

Shot for Preaching



Rev. John Toews, a Mennonite missionary, who was executed by the Soviet authorities of Russia for teaching the Christian religion. All religious teaching is contrary to Russian law. Rev. Toews was a brother of Mountain Lake, Minnesota, citizen.

## G. W. Rash Makes Announcement for Public Weigher

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to announce G. W. Rash as a candidate for Public Weigher of Precinct Number Three, subject to the Democratic Primary election to be held in July, this year.

Mr. Rash served this precinct as public weigher, and during his two terms was admittedly one of the best and most accommodating weighers Spur ever had. In making his announcement at this time Mr. Rash promises to give his very best services to the public and proposes to operate the cotton yard for the benefit and convenience of the public without regard to any other interests or influences which might seek special favors and conveniences of a public weigher and public cotton yard.

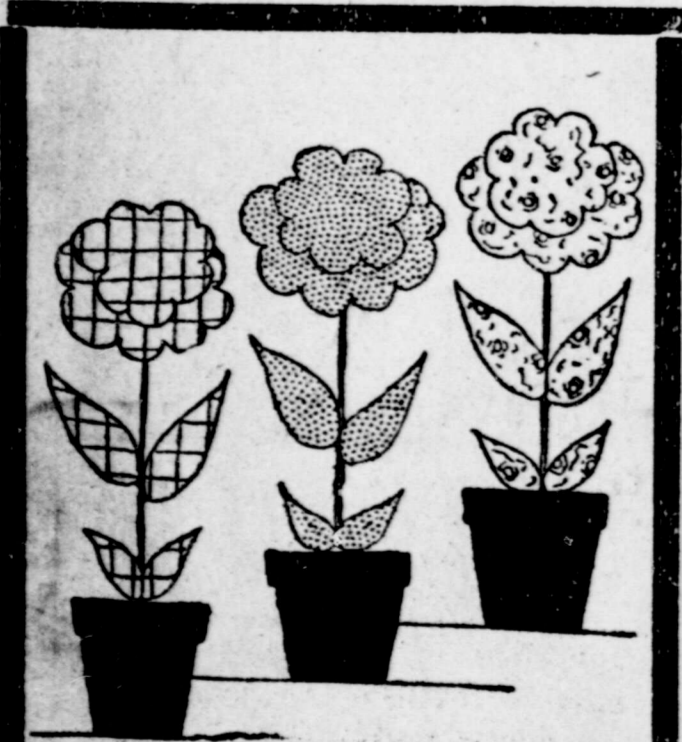
Many of the "old timers" know G. W. Rash. had dealings with him while weigher in the past, and to them he refers voters who might seek information of his ability and the services heretofore rendered.

G. W. Rash is well qualified for public weigher, is familiar with the duties of the office, and if favored for the place will give efficient and most accommodating service to the public. The Texas Spur respectfully asks for a consideration of his candidacy at the hands of voters in the approaching primary election.

## County School Board Meeting at Dickens Saturday Morning

County School Superintendent Frank Speer requests the Texas Spur to announce that a meeting of the County School Board will be held at the court house in Dickens Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Any citizen of the county who has business or desires to place any matter before the board, is requested to meet with them at the time and place specified



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## Chamber of Commerce Organized in Dickens

A live, working chamber of commerce was recently organized in the city of Dickens, and Tuesday evening of last week a banquet at the Gay Hotel was enjoyed, a Lubbock representative of commercial interests being the principal speaker of the occasion.

In the organization Robt. Reynolds was elected president, Z. W. Fowler secretary, and D. J. Harkey treasurer.

A progressive program has been outlined, and with the twenty five charter members much of the program work is expected to be consummated during the year.

The Dickens Chamber of Commerce will do constructive and active work, and its activities undoubtedly will result in unprecedented progress of the county capitol.

## Nobe Walker Killed Sunday in Car Accident on Blanco

Nobe Walker, 19 years of age, of the Wake country, was almost instantly killed Sunday at Blanco Canyon, when a truck driven by Lawrence Simmons of near McAdoo, collided with the car in which young Walker and Mr. Cox were driving. No one else was injured in the wreck.

## For County Commissioner of Precinct Number Two

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to announce E. N. (Nuge) Johnson of Afton as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Commissioner from Precinct Two, subject to the Democratic Primary election in July.

Nuge Johnson is now serving his first term as County Commissioner, and during the time has demonstrated his fitness for the place, and a superior knowledge and observance of administering public county affairs. He has been active not only in the betterment and advancement of the interests of his precinct but the county as a whole. He has been conservative, progressive and active in the discharge of official duties, and if returned to the place will be in position to render even better service in his official administration and activities.

## Tax Assessor Hogan Assessed 2,877 Poll Taxes in County

Tax Assessor Hogan reports that in his assessments of the county he last year assessed a total of 2,877 poll taxes, and approximately six million dollars of real and personal property within the county.

This is substantial evidence of the growth and development of Dickens county.

## SPUR DELPHIAN CLUB MEETS

The Spur Delphian Club met at the home of Mrs. R. C. Forbis February 3rd, the following members being present: Mesdames W. T. Andrews, E. L. Tanner, Sol Davis, M. L. Jones, George M. Williams, J. E. Berry, Oran McClure and the hostess.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Oran McClure with Mrs. Luther Powell as leader, February 17, at three p. m.

Subject, Italian Opera.  
1—Introduction. Leader.  
2—(a) Beginning of the Opera.  
(b) Early Italian Opera—Mrs. W. F. Jennings.

3—(a) Operas of Rossini. (b) Verdi's Musical Career—Mrs. J. E. Berry.

4—"Aida". Cavalleria Rusticana. Illustrate with selections from both operas—Mrs. R. E. Dickson.

5—Puccini—Madame Butterfly.  
—President's summary—Mrs. E. L. Tanner.

## Results of the Basketball Tourney Held Last Week

The senior boys' basketball tournament of Dickens county attracted a large crowd Friday and Saturday, and several fast games rewarded the spectators who had purchased admission tickets to the series of eliminations. Both senior boys and girls participated in the games, and results of the contests were highly satisfactory. As a result of the outcome of the tournament, Spur will go to Lubbock on Saturday, February 22nd, to participate in the District Meet to be staged there. Results of the tournament last Friday and Saturday are given below:

### BOYS

Steel Hill versus Midway—21-10.  
Highway versus Croton—13-9.  
Duncan Flat versus Steel Hill—20-34.

Afton versus McAdoo—16-4.  
Highway versus Afton—23-18.  
Highway versus Steel Hill—13-11.  
Spur versus Dickens—20-10.

### GIRLS

Midway versus Duncan Flat—15-2.  
Dickens versus Croton—5-12.  
McAdoo versus Midway—won by McAdoo.

Croton versus McAdoo—21-11.  
Another series of eliminations will be held Friday and Saturday of this week, involving the junior girls and boys basketball teams of the county. Below is given the schedule of games for this series of contests:

### JUNIOR BOYS

Steel Hill versus Midway—9:00.  
Afton versus Highway—9:40.  
Spur versus winner of above game. At 11:40 a. m.

Dickens versus McAdoo—10:20.  
Croton versus Duncan Flat—11:00.  
Semifinals at 2:20 and 3:40.  
Final game at 8:30.

### JUNIOR GIRLS

Duncan Flat versus Dickens—11:00  
Duncan Flat vs. Dickens—1:00 p. m.  
Midway versus Highway—1:40.  
Croton versus McAdoo—3:00.  
Semifinal game at 4:30.  
Final game at 7:30.

The tournament will be held in the Dickens gymnasium beginning promptly as scheduled on Saturday, February 15th. The age limit for juniors will be carried out strictly.  
O. L. Kelley,  
Athletic Director, Interscholastic League.

## Robert Rich Died Last Week at His Home Near McAdoo

Robert Rich, 19 years of age, died Wednesday of last week at his home near McAdoo, his following a brief illness. Young Rich had only been living in the McAdoo country a year or two, but was considered a young man of sterling qualities of young manhood.

## American Legion Installed New Officers February the 6th

At its meeting held February 6th, the American Legion, Boyd M. Williams Post No. 161, installed the following officers:

Luther Powell, Commander.  
Edgar McGee, 1st Vice Com.  
Joe Ellison, 2nd Vice Com.  
Rev. Parmenter, Chaplain.  
A. C. Burgeson, Post Adjutant.

There were approximately fifty Legionnaires present for the installation ceremonies, and all enjoyed the picture show after the program.

All ex-service men are invited to attend the meetings held each 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, and also to become a member of the post.

## Kent County Has Total of 1,002 Poll Taxes Paid for This Year

Sheriff Bob Goodall reports a total of 1,002 poll taxes paid in Kent county, as follows in the several voting boxes:

Red Mud 80; Polar 42; Harmony 26; Girard 212; Clairmont 138; Luzon 29; Antelope 42; Rosewood 18; Riverdale 21; Jayton 394.

## Dickens Gains Over Spur in Poll Taxes Since Year 1921

While the poll tax payments this year, a total of 3,055, without consideration of "overs and unders" who require no poll tax, is the greatest number to have ever been paid before in Dickens county, it may be of interest to Texas Spur readers to make comparison of other years, and especially since a second county seat removal election has been contemplated, and the fact that this is also general election year.

In reviewing the files of The Texas Spur we note that in its issue of February 18th, 1921, an announcement was made of a petition with 840 signatures presented to County Judge Chas. McLaughlin, asking for an election to move the county seat from Dickens to Spur, and the election was ordered on March 26th, 1921. At that time the total poll taxes paid were 1,328, and in the election of March 26th, Spur received 881 and Dickens 546 votes, being 99 more votes than poll taxes issued. There were only 40 votes in the north part of the county polled for Spur, while in the south part there were 45 votes polled for Dickens. Dividing the county as it voted in 1921, and making comparison of the poll taxes paid in 1930, in a county seat removal election, Spur would get 1,703 votes and Dickens 352, not considering overs and unders, thus it will be noted that Spur would need approximately 332 votes from the north end of the county to get the required two-thirds majority or the county seat location.

Since 1921 Spur has gained 854 poll taxes, and Dickens has gained 873, as shown by the tax collector's records, and apportioned in accord with the county seat election votes in 1921. Thus, it will be noted that Dickens has gained 19 more votes than Spur, while it is recognized that Spur would have had to gain more than two to one to be in position to make a better showing in a proposed county seat removal election.

## For County Commissioner of Precinct Number Four

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to make the announcement of Chas. Perrin for re-election to the office of County Commissioner from Precinct Number Four.

During his administration of county affairs in the commissioners' office, Chas. Perrin has made a record for economical and progressive service, has built good roads in his district and lowered rather than raised taxes, and held public expenses down to a minimum. Not only the people of Precinct Four, but in every precinct of the county, Chas. Perrin's services are recognized and appreciated.

Voters of Precinct Four are respectfully asked to give Chas. Perrin a due and deserved consideration in his candidacy for reelection as Commissioner from that precinct.

## Copeland Truck is Destroyed by Fire Last Monday

Arnold Copeland had the misfortune Monday of losing one of his trucks by fire while hauling feed at the Colbert ranch several miles to the west of Spur.

How the fire originated is unknown since the truck and load was blazing before the fire was noted, but it is supposed that defective wiring was the cause.

W. W. Ellis, of the Rocking Chair Ranch in Kent county, was in town Saturday. In meeting us on the street he handed us a dollar and fifty cents to place his name back on the Texas Spur subscription list, stating that he had been missing the paper the past year. We are glad to get Mr. Ellis back on the list. He was one among the very first Texas Spur readers, and we do not want to lose a single one.

## Minutes of Farmers Meeting Held Here Last Saturday Morn

The meeting was called to order by Mr. W. B. Lee, president of the Chamber of Commerce, who stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of having an old-time experience meeting, where every one could tell his experience in coming through the crop season on an empty feed barn. There 103 farmers present, besides a good many business men and other interested persons.

Oats was the first thing discussed. Mr. A. W. Watson was the first one called on. He said that he had often used the Texas White Oat in face of a feed shortage but that the seed were hard to get and in just ordering you might not get the genuine kind. He said that he had them that were just ninety days from sowing to binder. Following this was quite a discussion as to varieties of oats and it was pretty unanimous that the Texas Red Rust Proof is the safest in every way now.

One man said that he had planted these oats here on March 9th and on June 15th put the binder in the field. He finished a crop in fine shape on these oats. He said that in sixty-five or seventy days he could cut these oats for hay with the oats just out of the milk stage.

Some one objected to small grain on account of Johnson grass. J. L. Hutto gave his experience on this subject. He says that he never hesitates to plant and when he gets Johnson grass he breaks right away after harvesting oats and this gets the Johnson grass before it gets roots set too big and deep. He has never let any of it get away from him in years of planting. Three years ago he got a lot of Johnson grass this way and by breaking as soon as possible he has not been troubled with it.

The consensus of opinion was that drilled oats do much better than when broadcast and plowed under. Amount of seed to sow showed that C. Scott, who plants oats pretty often, runs 2 bushels when they are plowed under and one and one-half when they are drilled. He says that drill gives best and every time. He says he makes from 400 to 1000 bundles per acre. Time to plant seemed to be as soon as you could get them in the ground from now on for better chances of success. Mr. W. L. Armstrong in telling of his experiences in Oklahoma says that he planted about the 15th of February and in 90 days they were in the bundle. This was the Red Rust Proof variety. He would then plant this land in cotton on June 15th.

Next was taken up the best time to cut oats for feed and as to when the most feeding value could be got out of them. The most experience seemed to point very conclusively that those who plant oats for a short, quick feed crop should get them cut in the dough stage. At that time the stock will clean up stem and all and you have not only about 80 per cent of the fed value in the grain oat but you also have a big lot of hay value in the stems. Good sheaf oats in this stage are good to make a crop on. Mr. W. P. Marshall told of his experiences of several years ago when he cut part of his crop early and his stock cleaned it up good, while that which he cut later they did not eat much. He says it has been his experience that any land will grow oats here.

This brought up the question of when to cut wheat for the most feed value. Mr. Marshall said that he cut twenty acres in 1919 in the dough stage and that it was all cleaned up by stock. His advice is not to let the beard get too stiff before cutting the wheat. J. L. Hutto told of feeding nothing but good wheat hay made from cutting wheat just after it was out of the milk stage several years ago. This was all he had to feed to dairy cows and they did well and gave fair yields.

Walter Driggers told of trying to pasture some wheat which had blown down in the dough stage and said the horses would leave it for mesquite pasture. However, this had got tough and dry before he turned in on it.

Mr. W. L. Farmer, who lives south of Spur says that his favorite time to cut wheat for his mules and cows is in the milk stage. Says they

Chief Justice Resigns



William Howard Taft, the only man who ever held the two highest offices in the United States, President and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, resigned because of ill health. Mr. Taft is 72 years old and was appointed Chief Justice by President Harding in 1921. He served as President from 1909 to 1913.

clean it up then. Mr. R. E. Dickson next told of the good season in the soil. He says that from the moisture tests the Experiment Station has run there is a fine chance of an oat crop if they are planted by March 1st. However the earlier in the ground the better. Sorghum he finds is a good crop to follow behind oats and he almost always makes a bumper red top crop behind oats. He thinks this is the best crop to follow oats.

Mr. W. F. Shuggart says he has no stack of red top four or five years old that sure is looking good. It is still good and he never expects to get caught again without enough to last him several years in case of need. He is going to plant 40 acres of it this year. He says he never saw a mule starve on roughness.

Millet came in for some discussion. M. Mr. E. I. Abernathy says you can plant it as soon as you can maize and that it will make a crop in sixty days.

Three men reported favorably on plain old corn as their good bet in time of shortage of feed. Mr. A. C. George says that he plants corn very thick and as soon as it begins to joint he goes to cutting it out about every other row and feeding it. He says that if you have three or four acres of good corn land that it will make the crop after it comes on.

Mr. P. F. Pope says that one acre of good corn on rich land has carried three horses one month on hard work and no other feed this way. Mr. A. W. Watson says that he has done this, the only difference being that he planted the corn thick and then cut as soon as it began to joint. He packed out the feed.

Summary of opinion: Plant all the oats you can afford right away of the red rust proof variety. Cut them as soon as they are well into the dough stage and feed them as sheaf oats. Follow them with red top cane.

Plant Sudan grass as early as possible about eight or ten pounds per acre. One good way is to plant about five pounds on a three foot row very early and take a chance on it. Follow in the middles in two weeks or more with another sowing. As soon as the youngest is big enough lot to pull up, turn into pasture.

A good bet is an acre of corn for every three head of stock, planted every thick and as soon as it begins to joint thin it out and begin to feed.

Try some millet at 20 pounds per acre. It is a good bet and should be cut in the dough stage as stock likes it best then.

## Roscoe McCombs Being Solicited to Make the Race for Constable

Quite a number of voters have been persistently soliciting Roscoe McCombs to become a candidate for constable of this precinct, number 3.

Roscoe would make an excellent peace officer. In fact he has grown up in the home and under the guidance of a peace officer, his father having served as sheriff for many years in Kent county, therefore Roscoe is in position to assume official duties and perform them with a correct knowledge of what is required and expected of an officer from the very beginning, and would make this precinct one of the best officers ever before filling the place of constable.

City Plumber Moore was called to Stephenville this week because of the illness of his father.

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Some of these differences in character and outlook are to be commended. They evidence signs of progress. Today young people are less gullible than the youth of times past. They are inclined to question assertions and arrive at conclusions of their own.

But some notions that influence their conduct and may color their future lives are not to be seriously advocated. Any man who has occasion to hire help is conscious of this different attitude that may spell difficulty for the future.

Work, today, is looked down upon. The young man or woman is too desirous of a "soft job." Too many want to start well up the ladder, never realizing that most conspicuous careers have started at the bottom.

Men who have any achievement of note to their credit can look back upon their early lives and see the experience they gained at the very bottom of the business in which they are engaged has proved most valuable. Until one knows the small detail of his own business he cannot direct its affairs with maximum efficiency—he must always be dependent upon the judgment of somebody else. Until one has disciplined himself to hard work by years of struggling to attain the top he cannot apply himself with full vigor and energy to the harassing details that beset every step of his business life. This sounds like an old story to the boys and girls to whom it is directed, we realize. But it is fundamentally and everlastingly true. Unless you are willing to accept it today, future experience will drive it home with painful force.

**The Racketeer and The Farmer**

The newest development in the field of crime is the so-called "racketeer." The racketeer is a man or gang of men who prey upon small business men by demanding tribute for "protection." If the merchant approached declines to pay, something happens to his store some night; a bomb blows out the front window or his groceries are drenched with kerosene or some similar outrage makes him see the light. The next time the racketeer comes around he pays.

The problem of the racketeer does not concern the big cities alone. One of the favorite hunting grounds for the racketeer is among the dealers in foodstuffs. It has been said that every crate of poultry, every can of milk, every bushel of garden produce that goes to New York or Chicago pays tribute to the racketeers. That may be exaggerated, but there is enough truth in it to make it hurt.

Everything that makes his food cost the city man more than he ought to pay for it is bad for the farmer of foodstuffs. The producer gets a small enough percentage of what the consumer pays as it is. The effort of the Federal Farm Board to reduce this "spread" and put a larger part of the consumer's dollar into the farmer's pocket will have to take the racketeer into account as well as the more or less legitimate middleman. With farmers owning their own marketing machinery the ultimate retail distribution will still be through individual local dealers, especially in the fruit, vegetable, poultry and egg trades.

There is little doubt that except

for the racketeers, most food supplies can be and eventually will be sold in the larger cities for lower average prices than now prevail, while at the same time the grower gets higher prices.

Jim Crow was here the past week from the Watson community. Jim owns valuable property in town, and when he becomes rich and ready to retire from farming, he will no doubt again become a resident of Spur.

Mace Hunter was on the street one day this week. He had been up on the Plains looking after his farming interests in that section, reporting the best and most promising conditions prevailing. In fact, last year was a good crop year on his Plains place.

J. C. Jones, of Jayton, was in Spur the past week, transacting business affairs here.

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To my mind there is no more important office in this big state of ours than that of the man who is charged with the responsibility of exercising voice in making the laws that govern the people of this state.

Born and reared on a farm in Caldwell Parish, Louisiana, I began at the age of six to learn what it meant to walk three miles to a rural school, which was kept warm in the winter months by the pine knots that we boys were able to gather from the thickets that adjoined our school ground. This continued for nine years, at which time the improvement in the school machinery of the state put me within three miles of a small affiliated high school. These were happy moments in my young life, and I early made a boy's resolution "If I ever get a chance to hit that thing I will hit it hard." Time passed. I finished at the head of my class and was honored with a scholarship to the state university, which I entered the next year. Timed closely with the end of my schooling there came an end to my limited supply of money, which I had earned by selling newspapers from 5:00 a. m. till my first morning class. This was in the city of Baton Rouge, where I was privileged to visit the legislature occasionally and enjoy the hot debates among the representatives.

Again I found myself resolving to prepare myself to be among them some day. By this time I had learned to like to call that university-legislature town my home, but circumstances brought me to East Texas, where I continued to work and go to school. The same desire that kept me interested in political news as a high school student was now getting a great deal of attention as a college student. Time passed and I continued my college work and my study of political science. In the meantime I got some experience as an instructor in the college at Nacogdoches, where I was graduated, and later took up work among the public schools of Rusk county. Seeking greener fields, I came to Snyder, where I have been principal of the junior high school for the past two years. And at this time I am earnestly seeking your support in the coming election for representative from the 118th Texas District.

I am wholly conscious of the folly in trying to legislate rules governing every man's personal conduct. However indispensable county jails and penitentiaries may be, they are indeed a poor substitute for conscience. We must leave something to moral training, to the home, to the school, and to the church, and if these factors no longer play the part they should play, all of us should unite to restore their former prestige and influence.

The citizenry of this great state is rapidly becoming conscious of the marvelous progress being made in West Texas, and it is high time that we begin in a most earnest manner to take our just part in shaping the laws by which we are to be governed.

To us the legislature at Austin is a more important body than the Federal Congress. We feel the effect of corrupt or inefficient state and local government far more keenly than we feel the results of inefficiency and corruption in national government.

What we need is an aroused public intelligence that will bring out our men and women of principle and cause them to assert that individual right that in 1836 was made indelibly theirs.

It is with these things in mind that I am asking the people of this district to send me to Austin as your representative. It is not the handsome salary of \$5 per day that I have been looking forward to, altogether, but the opportunity to serve

you in a capacity that will enable me to take a stand against the legislative immunities that West Texas does get to enjoy, and at the same time to forward in the field of work that has been my life study and ambition, thereby preparing to serve you in a

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Respectfully,  
J. M. CLAUNCH.

Read the ads and profit by it.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Anz of Snyder, and Miss Ruth Maples of Hamlin, spent the past week end in Spur, visiting with relatives and friends of the city.

W. F. Shugart, of east of Spur, was here Saturday, meeting with his friends, talking politics and speculating on the future possibilities of everything in general.

W. L. McAteer, of near Dickens, was on the streets Tuesday.

Will Watson, of ten miles east of Spur, was a business visitor here during the week.

# HOW FORD METHODS CUT COST OF DISTRIBUTION

**Lower profits in selling save you at least  
\$50 to \$75 in addition to the many  
savings in manufacturing**

**T**WENTY-SEVEN years ago the Ford Motor Company was formed to provide reliable, economical transportation for all the people. That original purpose has never changed. The constant effort in every activity is to find ways to give you greater and greater value without extra cost—frequently at lowered cost. This applies to distribution and similar important factors, as well as manufacture.

For the Ford Motor Company believes that its full duty is not only to make a good automobile at the lowest possible price, but to see that there is no waste, extravagance, or undue profit in any transaction from the time the car leaves the factory until it is delivered to your home. It is obvious that hard-won savings in production will be of little value if they are sacrificed later through excessive selling costs.

**EVERY** purchaser of a motor car has the right to know how much of the money he pays is for the car itself and how much is taken up by dealer charges. If these charges are too high, one of two things must happen. Either the price of the car must be raised or the quality lowered. There is no other way. The money must come from somewhere.

In the case of the Ford, the low charges for distribution, selling, financing and accessories mean a direct saving of at least \$50 to \$75 to every purchaser in addition to the still greater savings made possible by economies in manufacturing. *Ford charges are not marked up or increased to cover a high trade-in allowance on a used car.*

The profit margin on the Ford car has always



been fair to both the dealer and the public. Within the past three months, it has been possible to effect still further economies. Today, the discount or commission of the Ford dealer is the lowest of any automobile dealer. The difference, ranging from 25% to nearly 50%, comes right off the price you pay for the car.

**THE** business of the Ford dealer is good because he makes a small profit on a large number of sales instead of a large profit on fewer sales. He knows, too, that the extra dollar-for-dollar value of the car makes it easier to sell and more certain to give satisfactory service after purchase.

Consider also that the Ford car is delivered to the purchaser equipped with a Triplex shatter-proof glass windshield, an extra steel-spoke wheel, and bright, enduring Rustless Steel for many exterior metal parts, in addition to four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers and fully enclosed four-wheel brakes.

If for any reason you wish to buy certain small accessories, you will find that these, too, are sold at the usual Ford low prices. Replacement parts are also available at low prices through Ford dealers in every section of the country.

**THESE** are important points to remember in considering the purchase of a motor car. They show why it is possible to put so much extra quality into the new Ford and still maintain the low price. They are also the reasons why more than 35% of all cars sold today are Model A Fords.

## FORD MOTOR COMPANY

**There is a Living in Your Turkeys, Chickens and Cows, so You Take Care of Them.**

We have Supplies to make your turkeys and chickens profitable. We also have cream separators and if you buy one and make use of it your cows will pay, even at the low price of cream. Let us show you.

## SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY

"Spur's Oldest Store"

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following political announcements for candidates for public offices, subject to the Democratic Primary Election to be held in July, 1930.

For Representative 118th District:  
**J. M. CLAUNCH**, of Snyder

For District Judge 110th District:  
**KENNETH BAIN**  
(Re-election)

For District Attorney 110th District:  
**A. J. FOLLEY**  
(Re-election)

For District and County Clerk:  
**ROBT. REYNOLDS**  
(Re-election)  
**A. B. WINKLER**

For County Attorney:  
**J. R. SANDERS**

For County Treasurer:  
**MRS. C. C. COBB**  
(Re-election)

For County Judge:  
**O. C. NEWBERRY**  
(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:  
**A. B. HOGAN**  
(Re-election)

For Commissioner Precinct One:  
**AUSTIN C. ROSE**  
(Re-election)

For Commissioner, Precinct 2:  
**E. N. (Nuge) JOHNSON**  
(Re-election)

For County Commissioner, Precinct 3:  
**W. F. FOREMAN**

For Commissioner, Precinct 4:  
**CHAS. PERRIN**  
(Re-election)

For Public Weigher, Precinct 3:  
**FRED HISEY** (Re-election)  
**ROY ARRINGTON**

For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 2:  
**FRED DOZIER**  
**J. T. JACKSON**  
**G. W. RASH**

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3:  
**S. B. RODDY** (Re-election)

J. A. Legg, a leading citizen of the Croton country, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week.

L. A. Grantham, of the Red Hill community, was among the visitors in the city the past week. He reports everything o. k. in his community at this time, and everybody hopeful and expectant of bumper crops.

**Old Mississippi Has Started to Fill For Annual Jag**

His annual hibernation ended, Father Mississippi is filling himself in the north again to wind home with a heavy load and track up the place with mud.

A disreputable old man at all seasons, he always has his spring spree. The people who know him, who prosper by his silt and suffer from his wrath, want him to get full and stretch, providing he doesn't get too full or stretch too far.

He began in mid-January and started rising, which didn't worry those who understand him. He won't cut up much in January or in February, but the lower valley fears he is rehearsing for a big show just about planting time.

High water in the lower valley has three classifications—freshets, high water and flood.

Freshets come early each year. Tributaries of the lower Mississippi get full from early rains and overflow bottom lands outside of the levees, improving acres instead of damaging them. Then the tributaries empty the surplus into the Mississippi, which is able to care for it.

High water comes when the old stream laboring with a heavy burden, the tributaries are unable to get rid of their surplus so they do the natural thing—back up near their mouth and flood lands and sometimes towns in the deltas.

But floods as the valleys know them, come when the big river gets full from early rains and fuller when northern snows start melting. Then most anything is liable to happen.

The announcement in news items that "hundreds have been driven from their homes" does not necessarily mean much.

There are valley farmers who, if not driven from their homes in early spring, wouldn't have any home, for their lands wouldn't be rich.

So a moving order from Old Man River in the spring is no uncommon experience to those who dare the rivers by hugging banks and living "outside" the levees.

If they get back in time to plant in March and plant in April, the river has done them a favor. If they don't—then it is a flood.

**Jilted Women Seldom Win Suits In British Courts**

London.—Divorce is on the increase in Great Britain, but breach of promise suits are lessening.

Within the year only two such cases have brought the fair and injured plaintiffs as much as \$5,000 in heart balm. The Michalemas lists contained nearly 700 actions of all kinds, but only eight raised the question of a broken promise to marry.

One influence has been the growing antagonism of judges toward this type of suit. Mr. Justice McCordie, for instance, said that two thirds of all breach of promise actions brought not to remedy a loss but to "inflict some public hurt upon a

*Next Royal Bride*



The beautiful young Princess Ileana of Roumania has announced her engagement to Count Alexandru of Hochburg, son of the Prince and Princess of Piez.

man by a disappointed woman."

English juries, too, are becoming critical of the woman who seeks heart balm. The sort of pleas which 50 years ago won verdicts of \$10,000 to \$50,000 have been getting in recent years the piffling sort of case award with which juries rebuke a plaintiff whose case is legally sound but morally shaky.

There is an inclination to attribute this changed attitude to the advent of the woman juror. She is said to be far less inclined than the male of the species to sympathize with a tearful blond plaintiff.

On the other hand some barristers point out that the whole question of woman's status has undergone a great change since Victorian days. When matrimony was practically the only career open to the girl, an engagement of seven or eight years ending in a breach of promise might easily be viewed as economic as well as an emotional hurt.

But in an increasing number of cases today the damage is purely sentimental and the plaintiff is no worse off economically than if she were a young man whose sweetheart had jilted him.

There are many worthy farmers that would be glad to be advised, but there are some among them who know it all, and it is this class that will never accept advice and it is not safe to argue with them or try to advise them and it is the cause of so many farm organizations having failed. But in this organization there will be a different ruling.

This organization is for the purpose of getting better prices for cotton, corn and wheat, and to establish faith, hope and charity among its members; and boost for our country and market town.

J. H. and D. D. Hagins, of the Duck Creek country, were among the business visitors to Spur during the past week.

George E. Erath, of south of the city, was among the number of business visitors in town the past week end.

Miss Treva Marshall came down from Matador and spent last week end here with her parents, Mr and Mrs. W. P. Marshall. Miss Treva is now operating a beauty parlor in Matador, and is enjoying a very liberal trade.

**POULTRY FACTS**

FRESH AIR CURES CHICKEN'S COLDS

**Ventilation and Dry Litter Will Prevent Troubles.**

Chickens are unlucky in the structure of their heads, for it makes them susceptible to colds. Poultrymen should try to avoid conditions that will bring on colds, says Dr. E. L. Brunet, of the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University.

In the head, in front of the brain cavity, are thin cones of bones located in chambers. The use of these chambers is to provide a space in which the inhaled air is warmed before it is taken into the lungs. When a chicken develops a simple cold, an excessive amount of secretion forms in these cavities. As this increases, the poor drainage of the cavities allows it to accumulate. This accumulation is an ideal place for bacteria to multiply and the resulting bacterial growth makes the foul odor which is often present with roup.

A simple cold may be avoided or corrected by increasing the warmth with plenty of fresh air and providing plenty of dry litter. If the first stage is not checked the cold may end in roup with its characteristic head swelling and foul odors.

The opinion that roup is a contagious disease is not well founded, according to Doctor Brunet, for there is usually some underlying condition that is indirectly responsible. This may be tuberculosis, or worms, but whatever the cause it should be removed before a cure can be expected.

A third type of cold is more of a distinct disease, commonly known as bronchitis. This condition is acute and the birds die quickly. The cause of the disease is not known. The best treatment is to increase the temperature of the house, either by controlling the ventilation or by using brooder stoves. In the early part of the outbreak it is well to remove all sick birds and put them in heated brooder houses. Most of them will recover when placed in heated houses. Some disinfectants will give relief, but quack remedies should not be used.

**Investigate Cod Liver Oil for Laying Fowls**

The summary of experiments in England with cod liver oil for laying hens, says:

(1) Fowls not confined or in open-fronted houses do not require cod liver oil to prevent adult rickets.

(2) Fowls confined behind ordinary glass require some adequate source of vitamin D.

(3) The cod liver oil mixed to the extent of 2 per cent of the grain feed supplied the vitamin D requirements of the fowls under experiment.

(4) One per cent of medical cod liver oil in the scratch feed may not be sufficient to meet the requirements of layers confined behind window glass. The source of oil used may be a factor.

(5) It is not possible to state if cod liver oil is beneficial to fowls not confined or in open-fronted pens getting a normal ration that includes green food.

**Healthy Chick Program Brings Higher Returns**

Health sticks to clean chicks! By following four simple points in brooding poultrymen can save 90 per cent of their chicks. Not only more chicks will be saved but they will be more profitable birds to keep as layers and breeders. Grow them clean, and health and vigor will go with them through life.

The four points in the Kansas "healthy chick" program calls for clean houses, clean ground, and clean feed.

By following these four simple rules egg production has been increased 30 eggs per bird in farm flocks. This increase at 25 cents per dozen means an additional return of 60 cents per hen.

**Move Brooder Houses**

Brooder houses are commonly made movable in order to change their location and keep the chicks on clean ground.

But much of the convenience of a brooder house is lost when it is moved to a point distant from other farm buildings.

The problem of finding clean ground and keeping it free from disease germs is a difficult one under average farm conditions, but it is a sure road to success.

**Prevent Cannibalism**

Cannibalism may develop in a large bunch of chicks, no matter how completely fed or how free from parasites. The liberal use of tar is about as effective as anything in checking it. Watch many times a day for those that have been picked enough to draw blood and dab the tar on the wounds. If you can find something that the chicks dislike the taste of more than tar, use it. If that fails try paring off the point of the upper mandible, using care not to get too deep.

**How to Play BRIDGE**  
Series 1929-30 by Wynne Ferguson  
Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

ARTICLE No. 11

What are some of the important points about auction that the average player should remember? Here are three pointers from three different players that are well worth remembering:

First: "An important thing for an auction player to learn and remember is that he cannot always be at his best. That sounds fairly obvious, yet sometimes a player goes a long way before he realizes it. Until he does, he will fret too much over a session of bad play or bad bidding. When he does realize it, however, he will sit down calmly and figure out why he made so many mistakes. Having figured it out, he will come to the conclusion that none of his mistakes are fatal and that, like as not, he will have a good day on the morrow."

Second: "The first and most vital thing that an auction player should learn is not to take the card game home with him. Have your troubles at the card table and in the post mortem after, if you must, but when you leave the card table shut the door on them. If you don't they will rob you of your sleep, make you an irritable figure around your home and eventually take years off your life. That is simple enough, it seems to me, yet a lot of players miff it."

Third: "A young player who learns that it sometimes will pay him to play the boob, has learned something of great value. This applies both to the bidding and play. There are certain rules as to when it is smart to make this bid or that play, and when it isn't. I soon discovered that opposing players were prepared to break up or properly defend certain bids or plays only when

they were the proper thing to do, so I began to bid and play in such a way that, theoretically, at times I was all wrong. Even my partners called me a boob but that didn't stop me as long as my apparently illogical bids and plays upset my opponents and kept winning for me."

The foregoing advice can be taken for what it is worth, but it certainly should make all players think and by starting them to think, cannot help but improve their games.

**End Plays**

One of the usual statements heard at a card table is "That was a pretty end play" or "Partner, you missed a chance for an end play."

What is an end play, and is there any way for the average player to learn how to make one? There are thirteen tricks in every hand and by the time the first eight or nine tricks are won or lost, every player should either know exactly or have a good idea as to the location of the remaining cards held by each player. Very frequently such knowledge can be put to good use and tricks can be won that would be impossible if the location of the remaining cards were not known. Such plays are the so-called "End Plays" and the best way to master their principles is by a study of numerous examples.

Here are four simple cases. Study them over carefully and decide what you would do. Your results should make an interesting comparison with the analysis that will be given in the next article.

**Problem No. 6**

Hearts—Q  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—Q, 8  
Spades—7

Hearts—K  
Clubs—7  
Diamonds—J, 10  
Spades—none

Hearts—A, 10, 4, 3  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—none

Hearts—J, 8  
Clubs—8  
Diamonds—2  
Spades—none

(a) If hearts are trumps and Z is in the lead, how can Y Z win one trick against any defense?  
(b) If hearts are trumps and either A or B is in the lead, how can A B win all of the tricks?

**Problem No. 7**

Hearts—none  
Clubs—9  
Diamonds—A, 3  
Spades—8

Hearts—3  
Clubs—A  
Diamonds—K, 6  
Spades—none

Hearts—2  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—9, 7, 5  
Spades—none

Hearts—10  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—J, 4  
Spades—2

There are no trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Y Z make all of the tricks against any defense?

**Problem No. 8**

Hearts—none  
Clubs—J, 2  
Diamonds—K  
Spades—J

Hearts—5  
Clubs—10  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—6, 3

Hearts—7  
Clubs—Q, 3  
Diamonds—9  
Spades—none

Hearts—9, 2  
Clubs—4  
Diamonds—A  
Spades—none

Clubs are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Y Z win three of the four tricks against any defense?

**Problem No. 9**

Hearts—K  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—Q, 4

Hearts—none  
Clubs—Q  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—10, 3

Hearts—none  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—K  
Spades—K, 7

Hearts—Q  
Clubs—none  
Diamonds—none  
Spades—A, 2

Spades are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Y Z win two of the three tricks against any defense?

*The Life-Savers.*

By Albert T. Reid



**SPUR BARBER SHOP MOVING**

After Monday we will be located in the Powell Building on the east side of Burlington Avenue, next to Bell's Cafe.

We invite friends, customers and the general public to call at our new location. Our prices for Barber Work will be the Same as Ever.

**Spur Barber Shop**

### The Modern "Man On Horseback"

At a dangerous street corner in New York City where two street-car lines cross at an angle in front of a subway station and heavy crosstown traffic complicates an already difficult situation, stands a large sign in the shape of a tombstone. It reads "Sacred to the memory of 1,846 persons killed by automobiles in the city this year." The number is changed every day. It never grows smaller; the dead do not come back to life.

Ohio for some years marked the scene of every fatal accident on a state highway with a white cross. It is reported that the state has abandoned this practice; the crosses became too thick in some spots. This is a step in the wrong direction. Warnings like that may be disregarded and usually are by most motorists, but enough drivers will be shocked into at least temporary caution to be more careful at that particular spot.

It is not merely for the protection

of drivers and their passengers that such warnings are needed. The man on foot still has first rights on the highway, and his life is as valuable as that of the man who rides. Out of all the immense toll of motor deaths in 1929, nearly a third were of pedestrians struck by automobiles.

In the old feudal days in Europe the man on horseback felt that he was a superior being, and the poor people who had no horses had to agree with him or be ridden down. One of the things our fathers came to America for was to change all that. It would almost seem that we are losing ground. There is something about driving a car which makes many persons utterly reckless of the rights of others. That these reckless ones are not always very young and are not necessarily intoxicated only makes the situation all the worse.

R. G. Smith, of the Kalgary community, was among the number of business visitors here Saturday of the past week.

### Heads Moslem Republic



This latest photograph of Mustafa Kemal, president of the Turkish Republic, does not look like the traditional Turk. Kemal has the title of "Pasha" and is one of the most progressive men of the time.

### Wasting Time

The good physician somehow feels that time is a mighty precious commodity that everybody has, and that it should not be ruthlessly thrown away. To waste time, is to squander something that can never be retrieved. In this short talk, I am trying in my modest way to tell you my opinion of prodigalities that I have committed with perfectly good intentions, as follows:

I have found it utter foolishness to tell my lady patient that she should keep her feet warm and her head cool; in other words, that she should not wrap three hundred dollars worth of furs about her neck and go in zero temperatures with her legs clad in thin silk stockings and her feet in ball room sandals.

And, I have wasted many a word and the time it took to say them in telling young women that jay-bird heels of astonishing altitude are most unnaturally freakish, contrary to all laws of common sense—that they will endow coming generations with mental and physical delinquency.

On several occasions I have fooled away good advice and the time it took to give it, on the barber that uses a common hairbrush on his customers, unquestionably carrying rubbish from diseased scalps to healthy ones. Along with the brush goes the public comb, equally effective in doing harm. Maybe you could persuade the good public servant to keep a jar

of antiseptic solution in which to submerge his brush and comb between customers—I just can't.

I have, perhaps, squandered more time against the six o'clock dinner than on any other deadly enemy of our business men; I can only convince, when I am appealed to by a victim of the custom, who comes to me with failing circulation, a threat of apoplexy, shortness of breath, excess of weight, and diseased kidneys—these at the age of fifty or sixty, when man should be at his very best—Dr. John Joseph Gaines.

Houston Gunn and wife last week moved to the Spur country from Flomot in Motley county. Houston is now one of the Texas Spur force in its side-line of farming, and is driving a Farmall getting 225 acres of land ready for planting. Two and three years ago when we were an "actual dirt farmer" we promised to recount to Texas Spur readers the actual results—but since no results were evident we failed to render a statement. However, we had some experience and learned some things. We realize that farming is a business within itself, but at the same time is about as big a gamble as there is in the country. A man can sit in his office and farm on paper to beat the band—but when it comes to the actual performance things are different. However, Houston Gunn is a good farmer and a tireless worker, and if we get the rains, the hails go round us, and the worms and other pests can be controlled, we expect to have a bank account another year. At any rate, here is not only hoping but working to that end.

LOST—Dodge wheel and tire between my residence and the business section. Finder return to J. T. Bilberry for reward. 15-2c.

T. M. Maples, of Hamlin, spent Monday and Tuesday in Spur looking after his property and other business interests here. He informs us that other sections of the country are also experiencing a season of business and financial depression. However, we are all looking forward to better times ahead—and they are surely coming as is now evident on every hand.

Read the ads and profit by it.

## POULTRY

### RAPID GROWTH IN RAISING TURKEYS

#### Fowls Utilize Areas of Otherwise Profitless Land.

The turkey industry has made a rapid growth in Idaho in recent years, says Pren Moore, extension poultry specialist with the University of Idaho college of agriculture. It has grown since 1922, when turkeys were rather insignificant in volume, until now it has become an important industry in point of volume. The bulk of the original stock was small and of poor quality. There was very little native stock at that time which was suitable for breeding purposes. There were a few breeders in the state who had been importing good breeding stock, but the general average was of inferior quality.

The increased volume soon attracted the large produce-dealers, who began bidding for the business. Grades, conforming to those in general use throughout the country, were applied. Not until then did the growers realize the value of breeding to improve the quality of the stock. The few good local breeders were unable to supply the demand for better breeding stock. Breeding stock was imported on a large scale. Some of it was of high quality while much was inferior, but most of it was an improvement over the average of the native stock. Improvement was rapid, which developed a rapidly growing interest in turkey breeding as an enterprise.

Demand for better breeding stock led to a system of accreditation similar to that attaining such success in the poultry industry. The popularity of this accreditation work in turkey raising, says Mr. Moore, is apparent from the growing demand for the service.

#### Clean Ground Essential for Turkey Success

Recent findings have shown that the organism which causes blackhead in turkeys lives in the soil. Consequently if turkeys are raised on contaminated soil they can hardly escape the disease. The danger will to a large extent be averted if a three-year rotation is followed.

Experimental findings have shown that the cecal worm found in chickens is a menace to the turkey. It is believed that if the young turkeys are affected with cecal worms the injury they do to the lining of the intestinal walls is sufficient to permit the entrance of blackhead organisms into the blood stream, thus infecting the bird with the incurable disease and the one most dreaded by turkey breeders. The remedy, therefore, is to keep the young turkeys on clean ground and entirely separate from chickens.

Policy Williams was on the streets Saturday. He just recently completed the construction of a new and modern farm home on his place to the south of Spur, and is now living in comfort and luxury.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Scaled proposals addressed to Hon. Ned Hogan, Mayor of the City of Spur, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Clerk until 2 P. M. Monday, February 24th, 1930, for furnishing all material and labor and constructing complete approximately 10,300 square yards of concrete pavement, together with necessary curb, gutter, walks, etc.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms are on file at the offices of the City Clerk, Spur, Texas, and Municipal Engineering Company, 1107 Athletic Club Bldg., Dallas, Texas, for inspection, or may be secured upon deposit of \$25.00.

A certified check for \$1,000.00 must accompany all bids. A satisfactory surety bond in sum of fifty per cent of contract price will be required from the successful bidder.

The usual right to reject any or all bids is reserved by the City.

NED HOGAN, Mayor.  
Spur, Texas.

FOR SALE—Pure bred Buff Orpington chickens at prices to suit the simet. Mrs. V. C. Smart—152c

Messrs. H. R. and C. P. Witt, of the Kalgary section of country, were among those in Spur on business the past week.

FOR SALE—Two young Jersey milk cows, priced to sell. Fresh soon. See or write H. L. Pullen, Rte. 1, Spur, Texas. 15-1fc.

W. H. Young, of Red Hill, was in the city the past week end, trading and meeting with his friends.

J. C. McNeil, of the Alamo Stock Farm west of Spur, was among the business visitors here the past week end.

FOR RENT—Brick building in Spur. Will remodel to suit tenant. See W. P. Nugent & Son. 16fc

E. T. Varnell, a leading citizen of the Afton country, was transacting business in Spur Tuesday of this week. He reports everything now in good shape in the north part of the county, with good seasons and fine prospects for crops. The general indication at the present time is that the Spur country will this year harvest the biggest crops in its history of farming—and may experience about the lowest price cotton ever before, it now being down to seven cents. The slogan now is to plant less cotton and more grain, feed, poultry and livestock.

Mrs. Earl Harkey and Miss Mildred Stret of Dickens were shopping in our city Friday of last week.

Mrs. Mildred Sweet who has been visiting in Oklahoma City for several months, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Terry, in Dickens.



With the arrival of the

## NEW SPRING STYLES Of Coats and Dresses

we feel that the very garment you are looking for will be presented here. It is true that the stocks are not complete; however, in the present day of merchandising this is the case with all better stores who show you the newer styles as they come forth.

We will appreciate your inspecting to view through the lines of

Men's Suits, Hats, Oxfords, Shirts and Hosiery

or any desired item for the man, woman or the younger set.

See the clever showing in

Ladies Footwear

Prices are moderate and we feel you will be well pleased with the styles.

### HOSIERY

in all the newer shades, priced from

\$1.00 to \$2.95

for the better lines, also in cheaper grades down to 25 cents.

LOVE DRY GOODS COMPANY

# Ar-La-Tex-O Store

Owned and operated by

C. R. EDWARDS & CO.

C. R. Edwards, Mgr.

will open next week in the

building formerly occupied

by Simpson Barber Shop

### The Wilson Better Staple Cotton SEED FOR PLANTING

I have the Wilson Better Staple Cotton Seed at \$1.00 per bushel. This seed produces a staple of one to one and one-eighth inches, and is furnished by the Texas Seed Agency, which is permanently established in West Texas. See me for further information.

E. A. Bailey, Spur  
AT PRICE BROS. GIN

### CONSUMERS FUEL ASSN.

We are now delivering our products to members:

KEROSENE ..... 11c  
GASOLINE ..... 17c

Other products accordingly

J. V. McCormick, President  
S. E. Boothe, Manager

**Most Accurate Tybist**



Miss Liberda Claing of Springfield, Mass., who is a student at Boston University, wrote 70 words a minute for fifteen minutes, a total of more than 1,000 words without a single error.

**Bring Up Your Chicks In the Way They Should Go**

Chicks are a good bit like children in a great many ways. With proper training, both will develop into valuable members of their respective branches of society. Much has already been said in this series of articles on the subject of environment. I have stressed the need for clean, comfortable quarters, ventilation, adequate range, sanitation and other phases of that subject. Heretofore, however, I have had no opportunity to mention one very important matter, which is the training of young chicks in what a friend of mine has humorously called barnyard etiquette.

I begin training my chicks the moment I transfer them to the brooder room. As soon as possible I begin scattering their grain ration in the litter so they will have to scratch for it thus giving healthful exercise. I also watch them carefully and guide them into the heated area of the hover whenever they need such direction. Whenever I find chicks huddled together, I place them under the hover. It may be necessary to do this quite often during the first week.

Crowding is another danger that can be greatly lessened by early training. I prevent huddling in corners by placing chick wire or boards diagonally across them. They must be watched carefully, however for if they cannot crowd into the corners, they will often pile together

in football scrimmage style right in the middle of the floor. Watch your chicks at all times, but especially at evening, and gently force them apart if they show any tendency toward crowding. There will always be need for watchfulness in this respect until they are actually roosting.

Crowding is only one of many bad habits chicks will develop if not watched carefully or if not given proper feed, exercise and space. All these habits may be overcome if proper action is taken the moment they show up.

One quite serious habit, toe picking or cannibalism, results usually from lack of animal protein in the feed or sufficient exercising room. If they have plenty of room to exercise or scratch naturally, there is less danger. If too closely confined, they will seek other forms of activity, one of which is picking at one another's toes. Sometimes a chick's toes will be injured and the sight of blood attracts others. Once they taste blood, the picking may become general, causing serious injury and even death to considerable numbers.

Whenever this habit is noticed, take steps to enlarge the quarters or divide the chicks into smaller groups so they will have more room. It is also a good idea to add more meat scraps to their mash or milk to drink. You will also find that there are one or two ringleaders causing most of the trouble and teaching the others bad habits. If so, take them out of the pen and keep them out until the injured toes have healed. Paint the injuries with tar, which has a disagreeable taste and discourages toe picking.

Feather eating or pulling is another habit that often leads to the chicks literally pulling all the young feathers from each other and eating them, or to eating one another up, usually starting at the tail. It is due to much the same causes as toe picking, and should be overcome in the same way. Remove the injured chicks and apply tar as for toe picking. Do not put them back until they are thoroughly healed.

One very important phase of a chick's early training is teaching them to roost. This can be quite easily done if started before the chicks are too old. By putting them on the roost a time or two at night, they will take to the roosts nicely.

Build temporary roosts 12 to 18

**"Hands Up"**



Nothing to worry about in this hold up. It's only Speaker "Nick" Longworth with the revolver which was used by the famous bandit Jesse James. Senator Hawes, of Missouri, gave the pistol to the Speaker.

inches from the floor, with an inclined runway to the first roost, all the roosts being on the same level, the same as for other roosts. Build it so that the chicks cannot drop between the roosts and the walls, and cover the under side of it with 1-inch netting. This prevents the chicks from dropping from the roosts to the floor, and also keeps them out of the droppings. The chicks will in all probability take to these roosts naturally and quickly without crowding, but they should be watched for a few nights to prevent crowding. These roost should be from 2 to 3 inches wide, which will help to prevent crooked breast bones in both chicks and poults.—Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S.

George B. Maben, of southwest of Spur, was on the streets the past week. George stated that farming conditions were good throughout his section and everybody is now beginning to get lands in shape for the planting season.

Harry Patton informed us that he now had a good farmer on his place, and has everything rigged up for work. While Harry is making a specialty of cutting meat and serving patrons at the Central Market, yet much of his time is being devoted to looking for an oil man and two good healthy boys to join him later in his farming operations and building a real, comfortable home—and notwithstanding that time is required in getting everything desired, he has patience, perseverance and is not easily discouraged.

**Ranger Woman is Telling Her Friends About It**

"I HAVE SUFFERED FOR YEARS WITH STOMACH AND LIVER TROUBLE BUT SINCE TAKING ORGATONE I FEEL SIMPLY FINE," SAID MRS. RICE

"Yes, I am feeling simply fine now, since taking Orgatone! it has helped me so much I am telling all my friends about it," said Mrs. Zelda Rice, of Ranger, Texas, living on rural route 1, while talking with the Orgatone representative recently.

"For several years I have suffered from stomach and liver trouble. My appetite was very poor and I got to where I couldn't eat hardly anything, and was gradually growing worse," she continued. "Night after night, I would have a dizzy, bilious sensation, and suffered from gas on my stomach. I was troubled with constipation and had to take laxatives most of the time. I had a dull, throbbing pain in the back of my head, and this seemed to get worse at night, and I was very nervous and didn't get the proper amount of sleep. I was in a very rundown condition and felt tired and worn out all the time, and didn't have any energy or ambition. I had a pain in my back and side, often caused from the improper functioning of my liver.

"Orgatone had helped so many people here and so many people had talked about it so I began taking it. I have only taken one bottle of Orgatone, and you should just see me now. My appetite is fine, and I can't get enough to eat, and my food agrees with me and I feel better in every way."

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Ernest Mayfield, of Jayton, was in Spur the past week, meeting with his friends here.

FOR RENT—Houses and furnished apartments. See W. T. Wilson, Spur, Texas. 12-tfc.

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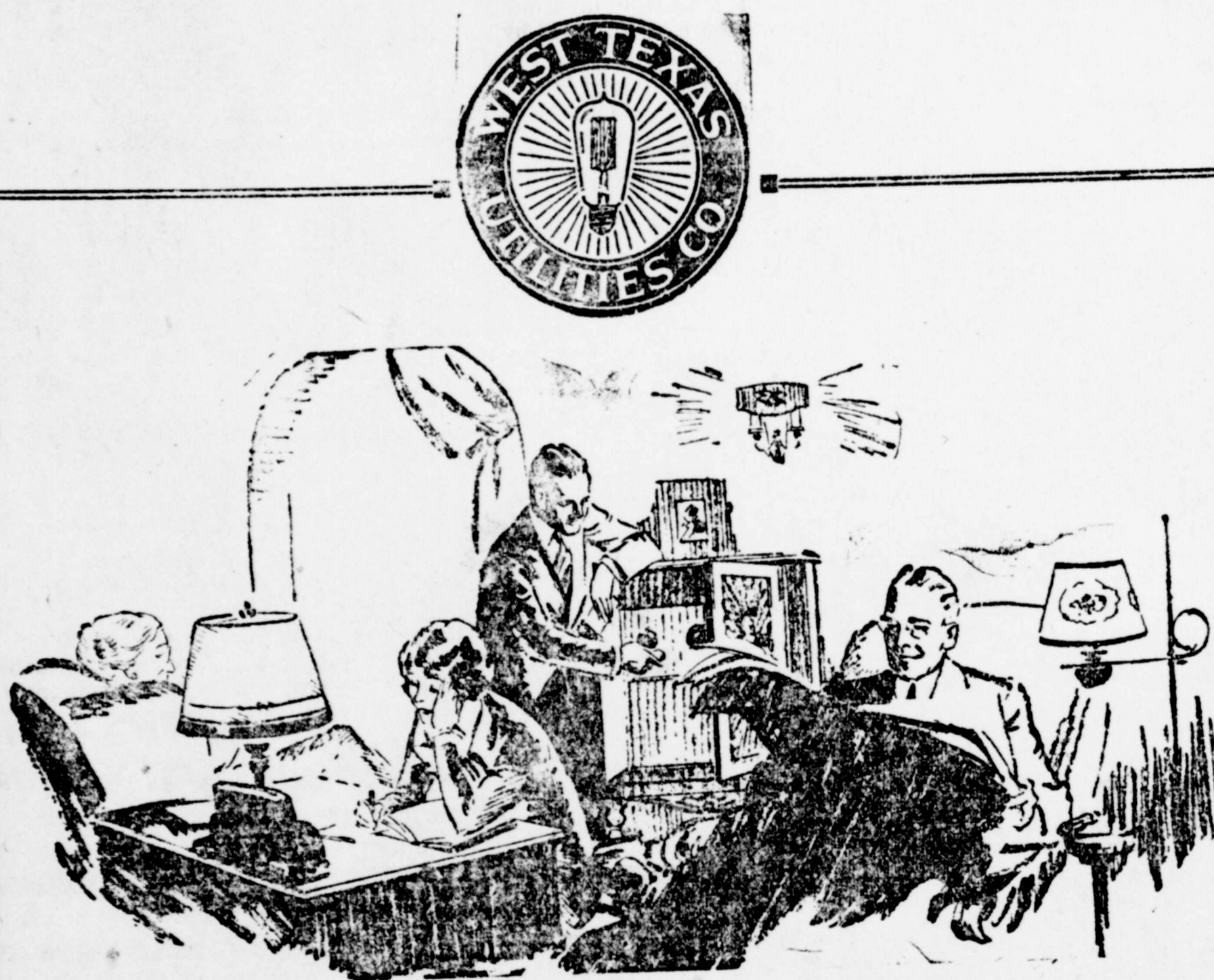
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County Attorney E. G. Worswick, wife and daughter, Miss Bennie, are now in Temple where the Judge is going through the clinics in the hope of finding something the matter with him. Judge Worswick has consulted all the physicians of Dickens and Lubbock counties, but they tell him there is nothing the matter. His friends say that he is determined to find doctors or specialists who will tell him that there is something ailing him, therefore his trip to Temple. Judge Worswick has been in failing health the past several months and it is hoped that his trip to Temple will place him back in good shape and that he will again enjoy good health. They intend to remain in Temple several weeks.

### Three Women in Race For County Treasurer in Kent County

Kent county already has three women candidates for county treasurer. Megdanes B. P. Vardiman, G. T. Wade and Orta L. Glenn who has held the office a number of terms. It is said here that C. W. Fincher may probably get in the race for the sheriff's office in Kent county. Sheriff Goodall, already has two opponents, Sam McCombs and Mr. Barclay.

#### WEST CIRCLE BAPTIST W. M. U.

West Circle of the Baptist W. M. U. met Monday with Mrs. A. M. Walker with seven members present. Mrs. Herbert Swan, chairman, presided and devotional was led by Mrs. Walker. Mrs. George M. Williams very interestingly taught the lesson "The Challenge of Home Missions." This circle very cordially invites all Baptist ladies in the west part of the city to meet with them next Monday at Mrs. Swan's on North Miller Street, at three o'clock.—Reporter.

#### NORTH CIRCLE BAPTIST UNION

The North Circle of the Baptist W. M. U. met with Mrs. W. F. Godfrey at three o'clock Monday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by the chairman and then Mrs. Godfrey led in a very interesting lesson in our missionary study book. We had eight ladies present. Come and be with us. You are welcome. Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Tom Dickey.—Reporter.

C. E. Austin has been spending some time in Spur. He is now employed by the Swenson Ranch interests in building tanks in their several pastures.

Will Walker, Oran McClure, Lenoy Hazel and Miss Wilma McArthur, of the Tech College, spent the past week end here with their parents and other relatives and friends.

## DAIRY FACTS

### PASTURES NEEDED FOR DAIRY FARMS

#### Waste Seed and Labor When Planting on Poor Land.

The one big drawback to dairy farming is a scarcity of good pastures. "A good pasture is one that furnishes an abundance of nutritious grazing," says John A. Arey, dairy extension specialist at the North Carolina State college. "On such a pasture a cow may get enough to eat without having to wander over a large area for it. Too many of our so-called pastures contain large amounts of woods and waste lands and are not much more than exercising grounds for our cows. Nearly all the food a cow gets from such a pasture is used up in producing the energy to get it."

In Mr. Arey's opinion, a pasture should be regarded as a crop and so cared for. Grass seed ought to be planted on good land—land sufficiently fertile to grow good crops and then the weeds and brush kept down. If the soil is given an occasional top-dressing of manure or commercial fertilizer, especially phosphates and nitrogen, better results will be secured.

"About all the attention most of our pastures receive is a little time spent in tightening the barbed wires on a wet day," says Mr. Arey.

Seed and labor are both lost when planting is made on poor land. Sixty per cent of the average North Carolina farm land is listed in the census as unimproved but much of this land is fertile. However, it is now covered with underbrush and returns no income. Then, too, there is much rolling land in the Piedmont section that washes easily when cultivated. In other sections there are good bottoms which overflow too frequently to be safe for crops. All of these areas can be made into good pasture. Mr. Arey says that records from the local herd improvement association show that pasture has a value of from \$6 to \$10 per acre when cream from the cows so grazed is sold for butter making. The value is greater where milk is retailed.

### Cow-Testing Increases and Dairy Profits Grow

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Butterfat production per cow also has experienced a steady increase under improved management and better breeding and feeding. Five years ago the mark was 286.9 pounds per cow. Last year the figure was 303.7 pounds. This was the second year in the history of Pennsylvania cow-testing work that butterfat production exceeded the 300 mark. Sidelmann reported.

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A little steamed bone meal or a mixture of equal parts of crushed limestone, steamed bone meal and salt added to the ration will insure a longer period of production, healthier cows and decrease breeding troubles.

### Breeding Bull Value

It is a well-known fact that the breeding value of a bull cannot be determined until his daughters come into milk. A bull may be well bred and still not able to transmit high producing ability to his offspring. Yet it is the rule on the average dairy farm to sell a bull when his daughters are ready to show what they can do at the pail. Bulls are usually sold before their daughters are ready to breed. Farmers should exchange ideas with each other.

### Ferguson Supporters Will Meet to Form a Campaign Organization February 22

The Texas Spur is requested to announce that a meeting of Ferguson supporters will be held in Spur Saturday, February 22nd, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of forming a Ferguson for Governor Club. Those interested are urged to be present.

### Mistrial in the Brady Murder Case at Austin

The case of Judge John W. Brady, charged with murdering Miss Leihlia Highsmith at Austin resulted in a mistrial, there being 9 jurors for a death sentence, 2 for life, and 1 for acquittal. The case will be transferred elsewhere for trial later. Bootleg whiskey is attributed the cause of the Judge's crime.

#### MRS. TANNER ENTERTAINED BRIDGE CLUB

Wednesday Mrs. E. L. Tanner was a pleasant hostess to the 1925 Bridge Club members, there being three tables arranged for the games. A delicious salad course was served to Mesdames Hill Perry, Fred Jennings, Nell Davis, Shirley Robbins, Van Hardin, Frank Laverty, Tom Sanders, Ray Dickson, W. D. Wilson, M. C. Golding, James Reed, Riley Wooten, Will Andrews, Oran McClure, and Mrs. Tanner of Mississippi.

#### MESDAMES LEE ENTERTAIN WITH FORTY TWO

Mesdames W. B. and E. S. Lee were most gracious hostesses to members of the Blue Bonnet Club and their husbands Thursday evening of last week, at the home Mrs. E. S. Lee, forty two being the entertaining feature of the evening. Delicious refreshments were served the number of guests.

#### MRS. W. H. LINK DIED AT ASPERMONT SATURDAY

Mrs. W. H. Link died in Aspermont Saturday, her remains being interred in the Anson cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Link have lived for years in Aspermont. He is a brother of Geo. S. Link of Spur.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Golding and children were recent visitors to Lubbock

Mrs. Tom Jones was here from Jayton during the week shopping. Mrs. Ivan Murdock of Jayton was shopping in Spur this week.

Luther Karr, of Espuela, was here the first of the week. County Commissioner Foreman was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Blum of Big Springs were here Sunday visiting with her father, Mit Reynolds, and W. R. Terry and wife.

Mrs. Claude Gentry is now postmaster at Elton, having recently been appointed to the place.

Tom Cross, wife and little son were in Spur the past week from their farm and ranch southwest of the city.

FOR SALE—Some good work horses and fresh milk cows, priced right.—J. T. Bilberry, Spur, 16th

W. W. Flournoy, of Silverton, was in Spur the first of the week.

W. H. Condon is one of the latest to become converted to the methods of motor farming, he having purchased a Farmall the past week. There are now some thirty odd farmers of this section farming by motor power.

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For three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 13, 14 and 15, to introduce our Genral Woolen Line of Clothing, we are giving

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## SPUR LAUNDRY COMPANY

J. P. Koonsman, of Croton, was in Spur Saturday.

FOR TRADE—Good Ford touring car for milk cow. See H. C. Gruben at Gruben Bros Store.

Mrs. Lexie Davis of Los Angeles is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Terry, in Dickens. Mrs. Davis has been employed by the Pacific Telephone Co. of that city for the past year.

Bob Brown, of Lubbock, was in Spur this week, meeting with his friends here. Bob has been in the grocery business at Lubbock for the past several years, stating that he has now retired and is living on the interest of his earnings.

W. D. H. C. and Ben Eldredge, of McAdoo, were among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. They report everything in fine shape on the Plains, there being good seasons and farm work beginning in all parts of that section.

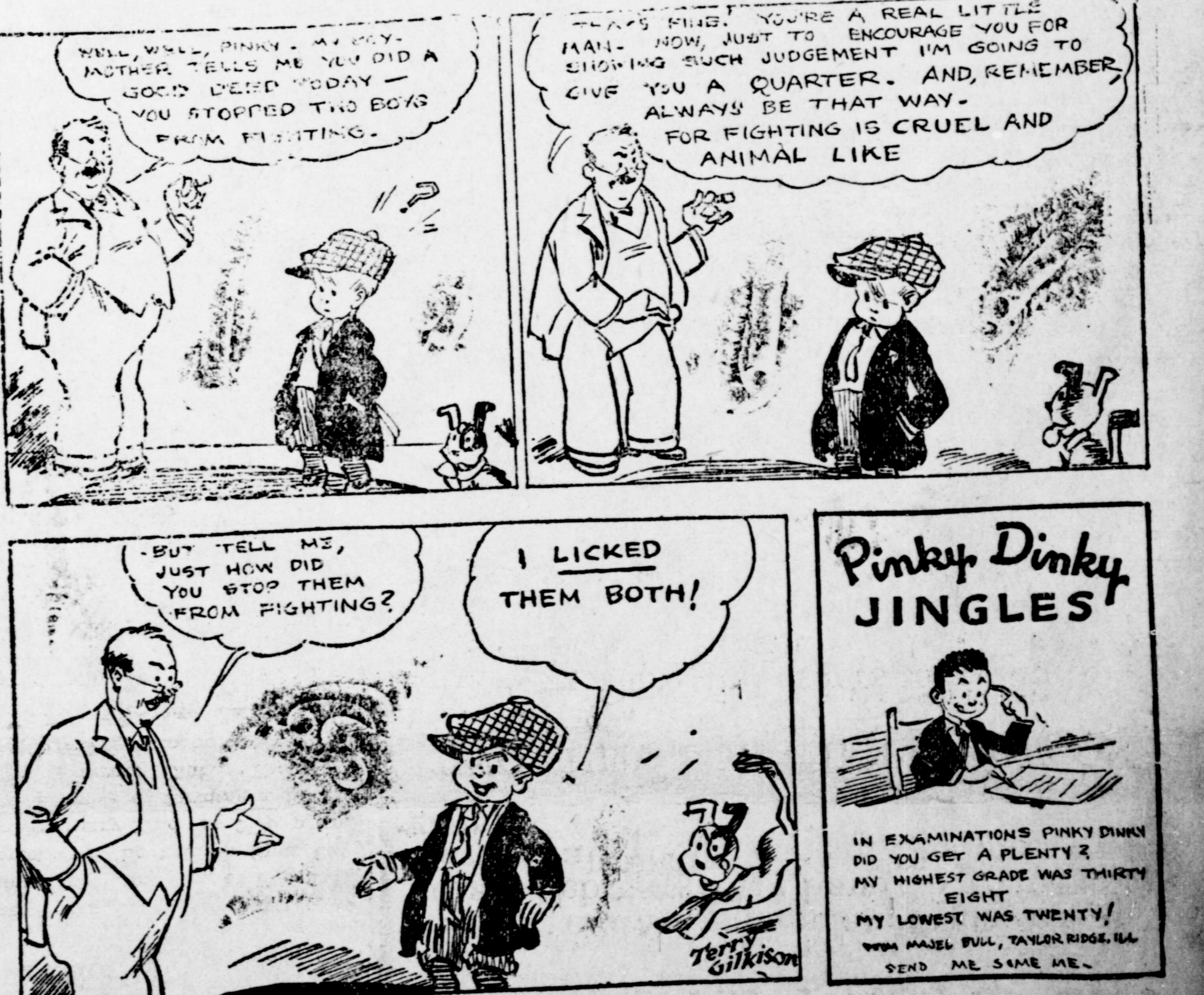
Mrs. E. P. Tayloe, of Paris, Tenn., who has been here the past two weeks with her daughter through an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium, is returning home this week. She received a message from Mr. Tayloe stating that his daughter underwent an operation for appendicitis, also since Mrs. Tayloe's departure for Spur and Dickens.

Mrs. Bert Duncan and daughter of Roaring Springs, were in Spur Wednesday, trading, and while here were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office, having their names added to the regular subscription list. Bert Duncan and family lived here years ago. In fact the Duncan family was among the very earliest settlers of Dickens county. We were glad to see them again and also have them again as Texas Spur readers.

NOTICE

Percy Jones will hold service in Spur on Sunday, February 16th. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Ned Bowers was on the streets Monday, coming in from his ranch headquarters to the east of Spur.



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BUT TELL ME, JUST HOW DID YOU STOP THEM FROM FIGHTING?

I LICKED THEM BOTH!

## Pinky Dinky JINGLES

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