

TWO BIG DAYS IN SPUR
WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

The Two Days Picnic and Barbecue a Success in Every Particular.

The picnic and barbecue Wednesday and Thursday was one of the most pleasant and enjoyable occasions in the history of Spur. The first day dawned bright, clear and cool, a light shower of rain during the night laying the dust and contributing to a most refreshing, pleasant and agreeable day. At an early hour the picnickers began coming in from every section of all of the surrounding country until the crowd numbered near five thousand people.

On entering the grounds the main thoroughfare was lined on either side by cold drink stands, confectioners, shows of various character, including the six legged pig and monkey, wild man of Barneo, the crazy house, sea serpents, snakes and reptiles of many kinds, the African dip, doll racks and the famous East India Medicine Company shows as well as the merry-go-round which is indispensable to the completeness of any picnic. At the end of the main entrance was the band stand where throughout the two days the Hamlin Band furnished music for the occasion. The Hamlin Band is one of the best in Western Texas and under the leadership of Mr. Ward established a reputation with Spur and the Spur people. Near the band stand was a ladies rest room, comfortably furnished and privately located for the convenience of ladies. Further within the grounds was located the ball park and grand stand where each day large crowds were entertained by a series of ball games, each days game being witnessed by large crowds. Still further was the race track where each day horse races were run for good sized purses. On the ball ground foot races were also run. Tournament races the second day were greatly enjoyed, there being a number of riders to enter this contest, the purse being sufficient to encourage an active spirit of rivalry on the part of contestants.

On both days a dinner in abundance was spread for every one present, the first day being a basket picnic and the second an old time barbecue. The meat was well cooked and together with bread, pickles and coffee was served in sufficient quantity to satisfy the appetite of every individual on the grounds.

Taking the picnic as a whole and it was a success in every particular and the people of Spur and the various picnic committees are to be congratulated in the successful entertainment of the crowds on the occasion of Spur's first annual celebration. Among those deserving special mention is C. L. Love in the management of the races and various other entertaining features on the grounds, Marshal Neely in coaching the crowds and encouraging the very best of order and discipline throughout the two days and others who contributed much to the success

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of the occasion and pleasure of home people and visitors. The occasion will long be remembered as two big days in Spur and at our next annual celebration we expect to eclipse all former celebrations within Western Texas.

A detailed report of prize winners and awards of purses in all contests will be given in next week's issue of the Texas Spur.

EXCEPTIONAL COUNTRY
IN FARM PRODUCTIONS

Jno. Sampson, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Tuesday. He says that his crop has been holding up remarkably well considering the unfavorable conditions existing all over the country. He expects to gather a good cotton yield and says that he has already made an abundance of feed. Spur country produces the stuff regardless of conditions of the country as a whole. This is an exceptional country and is exceptionally successful in farming and crop production of every variety and character. Come to Spur and build a permanent and prosperous home in the Spur country.

The Texas Spur is requested to announce that Rev. Gray of Abilene will conduct services Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Presbyterian church. Special music will be a feature of the Sunday services and everybody is invited to attend.

FIRST BALE OF COTTON
SOLD IN SPUR

Thursday J. A. Boland, of the Girard country, brought in the first bale of cotton of the season and sold it on the Spur market. The bale was bought by the Spur Hardware Company, the price paid being \$11.95 per hundred pounds.

This is the opening of the fall season in Spur and the price paid demonstrates that Spur will maintain a reputation as a high cotton market again this fall, the price paid for the first bale being as much as the quotation price for cotton in Houston and Galveston without considering the cost of shipment to these markets. The quotation price for middling cotton in Houston was 12 cents and in Galveston 12 and one-eighth cents at the time this bale was sold in Spur.

A premium of several dollars was made up and given to Mr. Boland by the business men.

Within a short time we expect to see the cotton rolling into Spur at a rapid rate and throughout the fall the merchants and cotton buyers of Spur will pay the very top price in every instance. Bring your cotton to Spur for the highest price and trade with Spur merchants for best goods at the very lowest prices.

RECEPTION TO TEACHERS

A reception will be given the teachers of Spur Public School

Friday evening, September 1st, at 8:30 o'clock, at the Methodist tabernacle under the auspices of the Mothers Club. The following program will be rendered, after which punch will be served to all present:

What the State Expects of the School.—Dr. G. T. Brandon.

What Business Expects of the School.—Chas. A. Jones.

What Society Expects of the School, and the Mothers Club Plans for this Year.—Mrs. Jeff D. Reagan.

A Few Things the School Expects of all These and Our Plans for this Year.—S. W. Adams.

Everybody is cordially invited, and we urge that every patron be present.

Respectfully,

Mrs. H. T. Burgoon, Pres.
Mrs. Jeff D. Reagan, Sec.

QUARTERLY MEETING

The third Quarterly Meeting for the current year will be held at the Methodist Tabernacle Saturday and Sunday. The Presiding Elder, Rev. G. S. Hardy, will be here and will preach Saturday night and Sunday morning and night. The services Saturday night will be followed by the regular Quarterly Conference. You are cordially invited to all these services.

STRAYED—Bay mare, four years old, star in forehead branded Y bar connected. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to recovery.
W. A. Johnson, Spur, Tex.

A SAMPLE PRODUCT
OF DICKENS COUNTY

G. W. Robertson, of Afton, was in to attend the picnic and barbecue and while here did not forget the Texas Spur force. He brought in one of the biggest water melons we have seen during the year and left it with us to take care of. We won't say just how much this melon weighed because we are going to give away three subscriptions to the Texas Spur for the three biggest melons brought in during the year, but we will say that we are confident that Mr. Robertson will get one of the three subscriptions. He says that he had larger melons on his place but they ripened at a time when he could not come to town, hence we have one of the smaller ones as a sample of the water melon product of Dickens county and which we think will compare favorably with any product of like character in any section of the country. It is being demonstrated on every occasion that Dickens county is destined to become a leader in agriculture and truck farming and recognized as such by the country as a whole. Some people say that it does not rain enough in this country for a successful farming section, but during the past twenty years it has been fully demonstrated by actual production that Western Texas will grow abundant crops of every character and better crops on half the amount of rainfall as other sections further east. The soil here is of the richest nature and with the proper tillage will surpass in production any section of country outside of the Brazos and Mississippi Bottom lands.

DIED

Wednesday Willis McCarty died at the Standifer Sanitarium as the result of a complication of diseases. He was brought to the Sanitarium last week for an operation, Dr. Standifer removed a number of gall stones and also ulcers from the liver. However, the operation though successful, was too late to overcome the effects of the diseases and Mr. McCarty died Wednesday morning at eight o'clock.

Willis McCarty was one of the best men of the country. He came to Dickens county with his family about ten years ago and during the time made many friends and prospered. At the time of his death he lived in the Afton country and the remains were interred in the cemetery at that place.

In the death of Willis McCarty the country has lost a recognized citizen of worth. He was true to his home, loyal to friends and his country and a man in every sense of the word.

The Texas Spur extends sincere condolence to the bereaved family and relatives.

Those who saw the exhibit of farm products on display during the picnic are undoubtedly convinced that the Spur country and Dickens county will do to tie to by those who desire to farm.

Spur Drug Company Changes Hands

R. E. Strickland, of Gatesville, has purchased the business and stock of goods of the Spur Drug Company. Former manager, C. B. Cook will remain with the new management.

All prescription will be carefully compounded by an experienced and expert registered pharmacist. A complete stock of pure fresh Drugs will be kept at all times and the patronage of the general public is solicited. Courteous treatment and the very best service extended to all.

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PLENTY GAME

C. A. Jones, of a few miles north of Spur, was in the city recently and reports his crop in good shape. Mr. Jones, with other parties had just returned from Garza county where they spent several days on a hunting expedition. He reports plenty game in that section but he did not give a detailed report of the game bagged.

J. H. Farmer and family, of Clay county, arrived in Spur last week and will make the Spur country their home in the future. Mr. Farmer having formerly bought land and built a home east of Spur. Mr. Farmer was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and has our thanks for three dollars for three subscriptions to the paper. We wish Mr. Farmer all the success possible and a most pleasant home here.

Uncle Tom Harkey informed us that he is putting in a new switch board in the Luzon Telephone office and otherwise adding to the equipments to care for the telephone business in a substantial and satisfactory manner.

T. D. Humphrey and family returned last week from Rising Star and other places where they spent about two weeks with Mrs. Humphrey's parents and other relatives. Mr. Humphrey reports that Eastland, Brown and Comanche counties have fine crops and the country in a prosperous condition.

BUILDING CONTINUES IN DICKENS COUNTY

Throughout the week we have noticed many wagon loads of lumber going out in various directions from Spur. One day we counted nine wagon loads of building material standing on the street at one time.

This is evidence that the Spur country and Dickens county is building and progressing along substantial lines, and as heretofore stated we expect to see this country in a high state of development within a very few years.

School houses and farm homes are going up in every community the people are prospering and farmers are growing fine crops. At the present time there are school building under construction in Spur Dickens and Croton.

The Texas Spur is now adding new machinery, type and other

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G. L. Barber bought the interest of N. B. Hancock in the Barber & Hancock Hardware business last week and hereafter Mr. Barber will be sole owner and proprietor of the business. Mr. Hancock and family will leave the tenth of next month for Beeville where he has a position with a general mercantile firm.

Chas. A. Jones made a business trip last week to Aspermont and other places along the Stamford and Northwestern Railway.

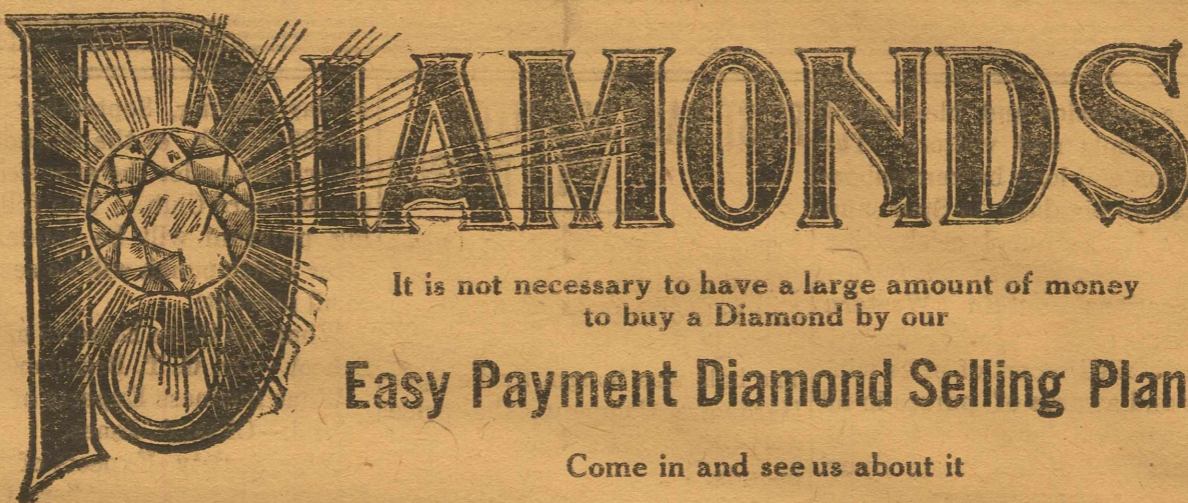
Cullum Campbell, who has been in charge of the Campbell & Campbell furniture business during the absence of Mr. Campbell, left last week for his home at Munday.

Uncle Tom Gilmore was in town last week from the ranch, and while he says the grass is green and good pasture on the ranch, yet a little rain at this time would be appreciated.

Miss Francis Crump, of Crosby county, is now confined at the Standifer Sanitarium as the result of an operation one day last week. She is reported as doing nicely at this time.

Amos Faver was in the city last week from Dickens in his little Hubmobile. Amos is now engaged in the insurance and real estate business at Dickens and Afton. We wish him a successful business.

W. J. Young of the Afton country, was in Spur Thursday and Friday trading and marketing farm products. He brought in several bushels of big, fine onions which were readily sold. These onions were as big and fine as any ever grown in the noted onion belts of the South. Dickens county soil will produce the best of anything grown in all of this southland and the man who fails to recognize the possibilities and inducements being offered the homeseeker and home builder is standing in his own light.



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equipments to care for the business in the printing line. We are prepared now to do as nice work as any shop in the west and will appreciate your business and give value received in every instance. We have a new mailing machine and hereafter will print the date from which time you owe us on subscription and we hope that this will be not only a reminder but an encouragement to all to keep the date up ahead of time. However, we wish to say that our list of names as a whole are prompt in paying the subscription price and doubt if another paper can show up as clean list as we have on our books.

Judge Ballard, of Dickens, was in the city one day last week and bought lumber with which to build a residence in Dickens. He says that Dickens is among the live towns of the country, building continues and everything in good shape. Aside from the residence being built by Judge Ballard a new gin is going up and a twenty thousand dollar school building is under construction and will be ready for the fall term of school. Keep your eyes on Dickens county. We are building, developing and progressing along all lines.

J. P. Gibson, of the Steel Hill community, returned recently from Erath and Hamilton counties where he spent several days with relatives and friends. Mr. Gibson reports that the crops of this section are better than any he saw anywhere along his route.

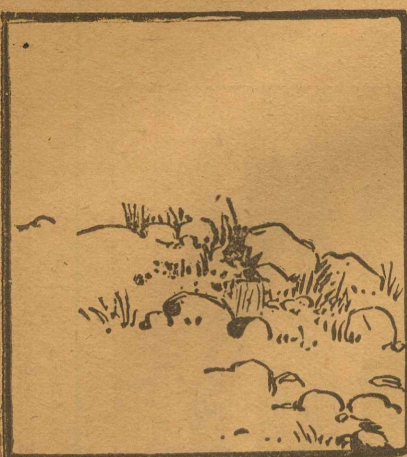
V. C. Cain, a prosperous citizen of the Spur country, was awarded the set of knives and forks given away last week by Sol Davis. Each week presents are given away by Sol Davis to customers. These presents are being given away solely as an advertisement, and being of value the plan is attracting the attention of the general public.

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KEITH OF THE BORDER

A TALE OF THE PLAINS
By RANDALL DARRISH
AUTHOR OF MY LADY OF THE SOUTH,
WHEN WILDERNESS WAS KING, ETC., ETC.
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CHAPTER I.

The Plainsman.

The man was riding just below the summit of the ridge, occasionally lifting his head so as to gaze across the crest, shading his eyes with one hand, to thus better concentrate his vision. Both horse and rider plainly exhibited signs of weariness, but every movement of the latter showed ceaseless vigilance, his glance roaming the barren ridges, a brown Winchester lying cocked across the saddle pommel, his left hand taut on the rein. Yet the horse he bestrode scarcely required restraint, advancing slowly, with head hanging low, and only occasionally breaking into a brief trot under the impetus of the spur.

The rider was a man approaching thirty, somewhat slender and long of limb, but possessing broad, squared shoulders above a deep chest, sitting the saddle easily in plainsman fashion, yet with an erectness of carriage which suggested military training. The face under the wide brim of the weather-worn slouch hat was clean-shaven, browned by sun and wind, and strongly marked, the chin slightly prominent, the mouth firm, the gray eyes full of character and daring. His dress was that of rough service, plain leather "chaps," showing marks of hard usage, a gray woolen shirt turned low at the neck, with a kerchief knotted loosely about the sinewy bronzed throat. At one hip dangled the holster of a "forty-five," on the other hung a canvas-covered canteen. His was figure and face to be noted anywhere, a man from whom you would expect both thought and action, and one who seemed to exactly fit into his wild environment.

Where he rode was the very western extreme of the prairie country, billowed like the sea, and from off the crest of its higher ridges, the wide level sweep of the plains was visible, extending like a vast brown ocean to the foothills of the far-away mountains. Yet the actual commencement of that drear, barren expanse was fully ten miles distant, while all about where he rode the conformation was irregular, comprising narrow valleys and swelling mounds, with here and there a sharp ravine, riven from the rock and invisible until one drew up startled at its very brink. The general trend of depression was undoubtedly southward leading toward the valley of the Arkansas, yet irregular ridges occasionally cut across, adding to the confusion. The entire surrounding landscape presented the same aspect, with no special object upon which the eye could rest for guidance—no tree, no upheaval of rock, no peculiarity of summit, no snake-like trail—all about extended the same dull, dead monotony of brown, sun-baked hills, with slightly greener depressions lying between, interspersed by patches of sand or the white gleam of alkali. It was a dreary, deserted land, parched under the hot summer sun, brightened by no vegetation, excepting sparse bunches of buffalo grass or an occasional stunted sage bush, and disclosing nowhere the slightest sign of human habitation.

The rising sun reddened the crest of the hills, and the rider, halting his willing horse, sat motionless, gazing steadily into the southwest. Apparently he perceived nothing there unusual, for he slowly turned his body about in the saddle, sweeping his eyes, inch by inch, along the line of the horizon, until the entire circuit had been completed. Then his compressed lips smiled slightly, his hand unconsciously patting the horse's neck.

"I reckon we're still alone, old girl," he said quietly, a bit of Southern drawl in the voice. "We'll try for the trail, and take it easy."

He swung stiffly out of the saddle, and with reins dangling over his shoulder, began the slower advance on foot, the exhausted horse trailing behind. His was not a situation in which one could feel certain of safety, for any ridge might conceal the wary foemen he sought to avoid, yet he proceeded now with renewed confidence. It was the summer of 1868, and the place the very heart of the Indian country, with every separate tribe ranging between the Yellowstone and the Brazos, either restless or openly on the war-path. Rumors of atrocities were being retold the length and breadth of the border, and every report drifting in to either fort or set-



Slender Spirals of Blue Smoke Were Visible.

tlement only added to the alarm. For once at least the Plains Indians had discovered a common cause, tribal differences had been adjusted in war against the white invaders, and Kiowas, Comanches, Arapahoes, Cheyennes and Sioux had become welded together in savage brotherhood. To oppose them were the scattered and unorganized settlers lining the more eastern streams, guarded by small detachments of regular troops posted here and there amid that broad wilderness, scarcely within touch of each other.

Everywhere beyond these lines of patrol wandered roaming war parties, attacking travelers on the trails, raiding exposed settlements, and occasionally venturing to try open battle with the small squads of armed men. In this stress of sudden emergency—every available soldier on active duty—civilians had been pressed into service, and hastily despatched to warn exposed settlers, guide wagon trains, or carry despatches between outposts. And thus our rider, Jack Keith, who knew every foot of the plains lying between the Republican and the Canadian rivers, was one of these thus suddenly requisitioned, merely because he chanced to be discovered unemployed by the harassed commander of a cantonment just without the environs of Carson City. Twenty minutes later he was riding swiftly into the northwest, bearing important news to General Sheridan, commander of the Department, who happened at that moment to be at Fort Cairnes.

To Keith this had been merely another page in a career of adventure; for him to take his life in his hands had long ago become an old story. He had quietly performed the special duty allotted him, watched a squadron of troopers trot forth down the valley of the Republican, received the hasty thanks of the peppery little general, and then, having nothing better to do, traded his horse in at the government corral for a fresh mount and started back again for Carson City. For the greater portion of two nights and a day he had been in the saddle, but he was accustomed to this, for he had driven more than one bunch of longhorns up the Texas trail; and as he had slept three hours at Cairnes, and as his nerves were like steel, the thought of danger gave him slight concern. He was thoroughly tired,

and it rested him to get out of the saddle, while the freshness of the morning air was a tonic, the very breath of which made him forgetful of fatigue.

After all, this was indeed the very sort of experience which appealed to him, and always had—this life of peril in the open, under the stars and the sky. He had constantly experienced it for so long now, eight years, as to make it seem merely natural. While he ploughed steadily forward through the shifting sand of the coulee, his thought drifted idly back over those years, and sometimes he smiled, and occasionally frowned, as various incidents returned to memory. It had been a rough life, yet one not unusual to those of his generation. Born of excellent family in Tidewater Virginia, his father a successful planter, his mother had died while he was still in early boyhood, and he had grown up cut off from all womanly influence. He had barely attained his majority, a senior at William and Mary's College, when the Civil War came; and one month after Virginia cast in her lot with the South, he became a sergeant in a cavalry regiment commanded by his father. He had enjoyed that life and won his spurs, yet it had cost.

He had honestly endeavored to remain there, to face the future and work it out alone; he persuaded himself to feel that this was his paramount duty to the state, to the memory of the dead. But those very years of army life made such a task impossible; the dull, dead monotony of routine, the loneliness, the slowness of results, became intolerable. As it came to thousands of his comrades, the call of the West came to him, and at last he yielded, and drifted toward the frontier. The life there fascinated him, drawing him deeper and deeper into its swirling vortex. He became freighter, mail carrier, hunter, government scout, cowboy, foreman. Once he had drifted into the mountains, and took a chance in the mines, but the wide plains called him back once more to their desert loneliness.

What an utter waste it all seemed, now that he looked back upon it. Eight years of fighting, hardship and rough living, and what had they brought him?

The narrow valley along which he was traveling suddenly changed its direction, compelling him to climb the

rise of the ridge. Slightly below the summit he halted. In front extended the wide expanse of the Arkansas valley, a scene of splendor under the golden rays of the sun, with vivid contrast of colors, the gray of rocks, the yellow of sand, the brown of distant hills, the green of vegetation, and the silver sheen of the stream half hidden behind the fringe of cottonwoods lining its banks. This was a sight Keith had often looked upon, but always with appreciation, and for the moment his eyes swept across from bluff to bluff without thought except for its wild beauty. Then he perceived something which instantly startled him into attention—yonder, close beside the river, just beyond that ragged bunch of cottonwoods, slender spirals of blue smoke were visible. That would hardly be a camp of freighters at this hour of the day, and besides, the Santa Fe trail along here ran close in against the bluff, coming down to the river at the ford two miles further west. No party of plainsmen would ever venture to build a fire in so exposed a spot, and no small company would take the chances of the trail. But surely that appeared to be the flap of a canvas wagon top a little to the right of the smoke; yet all was so far away he could not be certain. He stared in that direction a long while, shading his eyes with both hands, unable to decide. There were three or four moving black dots higher up the river, but so far away he could not distinguish whether men or animals. Only as outlined against the yellow sand dunes could he tell they were advancing westward toward the ford.

Decidedly puzzled by all this, yet determined to solve the mystery and unwilling to remain hidden there until night, Keith led his horse along the slant of the ridge, until he attained a sharp break through the bluff leading down into the valley. It was a rugged gash, nearly impassable, but a half hour of toil won them the lower prairie, the winding path preventing the slightest view of what might be meanwhile transpiring below. Once safely out in the valley the river could no longer be seen, while barely a hundred yards away, winding along like a great serpent, ran the deeply rutted trail to Santa Fe. In neither direction appeared any sign of human life. As near as he could determine from those distant cottonwoods outlined against the sky, for the smoke spirals were too thin to be observed, the spot sought must be considerably to the right of where he had emerged. With this idea in mind he advanced cautiously, his every sense alert, searching anxiously for fresh signs of passage or evidence of a wagon train having deserted the beaten track, and turned south. The trail itself, dustless and packed hard, revealed nothing, but some five hundred yards beyond the ravine he discovered what he sought—here two wagons had turned sharply to the left, their wheels cutting deeply enough into the prairie sod to show them heavily laden. With the experience of the border he was able to determine that these wagons were drawn by mules, two span of each, their small hoofs clearly defined on the turf, and that they were being driven rapidly, on a sharp trot as they turned, and then, a hundred feet further, at a slashing gallop. Just outside their trail appeared the marks of a galloping horse. A few rods farther along Keith came to a confused blur of pony tracks sweeping in from the east, and the whole story of the chase was revealed as though he had witnessed it with his own eyes. They must have been crazy, or else impelled by some grave necessity, to venture along this trail in so small a party. And they were traveling west—west! Keith drew a deep breath, and swore to himself, "Of all the blame fools!"

He perceived the picture in all its grewsome details—the two mule-drawn wagons moving slowly along the trail in the early morning; the band of hostile Indians suddenly swooping out from some obscure hiding place in the bluffs; the discovery of their presence; the desperate effort at escape; the swerving from the open trail in vain hope of reaching the river and finding protection underneath its banks; the frightened mules galloping wildly, lashed into a frenzy by the man on horseback; the pounding of the ponies' hoofs, punctuated by the exultant yells of the pursuers. Again he swore: "Of all the blame fools!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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LODGE DIRECTORY.

Masons—Spur Lodge No. 1023, meet Thursday evening before full moon in each month. W. G. Sherrod, W. M.; Jeff D. Reagan, Sec.

Mightah Chapter A. E. S. meets every Thursday night at 8:15 o'clock. Kate Senning W. M., Irene Patton Sec.

W. O. W. meets every Saturday night in each month, Fred Hsiey Clerk, Emmett Lee C. C. I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday. T. A. Tidwell N. G. Emmitt Lee Sec.

M. W. A. meets every Thursday night. J. L. Hearn, C.; H. R. Stephens, Clerk.

Praetorians meet every Friday night of each month. J. E. Shelton, S. A.; C. C. Tyler, Recorder.

K. of P. meets every Tuesday night. J. E. Shelton, C. C.; E. J. Cowan, R. of R. S.

M. B. A. Lodge No. 2995, meets second and fourth Tuesday in each month. Morris B. Kinney, Pres; Wes Hisey, Sec.

Bring us your pictures to frame. Texas Furniture Company.

Mr. Foster of Rotan is here this week with his African Dip to entertain the crowds at the picnic.

R. L. Collier, of the north part of the county, was in the city Tuesday shaking hands with his friends here.

B. F. Brock was over the latter part of last week from Dickens and spent some time here on business.

R. M. Dickenson, of Stamford, was a recent business visitor in Spur spending a part of two days here.

Dave Sparks, a prominent citizen of the Croton country, was in Spur Tuesday on business and spent several hours here.

H. H. Hazlewood and family recently made a trip to Roaring Springs where they spent one day and night very pleasantly.

TO PATRONS AND PUPILS

Don't forget that I want all pupils who do not hold promotion cards from Spur School to meet me at the northwest school building that I may classify them. Let each grade come on the following dates: Monday, 4th and 5th grades; Tuesday, 6th and 7th grades; Wednesday, 8th and 9th grades; Thursday, 10th grade. I will be at the building from 9 to 12 m. each day. Come with the grade in which you recited last year. For example, if you recited in the 5th grade, you come on Monday, not on Tuesday. We urge the parents to come with the children and report all impediments the child may have. S. W. Adams.

L. C. Arrington, of the Afton country, came in Tuesday to see his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jackson, off on the train for her home in Jack county. Mrs. Jackson has spent the past ten days with

Mr. Arrington and family, this being her first visit to western Texas. She liked the country and the people and it is very probable that hereafter she will visit oftener or make this her permanent home. Mr. Arrington had been to Fort Worth, Jack county and other places east visiting relatives where he spent a week or two recently. He says that Dickens county has much better crop prospects than any place he saw along his route. In his section of country he says that the continued dry weather, hot winds and worms have cut short the bumper crop prospects by at least thirty per cent. However, he thinks the country as a whole will average a half bale or more cotton to the acre. He estimates that Spur will get between five and seven thousand bales of cotton at this market this fall. Mr. Arrington is an old timer of this western country and is among our most substantial citizenship.

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DANFORTH ON SOCIALISM

Well Mr. Editor I thought that I would scribble a few lines this hot weather. It seems to me this hot weather ought to make any one a Socialist to see the cotton suffer for rain and worms eat it as they have and it down to 12 cents. What has brought it down? Is it overproduction? Some will say it is. Of course some people do not know much, they never read anything but the Dallas News, they will not read a paper that would tell them the truth about the corruption that is going on, they do not know that the money power rules us and we have to do as they say; we are in bondage to day worse than the black slave ever was. But thank be to God He has heard the cry of his people and has sent an agent—the Socialist party to bring them out of bondage. He says come out from among them, we know we are persecuted but Paul said all that would live Godly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecution. Why is it that poor men who have nothing will walk up to the polls and vote for men to rob them is more than I can understand, some of them are not six months from the poor house. They say they do not want to be Socialists, they do not want to divide up what they have got. Bless their souls no Socialist would have what they have got and they would not themselves if they could do any better, they do not know that they are giving four-fifth of what they produce

to the money lords, they do not know anything about the corruption that is going on in this government, if they did they might believe what is instore for them. We are on the verge of one of the worst revolutions that ever has been if the Socialist do not save the country; the money power will force it on us, people will sit idly by till it comes and will not know anything, like the poor man when the civil war came, they did not know what they were fighting for till the war was nearly over and when the south found out they layed down right then; it was a rich man's war and a poor man's fight like every other war. Now I want to tell the people what the Socialist teach. We believe in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man; we believe in doing unto others as we wish to be done by, we teach as Christ did, to love thy neighbor as thy self. We want to take the government out of the hands of the money power and put it in the hands of people where it belongs is there anything wrong about that? There is a trust on every thing we buy or sell, we have no say about the price of what we buy or sell either. Then talk about being a free people. The money power could starve us to death in thirty days. They could say they would not sell a bite to eat for thirty days and starve half of the people in the United States to death in thirty days. They are doing that now in several places. Look what they are doing in California, trying to

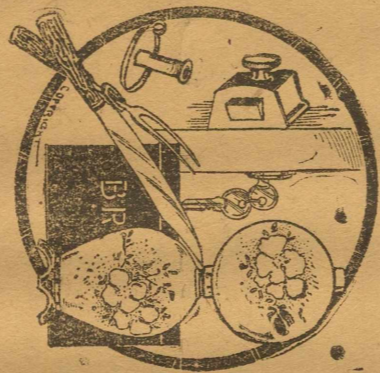
hang two eminent men for a crime that old Otis had done himself, there is plenty of proof that he had the Times building blowed up, but a poor man has no show in courts. No more than a yellow dog. The money power is fighting the Socialist but every lick they strike they make Socialists. But there are some men who came from Arkansaw I recon, they put me in mind of the man out there. He was sitting on a log in the hot sun, a stranger came along and said, Mister why don't you get over there in the shade? He said well I will when the time comes. When will that time come? When my fever comes. Having

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chills, eh. Yes having a little shake. How long have you had them? Forty years. How long have you been living here? Forty years. Why don't you move away from here? I would but I am afraid I would not have good health. That is the way some poor men are, they are afraid they would not get along so well if they were to vote the Socialist ticket. Bless their souls there is not one out of every one hundred renters in Texas who is making a living they do not

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know what a square meal is. Well I will close. I do not know when to stop when I get to thinking how the people are oppressed. G. B. Danforth.

NOTICE, SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Dickens.

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dickens County, on 1st day of August A. D. 1911, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of R. B. Spencer, versus R. J. Heflin and N. H. Heflin, No 343, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in September A. D. 1911, it being the 5th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Dickens County, in the town of Dickens the following described property, to-wit:

Lot No. 20 in block No 37, in the town of Spur, Dickens county, Texas, as shown by the original plat of said town, of record in the office of the County Clerk of Dickens County, Texas, levied on as the property of R. J. Heflin

and N. H. Heflin, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1,203.73 in favor of R. B. Spencer, and costs of suit.

Given Under my Hand, this 7th day of August A. D. 1911.
H. P. COLE, Sheriff.

Mr. Dunn, a prominent citizen of Texico, is in Spur this week to attend the big picnic and also to visit friends. Mr. Dunn says that there are growing some of the finest crops near Texico he ever saw grow out of the earth, yet he says that neither that country nor this is a successful farming country, there not being enough rainfall at the proper time. Mr. Dunn is one of the finest fixed men of the country, devoting his time and attention almost exclusively, however, to stockraising and the cattle business.

We are informed that Ned Hogan and Ross Edwards will open up a gents furnishing and tailoring establishment some time next month in the Bijou Cafe building. We wish Messrs Hogan and Edwards a prosperous business.

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Editor Morris, of Jayton, had business in the city Monday and spent some time here.

Uncle Buck Hardin made a business trip Friday to Jayton and incidentally to take in the two days picnic Friday and Saturday. The picnic was well attended and the two days enjoyed by many.

Mrs. Oran McClure and children returned Saturday from Cross Plains and Putnam where they spent two weeks with relatives. She reports that with the exception of feed, crops are in fine shape in that section of the country. Cotton was looking fine at the time. Since the new opening of Cross Plains and the advent of a railroad several months ago there have been built twenty odd brick business houses in the town. Cross Plains is located in a fine belt of country and its growth is expected to continue rapidly and substantially.

M. S. Faver, of several miles east of Afton, was in Spur the latter part of last week after alfalfa seed to sow on his place. He reports the crops on his place in pretty good shape. Mr. Faver is one of our most prominent citizens and successful farmers. This year he has been farming by himself and with double row planters and cultivators he has a large acreage in cotton and feed. He said he has been staying with his crop from sun-up to sun down, not taking time even to go to the blacksmith shop, having Mrs. Faver to keep up such ends. We hope Mr. Faver will make a bale of cotton to the acre and have enough feed stuff to supply the new comers expected to settle here this fall.

Perry Fite and family moved last week from their former home in the southeast part of the city to a new home in the northeast part of town.

Mr. Hunter, auditor of the Southwestern Telephone Company and with headquarters at Sweetwater, was in the city two days last week looking after the Southwestern Telephone business in Spur.

Milt Trout of several miles east of Spur has opened up a restaurant in the old City Restaurant stand and will do business through the picnic week.

Our picture framing department is very complete. We mount and frame all kinds of pictures. Texas Furniture Company.

Mr. Spencer and family, of Jones county, passed through Spur Monday on their return home from a visit and prospecting trip on the Plains country. While here Mr. Spencer was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and said that he saw some fine crops in this country and on the Plains, but that in Jones county crops are burning up, feed crops almost a total failure and the cotton not expected to make as much as it did last year. The continued dry weather and hot winds are cutting down the crop prospects of the country as a whole. However, the Spur country and Dickens county is holding up remarkably well. Good feed crops are already made and the cotton crop is expected to average not less than one half bale to the acre regardless of further unfavorable conditions.

See our line of wall paper. The price is right. Texas Furniture Company.

Will Copeland made a trip last week to Comanche county where he will visit relatives a week or two during the summer months.

R. E. Rodgers, of the Croton country, was in Spur Tuesday buying household furniture preparatory to keeping house. He was married last week in Mexico and he and wife will make their home in the Croton country. The friends of Mr. Rodgers join the Texas Spur in congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers and wish them a long, happy and prosperous life together.

George Richardson, who was brought back to Dickens recently on a charge of selling whiskey, was in the city this week preparing a bond to await his trial at the next term of court. Mr. Richardson informs us that just before leaving home one of his small children fell from a bed in such a manner as to hang itself, having caught its head between the bed springs and railing, resulting in death. This is a sad accident and friends of the family here extend sincere condolence to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson.

R. A. Winters, of near Jayton, brought his wife to the Standifer Sanitarium Monday for an operation which was done successfully and Mrs. Winters is now reported doing nicely. Dr. Fullbright, of Jayton, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Winters to Spur and probably assisted Dr. Standifer in the operation. The fact that Spur has a surgeon and Sanitarium second to none in the state is now being recognized by all. Dr. Standifer has made a phenomenal record in both surgery and the practice of medicine since becoming permanently established in Spur. In not a single instance has he lost a patient as the result of an operation. He knows his business and is prepared to care for patients in the most comfortable and satisfactory manner.

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Roy Elkins and family, of Post City, and Uncle Kin Elkins of near Post, came up Monday and are spending several days with Uncle Buck Hardin and family at their home two or three miles southwest of Spur. Uncle Kin Elkins is one of the oldest settlers of the country.

Sebe Lambert was in Monday from his place in the Tap country. Mr. Lambert was complaining at the unfavorable crop conditions at this time, but at the same time he brought in a big load of fine roasting years and throughout the year he has been marketing farm products and truck of various kinds, all of which is prima facia evidence that Sebe is just kicking for the diversion of seeing these town fellows wear a long face.

Uncle Tom Coulter and Messrs Helms, all prominent men of Rotan and the Rotan country, passed through Spur last week on their way to the Plains country on a prospecting tour. It is their intention to locate somewhere on the Plains.

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NEW HOPE

The weather continues dry and hot. The thermometer stood 111 in the shade Saturday. On account of the stillness of the atmosphere a regular water panic has been on for the past three or four days.

Clyde Walker and John Blakeley have been gone for the past six or seven days on a vacation to Iowa Park.

Newt Jones, Tom Dodson, Claude Gentry and families together with the scribe spent a most enjoyable time on the Blanco Canyon fishing.

Rev. Allen of Afton preached at New Hope Sunday. His subject was the Wakings of the Holy Spirit. He is not at a loss as to what to say—his points are clear and well understood.

Chas. Austin has sold his crop south of Dickens and is now living in the New Hope settlement.

Willis McCarty one of our best citizens is now at the Standifer Sanitarium and we wait with longing anxiety for his speedy recovery.

J. T. Whitaker and family are

visiting at Paducah.

Mr. Harvey and most of the family have been gone for quite awhile to Oklahoma. He is one of Liberty's staunch and law-abiding citizens.

Mr. Harrington and son and old friend Mr. Christopher are here from Scurry County.

J. W. Clark and J. L. Law have made a number of new additions to their residences.

We will not forget the happy moments and hours at Attorney B. G. Warswick's residence last Sunday. There were present at this gathering probably twenty-five persons and to give all the names would be a task beyond our comprehension. Among those that live away were Mr. Thurman of Paducah, Jno. Jackson, manager of the Matador Co., Ex-Judge Bolen of Matador and Attorney B. D. Glasgow of Spur.

TAP TELLINGS

Hot! Phew, I reckon it is. So hot and dry the children can't shed tears when they cry.

S. W. McKay and family are visiting relatives at Redland,

New Mexico this week.

J. W. Holt and family, who have been here the past two weeks left for their home at Wheeler this week.

Uncle Alf Manning, who has been confined to his room so long was able to ride out to Spur one day this week.

Lee Jenkins, of Haskell, is here visiting his aunt, Mrs. C. J. Smith and other relatives. Mr. Jenkins says crops are on the down grade in his locality and will be very light.

Everybody and all his dogs are attending the two days picnic at Spur this week. Wife said I shouldn't go as I didn't have sense enough to behave myself, said I might get run over by an air ship.

Fred Danforth and family returned a few days ago from a trip to Mexico.

L. S. Scott and family of Cat Fish, visited Mrs. Scott's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McArthur Sunday.

Allcorn and Smith are drilling a well for J. B. Morrison this week.

Bill McArthur made a trip to

the Spur Ranch headquarters first of the week on business.

Wife says cut some wood hubby or no supper, so I must Gadabout.

R. E. Strickland, of Gatesville, has purchased the Spur Drug Company stock of goods and now has charge of the business. Mr. Strickland has had many years experience in the drug business and is a registered pharmacist of recognized ability. We are glad to welcome Mr. Strickland to Spur and wish him a successful and prosperous business. Later Mr. Strickland will move his family to Spur and become permanently identified with the citizenship as well as the business interests of the town and county.

SPUR COUNTRY MOST FORTUNATE

Miss Richey returned Friday of last week from an extended visit to relatives in Oklahoma. She reports fine crop prospects in the section visited but says that elsewhere in Oklahoma and Texas the crops are almost a total failure. The Spur country is indeed fortunate.

BUILD A HOME FOR TWO

Jeweler W. C. Gruben has been spending the past two weeks in Fisher and other counties recuperating from his arduous labors and also visiting relatives and other personal friends with a probable view of establishing and building a home later for two. Heretofore Gruben has been successful and in this later undertaking, we wish and predict the most successful termination.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller were among those who attended the two days picnic at Jayton Friday and Saturday of last week.

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