dickens, was a business visitor Tuesday to Spur.

Horace Johns, formerly of Clairmont but now of Des Moines, Iowa, was a prospector Tuesday in Spur.

Tip Foy came up this week from Rotan and spent several days here looking after business interests.

Mrs. A. T. Odeneal, of Paris, is in Spur on an extended visit to her daughter and family, Mrs. J. V. McCormick.

Rev. Kimbro, of Afton, attended the first quarterly conference of the Methodist church held here this week.

W. J. Maben made a flying business trip to Rotan this week. Jack is a "stem-winder" when it comes to getting about and doing business.

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Rev. Hardy, Presiding elder of the Methodist church, was in Spur this week attending the first quarterly conference of Spur and Dickens charge.

N. A. Baker is now thoroughly established in the new post office building and with the new fixtures is serving the public in a first-class manner. The post office, with other concerns just established, has been up against a hard proposition but has been giving exceedingly fine service under the circumstances and existing conditions.

J. P. Higgins came in Monday from his farm and ranch twelve miles southwest of Spur, and hauled out lumber and other supplies. He is building a rent house, barns etc. and preparing to put into cultivation several hundred acres of land. Mr. Higgins has about five thousand acres of land in his ranch, practically all of which is agricultural lands. He is well stocked with cattle, hogs and horses, raises his own meat and has sold several loads in Spur at six and a half and seven cents, grows his own feed stuff, and in fact is well fixed and one among the most substantial citizens of the country.

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B. E. Morgan and A. B. Morgan, of Munday, came in this week, purchased lots and are now building. They intend to open a meat market here just as soon as a house can be completed.

Hugh Squyres and family moved this week from Dickens to their new home just completed in the northwest part of Spur. We are glad to welcome this estimable family to Spur and wish them much prosperity in their new home.

Mark Hardin, Jr., purchased Tuesday a one half interest in the Rodgers & Pattison Pressing Parlor, and hereafter the firm name will be Spur Tailoring Company, Rodgers & Hardin proprietors. They will put in new machines and a well equipped shop in every respect.

A girl baby was born Friday January 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McCormick of the city. The young Miss not only has the honor of being one of among the finest families of Western Texas but has the distinction of being the first child born in the city of Spur. The Texas Spur wishes and predicts that young Miss McCormick will develop into a handsome, pure and lovable young lady and may she live long

to honor both parents and native town.

W. M. Kelley, of Rotan, spent several days in Spur with a view of locating a business of some character here. Mr. Kelley was formerly in the grocery business at Rotan and is also an old time railroader. He stated that Spur was a stem winder as to growth and development and that the present progress was very encouraging, however he had a hankering to get back to railroading and would probably go down on the Texas Central and assist in construction work.

C. L. Love, the popular manager for the Lamdin store at Spur, was here Sunday and Monday, returning Tuesday morning. Mr. Love is making a big success as manager of the Lamdin business at Spur and he says trade conditions in the live new town are superb. Mr. Love remarked that the new town is growing very fast and that the large improvements underway are all of a substantial character. He is of the opinion that Spur is to become one of the best trading points in all the west. Mr. Love stated to a News man that upon his return to Spur Tuesday morning he intended to agitate the matter of getting up a special excursion train from that city to

Stamford next Friday to afford the people of that place a trip to Stamford and a visit to the Commercial Fair now in progress.—Stamford News.

The First Quarterly Conference of the Spur and Dickens charge of the M. E. Church was held in Spur this week and largely attended by visiting members.

We suppose that W. W. Lewis has dug the first storm celler in Spur as he has just completed a nice one on his place in East Spur.

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We wish we know what some duck put into our subscription jug yestidf; all we know is that one of th' finest drinken' ducks o' Alkli come wabblin' inter our presence yestiddy jest after th' aforesaid subscription hed been received, an, in response ter his pleadin' look we jerked our thumb toards our jug an' he went over an' fastened hisself onto th' neck of it an' took three gurgles then he drapped th' jug on to the imposin' stone where it busted, an' hollered, then he ris up onto his toes an' hollered ag'in, then he jumped three foot inter th' air an' let out another yawp, an' though we started fer him th' minute th' jug smashed, an' though we had only about six feet ter go ter reach him, before we could git ter where he was at he hed hollered three times, rolled over on th' floor four times, wiped his tongue on th' office towel once, an' run around th' office like a cat with a fit, an' whilst we managed ter land onto his gable end with a galley as he went outen th' winder there was not much satisfaction in that fer us, an' he seemed ter be havin' so many other troubles with himself that we don't believe he ever knew we landed till he got sobered up an' tried ter set down. We went back ter where he had drapped th' jug an' smelt o' th' pieces, an' tried ter pick some o' th' dope up with th' office sponge, but they wes so much other foreign mater in th' sponge that we couldn't taste th' dope at all; then we went ter th' door an' looked up th' road at th' cloud o' dust that was a-dwindlin into th' distance an' we seen that it wouldn't be no good tryin' ter overtake th' party of th' first part, an' there wouldn' 've ben no result but a homicide if we had ketchup with him, an' whilst we was hungerin' to commit murder we was a-hungerin' worse fer a drink. We would like to know what it was in th' jug; we believe that if we could git a good snifter o' thet kind o' dope underneath the waist band of our pants we could beat our own record at lickin' a policeman, an' thet would be going some. When we went back th' stone was a smokin' there was a hole burnt into th' floor an' th' sponge was on fire an' they was a scorched streak th' entire len'th of th' office towel, but aside from them few traces of th' late disaster everything was alright. Ef we kin find th' name of th' stuff thet done it all we shall challenge th' winner of th' Johnson-Jeffries fight. Some people is prejudice ag'in fightin' a nigger, but all th' niggers we know are prejudice ag'in us an' there's a reason. Ef th' duck thet poured th' subscription will come back ag'in he will hear o' somethin' to our advantage. Meantime we-air ready to exchange a year's subscription fer a new jug.—Alkali Eye.

Don't forget to pay your poll tax before the first day of February. If you fail to do so you will not have the privilege of voting in the elections to be held throughout the year.

Subscribe for the Texas Spur.

Every line in a newspaper costs the proprietor something. If it is for the benefit of the individual it should be paid for. If the grocer were asked to contribute groceries to one abundantly able to pay for them he would refuse. The proprietor of a newspaper must pay for the free advertising if the beneficiary does not, and yet it is one of the hardest things to be learned by many, that a newspaper has space in its columns to rent and must rent to live. To give away rent for anything less than living rates is as fatal to a newspaper as for a landlord to furnish rent free.

The above was taken from the Dickens Item of last week and contains facts which should be considered by the general public and especially the patrons of newspapers. Space in a paper is the stock in trade and when no pay is received for it the paper goes busted. A paper always contributes more considering space, to the upbuilding of towns and promoting the public enterprises than individuals. Space means money, and it is given unhesitatingly, freely and

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Here it is in a nut shell as explained by the Wills Point Chronicle:

"If you were 21 years of age before January 1, 1910, you must procure a poll tax receipt to be entitled to a vote next year. If you arrived at the age of 21 after January 1, you don't. If you reached the age of sixty before January 1, 1909, you don't have to pay a poll tax, but if you reached your sixtieth birthday after January 1, you will have to pay your poll tax."

IT'S CATCHING.

Smile and the world smiles with you, "knock" and you go alone; for the cheerful grin will let you in where the kicker is never known. Growl, and the way looks dreary; laugh and the path is bright; for a wholesome smile brings sunshine, while a frown shuts out the light. Sing and the world is harmonious; grumble and things go wrong, and all the time you are out of rhyme with the busy, hustling throng. Kick and there's trouble brewing; whistle and life is gay, and the world's in tune like a

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The little political ball is now rolling in Dickens county as well as other counties of the state. The campaign for state offices is warming up and before the end of the season promises to become red hot. Already four candidates are in the field for governor, the fifth man having recently withdrawn from the race. The old Bailey issue, prohibition and personal and political grudge apparently will be among the leading issues, all the big politicians and a few statesmen taking a leading part in campaigning and legging for their respective candidates. While at this long range we of this section do not expect to be in the heat of battle, but can quietly note its progress and when election day rolls around go to the polls and cast a ballot for the man whom we think best fitted to serve the public.

Window glass any size at Brazelton-Pryor & Company.

day in June, and the clouds all melt away.—Exchange.

Of the chronic kickers who make the art a trade, the cranks who kick the papers are the lowest on the grade. They kick if you forget them in a notice of a fight, and lift the very ceiling if their names are not spelled right; they kick because their paper is silent on their fads, and kick a little harder when it has a run of ads; they kick when dunned for money, and when a last they pray, they leave you with a blessing which takes your breath away.—Ex.

If you want to buy a ranch, farm or town property see the Panhandle Land & Abstract Company. We have a large list of property for sale and can give you just what you want at the very best prices. Be sure to see us before making a purchase.

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NOTICE.

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas, is hereby called for the second Tuesday, the 8th day of February, A. D. 1910, at Banking House of said Bank, in Spur, Texas, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business properly coming before such meeting.

W. G. SHERROD, Cashier.

John Taylor, of the Clairemont Mercantile Company, was in Spur Tuesday from Clairemont.

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NO. 9611

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency

Washington, D. C. Dec. 15, '09
WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK" in the town of Spur in the County of Dickens and State of Texas has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lawrence O. Murray, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK" in the town of Spur in the County of Dickens and State of Texas is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty-one Hundred and Sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and seal of office this fifteenth day of December, 1909.

LAWRENCE O. MURRAY,
Comptroller of the Currency.

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Lots, houses and houses to rent small tracts of land near town from one to ten acre tracts, some good ten dollar land ten miles from Spur, easy terms.

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To the first comers, ready to develop, we are willing to sell one-half our holdings of 673 square miles on easy terms and reasonable prices. We reserve the other half for big increase sure to come with development. We stand shoulder to shoulder with the homeseeker.

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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**

TAP TELLINGS.

We have had moderate weather the past week and farmers are all smiles, as they can work in comfort and the early spring plowing has begun.

There will be considerable more land in cultivation this year than was last year since much grubbing has been done and sod breaking is going on with our good looking people.

Mr. Leo Spradly, our new neighbor, will take his departure for Joplin, Missouri. Our best wishes go with him and we promise him excellent neighbors as that used to be our home.

Mr. A. B. Anderson, the genial well driller is with your town people drilling wells. He reports success in his line as Spur is improving rapidly and permanently.

George Green, our bachelor neighbor, has lately been to Dickens courting. We do not understand whether it was judicial courting or actual courting with matrimonial intent.

Clarence Day, the orator for Tap school will deliver an oration on love, courtship and marriage next Friday evening. All invited to hear him especially the young ladies.

Miss Vernon Zumvaldt visited with Miss Clattie Day the past week and Miss Clattie returned the visit the next night and they both had a good time telling jokes and studying their lessons

which they always delight in reciting to their teacher.

Marion Day is Literary class professor at Tap and recited the best paper this writer ever heard at the last meeting. Success to you Marion and may the height of your ambition be attained.

Walter Greer and lady have been visiting near the Spur of the plains with some ranch people. They report a nice time and plenty of fish.

The dancing party at Mr. Vinson's last evening was enjoyed by many young folks of the community. Cake and apples were passed in the way of luncheon. RUBBER NECK.

B. F. Brock, a prominent citizen and business man of Dickens, had business Tuesday in Spur and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Brock said that everything was quiet and peaceable and moving along smoothly in the capital city.

If you want to sell or exchange property, farms, ranches or town lots, list it with the Panhandle Land & Abstract Company. They give prompt and efficient service.

Fresh home made bread at Spur market.

FOR SALE.

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Home made lard at the Spur Meat Market.

Poultry and hog wire in all the widths at Spur Hardware Co.

G. R. Cox, of Crosby county, was a recent visitor to Spur.

YOU get what you BUY at RICHARDSON LUMBER Co.

A splendid line of glass ware just received at Spur Hardware Co.

Take your bucket to the Spur Meat Market and get home made lard.

G. W. Worrell, of Cone, in Crosby county, was in Spur recently on business.

Miss Mattie Gwyn, formerly of Rotan, is now with Morrison and will make Spur her home.

T. E. Rucker, a prominent citizen of near Afton, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

Bain wagons are the best and don't cost any more than other makes. Buy yours from Spur Hardware Co.

N. Q. Brown and family moved this week to the northwest part of Spur to one of the many new residences going up in that part of town.

Canton Clipper turning plows, Rod plows and Success Sulkeys have been sold in this country for years and have given universal satisfaction. Spur Hardware Co. sells them.

Mace Hunter, a prominent citizen of Kent county, was a recent visitor to Spur. Mr. Hunter owns some valuable property here and will possibly improve same in the future.

Chas. A. Jones, manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons, Spur Farm Property, had business in our city Wednesday. Mr. Jones was accompanied by his wife.—Clairemont News.

Attorney P. C. Maynard, of Dickens, returned home by the way of Spur last week from a visit to relatives at Bastrop. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Jeanett, who will remain with him at Dickens on an extended visit.

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W. C. Gordon came in this week and had his name placed on the honor roll of the Texas Spur. Mr. Gordon had recently returned from a visit to his family at Childress.

C. A. Jones, of Spur, manager of the selling department of the Spur ranch and farm lands, located in this and Dickens county, was here Tuesday paying taxes and transacting other business. The taxes for the Swenson land in this county for this year amounted to over \$1,300.—Post City Post.

Will S. Cooper, of Clairemont, come up Monday to Spur and spent two days here looking over the town with a view of locating a business at this place. Will reports that he now has a new girl in his home, and although the young lady is only a month old he intends to begin her education at once, and for that reason desires to locate where she can have the benefit of first class and up-to-date schools.

Spur, during the two months of its existence, has made a record in school matters as well as along commercial and other lines, and considering these facts we are confident the desires along this line will be gratified.

Mr. Cooper is a fine business man and will be an addition to the citizenship of the town, and we expect soon to see he and family permanently located in Spur.

MOVED TO FARM.

This week W. A. Johnson sold his rooming house to D. C. Haile of Afton and hereafter the business will be under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Haile who will continue to give the very best service to patrons. Mr. Haile and family are old time

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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.
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THE STORE OF QUALITY.

Mr. Douthitt left this week for Lubbock where he will make his home in future. Mr. Douthitt was with Clingan & Douthitt here until recently having sold his interest to J. L. Clingan.

J. S. Hamerson, W. C. Gruben, C. L. Love and W. P. Davis drove out over the country to the south of Spur Sunday. They report that considerable improvements are being made in that section but there is yet lots of room for farmers and settlers.

Ed Cornelius, formerly of the Hart ranch near Clairemont, was in Spur Monday and Tuesday with a view of locating here. We would be glad to have Mr. Cornelius with us and assure him that he could not find a better place in which to locate. The town is young in age, but a whopper in size, considering age, and full grown in push and enterprise.

residents of this section of country and are among our best and most highly respected citizens. We wish them success in Spur. Mr. Johnson and family moved to his farm three miles northeast of Spur. Mr. Johnson says he has stock and other things on his place that need his attention and that he preferred to live on the farm any way. He did a good business while in Spur and contributed to the up-building of the town, and while making his home out of town we yet consider him one of us and wish him continued prosperity.

LOST—Two baldfaced colts, two bay horses one black pony mare, one brown horse. Will pay reasonable reward for their return to me at Spur.

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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. Gruben, a first-class watch repairer.

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 SPUR, TEXAS

All Depends On The Soil.

There is trouble when the banks fail, and the collapse of commercial concerns causes great distress and embarrassment.

But the country can better stand these things than it can stand the failure of the farm.

The farm that goes bankrupt is most direct loss, for the big fortunes of the country are based largely upon the products of the farm.

The farmer after all is the true banker of the nation. He is realizing more and more his sovereign power, and the world is looking upon him with more esteem as the mainspring of the prosperity situation.—Stamford News.

R. V. Colbert, president of the Spur National Bank, came up Sunday from Stamford to look after the banking interests at this place.

Wine and women may be alike, in some respects, but age improves wine.

A great deal is heard of the art of remembering, and but little of the fine art of forgetting.

If you see a fault in others, think of two of your own, and do not add a third one by your hasty judgment.

Miss Irma Morrison, of Rotan, came up Wednesday and is visiting the Misses Mahon at the Western Hotel.

The people who have the greatest opinions of themselves are frequently the poorest judges of human nature.

Mr. Loyd, a business man and prominent citizen of Afton, was here this week on business. He reports that Afton is progressing nicely and the people of the country are beginning to prepare land for this year's crop.

Texas Central to Extend Westward.

Official information is afloat that the Texas Central railroad will in the near future extend westward from Rotan to some point on the Plains, Post City being named as the probable terminus.

Also a move is on foot to run a tap from DeLeon to Rising Star.

Clothes Don't Make The Man.

A little spider-legged dude who has not sense enough to hold his place as a clerk at one place more than a few weeks, or a month at best, was heard sneering at the tattered clothing of a man from the country. He has not even sense enough to realize his utter dependence upon the farmers.—Taylor Journal.

H. J. Deford made a business trip to Stamford Sunday, returning to Spur Monday. Mr. Deford is one of Spur's most progressive citizens and at all times will be found assisting materially in the interests of the town.

J. J. Nolan, a prosperous citizen of the Liberty community several miles north of Dickens, brought cotton to Spur Thursday and sold it for thirteen-forty. Mr. Nolan says that a few more days will wind up the cotton picking season in that section of country and that a number of the farmers have already broken their land for this year's crop, while others are just getting in shape to begin plowing. He says the crop prospects are good in his section and all feel confident of an extraordinary big yield. Mr. Nolan was a very pleasant caller at this office and left a silver dollar with us to keep the Texas Spur coming his way.

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

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 Fresh Beef, Pork, Sausage, etc. Always on Hand
 CALL IN AND GIVE US A TRIAL. WE TREAT YOU RIGHT.

West Texas Land Co.

Will establish an office in Spur at an early date and would be glad to have you list your property with us. Our facilities for handling your farms and ranches as well as city property, is the very best and can give you prompt service and quick returns on your property. See us and list your property

Spur, Texas **WEST TEXAS LAND CO.** Dickens Co.

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JUST RECEIVED A FRESH CAR OF THE BUTTES EXCELLANCE FLOUR.

We carry a full stock of the celebrated Schwab Clothing.

YOURS FOR TRADE,

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to action of the July Democratic primary.

For District Attorney:
ISAAC O. NEWTON

For County and District Clerk:
CEPHUS HOGAN

CUTTING UP MORE LANDS.

J. W. Denton was in town Tuesday from Tap where he is with the surveying crew. The surveyors are cutting up the land in that section preparatory for sale to the farmers. Mr. Denton says in their rounds they have found quite a lot of petrified bones and large teeth which is evidence of the fact that in former years large game was in this section. He says now they frequently see deer, antelope and other game in plenty. The surveyors will be in that section quite a while and when the work is completed will go to Throckmorton.

FINE FEED CROPS.

P. Henson, of Tap, was in Spur Wednesday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Henson is among the most prosperous farmers of that section and one of the best citizens. He made this year plenty feed stuff to run him and has quite a lot to sell. He said that everything was moving along nicely and that everybody is smiling because of the promising prospects of a big crop year. The fact is, no country ever had better prospects for crops at this time and which fact is encouraging to merchants and professional men as well as farmers.

SUBSCRIPTION INCREASING.

W. Bender has our thanks for a subscription to Texas Spur. Every day new names are added to the list. We will do our very best to issue a paper that will be read and appreciated by our subscribers. We have had a hard time in getting established and prepared to issue a creditable paper and care for patrons in the printing line, but we hope now that all former difficulties are fully overcome and we will be fully prepared to meet all the requirements in both the publishing and printing business. We thank the many who have overlooked our short comings in the past and appreciate more than you know the favors that have been shown us.

FORTY TWO PARTY.

A number of the young people of Spur were entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Standifer in the north part of the city. The guests were Miss Nell Mahon and C. M. Glenn, Miss Ruth Attebury and Mr. Chandler, Miss Alice Richardson and A. J. Tyler, Jr., Miss Kate Mahon and Mr. Colbert, Miss Lula Ellis and W. F. Godfrey.

The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Caylor. Non progressive forty two was the leading feature, refreshments being served and delightful conversation indulged throughout the evening. Music was also an entertaining feature.

The guests departed at a late hour, and with one accord thanked the hostess and Mrs. Caylor for a most delightful evening.

For County and District Clerk.

The Texas Spur is authorized this week to announce, Cephus Hogan for the office of County and District Clerk of Dickens county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held in July.

Mr. Hogan came to Dickens county about four years ago from Bell county, his native home, and since that time has been employed as deputy clerk under L. W. Davis, the present incumbent.

In selecting officers in every department of county as well as state and national government qualifications and efficiency should be the most important consideration of the voter, and in these respects Cephus Hogan is thoroughly qualified for the office he seeks. He has served as deputy during the past four years, is familiar with every detail of the official work and will attend the duties of office ably, conscientiously and satisfactorily to constituents. Mr. Hogan is well known to older settlers of the county. He is a young man of worth and admired by those who know him.

At the July primary give Cephus Hogan due consideration before casting your ballot.

I. D. Gamble, a prominent citizen and business man of Floydada, was in Spur this week and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and had the paper sent to his address.

* W. T. McCarty came in this week and had his paper sent to Afton instead of Dickens.

J. W. Buzbee, of Hamlin, came to Spur this week and is now a permanent citizen of the town. Mr. Buzbee will be associated with the Riter Hardware Company in tin and metal work and hardware business. The building to be occupied by the firm is now under construction on the east side of Burlington avenue and will be ready for business some time next week. We knew John Buzbee in former years and together we were familiar with trapping rabbits and riding yearlings in the sand roughs of Eastland county. We are glad to renew the acquaintance and association in Spur and wish him all kinds of success in our new home.

Y. L. Jones, of the Spur Furniture company, made a business trip Wednesday to Stamford.

Floyd Caylor made a business trip this week to Lubbock. Mr. Caylor is with the Caylor-Leard Lumber Company of Spur. This company also does business at Plainview, Lubbock and Abernathy.

Invitations are being sent to friends to attend a birthday party to be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Humphrey Wednesday evening, January 26, 1910.

H. F. Clay, a prominent citizen of Dickens, was here Thursday and Friday visiting his sons and families. Mr. Clay said that this was his first visit to Spur since the opening and that the progress made in town building was surprising.

Dave Gray made a business trip to Stamford Wednesday.

Wall Paper

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