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Red Cross Drive Proves Successful

Afton Man Dies Quite Suddenly

Willis Potter, about 50, who had been picking cotton for J. N. Lawson near Afton, died quite suddenly Saturday night of last week. He had been talking and laughing with his associates when a coughing spell struck him; difficult breathing soon developed and life had ebbed away within fifteen minutes time. He was a sufferer of tuberculosis.

Interment was made in Afton Cemetery. Surviving near relatives are: two brothers of Afton, another brother in Oklahoma and a son whose whereabouts are unknown.

Army Tanks In Latest Comedy

"PACK UP YOUR TROUBLES" AMUSING SATIRE ON ARMY LIFE

Had army officials refused permission to loan tanks for use in the making of the latest Laurel and Hardy feature-length comedy, "Pack Up Your Troubles", which comes to the Palace Theatre, starting Sunday, the picture would probably never have been filmed.

And this fact would have been regrettable, for the comedy is considered one of the funniest thus far produced by the inimitable comedians. In the story there is a long, humorous sequence which takes place in the front line trenches.

Laurel and Hardy are a couple of misfit buck privates. Their pal gets lost in No Man's Land, and they are ordered to rescue him. They become entangled in a couple of tanks, and what happens is reported to be one of the many amusing highlights of the picture.

Scenes Filmed At Night

The scenes were filmed at night. But tanks were needed for the sequence. The only ones on the Pacific Coast are in possession of the 160th Tank Corps, in Salinas, California. Happily, permission was secured by the Hal Roach studios and with the tanks came two squads of men who participated with countless others in making the scenes a reminder of the World War.

In appreciation of the courtesy Laurel and Hardy treated the veterans to fried chicken and steak every evening throughout their two weeks' engagement in the picture.

Kent County Singing Convention to Meet Sunday at Girard

The Kent County Singing Convention will meet Sunday in Girard.

Hello, Dickens County! Come down to Girard next Sunday, Nov. 27, we are going to have a big singing beginning at 1:30 P. M., and we need you to help us put it over. This is the Kent County singing convention and we are expecting singers from several adjoining counties. So come and bring your song books. R. E. BEEVER, President. E. W. DAVIS, Secretary.

Dancing Program Quite Entertaining

One of the most pleasing entertainments of the year was enjoyed Monday night at the Palace Theatre when Miss Lois Chandler presented her dance and physical culture pupils in a well-balanced program. The several numbers were very cleverly presented by the students who were quite attractively costumed. The climax of the excellent program was a very fascinating specialty toe dance by Miss Chandler. All the numbers received hearty applause.

The Dickens County quota of five hundred members of the Red Cross will likely go well over the top. D. L. Granberry, who is Red Cross Secretary of Dickens County, reported 282 memberships having been obtained in Spur up to Monday afternoon when a Texas Spur representative called at his office. Dickens, McAdoo and Afton had not reported at the time.

The Negro population of Spur have contributed \$61.00. H. F. Haynes who is principal of the Spur negro school, directed the drive in negro quarters with good results.

Later information is that a total of 417 memberships have been subscribed in the county. Dickens has 16, Afton 29 and McAdoo 81.

Most of us used to think of the Red Cross as "A pretty good organization operating in distant communities and countries." In the late years of adversity we have found that this is a Real Home Organization and is ready to render assistance in every instance of distress. If you have not already done so, show your appreciation of this very worthy relief organization by contributing a dollar for a membership.

Moberley Purchases the Colbert Cattle

R. J. (Dick) Moberley and son, Sam, of Albany, Texas, were in Spur Monday to receive the remainder of the cattle from the Colbert Ranch near Spur. Eleven carloads were shipped Tuesday to Mr. Moberley's Shackelford County ranch, the "outs" being taken to the Fort Worth market by truck.

Joe Matthews, of Albany, as receiver of the Colbert properties, sold the cattle to Moberley.

Survey Almost Completed On Highway No. 24

Preliminary survey for the grading and drainage of Highway 24 east of Dickens to the King County line is almost complete.

When this gap is filled in with hard surface along with a gap in King county and Knox, this highway will be the most direct route for the people of the Plains and Mexico, as well as Dickens county citizens, to Fort Worth and Dallas. It is expected that it will carry the heaviest traffic of any highway of this whole country.

Dickens Schools Re-Open Monday

The Dickens schools opened Monday morning after a several weeks vacation for cotton picking. All the teachers reported for duty but the scholar attendance is below normal due to the fact that many farmers have not finished picking cotton.

Farm House Burns This Past Monday

A farm house owned by Dr. T. H. Blackwell and occupied by Rev. Alexander and family, located northeast of Spur, burned to the ground Monday totally destroying all the Alexander's household effects. All the family was in the field at the time and origin of the fire is unknown.

Diphtheria Serum Is Given To Students

County Health Officer Dr. T. H. Blackwell went to Dickens Tuesday and inoculated 200 school students with diphtheria serum. Only a few of the students at Dickens failed to take the diphtheria immunization treatment.

AN AMUSING INCIDENT

(Another Editorial)

The (new) editor of the Texas Spur has been 'making the rounds' this week endeavoring to meet those of the business people whom we may not have met before and also to tell folks that we will appreciate a portion of their printing and advertising business. We didn't get to see all of the business people and expect to continue our 'get acquainted' campaign until we do see all of you. In every instance (except one) we met with a very courteous and friendly reception. You treated us like we like to be treated and we want you to know that we greatly appreciate your consideration.

This 'exception' was quite amusing to us and we are here passing it on to Texas Spur readers in the belief that it may also amuse you.

We walked into one establishment in Spur Tuesday afternoon, it having been the fourth visit to the place before we found the manager in, and when we introduced ourselves and told him that we were on the job 'down at the Texas Spur' and would appreciate that part of his business our service would merit, he blurted out: "I think there's too many newspapers here." We answered that we agreed with him in this respect, but that as we were publishing one of the 'too many' we desired to solicit a portion of his business. Of course, when he stated that there are too many newspapers here he intimated (without saying so) that ours should cease publication. That appealed to us just about as forcefully as it would to him for us to go into his place of business and say: 'There's too many dry goods stores in Spur; I think it advisable for you to close up.'

But even then we didn't lose our temper and endeavored to present argument why it might help his business to patronize the Texas Spur. Next he said: "I can't get as good service down there." We asked him immediately how he knew he couldn't if he hadn't patronized us any and how he expected to find out that he can't unless he entrusts us with some business, clinching the argument with the assertion that we can and will give him or anybody else just as good printing service at the Texas Spur as is obtainable anywhere in cities of like size (or many times larger) in the United States, and if we couldn't or didn't, we wouldn't ask him for any pay for any work we might do for him.

Next he said: "Well, I can't afford to divide my advertising, one paper one week and another the next; it won't pay that way." We answered by saying that many very fine citizens of this section of Texas read the Texas Spur and like it and it is probable that they feel friendly toward those who support this paper with their advertising.

His next statement was: "I advertise where I want to; don't owe anybody a cent and have the biggest business in this town." We answered by asking him the question: "Didn't you partially build your big business through Texas Spur advertising before eliminating altogether that paper from your list, for reasons best known to yourself?"

Anyway we didn't have much luck with him but finally got him to agree to read the Texas Spur each week and compare its qualities as a readable newspaper with other papers of like responsibilities and duties, and if finally he is convinced that we are publishing such a paper as will commend the respect and real reader interest of folk of this country to the extent that it is an outstanding country newspaper, that he will accord us a portion of his advertising patronage.

When he promised to do this we promised him that we would never again personally solicit his advertising patronage and would instruct other solicitors of this paper not to ask him for business. We told him that we would likely visit his store occasionally, if it's alright with him, in quest of local and personal news for the columns of this paper. He said that would be perfectly alright, and we parted on friendly terms.

Sidney Merle Smith Died Saturday at Home of Parents

Sidney Merle, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Smith, died at 3:00 o'clock last Saturday morning at the home of his parents in the Red Mud community in Kent county, after having suffered with pneumonia for twelve days.

Funeral services were held at the home Sunday morning with Elder Wright Randolph of the Spur Church of Christ officiating. Interment was made in Spur cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Funeral Parlor.

The father, mother, one sister and one brother survive. Out of town relatives here to attend the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin, grandparents, and Mrs. Earl Farrell, an aunt, all of Clovis, N. M.

PURCHASES GIN

F. R. Middlebrook has closed a deal for the purchase of the Peoples Gin at Dickens. It will be known in the future as the F. R. Middlebrook Gin.

Ed Lisenby was in Spur Monday from his home in the Croton country. He stated that he expects to make 800 bales of cotton this year.

Former Dickens Co. Man is Father of Thirteen Children

Bert Duncan, who resided in Dickens County for many years and is now a citizen of the Roaring Springs community, was in Spur Saturday to transact business and mingle with his many friends from over the country.

Mr. Duncan stated that he and Mrs. Duncan are the parents of thirteen children and three grandchildren and that he is less than fifty years old. All of the children are living except the thirteenth child.

File Intentions To Marry In County

The following couples have filed intentions to wed with County Clerk Robt Reynolds: Pedro Cabasos to Feliz Arrendondo, Pots, Texas; Lee Parker and Earl Neely, McAdoo; J. A. Maze and Cora Estelle Witt, Calgary; Alva Lee Rathel and Miss Doris Senn, McAdoo; Albert Garmon and Miss Jewel Rich, McAdoo; W. C. Odum and Miss Hilda Lieske, Crosbyton; E. C. Wilson and Lo's Owens, Croton; Pedro Flores and Alvent Valedes, Crystal City; Walter Daddin and Lella Seaton, Spur; Therman Duncan and Ila Mae Hammonds, Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McDaniel are spending the Thanksgiving holidays at Hamlin with Mrs. McDaniel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Stapleton.

Penalty Off On All Taxes Paid By January 1st.

By a special act of the legislature some several months ago, delinquent taxes may be paid up to the last day of December without any interest or penalty being added.

The County and the several independent school districts of this country are in need of funds to operate adequately. Taxes is one thing that eventually has to be paid—it stands as a lien against the property. So if it's possible for any of us to gather up the coin and liquidate our tax indebtedness before January it will mean a great saving to us. At the same time we will help the schools and the county government get over in better shape.

Negro Minstrel Was Big Success

The negro minstrel presented at the Eastward School building Tuesday evening under supervision of the School Athletic Association and which was directed by Mr. Ted Smith, was a tremendous success in every respect. A large crowd was present and responded with hearty applause to the up-town dancing, songs and jokes.

Mr. Jim Cloud was a very clever interlocutor and all the black-face artists including O. L. Kelly, Webber Williams, David Sisto and Claud Reid, put their humorous stuff over with a bang. The audience was in a uproar of laughter throughout the minstrel skit.

Others on the program were: Fred Haile, J. E. Berry, Miss Luce, Miss Lois Chandler and other pupils, Cliff Bird, William Starcher, F. G. Collier and others. Proceeds went to help purchase sweaters for the Bull Dogs football team.

Spur Bulldogs Have Successful Season

Though Fridays' game with Quitaque wasn't exactly the sort of finale the Spur Bulldogs football team and their friends would have chosen, the past season may be viewed by the members of the team as a most successful one. School boys, you know, are not supposed to be monsters in size and when they meet such a unique being all sudden like it has a tendency to throw them out of gear. The Bulldogs played a neat game of football with Quitaque, showed good form and training, but the "Big Guy" had power they couldn't well stop.

With only two losses against such competition as exists in this district the 1932 Bulldogs can look back on the season as a very successful one. The boys did their very best and had a real team. Spur folk are proud of them.

Certificates Of Birth Should be Filed Promptly

Has your baby's birth certificate been properly registered? This is a very important matter and should be attended to promptly by all parents. You may file same with the local registrar in your community or with the county clerk.

There are many reasons why the registration of birth certificates should not be neglected. The government maintains this service that an accurate record of vital statistics may be properly kept. Then, in years to come, your child may have reason to prove "he (or she) was born," where born and who the parents were. The World War with its resultant death and other claims against the government by ex-soldiers is a most forceful example of the necessity of proper records being kept.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Rucker, of Girard, visited in Spur Monday.

Agents Will Meet Here Next Week

The annual meeting of the County and Home Demonstration Agents, districts one and two, which is comprized of some forty or fifty counties will be held in Spur Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

These districts extend as far east as Ereckenridge and north-west to Amarillo. Ninety to one hundred farm and home demonstration agents are expected to attend. They will discuss problems peculiar to their vocations and exchange experiences had on various projects.

Among the prominent speakers will be Dr. O. B. Martin, Director of Extension Service of A. & M. College, and A. E. Conner, Director of Experiment Stations.

Among the pleasing diversions afforded for entertainment will be a "Chuck Wagon Feed" at the Pitchfork Ranch.

Demonstration Club News

(CLARA PRATT, Co. Home Demonstration Agt.)

EVERYONE URGED TO TURN IN CANNING REPORTS

Several hundred club and non-club women have already turned their canning reports to their club secretary or to the home demonstration agent but less than 20% of the number that should be turned in have come in at the present time. If we are to have an accurate canning report of the work done in the county then we need to have the record of each homemaker in the county. You may have 50 containers or 500 but we should be happy to have the report in either case. The report should include all canning done since December 1, 1931.

It will mean only a few minutes' time to make out your list and telephone or bring it to the home demonstration agent's office. Your cooperation in this will be truly appreciated.

DISTRICT MEETING HERE

The home and farm agents of Districts 1 and 2 will meet for their annual district meeting at Spur Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week. There will be about ninety home and farm agents, the four district agents, besides several members of the Extension Staff, including Director O. B. Martin, Miss Mildred Horton, State Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Zetha McInnis, Home Industry Specialist, Miss Lola Blair, Nutrition Specialist, and Mrs. Dora Barnes, Clothing Specialist.

COUNCIL TO HOLD ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The most important meeting of the Dickens County Home Demonstration Council for the year will be held Saturday when it has its annual business meeting. At that time each Council officer will make a written report on the combined work of the club and non-club members of the communities. As each report is read it will be recorded on a large poster showing the work for the whole county.

The finance committee will make a report and give plans for financing the work of the Council for next year. The year-book committee will submit plans for the 1933 yearbook at this meeting.

Then last but not least is the election of the Council officers for next year. There will be five officers to be elected at this meeting, namely, chairman, vice-chairman, secretary - treasurer, parliamentarian, reporter. The officers we have had the past year have given most faithful and efficient service but according to the Constitution of Home Demonstration Councils can not serve another year in the present capacity. Each club should be represented in the election and other business of the meeting Saturday.

License Tags For New Year Ready

Fred Arrington, office deputy in the sheriff and tax collector's office, states that the new license tags for automobiles, trucks and trailers have arrived.

They have an orange background with white lettering. Dickens county numbers for passenger cars start with 331-301 and the commercial license numbers start with 68-451.

The tags are available on and after December 1st but can't be used until January 1st.

Deer Hunters Have Good Luck in the Davis Mountains

E. M. Wilson, Dr. E. F. Hale, Vance Martin and Bynum Britton returned to Spur Sunday night from a deer hunt in the Davis Mountains near Valentine, Texas. P. W. Campbell of Abilene and Babe Britton of Big Lake were also in this hunting party. Each of these hunters bagged a deer, in fact the six accounted for seven kills.

Dr. Hale relates a thrilling experience had by Mac Wilson in a set-too with a wolf. It appears that he spied the wolf, got out of the car, walked a few yards toward said animal and blazed loose with a shot. The wolf started in his (Wilson's) direction and he shot at the animal once more. This was the last cartridge in his gun, and he beat a hasty retreat for the car, the wolf in close pursuit, almost nabbing him as he closed the door. Dr. Hale states that the wolf must have had a slight touch of the rabies or else was not used to being shot at and it made him mad.

Toby's Players to Be at The Palace

The management of the Palace Theatre announces the engagement of Toby's Comedians for one entire week commencing on Monday, November 28th.

They will be remembered as the first road troupe to play in the Palace soon after it was opened.

They come back to us with new plays, a hot orchestra and Vaudeville between acts, changing their stage programs daily. A list of the picture programs to be presented will be found in another part of this paper.

The management has requested us to announce an increase of admission prices for Adults to 35c due to the added expense involved in presenting this class of entertainment. Children's admission prices will remain the same, 10c to all under twelve years of age.

Poteet Makes 45 Bales on 33 Acres

H. B. Poteet, who resides 3 miles east of McAdoo, has proven himself a cotton farmer of rare ability. Up to the first part of this week he had already gathered and ginned 36 bales off 33 acres and expects to get 10 or 12 more.

Mr. Poteet came to Dickens county two years ago and he's showing the boys HOW in the cotton-raising business. 45 bales from 33 acres is a bumper crop cultivation has to be bounteously assisted by nature for such results.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gilbert spent the day Sunday in Kent county the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Davis.

Tip Cornwell, employe at the Safeway Grocery, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays at San Angelo, Texas.

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LET US BE THANKFUL

Though the Texas Spur will reach you the day after Thanksgiving, we are thinking today of this occasion as one of great solemnity and purity of purpose. Each of us has some few things if not many things, to be thankful for. The fact that we are alive today, perhaps enjoying good health and receiving proper foods and other comforts conducive to a well-ordered existence is one that we should all be truly thankful for.

We think that the greatness and wonderfulness of these United States as a nation and world power may properly be attributed to the reverence of its people for the All Wise Creator and our submissiveness to His wise leadership. This nation was founded by those seeking a place where they might worship God in accordance with the dictates of their conscience, unmolested by tyrannical interference of powers who sought to prescribe the metes and bounds of all religious observance.

All the good citizens of this nation to whom we pay homage as wise leaders have recognized the sublime leadership of Our

Creator and were humbly submissive to His will. They recognized that all Good and Perfect Gifts come from our Creator and were always truly thankful for life's blessings. A day was set apart many years ago when Special Thanks should be offered by the people of this great nation for the happy privileges and pleasures accorded them during the past year. Thanksgiving is a holiday observed by most everybody and though it may in some respects be given over to amusement festivities, deep down in the hearts of most of us there is a yearning to reverently thank our Great Leader for His indulgence with our frivolities and for the many, many happy moments occasioned by direct blessings.

We are truly thankful for the happy associations with our loved ones and friends during the past year and for the privilege of being able to work for the necessities of life. We are thankful for our good health and the health of our loved ones. We are thankful that we are permitted to live in a country where one is accorded the privilege of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, unfettered by chains of oppression of tyrannical rulers. We are thankful that it is our lot to reside among the broad-minded, generous and friendly citizens of West Texas. Here a man is a man so long as he doesn't prove himself otherwise and his accomplishments are gauged by his own endeavor and ability rather than by special privileges such as are accorded lords, dukes, etc., of other lands.

We thank the Real Giver of These Gifts for His indulgence.

It is perhaps fitting also to thank the people of this section for your friendly welcome accorded us on our new job. We appreciate deeply your kindly consideration. Truly we thank you.

ABOUT TURKEYS

One of the readers of this paper engaged the editor in a conversation about turkeys this week. He had with him a newspaper published at Sayre, Oklahoma, which carried a news article of a turkey pool controlling 9,500 birds, disposed of them on the Thanksgiving market at thirteen and a quarter cents a pound for No. 1's and 9 cents for No. 2's. It said that turkey hens weighing seven pounds or more and gobblers weighing ten pounds or more were classified as No. 1's and that underweights, old toms and crooked breasts were classified as No. 2's.

The reader stated that the market in Dickens County demanded that No. 1's weigh eight and twelve pounds or more and the price paid for them was 10c a pound. He then asked us WHY?

Of course we couldn't answer his question. We would naturally presume, of course, that a pool of over nine thousand turkeys would be worth more to the buyer per pound than those picked up here and yon, a few at a place, at much greater expense. Then, too, the freight rate from Sayre to the real market may be quite a bit lower than from Dickens County so far as we know.

On the question of difference in weight for No. 1's—we can't figure that out unless Governor Alfalfa Bill has trained his cohorts to economize by eating smaller turkeys and the demand is greater for them.

Fact of the business is, this writer knows very little about turkeys. We know one forms a

basis or nucleus for a very delightful meal at Thanksgiving or Christmas, and that's about all. If, however, there is any way for this newspaper to help farmers get a better price for turkeys or anything else they raise it will delight us to do so as we realize that the welfare of all of us depends upon the prosperity of the farmers.

PREPARE FOR WINTER

Every few days we are visited by a little gust of winter. These are reminders that it is now time to prepare for the genuine cold days that are to be with us soon.

It is time to consider how to spend our fall wages. Shall we throw them away for foolish frolics and passing pleasures, or shall we invest them in good warm clothes and food and fuel, warm bedding, etc., and be found sitting pretty when the snow flies, and the northerners come sweeping down across the plains and hills and valleys, sending shivers through the bones of those who danced and sang the fall away as did the foolish grass hopper. How many will swap some dollars for a few bottles of bootleg booze while the sun shines and later, when the winter's pinch comes drift around to the Red Cross headquarters or join up with some welfare association for a suit of underwear and a bowl of soup?

Now is the time for men and boys, women and girls to use their brains and consider well before tossing their hard-earned money to the four-winds of pleasure, and later have to repent in sackcloth and ashes and join the professional "down and out" brigade.—Jayton Chronicle.

EDUCATION

When we look at the statistics and realize that out of every 1000 pupils who enter the public schools 974 reach the sixth grade but only 260 graduate from high school, it is evident that the education, the establishment of principles, character—in fact, all the preparation for the greater part of our citizenship must be given by the classroom teacher of pupils who leave school at the end of the sixth grade or before. Perhaps the figures will be interesting:

- 974 reach the sixth grade.
- 885 reach the seventh grade.
- 768 reach the eighth grade.
- 610 reach the ninth grade.
- 438 reach the tenth grade.
- 321 reach the eleventh grade.
- 268 reach the 12th grade.

260 graduate from high school. According to these figures the greater proportion of our tax payers upon whom we are dependent for the financing of our plans and projects in education receive their ideas of life in the elementary schools. Does it not follow that all of us are dependent upon the character, the initiative and the civic consciousness of the classroom teachers in the elementary grades.

SOME SUPERSTITIONS

Among the hundreds of superstitious beliefs still held by otherwise intelligent people may be named the following, compiled by a recent writer:

It is bad luck to spill salt or break a mirror. Putting on a garment backwards or wrong side out by mistake brings good luck. Fish is a brain food. Handling a toad will cause warts. Only the good die young. It is unlucky to light three cigarettes with one match. Friday and the 13th of the month are unlucky, especially if they happen to fall on the same day. To pick up a pin means good luck. Crops should be planted according to the moon. Knocking wood averts a penalty for boasting of former good luck.

The list of such superstitions and beliefs is almost endless. And it is not only the ignorant who act upon such beliefs. Most people, including those who have achieved greatness, have their pet superstitions. To mention only a few:

President Lincoln was superstitious about dreams. President Cleveland always carried a horse chestnut in his pocket for luck. Mussolini consults astrologers. Bill Tilden of tennis fame carried a four-leaf clover. Pol Negri thinks her screen career was damaged by a black cat crossing her path. Chalaipin, famed opera star, always puts on his left shoe first. Sarah Barnhardt would not let any of her company wear yellow. Napoleon feared cats and maneuvered his armies according to the stars. Stanley Baldwin carried a rabbit's foot. And many hotels and office buildings omit the number 13 in numbering their floors, in deference to superstitious guests and tenants.

A small minority of persons are hardboiled enough to call all these superstitions the bunk, and defy them accordingly. How about yourself? Would you walk under a ladder, or open an umbrella indoors.

ABOLITION OF ECONOMIC ILLITERACY

Assume for a moment all schools closing for a school generation—six to twenty-six—a period of twenty years. There would be little, if any, modern education and training; because, where millions of learners need to be educated, only organized and systematized education could possibly do the work. How would the uneducated and untrained people fit into the business man's scheme of producer or buyer? Even the mail order houses would have to organize picture classes in order to explain their catalogs to prospective buyers. As producers these people would react no better. Such a crash in business would follow that past panics would seem like a quarter-point fluctuation in the securities market, by comparison. In short, schools perpetuate a continually upkeeping and upgrading process in our American life. If the schools were closed for one generation, the golden chain of economic success would be broken and it would take several generations to recover the loss because their great power lies in perpetuity and continuity.

THE BEST FRIEND OF HARD TIMES

The best friend of "hard times" is a high tax rate. Reasonable taxes encourage the investment of capital, the development and expansion of industry, the employment of labor. They encourage home building, savings and business activity of all kinds.

Excessive taxes, on the other hand, have precisely the opposite effect. They drive money into hoarding or into tax-free government bonds, thus depriving industry of revenue it sorely needs. They make for unemployment and for widespread economic distress. They discourage the home builder. They cause property to be taken over by the county or state for unpaid taxes, where it at once becomes unproductive.

Make no mistake about it, high taxation, whether by federal government, or states, counties or municipalities, has had much to do with creating and prolonging hard times. Every business man in the United States knows that. So does every investor. So should every worker. The best influence in favor of good times would be a decisive cut in the cost of government and the elimination of bureaucratic waste, red tape and inefficiency. And the best place to begin is right in your own home town, county and state. The tax bill is fast becoming the barometer of economic conditions.

YOU'LL PAY TODAY

You, the reader of this, will help pay for a fire today!

At first glance that seems an impossible exaggeration. The chance of your home or place of business going up in smoke at a specified time is negligible. But—and here's the rub—so long as fire continues, you'll pay every day of your life, if you never so much as burn a tablecloth.

The cost of fires goes into every budget. Insurance premiums are based on fire losses—therefore, every fire tends to increase, or to hold up rates. A community's tax rate depends upon the number of properties and enterprises it has to tax—therefore, when a home or a business is destroyed, the taxes it would pay must be added to the others. A percentage of fires throws men out of work and cause local industries to stop producing—and then we pay for fire in poorer business opportunities and commercial stagnation.

There are other ways in which you pay for fire, but these will serve. You might think them over next time you put off having electrical equipment inspected, or your furnace fixed, or delay until tomorrow cleaning out that rubble from the garage is an individual matter and can or basement. Fire prevention be achieved only by individual action.

Remember—you're going to pay for a fire today!

EDUCATION FORWARDS SAFETY MEASURES

The organized safety movement in America is coming of age.

It was born in 1912 to combat the appalling death and accident rates then prevailing in many industries. It has immensely expanded its usefulness so that it works not only to protect life in the factory, but in the home, on the highways—wherever the risk of accident exists.

Its achievements are its monument. Despite vastly increased industrial production, fatalities have been cut more than thirty per cent. Factories which were once known as "human slaughter houses" are now safer for the workman than is his home. Ac-

cidental deaths to children have been saved through the introduction of safety education into school curriculums. The number of children injured or killed by automobiles has dropped materially—but the adult toll of automobiles has jumped at a dizzying rate.

In this last field the safety movement has met its greatest obstacle. The highways are thronged with irresponsible, incompetent and reckless drivers that last year claimed 34,000 lives and were responsible for hundreds of thousands of accidents. Safety on the highway can come only when automobile operators—like factory workers and executives—realize their responsibility and become "safety conscious." Then organized safety movement will have conquered its greatest enemy.

STOP THE PAPER

The following letter was received by a small town weekly in the Middle West:

"I hereby offer my resignation as a subscriber to your paper, it being a pamphlet of such

small consequence as not to benefit my family by taking it. What you need in your sheet is branes and some one to rassel up news and rite edytorials on live topikis. No menshun has bin made in your sheet of me butcherin a polen china weighing 309 pounds or the gapes in the chickens out this way. You ignore the fact that I bot a bran new cultivator and that I traded my bline mule and say nothing about Si Simpkins jersey calf breaking his two front legs falling in a well. 2 important weddin chivarcas have been uterly ignored by your sheet & a 3 colun obituary notice writ by me of the death of Uncle Henry was left out of you your sheet to say nothing of the alfebetical poem beginning 'A is for And, and also for Ark' writ by aunt Sibilia. This is the reason why your sheet is so unpopular here. If you don't want edytorials from thsi place and ain't going to put up no news, we don't want sed sheat."

Runge—Local streets graded and repaired.

Wyoming Ranches Larger Than Texas'

Lubbock, Nov. 25. — Seventy per cent of the 495,000 farms in Texas are classified as cotton farms according to the 1930 U. S. census, states Dr. J. O. Ellsworth head of the department of agricultural economics in Texas Tech College. Sixty-five percent of the farms of the west South Central census district, including Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas, are classed as cotton farms.

Six and one-half percent of Texas farms are general farms, three per cent are cash grain farms, and one and one-half per cent are dairy farms. Three per cent are stock ranches.

The general type farm averages 150 acres, the grain farm 460 acres, the cotton farm 110 acres, and the ranch 4,100 acres. Wyoming is the only state in the Union with larger stock ranches than Texas. The ranches in Wyoming average 4,200 acres.

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TURKEY PRICES

Lubbock, Tex. Nov. 25.—Turkey prices normally advance two to four cents a pound from November to December according to Dr. J. O. Ellsworth, head of department of agricultural economics in Texas Technological College.

In the past 19 years prices paid Texas farmers for turkeys lowered from November to December in four of the years. The price advanced less than one cent per pound four years, one to two cents a pound three years to three cents a pound one year, three to four cents a pound two years, four to five cents a pound two years. Prices advanced more than five cents a pound in three of the 19 years. The largest advance was six cents a pound in 1921.

The highest price in November was 23 cents a pound in 1928. In that year the average price lowered five cents a pound from November to December.

The highest price for December was 31 cents in 1921, the price having risen from 24 cents in November.

FOR SALE: Small cafe, well located doing good business. Rent cheap. Box 301, Spur, Texas. 1c

C. E. Middleton and family are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives in the State of Mississippi.

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W. W. FOX
SPUR, TEXAS

Spur Barber Shop

HAIR CUT 25c
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SPUR, TEXAS

23 YEARS AGO IN SPUR, TEX.

Under this heading the Texas Spur will publish excerpts from the files of this newspaper of things which happened here 23 years ago. We have at hand now the fifth issue of the Texas Spur which was established by Oran McClure who came here from Rotan, Texas, and who published this newspaper for twenty-two years without missing an issue. The paper from which the following news items are taken is dated November 26, 1909.

Experimental Farm at Spur. The site will be selected and the farm put in operation in time for demonstration work this season. The Spur country is rich in agricultural resources, and this fact will be demonstrated along scientific lines. Dr. Harrington, a representative of the State Agricultural department, was in Spur this week to select a site for the location of an experimental demonstration farm which the department has decided to locate at Spur.

Mr. Swenson and lady spent this week in Spur watching the town grow and assisting in the future developments of the town and country. The people of this country have confidence in Mr. Swenson as a town builder and developer of a country.

Mrs. Sallie Mothershed, of Stephenville spent several days this week in Spur. She purchased six business lots and a residence lot and expects to make this her permanent home.

The Spur school opened Monday, the fifteenth day of this month and is now progressing nicely. The second Monday the school opened with fifty-one pupils in attendance, and Prof. St. John reports that everything points to a successful session.

Monday morning the Stamford and Northwestern Railway Company put on regular passenger trains from Stamford to Spur, running two trains each day. The passenger arrives in Spur at 11:55 A. M. and leaves at 2:30 P. M. Besides the regular passenger service, Spur now has regular mail trains and express which had been badly needed.

I have opened a restaurant on Fifth Street and am prepared to board those who desire table board.—W. J. Atterbury.

Commissioner Carlisle, who lives about seven miles southeast of Spur, was here one day this week on business.

An interesting and instructive meeting of the Commercial Club was held Tuesday night, November 23rd, when the good roads question was considered. Will have good roads leading into Spur from all directions and will make efforts to secure institutions of material benefit to town and country.

J. W. Thompson, a prosperous farmer of the Afton country, brought cotton to Spur this week and sold it to the cotton buyers here at a good price.

We announce to the public that we are now putting in an exchange at Spur and that we propose to give service second to none. We have been in the telephone business in Dickens and adjoining counties since 1900.—Luzon Telephone Co.

E. C. Greber was here last week making preparations to install the Southwestern Telephone system at Spur.

Mark Hardin, of Post City, is here this week with a view of moving to Spur.

W. H. Crouse, of Stephenville, spent two or three days in Spur this week. Mr. Crouse bought several business lots and will build business houses for rent.

W. B. Brazelton, of the Brazelton & Pryor Lumber Co., made a business trip to Jayton and Stamford the latter part of last week.

Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, of two miles north of Spur, was in town Tuesday.

Rev. Mike M. Young, of the Christian Church, will preach at Spur every first Saturday night and Sunday of each month.

Mr. Bryant, of Bryant-Link Co., came over Monday and spent several days in Spur with his son and family.

Mrs. F. C. Gibson, of Dickens, spent Saturday in Spur visiting her brother, W. D. Clay.

Messrs. S. R. Davis and Jeff Harkey, of Dickens, were visitors to Spur, Monday.

ODD---But True!

THE AVAILABLE WATER POWER OF THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN ESTIMATED TO BE 80,000,000 HORSEPOWER. WE ARE NOW USING UNDER 15,000,000 HORSEPOWER.



TWENTY-TWO YEARS AGO MEXICO AND FRANCE ASKED THE KING OF ITALY, VICTOR EMANUEL TO SETTLE A DISPUTE OVER THE OWNERSHIP OF A SMALL ISLAND, CLIPPERTON ROCK, 800 MILES OFF THE WEST COAST OF MEXICO. HIS DECISION WAS REACHED IN 1931, GIVING THE ISLAND TO FRANCE.



THE EUROCHS, THE EUROPEAN BISON, IS NOW PRACTICALLY EXTINCT. THERE ARE ONLY ABOUT 50 OF THEM LEFT IN THE ZOOS OF EUROPE -- PREHISTORIC MAN USED THE FORERUNNER OF THIS ANIMAL AS HIS MILCH COW.

Dickens Items

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Gentry, of Grand Prairie, are visiting Robt. Reynolds and family this week.

H. O. Albin, prominent Spur cattleman, was here Monday.

Miss Virginia Worswick, our efficient district clerk, visited in Plainview last Sunday.

J. H. Roberts, representative of the Murray Gin Co., attended to business here Tuesday.

William Fowler was in Dickens this week to visit his brother, Zeke.

S. L. Porter, S. G. Scoggins and J. A. Legg, of Croton, were in Dickens Tuesday on business.

District court will convene on December 12th with a heavy docket. Judge Kenneth Bain will preside and A. J. Foley will see after the State's interests as attorney.

Fred Arrington made a flying trip to Stamford Sunday—reason unknown.

Mrs. R. M. Hamby and O. M. McGinty visited in Lubbock last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lusk and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blair are spending the Thanksgiving holidays in Meadow with their children. They will return Sunday.

Ellsworth Ham was trading in Dickens Saturday. The Hams now reside at Tacoma, Washington, and recently returned to Dickens county to spend the winter with Mrs. Ham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rogers of the Wichita community.

Thomas Ballard, of Haskell, was in Dickens Thursday to visit with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meadors. He was en route home from Plainview where he had been to purchase cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. William Street, Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Street of Texas Tech, and Mr. and Mrs. Bee Street visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Street, Sunday.

Mrs. Russell Hawley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Rucker, of Girard, visited in Spur Monday.

Mrs. S. A. Lawrence and family are spending a portion of the week with her people at Crowell.

on short notice.—E. J. Cowan, office with Jackson Realty Co. Clay Smart, of Rotan, came up to Spur Monday and will be employed at the R. R. Morrison dry goods and grocery store.

Mr. Love, manager of the J. A. Lambdin dry goods business is spending the week in Stamford with his family.

J. S. Ross, of Ralls, was tending to business here last week. He has purchased the C. L. Ladd farm east of town and will become a resident of this county about the first of the year. Mr. Ladd will move back to his old home in Jack Co.

L. A. Durham was called to Aspermont to the bedside of his mother who is very sick.

S. L. Davis was a business visitor here Monday.

Messrs. Lonnie Lewis and Bill Fowler, of Dallas, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Fowler this week.

Deputy Sheriff Williams, of Crosbyton, was a business visitor here Monday.

Carl Arthur is on the sick list this week.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded, that you summon by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the County of Dickens if there be a newspaper published therein, if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, one in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day here, Ruby I. Dempsey, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the county of Dickens on the first Monday of December, A. D. 1932 (December 5, 1932) at the Court House thereof in Dickens, Texas, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 28th day of July A. D. 1932, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1227, wherein T. C. Dempsey is plaintiff and Ruby I. Dempsey is defendant.

The nature of the plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff represents to the court that he is and has been for a period of 12 months prior to the exhibiting of this petition an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas and has resided in Dickens County for 6 months next preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 22nd day of March 1921, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant; that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 15th day of April, 1926, when the defendant deserted plaintiff and moved to the State of California since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife. Plaintiff alleges that defendant said she would not live with plaintiff if he lived in small towns, and on or about the 15th day of April, 1926, defendant deserted plaintiff and that such actions and conduct toward him generally are of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable, premises considered. Wherefore plaintiff prays the court for judgement dissolving said marriage relations for costs of suit and for such other and

further relief in law and in equity that he may be justly entitled to.

Herein fail not, and have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, of this writ with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Dickens, Texas, this 3rd day of November A. D. 1932. VIRGINIA WORSWICK, Clerk, District Court, Dickens County, Texas. 2-t

Mrs. Clark Forbis, of Afton, was shopping in Spur Wednesday.

J. H. Meadors, prominent citizen of Dickens, was in Spur on business this week. Mr. Meadors recently renewed his subscription to the Texas Spur, for which he has our thanks.

A daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gibson, who reside northeast of Spur.

FOR SALE—163 acre tract of land, mile and half east of Spur. Write Box 806, Abilene, Tex. 4-5p

Olen Arthur, of Dickens, was mingling with friends in Spur Saturday.

Mrs. Chandler of Stamford was in Spur this week to visit with her daughter, Miss Lois.

Joe Murphy, who is employed with a dry goods firm at Lubbock, is spending the week in Spur with relatives and friends.

Miss Dick Shields is at home with her brother at Broadway over the holidays.

We'll Come Clean With You!



DON'T KEEP YOUR NOSE TO THE GRINDSTONE

of taxed wealth and scrub board labor while our Thrift laundry service can put sunshine into laundry scientifically, protecting your wash against harsh wear, and protecting you from the physical and nervous strain of home washing methods.

PHONE 344

SPUR LAUNDRY

ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY HAS MADE THIS THE WIFE SAVING STATION

New Wagon Yard Open at Big Spring

Big Spring Herald: W. R. Cole who established the first wagon yard in Big Spring in 1887 on the site now occupied by the four story Douglas Hotel believes that there is a big need for another wagon yard and is establishing one at the former Nall and Lamar coal and wood yard, just east of the J. M. Radford wholesale grocery establishment.

W. G. Cole, son of W. R., will be associated with him in the management of the wagon yard and trading headquarters.

They propose to make this the community marketing place for the farmers and stock raisers of the Big Spring country.

Horses, cattle, sheep, chickens turkeys, eggs, feed, etc., will be bought and sold. They will trade horses and milk cows for feed or any old thing.

Mr. Cole says the country and prosperity are coming back, but ready cash is going to be mighty scarce. We can trade our way and to do their swapping, back to prosperity and he is making it possible for the people to have a central place to meet

FIDDLING CONTEST

Fiddlers Bring Your Fiddles

A fiddling contest and old time dance will be held in Spur Saturday night, November 26th, in building first door north of Dickens County Times. This contest and dance will be under the direction of Prof. Moody of Fort Worth who has successfully conducted many old time fiddling contests over the country. \$10.00 in gold given best all-round fiddler, second prize \$5.00, third \$2.50. Couple winning "Dreamy Waltz" contest will be awarded \$5.00. Costs fiddlers nothing to enter. Admission 15c, 25c, and 35c.

Mrs. Lawis Lee and daughters, Winifred and Helen Ruth, and Miss Abernathy left Wednesday afternoon for Menard and San Antonio. Mrs. Francis and Miss Elva Lee of San Antonio will return with them to Spur.

Milton Foreman, of Lubbock, is here this week for a few days visit to his parents, Commissioner and Mrs. W. F. Foreman, and other relatives and friends. Milton has an insurance business in Lubbock.

Mrs. Joe Stotts and daughter, Jo Ann, of Lubbock, are spending the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Albin and other relatives and friends.

Spur's PALACE Theatre Presents

LAUREL AND HARDY

"PACK UP YOUR TROUBLES"

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
'RADIO PATROL'

With Robert Armstrong and Lila Lee

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
"ONE WAY PASSAGE"

With William Powell — Kay Francis

SATURDAY
TIM McCOY in **'CORNERED'**

SPECIAL!!

ON THE STAGE

ONE WEEK COMMENCING ONE WEEK

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

TOBY'S COMEDIANS

SNAPS PRESENTATIONS

FEATURE VAUDEVILLE BETWEEN ACTS

LADIES FREE OPENING NIGHT!

NOTE: In giving you a double program all next week we find it necessary to increase our admission prices for Adults to 35c, due to the additional expense involved. Children's admission prices will remain the same as here-to-fore, 10c.

—THE MANAGEMENT.

TWO DEPRESSION BEATERS

The two outstanding "depression beaters" last year were the two greatest users of newspaper advertising space, the American Tobacco Company and the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company.

The American Tobacco Company not only did a greater business last year than ever before in its history, but its net profits exceeded those of any year, even those of the boom year 1928.

Atlantic and Pacific sold more than a billion dollars' worth of merchandise, moving into first place in the volume of business done by any one company in this country.—St. Louis Star.

John O. Gilbert returned the past week end from near Snyder where he had been on a several days visit to his aunt, Mrs. Lewis Gilbert and family.

Spencer Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, is home from Tech. for the Thanksgiving holidays.

ANNOUNCING THE

The Spur Service Station

under new management

J. P. ALLISON, Owner

Texaco Products

Your business will be appreciated

Announcing—

THE OPENING OF THE DIRECT MATTRESS CO. IN OLD STAND

Let us Renovate your old Mattress and Make your New Ones.

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PHONE 180
SPUR, TEXAS

RISING STAR

We are glad to report that the Club girls pie supper of the 18th was a success, and we take this means of thanking the good women of this community for their support in bringing so many pies, and the boys and men for their generosity in paying fair prices for the pies.

The necessary club money was raised and a goodly sized donation for the purchase of church lights was turned over to the treasurer, Miss Virginia Whitford.

Miss Allene Woodson, Vice-President, was the club girl who received highest price, \$1. Congratulations, Allene!

We are sorry to report that our Secretary, Miss Verna Chism, and also our business Manager, Miss Velma Mae Chism, were unable to attend the pie supper on account of sickness.

But we are glad to report that we took in another member Friday evening, Miss Margaret Shipp, layman, Miss Ruth Rogers also expressed a desire to join us. We are sincerely glad to have them. Come on, all you country girls and get enrolled in our club. We now have ten (10) members all told.

Next Friday evening (night) the Club will meet at the home of Misses Verna and Velma Chism. Miss Maria Baxter will give lessons in designing, cutting patterns and sewing.

Come on you non-members, all you girls and watch us work. Then get enrolled.—Club Rep.

11,723 BALES GINNED IN NORTH DICKENS COUNTY

Up to Monday noon of this week the gins located in the north section of Dickens county had ginned the following:

- Farmers Co-op, Afton 1885
- Farmers Co-op, McAdoe 1740
- Nickels Gin, McAdoe 1630
- Citizens Gin, Dickens 1615
- Goodwin Gin, E. Afton 1428
- Dobkins Gin, Dobbs City 1341
- Dempsey Gin, Croton 1114
- Middlebrook Gin, Dickens 970

Robert McAteer, who resides up on the Plains northwest of Spur, was doing business here Saturday. Robert also has a ranch in the Croton community east of Dickens. He states that grass is excellent and no feed will be necessary to carry the stock through the winter unless one wants to have them quite fat when spring arrives.

Bring Your WELDING Job to Mims GENERAL REPAIR Work on all makes of Automobiles DAY PHONE 200 NITE 211

Mims Garage JOHN MIMS, Prop.

CLEMMONS INSURANCE AGENCY Insurance - Loans - Bonds 11 years of reliability! Phones 84 & 122

Quitaque Defeats Spur Fri. 6 to 18

(By ARCHER POWELL)

The Spur Bulldogs remained in their playing slump again Friday when they let Quitaque ramble to an 18 to 6 victory over them on the local gridiron.

The first period gave neither team the advantage. Both teams played mediocre football. Carson intercepted one of Tipp's passes and returned it several yards, while Graham covered 23 yards on a sweep around right end. These were the only two points of interest in the first quarter.

Spur's score came early in the second quarter after Patterson intercepted Graham's pass and returned to Spur 45 yard line. Patterson, Turner and Rosamond carried the pigskin down the field to Quitaque's 1 yard line on straight football. Turner went over for the counter in a thrust through the Quitaque forward wall. A long end run by Patterson and a pass, Carson to Chapman for 29 yards left the ball on Quitaque's 5 yard line at the half.

In the third quarter Graham made 12 yards on two downs, then passed to Bailey for 10 yds. Graham went wild around right end for a 42 yard spree. Bailey and Hawkins advanced 14 yards on two plays and Graham then smashed through Spur's line to score. He lacked a few inches in a line plunge for extra point after touchdown, leaving the score 6 to 6.

In the last period Graham intercepted one of Carson's passes and after a 2 yard gain through Spur's line, passed to Tipps for 37 yards. Graham ripped thru the line for 7 yards and ran around left end for 15 yards to score. Bailey failed to go over for extra point. Score: Spur 6, Quitaque 12.

Quitaque scored again after Bailey intercepted a pass and returned to Spur 39 yard line. Quitaque kept going on end runs and line drives until they reached Spur 18 yard line. Then a pass, Graham to Hawkins was good for a touchdown. Another attempt to pass failed and the game ended, Spur 6, Quitaque 18.

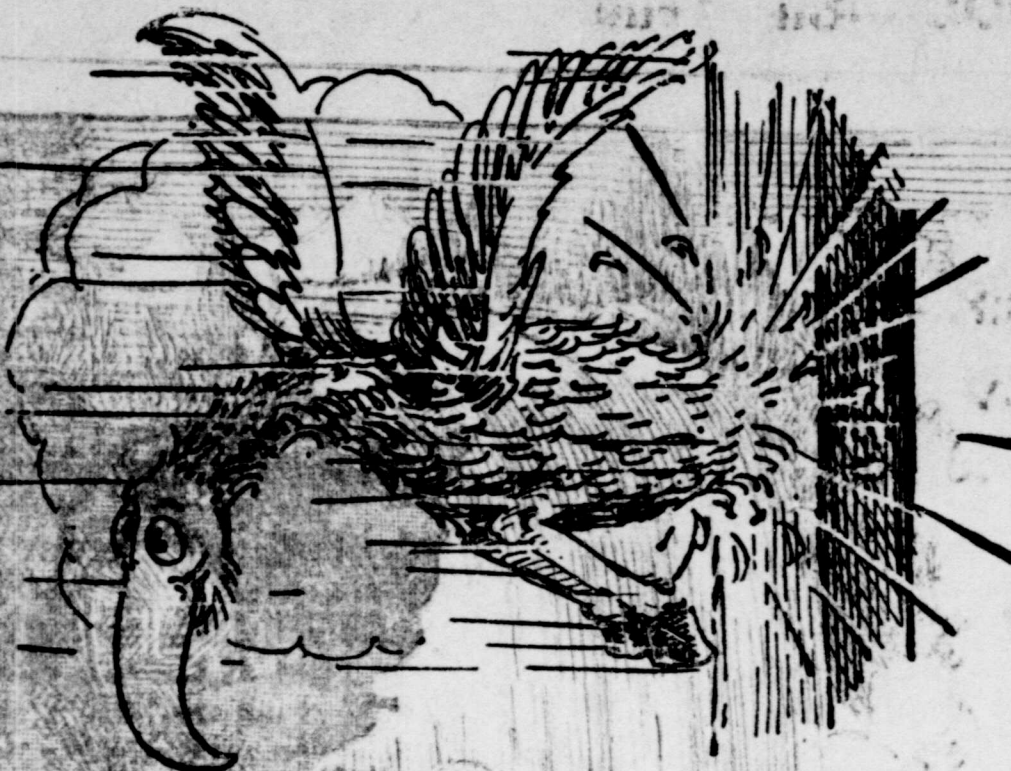
STARTING LINE-UP

Spur	Quitaque
Bostic	LE Tipp
Hindman	LT Evans
Morgan	LG Jones
Barrett	CG Woods
Scoggins	RG Strop
	RE Taylor
Chapman	RB Hawkins
Carson	QB Carson
Martin	LT Tipp
Turner	RB Hawkins
Rosamond	F Owens

Substitutions: Spur, R. Powell, Booth, T. McArthur, Springer, Moore, Stinnett, J. Powell, Patterson. Quitaque—Graham, Bailey and Martin. Officials: Referee, Brown; Umpire, Johnson. Headlinesman, Foreman.

EYE SPECIALIST, COMING
Dr. Fred R. Baker, West Texas' leading optical specialist, will be at the Hotel Wilson Monday afternoon, only, November 28th. Many local references furnished upon request. The Doctor was vice-president of the Texas Examining Board of Optometry. He has all the late styles in spectacles-wear at greatly reduced prices.

MR. HUNTER ROBINSON, of the Dry Lake community, made the Texas Spur a pleasant visit Saturday afternoon—came in to get acquainted with the new editor.



THIS IS THE "NO-NO" BIRD!

The fool bird doesn't care where he's going; he only wants to know where he's been.

EDITORS NOTE: Genial Colonel W. E. Talbot of "Use-it-made-in-Texas" fame has just pictured a queer sort of bird. The object of bringing the attention of Texans to this bird is to endeavor to make the people of Texas realize the fact that now is the time to "about face" and look toward the future instead of to the past, which can not be changed. Colonel Talbot's comment on the "No-No" bird as applied to Texas follows:

THE NO-NO BIRD

By COLONEL BILL TALBOT

There has been a recent discovery—a new kind of bird. It is the No-No bird and flies backwards. The fool bird doesn't want to see where he is going—just wants to know where he has been. There are a lot of us right now in Texas that can be compared to the No-No. We know where we have been, but do we know where we are going.

The only sure indication of a return to normal is when commodity prices increase in value. The uptrend started in July and, with few fluctuations, has continued to improve. If we could face the situation sanely and determine to do something about it, we could materially hasten recovery in our own State. The time has come when we must stop thinking of our individual prosperity and think of our people as a whole because we can only be prosperous in proportion to their prosperity.

The condition we have passed through was occasioned by the curtailment of buying power of millions of people. This naturally was reflected in their inability to purchase the commodities we have to sell. Therefore, isn't it logical if we can create buying power that it will return to us in proportion to our efforts? But if there is no buying power the best efforts we can make are useless.

Texas produced last year \$415,000,000 worth of agricultural products and the biggest part was sold at prices below production cost. This condition cannot continue, as we well know. You have in your power the means of producing a greater value to Texas than all agriculture. It would cost nothing but your determination to help your neighbor and yourself. We must manufacture our raw materials to the finished product and give that difference in wages to our people, and quit sending our multiplied millions for products from far-flung communities that can be produced right here.

Texas, today, by manufacturing the finished products in ore, cotton, wool, beef and mutton could increase her wealth approximately \$750,000,000 annually, which is 1 3-4 times our agricultural crop. In the past we made gold our master. Let's make gold our servant. Remember, Uncle Sam puts one hundred cents in the dollar when he makes it. Let's put common sense in our dollar when we spend it.

Former Spur Woman Takes Accountant Examination

If she passes the examination she started to take Thursday, Mrs. Vera Hall Chapman, Memphis, Texas, will become the third woman certified accountant in the State.

Mrs. Chapman was the only woman among the ninety candidates for a certificate who on Thursday sat down in the Adolphus Hotel to grind through the two-day examination.

It is unusual for a woman to take the examinations. It is even more unusual for one to be licensed. Of the 403 certificates issued by the board since it came into existence about a dozen or more years ago only two have been issued to women. Both of these, incidentally, are in Dallas. Here for the examinations, held annually, in May and November, is the full board of members. They will grade the papers early in January and after that announce the successful ones who will get certificates. If the usual ratio holds, only about 15 per cent will pass; although at the last examination the percentage of those who passed rose to about 25 per cent. The examinations given in Texas are uniform with those given in thirty-five States.—Dallas News.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking everyone who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our loved one. We thank you for the kind words that were spoken, and the ones who so kindly prepared our meals for us. We also thank Dr. Nichols and Dr. Wylie for their kindness. We feel they did all that could be done. We thank Bro. Randolph for the comforting words that he speaks. May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you and may your hearts never experience the sorrow ours did.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Smith and family.
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin and Mrs. Geo. Harvey and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Farrell and family.
Mr. and Mrs. B. R. McAteer and family.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith and family.
Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Tankersly and family.

MRS. MCCLUNG HONORED AT PRETTY SHOWER

Mrs. Cecil McClung, a recent bride, was named as honoree at a pretty miscellaneous shower given by Misses Nadine Westerman and Eloise McCombs, assisted by Mrs. Jim McDaniel, at the home of Mrs. Oran McClure Tuesday afternoon of last week.

As the guests entered they were requested to register and write their favorite recipes and good wishes.

Conversation and interesting contests furnished entertaining diversion. Mrs. McClung won in the contests and received the prize—the gifts.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and angel food cake were served to Mesdames:

Oran McClure, Clayton Bond, Clark Lewis, Dave Taylor, Joe McDaniel, Minnie Lewis, Donald Ensey, J. W. McDaniel, Lewis Rickles, Ewell D. Bond, Sam McGaughy, Jim McDaniel, Bill McClung, Wilbur Perry, Buel McDaniel, Clarence Watters, and Misses Eloise McCombs, Lavada McClung, Pauline Stapleton, Ruth Sharp, Dorothy Hisey, Lynn Mc-Gaughy, Nellie Meem, Nadine Westerman, and Loraine Bond.

Those who sent gifts but were absent: Mrs. A. L. Bond, Mrs. Adrian Rickles, Mrs. J. W. Vaughan, Mrs. J. A. Koon, Miss Margaret Koon, Mrs. Jack Hargrove, Mrs. Gladys McCombs, Mrs. A. C. Sharp, Mrs. J. P. Sharp, Grandmother Sharp, Mrs. Homer Cargile, Mrs. John Stewart, Mr. Dellman Bond, Mrs. Homer Bond, Miss Sybil McDaniel, Miss Bobbie Lou Watters, Mrs. R. L. Westerman, Mrs. Orville Penticost and Joan, Mrs. Joe McDonough, and Mrs. Clay.

CARD OF THANKS

To the many friends and acquaintances: We wish to take this method of thanking you for the kind words of sympathy, and the assistance given us during the illness and death of our loved one, J. D. Brooks.

Mrs. J. D. Brooks and Helen Faye.
Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Brooks and Family.
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Murphy and Family.
Messrs. Bernard Bryant and G. H. McKinney, of Stamford, were business visitors in Spur the first of the week.

What's Doing Over West Texas Area

Lindale—\$35,000 new school building opened here.

Harlingen—Quise and Andrews submitted low bid of \$74,800 for construction of a new post office here.

Levelland—City Cleaners moved to Robertson building, West side of square.

Rochester—Davis Bros. opened Meat Market in building recently occupied by Roy Baker.

Bonham—Work on Highway No. 5 between this place and Dodd City recently completed.

Pharr—Merts Sausage Company Plant to be in operation soon.

Perryton—Bradberry place to be reopened for business.

Hebronville—Collins Bros. leased Blue Bonnet Cafe from A. A. Hopkins and will open new place for business.

Laredo—During recent week four new oil producers added.

Laredo—Air-line highway to Hallettsville from Gonzales approved.

Benavides—Texas Garage moved to filling station formerly operated by Saenz on Main St.

Orange—New equipment added to Ortmeyer funeral home.

Mission—Whalen Sales and Service Co. opened branch office in Foster building.

Borger—J. O. Davenport's Hot Shot Grocery opened for business in Congress Hotel building on Main Street.

Sebastian—Road north of city limits being improved.

San Benito—Construction nearing completion on Federal building.

El Paso—County Judge E. B. McClintock opened offices in Bassett Tower.

Clarksville—Seven acre plot of land donated as athletic field by New Century Club.

San Antonio—Plans being considered to build new telephone system here.

Chero—Turkey market here opened during recent week.

Commerce—Ralph McDonald opened second news stand in West Side Barber Shop building.

Dale—Tiller purchased grocery store of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Melton on Main Street.

Huntsville—Felscher Bakery formally opened in old post office building on Avenue K.

Westhoff—Hiller Bros. leased quarters in Weed building and have taken over Magnolia Service Station.

Benjamin—Contract let for 11.4 miles of paving from here to King County line.

Pecos—Bids received for new site of Federal building.

Donna—Hotel Donna, formerly Hotel Plaza, opened short time ago.

"Uncle Bill" Hyatt, an old timer in these parts, came in to renew acquaintance with the Texas Spur editor this week. Glad to have another talk with Uncle Bill; he knows all the history of this immediate section that has transpired over a period of many years.

W. R. Balfanz, of Abilene, was a business visitor to Spur this week.

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Grapes	TOKAYS	3 lbs.	19c
Lettuce	FIRM HEADS	Each	5c
Onions	YELLOW SPANISH SWEET	5 lbs.	13c
Milk	MAXIMUM TALL TINS	Tin	5c
Cocoa	TEMPLE GARDEN	2 lbs.	23c
Dates	NEW CROP GOLDEN PALM, BULK	2 lbs.	29c
Meal	GOOD AND FRESH IN CLOTH BAGS	20 lbs.	25c
Raisins	HOUSEHOLD THOMPSON SEEDLESS	4 lbs.	31c
Salmon	BROOKDALE CHUM—TALL TINS	Each	9c
Coffee	BLENDED WITH CEREAL	2 lbs.	25c
Tomatoes	NO. 2	4 tins	29c
Mustard	POLO BRAND	Qt.	13c
Catsup	3 OZ. BOTTLES	Each	5c
	KELLOGG'S NEW CEREAL		
Wheat Krispies		Pkg.	10c
Peanut Butter	OUR CHOICE	4 lbs.	49c
MEATS			
Dry Salt Bacon	NO. 1	Lb.,	8c
Smoked Bacon	Well Streaked	Lb.	11c
Sugar Cured Bacon		Lb.	13c
Bologna	LARGE SIZE	2 lbs.	25c

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