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THE DICKENS ITEMS

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uthrie Gin at Afton Totally Destroyed by Fire Thursday Also 56 Bales

Thursday morning of this week e Guthrie gin at Afton, in the north rt of Dickens county, was totally troyed by fire. Fifty six bales of ton at the gin were also burned is reported.

At the time of the fire a high wind s blowing, and possibly the best e fighting equipment in the world uld not have saved the gin and ton loss at the time. The wind s from the west, which saved the ire town of Afton from being troyed by the fire, the gin being ated on the northeast corner of town.

V. A .Smith Painfully Injured Monday in One of His Arms

W. A. Smith was very painfully, not seriously injured Monday of s week when a glass from a brok- car door pierce dthrough one of arms. He was given immediate dical attention, and the only fear w is of blood poisos.

ailway Brakeman Killed by Fall Under Cars at Amarillo

Amarillo.—A. C. Bradberry, forty ars of age, and switchman, was kill early Sunday morning when he ll under the wheels of a string of rs in the local Rock Island yards. body was severed. His widow d two children survive.

New Subscriptions and Renewals Are Coming to "Spur"

The Texas Spur is very appreciative of the fact that new subscriptions and renewals are constantly coming in unsolicited and under adverse existing circumstances.

Among the recent additions to the regular list of Texas Spur readers being added this week are the following:

Mrs. E. J. Cairnes, England, H. P. Smith, E. H. Wendell, Amsterdam, N. Y.; J. L. Morrison, Bob Westerman, Cecil Alexander, Chas. Dunlap, J. D. McWaters, Roy E. Henley, W. D. Blair, W. A. Drennan, J. H. Bolch, Jeff Smith, Jim Smith, G. U. Seaton, D. B. Ince, J. L. Jenkins, W. H. Dewveall, Jno. D. Hufstedler, J. J. Thompson, Mary E. Johnson. Dee Moore, J. Frank Smith, L. Thornton, Mrs. L. M. Keith, Oliver Brinnell, Johnson Hunter, Rand C. McNeill, Geo. W. Renfroe, W. C. Presley, W. H. Birdwell, W. J. Duncan, R. M. Duboise, Joe Gaines, S. L. Lyckman, C. M. Jackson, George Maben, H. E. Grabener,.

We apprciate these favors extended to us.

Dr. Nichols Attends the Funeral of His Mother at Temple Last Week

Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Nichols returned Sunday from Temple where they had been to attend the funeral of his mother who died in a Dallas Sanitarium.

Dr. Nichols' mother, a few weeks ago fell and broke her hip bone, and which caused her death. She was sevnty odd yeras of age, and the shock was too great for her to bear at this advanced age.

The Texas Spur extends sympathy to Dr. Nichols in this bereavement.

H. A. Halbert, the Burbank of West Texas, Died at Coleman

Coleman, Texas, Nov. 22.—Funeral services were held this afternoon for H. A. Halbert, "Burbank of West Texas," who died here Sunday night as the result of injuries received in a fall from a pecan tree three weeks ago. Rev. C. E. Lancaster had charge of the services.

Mr. Halbert had been prominent in agricultural and political affairs in Texas for many years. He gained wide recognition by the "Halbert Honey" watermellon, which has long been a southern favorite. Of late years he devoted much time to the study of pecans, originating the Halbert Paper Shell Pecan. His activities in the field of horticulture caus him to become known as the "Burbank of West Texas."

A number of years ago Mr. Halbert went to East Texas and budded pecans on pigments. Recently he budded native walnuts on the California variety with apparent success

The Cotton Crop Estimate Continues to Advance Now

Washington.—For the first time in history the American cotton crop will exceed 18 million bales, the department of agriculture reported Monday. Indications on November 14th pointed to a total production of 18,399,000 bales for the year The indicated crop is 2,290,000 bales larger than last year. Of this years crop 12,953,708 bales had been ginned up t oNovember 14th.

There is a possibility that much of the indicated production will never be gathered from the fields, owing to the low and unprofitable prices now being paid for the staple.

The Croton Schools Will Resume Work on Monday Morning

Superintendent Oscar L. Kelley, of the Croton Consolidated Schools, was a pleasant caller Wednesday at the Texas Spur office, informing us that the Croton schools would resume the school work again Monday after an intermission of several weeks in permitting school pupils to assist in the work of gathering the cotton of that community, in view of the absence of a sufficient number of pickers in the earlier part of the season.

During this intermission of school Prof. Kelley was not a "slacker" in the picking program, he having picked 7,200 pounds of cotton.

The Croton Schools had an enrollment of 111 pupils in the beginning, and a much larger enrollment is expected next Monday.

Prof. Kelley stated that this term to this date was one of the best had in that district. He is a former student of the Abilene Christian College, is a school man of ability, and one who actively and earnestly works for the upbuilding of school and educational interests.

Box Supper and Program at Wilson Draw Friday Night, Dec. 3

A box supper and program of music, quartetts, duetts, etc., will be had at the Wilson Draw school house Friday night, December 3rd.

An admission will be charged the ladies, of a box, while the men will be charged with purchasing at least one box at the auction.

The proceeds derived from the box supper will be used for school purposes, and everybody is invited to attend with the assurance of a pleasant and enjoyable program and even ing on this occasion.

Read About the Contest and About Salem's Prices

Only 15 or 20 more days to go. It has been a long long contest. At least the contestants think so but they will soon reap the harvest of their crops. The final day will be announced in next weeks paper. The closer the end nears, the longer the days become, but if you will work hard enough, time will seem all the shorter. From now on we will not allow credits on purchases made early. We will permit vote credits, only immediately after the purchase is made and not later. Please keep this in mind.

Mrs. L. R. Thomas won the last Saturday's Bonus.,She turned in the most money on that day and was credited with the additional 2,500 votes. We will know who will win this weeks 5,000 bonus next week.

Men's Hat Drive and Extra Votes.

Saturday we will allow 10 per cent discount on our entire stock of mens Miller Bros. and Stetson hats.

We have a large stock on hand in all styles and sizes. Ladies, we wan't you to push these men's hats for us and for each hat customer you bring us Saturday, we will give you 500 extra votes, providing he buys the hat. A good opportunity to increase your standing. So show us how many customers you can bring.

CONTESTANTS

Uldeen Robinson, Spur, -- 200,229
Reba D. McGaughey, Spur, 177,398
Treva Marshal, Spur, ----- 176,541
Mrs. Geo. F. Smith, Spur, --148,581
Mrs. R. L. Thomas, Spur, --146,464
Lula Mobley, R. S. --- --- 136,256
Brunetta Shockley, Spur -- 131,256
Leon Perry, Spur -------- 122,481
Beatrice Cupit, Spur, ----- 83,178
Velma Hyatt, Dickens, ---- 73,310
Johnnie May Lanier, Spur, 69,252
Maline Hunter, Spur, ----- 62,508
Iva May Cupp, Spur ------ 60,061

Mr. Salem has just returned from the Rice-Stix Sanger Sale in St. Louis, purchasing an abundant lot of dry goods and ready-to-wear at extremely low prices. We are giving the advantage of his purchases to our trade, adding only our low figure of profit on goods that is bought at half price. We are advertising this extra bulletin and we urge each reader to come to our store Saturday and get a glimpse of the newly displayed goods and the low prevailing prices.

We are going to sell beautiful ladies coats trimmed with good grade lining in Suede, Bolivia and other new materials; values up to $37.50 for only $23.50. We have another lot of coats worth up to $30.00 for only $18.50 each. We call your valued attention to a special lot of ladies wool dresses, garments which in the begining of the season sold for as high as $25.00 to go now at only $9.95. Also another lot of wool and Jersey dresses to sell for only $4.95. We are also featuring a lot of $5.00, all wool, Charleston skirts for only $1.75. Also one assortment of strictly new ladies mettalic velvet and felt hats, choice $2.95.

Read further; more prices. Satinella slips, 75c. Silk Jersey Bloomers 95c; Good outing gowns 95c; ladies corduroy bath robes, $3.95; ladies silk jersey slips, $1.75; one lot perfectly new misses dresses for only 95c; 8 yards 36 inch outing 95 cents One lot Men's all wool lumberjacks for only 3.95. We are also allowing 20 per cent discount on all Men's Suits including the Kirschbaum line. on all men's J. P. Smith Shoes and on all ladies Better Silk Dresses.

Best grade Crepe de Chene 95c yard in maize. flesh and blue shades.

Your visit to Salem's Guaranty, Saturday will be a profitable one, we assure you.—SALEMS GUARANTY. "Where Everything is uGaranteed"

Turkeys Bring More Money Than Cotton to Spur Farmer

It was demonstrated here this week that turkeys will bring more money than cotton.

J. E. Sparks, of west of Spur, Wednesday brought in a bale of cotton and at the same time also brought in ten turkeys for Mrs. Sparks. The bale of cotton brought Mr. Sparks the sum of $43, while the turkeys were sold for $44. The turkeys probably "picked up" the greater part of their living around the place, with but little care, attention and expense, while the bale of cotton was produced with the sweat of the brow and months of labor and worry.

The moral is, grow more turkeys, a few pigs, cows and alfalfa.

Married.

Miss Della Hatfield, of Kent county and John Roberts, of Spur, were united in marriage Sunday afternoon in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will make their home in Spur. The Texas Spur extends very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and may they enjoy many years of happiness and prosity together.

J. J. Noland Died Sunday at His Home in North Part of County

It is with sorrow that we this week chronicle the death of our old friend and pioneer citizen of Dickens county, whose death occurred Sunday, November 21st, at his farm home to the north of Dickens.

Mr. Noland had been ill and suffering of pneumonia ten days or two weeks before death came to his relief. His remains were interred in Dickens cemetery Monday, Rev. J. V. Bilberry conducting the funeral services.

J. J. Noland was born in Parker county, Texas, May 5th, 1856, was converted and joined the Baptist church at about the age of 10 years, was married to Miss Emma Dobbs February 19th, 1888, and came with his family to Dickens county about 1891. Four children were born to this union, three boys and one girl, of whom two boys and the daughter and wife survive.

J. J. Noland was one among the first men we met and were associated with after the opening of Spur. He was a true Western man and citizen, and his death is a loss to the community.

The Texas Spur extends sincere sympathy and condolence to the family in this bereavement.

Survey in Dickens and Motley For Oil Developments

Johnnie McGee, of Amarillo, and J. F. Barker, of Wichita Falls were here Tuesday, working out a geological survey of the Owens Bird lease in the south east part of Motley and the north east part of Dickens counties. The new location was made, which will put the well 5 1-2 miles north east, on the C. D. Bird place in Motley county. This will make the location about 5 miles south east of Russellville.

McGee and Barker stated that in their survey of this lease, they had located one of the best structures any where in West Texas. They recommended the drilling of this well, and work is expected to start as soon as titles are secured.

The driller and tool dresser for the Chechako Oil Co., holding lease in the north part of Motley county arrived Monday of this week, and are busy installing the machinery at the location. They hope to be ready to spud in within the next few days. —Motley County News.

Jo eChristal is now with C. R. Edwards & Co.

SATURDAY AND MONDAY

S. & M. Specials

LADIES

Ready - to - Wear

HATS!
One Lot, $4.25 values at $1.00 Ea
One Lot, $8.75 valuse at $2.95 Ea.
One Lot, $15.75 val. at $5.00 Ea.

FURS 20 PER CENT OFF
Fox, Near-Fox, Badger; All Stylish and at 20 per cent off

ALLWOOL MIDDIES -- $2.75
Wash Middies in fast colors—
Paul Jones quality, $2.75 val, $1.25
Lingette Bloomers ------ 95c

CHILDREN'S GINGHAM DRESSES
$2.00 to $2.50 Values
$1.00 — $1.25 — $1.35

Barronette Satin and Radium Slips --$3.00 to $5.75 Value at $2.50

LADIES WOOL DRESSES
$5.00 to $15.00 Value
$3.75 — $6.75 — $8.75

All Dresses and Coats in this department are greatly reduced. Come in and see them; you will find bargains satisfactory to your choosing and purse.

Piece Goods

Cotton Checks, per yard ----- 7c

ALL DRAPERIES AT COST SATURDAY AND MONDAY

Woolens, per yard --------- 98c
Flanelette—just received—Nursery and Floral designs ---------25c
2 1-2 yards Table Linens --- $1.00

RIBBONS (50c to 75c Value) Saturday and Monday -- 25c

Our Customers

This is not a sensational advertisement. It is only a price list of the Business Booster to be inaugurated in the store of C. Hogan & Company until the first of the year. We have not shipped in a load of old merchandise to be thrown off on you, but we are taking these wonderful prices from our shelves.

Come in and look over our merchandise and see for yourself that our aim is to save you money.

SLIGHTLY SOILED BABY CAPS
Asst. ------ 75c Ea.

MENS SUITS 20 PER CENT OFF

COTTON CREPE
New Floral Designs
35c Value, -- 25c

CHILDREN'S 100 SILK HOSE
$1 Value ---- 42c
$1.25 Value -- 59c

MEN'S ALL WOOL STRIPE LUMBER JACKS
$7.50 Value -- $5.00

—XMAS—
IS NOT LONG OFF

We have new novelties coming in every day—Handkerchiefs, Boudoir Caps, Garters, Sachet Sets, Purses, Vanities, and lots and lots of others.

Come in and see us.

MEN!

ALL HATS—ALL STYLES AT ABSOLUTE COST!
(Except Stetson)

GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!
All Sizes, Kinds & Prices!

All-Wool Sox, size 10 1-2, pr. 75c
Fancy Stripe, pair ---------- 35c
Plain Pure Silk ----prair---- 35c

One Lot Size 14 1-2 WOOL SHIRTS
Saturday & Monday—Absolute Cost!

Boys Lumberjacks --------- $2.00

Men's Heavy Union Suits
$1.50 Value -------- $1.00

SHOES! Mens Womens and Childrens— BARGAIN PRICES

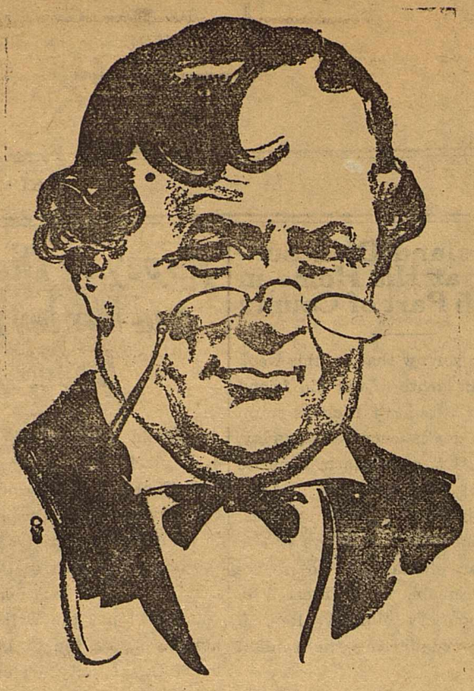
Blankets

42 Per Cent Wool — 66X80
$4.50 Value --------- $3.38

A Real Value in a Heavy, Warm Good Colored Blanket—
$2.50 Value At --------- $1.98

$3.00 Value—66X80
$2.38

C. HOGAN & COMPANY, Spur



THE JUDGE SAYS—

"You can usually tell a lot about a person's ability and stability by looking at the balance of his Thrift Account."

If you want to be known in this com munity as a person of dependability and worth, drop in and start a Thrift Account, saving a certain part of your earnings each payday.

TRADE IN SPUR BANK WITH US — THE CITY NATIONAL BANK — SPUR, TEXAS

L. A. Grantham was here Wednesday ginning and marketing some of his cotton.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Henry Gruben and wife spent the day Thanksgiving with his parents at Rochester.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. Mart'n Gay, of Dickens, was shopping in Spur the latter part of the past week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

S. B. Boykin, of north of Spur a few miles, was here Wednesday of th s week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

GIN WITH HARGROVE

Picked Cotton Ginned for 30c per 100

Snaps, 40c—_Bagging and Ties $1.75.

Because of low value of Seed we will have to collect the difference, if any, between seed and ginning on both pick-ed cotton and snaps hereafter.

HAMBERGER McCOMBS

On the Wrong Side of the Stret.

Talk it Over With

S. L. DAVIS

About Any Kind of Insurance You May Need!

DAVIS INSURANCE AGENCY

Phone 264 Spur, Texas

Social and Club News.

RED MUD ITEMS

Our school, under the instruction of J. G. Spencer, has been very progressive. It has gradually increased in quality and quantity.

The club ladies met with the County Demonstrator, Monday, Nov. 15th. They reported a very pleasant meeting.

Recently, while wading in the Cat Fish River, Gladys Kenny bogged down in the quick sand. Ira Harrell ran to help her; but he, too stuck in the sand. After taking several snap shots of them, their friends assisted them in getting out.

Mr. Spencer was seen car riding, Sunday, with some lady friends. It is suspected that we will have more than one teacher within the near future.

Everyone is invited to the party Friday night at the home of Cora Childress.

Our Sunday School classes have been exceedingly small recently, but we intend to do better in the future. —U. R. Crazy.

BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

The Business and Professional Women's Club held their semi-monthly meeting and luncheon Thursday even'ng, twelve members being present.

DUNCAN FLAT CLUB

The Duncan Flat Home Demons'ra tion Club met Thursday, November 18 with Mrs. J. M. Rose.

New off.cers were elected. Miss Gordon gave some interesting discussions on different subjects.

The club is to meet December 2nd with Mrs. D. P. Smiley.—Reporter.

WHY MEN FAIL

There is a cause for everything. Nothing ever "just happens." If a man is promoted to a better job there is a cause. If a man looses his job there is also a cause.

There are many causes that lead to failure. Here is a list of the most common causes:

Finding fault with the other fellow but never seeing your own.

Doing as little as possible and trying to get as much as possible for it.

Spending too much time showing up the other fellow's weak points and too little correcting your own.

Slandering those we do not like.

Procrastination—putting off until tomorrow something that we should have done yesterday.

Deceit—talking friendly to the other fellow's face and stabbing him in the back as soon as he turns around.

False belief that we are smart enough to reap a harvest of pay before sowing a crop of honest service

Disloyalty to those who have trust ed us.

Egotism—the belief that we know it all and no one can teach us anything.

Last, but not least, lack of the necessary training and education to enable us to stand at the head in our line of work.

Look yourself over and check yourself by it. If none of these causes for failure apply to you, then you are to be congratulated, because you are a success!—Hill's Magazine.

Jim Smith, of Dry Lake, was in town Wednesday. Last week he, too, experienced a "boycott" in that all of his cotton pickers quit him because he refused to consent to the "pulling" operation. Quite a number of farmers who consented to have cotton pulled, have now gone back to picking, we are informed. Pulled cotton brings too low a price, and the probability is that later there will be no market for it. Pick every lock possible, is the slogan—and afterwards sled in the bollies and get what you can.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Baptist Church met in the basement of the church on Monday afternoon.

A very interesting program in Royal Service was rendered by Section No. 2; Mrs. H. P. Schrimsher as leader. Splendid talks wre made by Mesdames Lummus, Godfrey Loyd Wolfe, Boyd, and Chas. Wolfe. —Reporter.

NORTH SOCIAL CLUB

Due to bad weather the North Social Club did not meet at the appointed time, the first Thursday in November.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. W. J. Pickens on the first Thursday in December. All members are urged to be present.

BUCKNER'S ORPHAN HOME SHOWER

The ladies of the Baptist Church of Spur are giving a shower for the Buckner's Orphan Home on Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock in the basement of the church.

Either new garments or used ones, which are good will be appreciated. Those who wish may bring cookies instead. The box will be packed on Monday afternoon.

A cash offering is to accompany the box. Those wishing to send money rather than garments may do so.—Reporter.

A PLEA FOR THE COTTON FARMER'S CHILD

(Written for Texas Spur)

I don't pretend to say,
For I know not what's wrong.
But this I know, when I grow up,
I'll surely leave the farm.

We work from early Spring,
Mother, Dad and everyone,
Through the long and hot summer months;
But then we are not done.

City children start to school,
Our school cannot begin.
We must stay at home and work,
'Till all the cotton's in.

At night when we come in
We eat our milk and bread;
A screenless room; dim oil light;
Then we are off to bed.

Father's tired, he lights his pipe,
Mother is worn out too.
Still they sit by the dim oil light
And wonder what to do

It would not be so bad,
If, when the cotton's sold
There'd be enough to buy some clothes
To keep out the Winter's cold.

But when the rent is paid,
Wrapping and ginning too,
There is such a little left
No wonder Father's blue.

I hear the grand old song,
"My Country 'Tis of Thee"
I think that must be wrong,
My country"s not for me.

If this be true, I ask you
A question: Don't th nk I'm wild,
Why not some man devise a plan
To help the country child?

Now folks, my story is through,
I'm sure I've done no harm,
In thus presenting to you
Conditions on the farm.
Mrs. J. A. Caple, McAdoo, Texas.

Judge Chas. McLaughlin, of near McAdoo, on the Plains, was marketing a number of bales of cotton in Spur Wednesday of this week. The bids in the staple were so low that he hesitated to make the amount known.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Alec Winkler, of the Croton country, was transacting businss and meeting with his friends in Spur Wednesday.

Seiberling Tires are Better!

Ask the Man that Runs Them

30x3½ Heavy Duty, Oversize, . $16.80
30x3½ Cords $12.75
30x3½ Portage Seiberling Built, $10.15

Seiberling Truck Tires are in Line With Others in Price and Last Longer. Try them and be convinced.

PENNANT SERVICE STATION

J. P. SIMMONS, Prop.

J. T. BILBERRY, DRAYMAN

HAULING OF ALL KINDS.—"QUICK SERVICE" Our Motto.
PHONT 279, SPUR, TEXAS

T. H. Tallent, of Gilpin. was here Wednesday doing a little trading and greeting his friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Miss Adelaide Senning is spending the week in Albany with her sister, Mrs. Goss D. Cobb.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

A. M. Miller, of the Espuela community, was among the number here Wednesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. C. Messer, of north of Spur, was transacting business on the streets one day this week.

Harry Ellis was on the streets Spur Wednesday afternoon of t week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Buren Smith, of Dry Lake, w here one day during the week m keting cotton.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Dud Jones, of Afton, was amon the business visitors in Spur Wedn day of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Grundy Crego, of Dickens, was recent business visitor in Spur du ing the week.

THE WHITE GIN

THE BEST GI NIN TOWN TO GIN YOUR COTTON

That is What Joe Says.

COME TRY ME AND SEE WHAT YOU SAY!

I pay market prices for cotton and know that it is not enough, but I can't raise the market. Let's all hit the ball, get this crop out and do the best we can and not raise but half this next year.

LONG GIN COMPANY

JOE M. GAINES, Manager

WILLIAMSON BROTHERS

GINNERS & COTTON BUYERS

We have installed an Unloader to our Cotton House and will be ready to take care of your cotton day or night.

YOURS FOR SERVICE

for Economical Transportation

CHEVROLET



Take the Wheel Yourself

Learn what it really means to drive a low-priced car that is delightfully smooth at every speed—that exhibits click-of-the-heel acceleration—that can be driven at 40 and 50 miles an hour—hour after hour—without the slightest sense of forcing or fatigue! Take the wheel of a Chevrolet yourself!

Until you actually drive a Chevrolet, you cannot realize how it combines all those qualities that have been the big reasons for the purchase of costlier cars. Never before has any low-priced automobile combined such brilliant beauty and such amazing handling ease with such thrilling qualities of performance. Take the wheel yourself—and learn the truth! Come in and get a demonstration!

at these **Low Prices!**

Touring or Roadster $510
Coach or Coupe $645
Four-Door Sedan $735
Landau $765
½-Ton Truck $375 (Chassis Only)
1-Ton Truck $495 (Chassis Only)

f. o. b. Flint, Michigan

Small down payment and convenient terms. Ask about our 6% Purchase Certificate Plan.

SPUR CHEVROLET CO.

QUALITY AT LOW COST

State Representative Wants Expression From the People

Permit me a little space. I will not talk chicken, but something that concerns every citizen in Texas.

Did you know that in 1914 the United States raised over sixteen million bales of cotton on thirtyseven million acres and that we now have forty-eight million acres in cotton? A seventeen million bale crop is worth less money than a thirteen million bale crop with our present cotton crop acreage a bumper crop, would mean more than twenty million bales. In producing cotton for many years in succession our soils are gradually robbed of their fertility. In a comparatively few years we will awake to the fact that our lands are worn out. With reduced acreage in cotton and a proper relation of crops and better farming we would soon be producing as much stuff on 25 per cent less land. Now we find it necessary to enact laws for the control of the air for airplanes and radios, to conserve water power and to safeguard the rights and welfare of our people by many laws. The farmer is just about the only man today left at the mercy of the merciless law of supply and demand Most industries are organized and protected by favored laws.

Now, there is much being said thru the press about reduction of acreage as the solution to solve the problem to which I contend is the only solution that will work the thing out. I believe in the idea strong enough that I am putting half of my farm in wheat and oats in 1927. Will you reduce your cotton acreage and help bring back the cost of production. If our editor will grant me space I will submit a little bill next week that will be introduced in the next session of the legislature just as it has been submitted to me, that will undertake to regulate acreage planted to cotton in the future. I am not advocating such a law as yet but merely want an expression from the people.—J. A. Merritt, representative of this district, in Snyder Signal.

SCOTT BROTHERS

Grocery and Market

We can supply your every need in Fresh Cuts of Meat, Fancy & Staple Groceries. Phone us your orders

PHONE 195

It will be a pleasure to us and a profit to you in trading here!

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill, of the Alamo Stock Farm west of Spur, were visiting with friends and shopping in the city Wednesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. Henry Gruben began teaching the second grade in Spur Schools Monday of last week.

THE STORY OF THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving day is wholly an American institution, although it is customary to celebrate the day in many other countries. It was long the custom in England and elsewhere to hold days of fasting and prayer in time of peril, and equally to celebrate with thanksgiving.

In October, 1621, the pilgrim fathers celebrated their first American harvest festival, with Indians as the guests of honor, they gathered about tables loaded with game and fish, wild fruits from the forests, and vegetables from the gardens.

For days before the feast, the women of the colony had prepared for this day of merry-making. The friendly Indians brought, as their share of the feast, wild turkey and venison from their forest homes.

The tables were set out of doors and the company of people gathered around them as one great family. Not only did they feast but also held prayers and songs of rejoicing for having lived through the cold and severe winter.

The feast was intended to last only one day but three had elapsed before the Indians returned to their wigwam in the forest.

It was nine years before this custom was imported into every other colony; Massachusetts adopting it in 1630. Thereafter the people began to rely on Thanksgiving. It became a national wide custom, a legal holiday, and the great institution which it now represents.

One of the most faithful workers for the establishment of thanksgiving was Mrs. Sarah Hale. For 20 years she sent out pleas for a nation-wide thanksgiving. She wrote letters to each of the presidents; until finally, in 1863, president Lincoln rewanded her efforts and appointed the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day. "Mother of Thanksgiving" was the title won by Mrs. Hale for her faithfulness to the cause.

It seems as though the people do not offer thanks as much as they used to. When we think seriously about it, how many of us really observe Thanksgiving in the spirit our fone fathers did? Most of us are prone to consider this day too lightly and not make Thanksgiving a really thankful one.

W. W. Fox and little son returned Friday of last week from Waco where they had been on the sad mission of burying wife and mother. Mr. Fox contemplates moving back to that section in order that near relatives may assist him in caring for his small son. He certainly has our sympathy in this bereavement and family misfortune.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Jess Black is here from Borger and Panhandle, visiting with his mother, Mrs. Anna Black.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Newt Cravey, of Red Mud was in town Thursday with a bale of cotton. He says those farmers disposed to pull cotton have already repented at the price and are going back to picking for self protection.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DICKENS.

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of J. C. Davis, deceased:

The undersigned having been duly appointed independent executor of the estate of J. C. Davis, deceased, late of Dickens County, Texas, by H. A. C. Brummett, Judge of the County court of said county on the 27th day of October A. D. 1926, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him at his residence at Matador, Motley County, Texas, or to B. G. Worswick, his attorney, at Dickens Dickens County, Texas, where each of them receive their respective mail. This the 16th day of November A. D. 1926.

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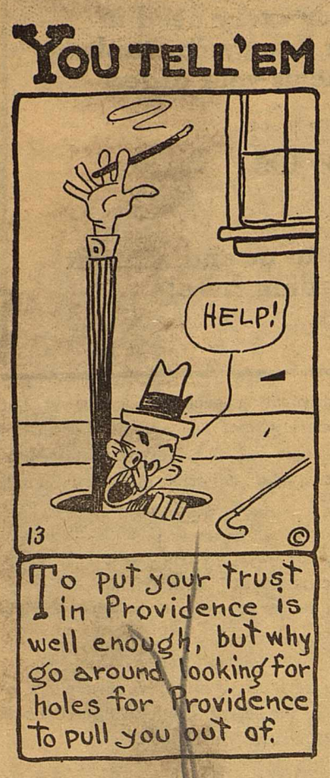
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One woman tells another about the variety of meats, and prices consistent with the Quality, that she gets at our Market, and so the circle grows and grows.

Central Market

Luke Manasco and wife, of near Spur, were here Thursday shopping with merchants.

——Reduce Cotton Acreage——

J. E. Spadks, of west of Spur, was in the city Thursday. ,

RED PEP'S PHILOSOPHY



"Actions speak louder than words-but look out for the echo."
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Since we have been in business in Spur we have made it our policy to handle real high-class and expensive jewelry and watches as well as the cheaper lines. So if you want a real watch or a genuine piece of jewelry, you can depend on us for quality.

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Car Load of Turkeys Being Dressed For Markets in Spur

Throughout this and the past week the Spur Produce Company has had eighteen or twenty hands employed in picking turkeys, a car load of which are being dressed and will be shipped out of Spur within a few days to Eastern and Northern markets.

The people of the Spur country are beginning to give more serious consideration and attention to "the cow, the sow and the hen", as well as Shackeleford and other counties.

Mr. Blenden, manager of the Spur Produce Company, stated recently that in his opinion the turkey and poultry market would continue to advance following the Thanksgiving season, and advised poultry raisers, notwithstanding the fact that he was in the market at all times, to hold turkeys and poultry for the contemplated and highes prices expected for the Christmas season.

Poultry, eggs, cream and butter has contributed much to the living as well as prosperity of this country during these times of low prices for cotton and feed stuff. Conditions now encourage a greater and more systematic method and practice of diversified farming hereafter.

Protests Entered to the Construction of Ardmore-Lubbock Line

Grandfield, Okla, Nov. 19.—Directors and stockholders meeting of the Ardmore, Vernon & Lubbock Railway scheduled Thursday, Nov. 18, at Vernon, Texas, was postponed until a later date on account of the inability of S. M. Porter, financial agent to attend.

The meeting is to review the questionair and prospectus of the proposed road and to complete details necessary before presentation of data to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Roads filing protests agains the granting of a permit for the building of the proposed road are Frisco, Quanah, Acme & Pacific, Fort Worth & Denver and the Santa Fe. Roads not protesting projects are Rock Island, Katy and Orient.

"The proposed road is 315 miles in length, extending from Ardmore, Oklahoma to Lubbock, Texas, traversing a considerable area in Texas without rail service.

Married.

Miss Lessie Marie Coggin and Jack Dillishaw were married in Spur, Justice D. A. Young performing the ceremony Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillishaw are prominent young people of Kent county, and The Texas Spur joins their friends in extending congratulations and very best wishes.

JOI DE VOI.

Mrs. T. C. Morrison entertained he club members and several guests on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. A. Love Quite unusual was the fact of all tallies being different. Four tables were arranged for bridge. At the conclusion, Mrs. Willis was awaded the high score, and Mrs. C. Jones high guest, Mrs. R. E. Dickson booby. A delicious salad course was served the above and Mrs. Fox, Rector, Flint, Barrett, Powell, Schrimpsher, Hall, Harris, Reynolds, Andrews, Wester, Love, Smith, and Miss Lera Harris.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Rev. Howell Goes to Jayton as Pastor of Methodist Church

Rev. J. T. Howell, who has been pastor of the Methodist church in Crosbyton for the past two years, was assigned to the church at Jayton. He was first called out for Wheeler, but changes were made afterward in which he was placed at Jayton. Best wishes go with Bro. Howell and family to their new work hoping that success and happiness may be theirs in the years to come. —Crosbyton Review.

Home Demonstration Clubs

Monday, Nov. 15.—The Girls Club met at Prairie Chapel and organized. Mrs. Dora Barnes, Clothing Specialist, gave a talk on club work.

Red Mud Club having a demonstration on Christmas suggestions. The next meeting will be with Miss Davis. Tuesday, November 16. Miss Myrtle Murra, District Home Demonstration Agent, visited several of the clubs.

Wednesday, November 17.—The Espuela Club met at Mrs. Karr's. Miss Murray gave a demonstration on Kitchen Improvement. A demonstration on Toys was given by the Home Demonstration Agent.

Thursday, November 18th.—The Duncan Flat Club met with Mrs. Rose. A demonstration was given on Kitchen Improvement and The Choice and Hanging of Pictures.

Friday, November 19th.—The McAdoo Club had a demonstration on the Canning of Beef at Mrs. Nealey's

Monday November 22.—The Dickens Club Girls met and instructions for the coming year was given.

The women were talked with about Kitchen Improvement Contest.

Tuesday, November 23.—Kitchen Scouring for the Kitchen Cintest was dine.

Wednesday, November 24th.—The Club met with Mrs. Thomas. The demonstration was given on the Making and Decorating of Christmas Cakes. The club will meet next with Mrs. Vernon Powell.

Friday, November 26.—The Spur High School Girls will meet at 1:00 o'clock.

BEEF CANNING RECIPES

Process No. 2: 45 minutes at 150.

Process No. 3: 55 minutes at150

ROAST—Cut roast into pieces as large as will go into can. Roll each piece in flour to which salt and pepper have been added. Put in hot oven and cook thoroughly seared. Turn if necessary, but do not pierce with fork. Pack into cans, add one tablespoon of fat and seal.

STEAK—Cut into pieces 1 1-2 or 2 inches thick, flour as for roast, sear in pan of deep hot fat, roll and pack. Add one large spoon of fat before sealing can.

ROLLED ROAST—For the rolled roast use tender flank and the sheet of meat which can be stripped from the top of the ribs, or round or shoulder steak. Cut these sheets and the flank in strips about as wide as the length of the can and long enough so when rolled up and tied, the roasts will fit the can. Place these strips on the table and spread about half inch thick with ground meat. For No. 3 cans of meat, sprinkle about: 3 tsp. salt, 2 of sugar, 4 of cracker crumbs and 1 small onion, chopped. Place these on top of the ground meat. Sage may be added if liked. Roll up as for jelly roll and tie at top and at bottom so it will fit hte can. Sear as for roast, pack in cans and add gravy. Process as fir other number 3 cans. Do not fail to add the sugar as it gives the meat an excellent flavor.

MINCE MEAT—2 lbs. chopped boiled meat, 1 lb. suet. 3 lbs raisins, 3lbs. currents, 5 cups brown sugar, 1 1-3 cups molasses, 1 quart of slock, 2 tps. salt, 3 of bag cinnamon, 2 of mace, 2 of cloves, 4 lemons, rind and juice, 1 quart of fruit juice or syrup from packed preserved fruits. Bring to boiling point, pack in cans, Process 45 minutes at 15 pounds. When opened add an equal quantity of fresh chopped apples.

CHILE—15 lb. meat (1-3 pork, if possible). 5 medium size onions, 5 cloves garlic, 3 3-4 cups fat, 5 c. Chile pepper pulp (or 1 large bottle chile powder), salt cominos (cumin seed may be purchased at any drug store), grind meat, onions and garlic, heat fat, cook meat and seasoning for 1 hour, add equal amount of water, cook 30 minutes.

LIVER PASTE—1 medium sized liver (about 3 lb.), 1 1-2 pounds fresh pork, 2 ts. salt, 1 ts. pepper. 1 tsp. cloves, 1 onion, 6 crackers, 3 eggs. 1-2 cup milk or mater.
Put meat and seasoning through meat chopper twice. Add eggs and milk, pack into cans.

BUFFALO BUNNY SAUSAGE—4 lbs. rabbit meat, 1 medium onion, 8 lb. cracker crumbs, 2 3-4 tsp. of salt, 2 tsp. black pepper, 1-4teaspoon cayenne, 1-2 cup sweet cream, 1 beaten egg. Mix well together, make into small cakes and fry brown. Make sauce by pouring water into frylngs. Pack in cans, pour in the sauce to within half inch of the top. Process No 2 cans, 45 minutes at 15 pounds pressure, process No 3 cans, 55 minutes at 15 lb.; process pint jars, 45 minutes at 15 lb. process Quart jars, 55 minutes at 15lb. —Miss Daisy Gordon, Co. Dem. Agt

A Number of Cases Disposed of in Motley Co. District Court

The following cases have been disposed of during the second week of district court now in session at Matador in Motley county:

The case against Edward Pratt, charged with the burglary of Womack's store at Roaring Springs, September 19th, was sentenced to a two years term in the state penitentiary. Pratt was also given a two year sentence in the pen on a charge of theft.

C. E. Nixon, a partner of Pratt, in the same robbery, was sentenced to a three year term on the charge of theft. The charge of burglary against Nixon was dismissed.

J. L. Cole was convicted for forgery and given sentence of two years in the state penitentiary.

Joe Floris was found not guilty in the charge against him for forgery.

Viola Johnson vs Dock Johnson, divorce granted.

The case of Frank Hogland vs the Q. A. & P. Railway, is at trial.—Motley County News.

Spur Churches Have A Large Percentage in Attendance.

The churches, one of the most vital influences of Spur community life, were found by a student survey to be in great popularity in Spur. The data listed below is somewhat inaccurate from the fact that many are estimates rather than correct figures:

Baptist Church. total members, 410
Church attendance, average 100
Sunday school, av. 200, total 275
Prayer meeting, average, _____50
Missionary Society, average ___50
5 Young peoples' organizations 100
Methodist Church, total members, 500
Church, average attendance, 225
Sunday school, _____ 170
League, _____ 30
Jr. Missionary Society, av. 10—20
Ladies Missionary Society, 20—38
Prayer meeting, average _____30
Church of Christ, total members, 300
Sunday school, average 35, total 60
Young peoples' meeting, av. __30
Prayer meeting, average _____25
Church, _____150
Christian Church, total members 200
Sunday school, _____ 100
Christian Endeavor, average __15
Ladies Aid, average _____22
Prayer meeting, average _____30
Presbyterian Church, total mem. 55
S. S. and church, average____35
Second Baptist Church (col) __ 25
Population of Spur, 1926,____2396
Taxpayers in Spur, _____377
School tax for district, _____503
Total numbers to go to church, 665

The most significant thing to be gained from this survey of the churches is the small time spent by people in the churches. The average person spends only about one hour in the church. Noting the statistics, it will be seen that more people come to church than to Sunday school, and only about one sixth go to prayer meeting, with an even smaller per centage to other forms of church organizations.

Another thing to be noticed is the lack of young peoples' societies; practically no interest being shown along these lines. The total number that go to church each Sunday is equal to one-fourth of the total population, a fair percentage.

From the City Hall report, two things are noticable, the very small number of taxpayers in town and this district, and the rapid growth of population since 1920, which has almost doubled during the last six years. The results show a failure of the growth of the school system, the churches and municipal activities in proportion.—The Rowell.

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Bull Dogs Swamped by Slaton Eleven, 56-0.

In one of the most hectic games of the season, the Bulldogs were defeated by Slaton, 56-0. Slaton started the scoring on the kickoff by taking a fluke place kick for a touchdown at the start of the game. Both teams gained much ground. Spur took the ball down the field several times, and got to the five yard line twice only t olose the ball by a fumble or loss. Every man was on his toes and played a good game, but was just impossible to stop the Slaton squad when they got loose. Two touchdowns were made each quarter. The Purple and White team was one of the most powerful and clean ones the Dogs have ever played.—The Rowel.

Spur and Jayton Juniors

The Spur Juniors went to Jayton again Thursday.

This is the second time this season that Jayton has defeated this team in their home field.

The game was a thrilling one and not a score on either side had been made till the last three minutes of the game. With several penalties of Spur being offside and a series of plays Jayton put the ball across for the only touchdown.

Miss Martha Parker returned to school Monday after two weeks absence, due to an operation.

Cone Birdwell has returned to school.—Th eRowel.

The State Supervisor of Schools Visits Spur Schools.

The state supervisor of schools made his annual visit to the Spur Schools during the past week. He visited each class and noted the methods taught, giving timely suggestions to both students and teachers. Upon his report much depends the qualification of our school for additional credits.

The supervisor has been actively engaged in the instruction of boys and girls for many years. During the past year he was at McAlden, and is as much a native of our own locality as we are. We hope that we have left a good impression with the supervisor.—The Rowell.

USED CAR BARGAINS.

1 Ford Touring, 24 model.
1 Ford Coupe, 24 model.
1 Studebaker Roadster. 24 model.
1 Dodge Touring, 24 model.
1 Hudson Coach, 26 6model.
1 Star Touring, 25 model.

Will sell these cars worth the money.—Harkey & McClure, Spur.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Last week we stated that J. R. Rogers, of Draper, had marketed 18 bales of cotton. As a matter of fact Mr. Rogers was here at the time with his fifth bale of cotton. We make this correction in justice to Mr. Rogers. The Texas Spur strives to be accurate in all statements, however, mistakes and inaccuracies will creep into the columns on occasions.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Arthur Bond was called Friday of this week to Cross Plains to the bedside of his siste, Mrs. Eliza Lamar, who is not expected to survive.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

C. B. Jones was called this week Rochester, Minn., to be with his mother, Mrs. Chas. A. Jones, who will undergo a surgical operation at the hands of Mayo Brothers, the world's noted surgeons. Mrs. Jones accompanied Mr. Jones. It is sincerely hoped by many friends that Mrs. Jones' operation will be successful.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. W. Flournoy has been sick this week. Mrs. Flournoy is visiting with relatives on the Plains.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Col. Gamble and son, of Haskell, were in Spur Wednesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

S. H. Nally, of near the city, was among the business visitors here last Tuesday.

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W. F. Foreman, of Foreman's Chapel, was among the crowds here Saturday.

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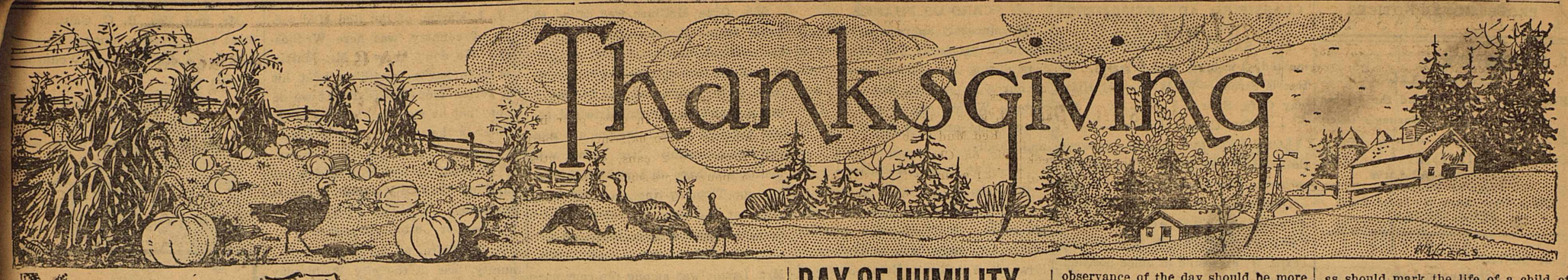
J. J. Randall, of south of Spur, was here Tuesday.

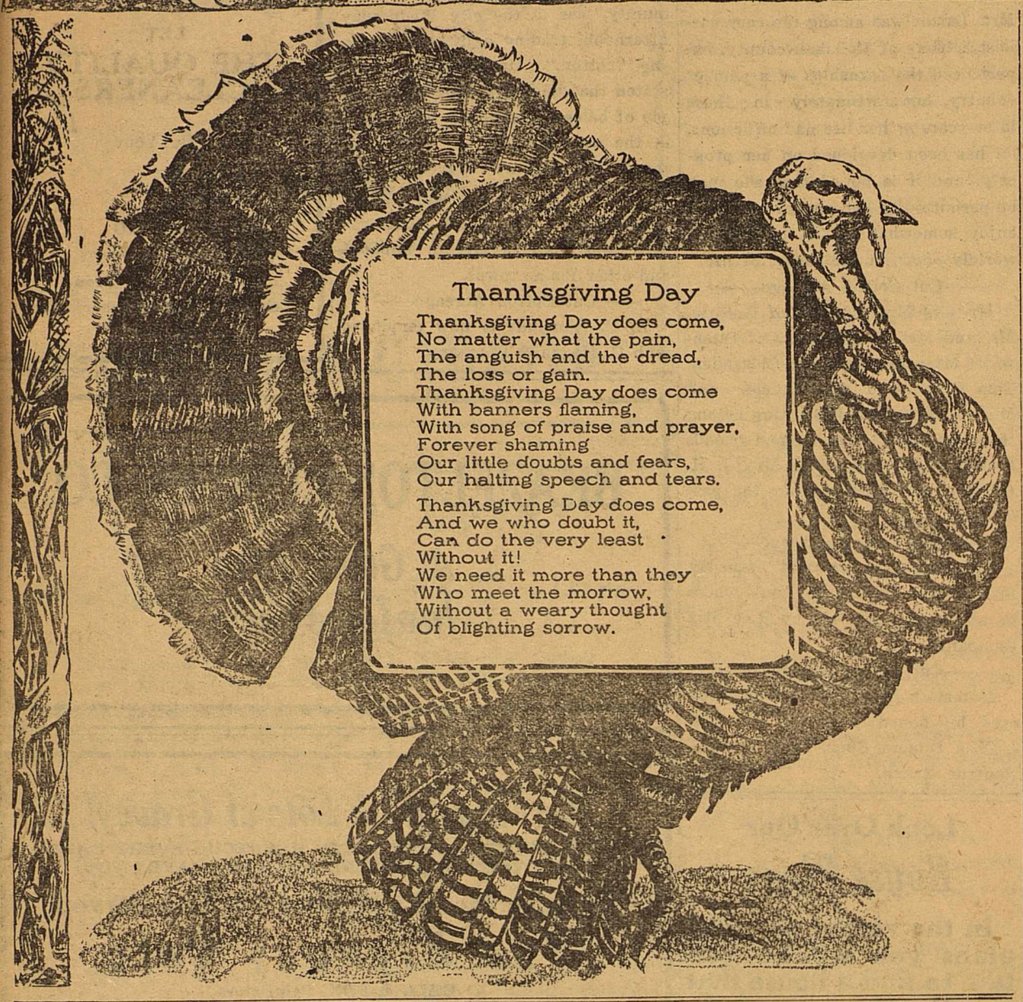
——Cut Cotton Acreage——

L. B. McMeans, of near the city, was among the business visitors here TTuesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. H. C. Brinnell, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, was among the shoppers in the city during the past week.





Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving Day does come,
No matter what the pain,
The anguish and the dread,
The loss or gain.
Thanksgiving Day does come
With banners flaming,
With song of praise and prayer,
Forever shaming
Our little doubts and fears,
Our halting speech and tears.

Thanksgiving Day does come,
And we who doubt it,
Can do the very least
Without it!
We need it more than they
Who meet the morrow,
Without a weary thought
Of blighting sorrow.

DAY OF HUMILITY AND GRATITUDE FOR BLESSINGS

Spirit of Humble Thankfulness Should Mark All Thoughts at This Season.

The fixing a day, especially by the civil authority, for the giving of thanks seems to raise the question as to whether one can be thankful to order. Yet if it were not for times and seasons it does not seem probable that man would have given any attention whatever to the spiritual side of his nature. Worship is a duty at all times, and yet we have our Sunday as a special day of worship, and it has been found to be of great value, if not indispensable. It is so with the Christian year, with its round of feasts and fasts. Than this there is no more effective guardian of the faith, no more potent spiritual influence. So we have our Thanksgiving day, which perhaps it would be well to consider as a feast of the Christian year, along with Christmas and Easter. It certainly is worth little to those who disregard or fail to appreciate its deeply religious significance. Men are not supposed to say: "Go to, let us be thankful on the fourth Thursday in November," but rather: "Let us show in a special way and by a common worship on that day the thankfulness that we always feel." Thus it is that the day should be kept, not only in a spirit of thankfulness, but with a humble sense of dependence on God, such a dependence as shall destroy, for the time at any rate, that arrogant spirit of self-sufficiency which is so offensive to God and man, and so destructive of character.

Humble Thankfulness.

Perhaps the note of humility in the observance of the day should be more marked than even that of gratitude. It is to a humble thankfulness that the nation is called. How can thankfulness to the Almighty be other than humble? If it is not that it is likely to be patronizing—as in truth it often has been. It was against this self-sufficiency that the author of the book of Deuteronomy warned his people in the most impressive way, reminding them that they were absolutely dependent on God, and trying to make them realize that everything they had, and that all the blessings they enjoyed, had come from Him.

Danger of Forgetting God.

Thankfulness is a necessary and vital part of worship, and it is through worship, however we may define the word, that it finds expression. It was when men had "eaten and were full" that they were in



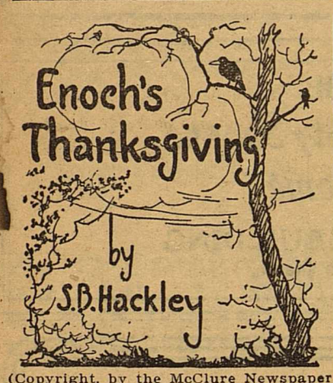
danger of forgetting God, in danger of falling prey to the great vice of self-sufficiency. Thus it seems that what people, in their materialism, count the greatest blessings, may be the worst evils with which a human soul may be afflicted. This idea was expressed by Bacon in his well-known declaration that prosperity is the blessing of the Old Testament and adversity of the New Testament. One may go further and say that prosperity may or may not be a blessing—it all depends on its effect on character. Whether a man is rich or poor does not matter if his state of mind and attitude of soul are such as should mark the life of a child of God.

Most Precious Possessions.

Sir Henry Wotton was wise when he prayed God "more of His grace than gifts to send," for the favor of God, and the divine power in which men may share, are possessions which the good and great have ever coveted and often enjoyed. No one can be injured by the granting of a prayer for them. Goodness, unselfishness, integrity, moral and spiritual courage, cleanness of heart and life, purity of soul, the capacity of self-sacrifice, true humility—for these graces and virtues, and such as they, one who possesses them, or any of them, in even slight degree, cannot be too thankful. Indeed, the very possession of them, or, if not that, the craving for them, will make one thankful. Such a man will never plead his own merits as deserving of a reward, for he will be slow to recognize those merits, and will be very likely to undervalue them. Certainly he will revolt from such a commercial view of his relationship with God. It is a contemptible idea, that of so much thankfulness for so much good. The next step would be to thank God for what we are, an attitude condemned 20 centuries ago in immortal words. The man rejected had many "gifts," but his heart was untenanted by divine grace, and his soul was sufficient unto itself.

True Thankfulness.

There is therefore reason to think that there is a real danger even in thankfulness if it is unaccompanied by humbleness of spirit, and a sense of personal unworthiness. We do not thank God as we politely thank a friend for a courtesy or slight favor, which we may, perhaps rightly, feel was fairly due us. Thankfulness to the Almighty means a pouring out of the heart and soul in reverent gratitude for "inestimable benefits" to which we may not feel ourselves in any sense entitled, and which we are surely conscious of not having merited or earned. Something of this Thanksgiving day ought to mean to our people, who have in their national life so much of which to be deeply ashamed.—Indianapolis News.



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Old Paulina Dotson stood beside the spring welling out from between two bowlders in her yard at the foot of Big Laurel mountain, and sighed lugubriously:

"David's a-goin'—a-goin, soon."

"Where's Davy goin'?"

"I didn't know you was around, Abagail Seal!" Pauliny frowned a bit resentfully. "You always did have the softest steppin' pair of feet—for all the world like a cat's!"

"Or a thief's!" muttered the hard-visaged old man sitting near the spring, mending a bridle.

The blooming young girl, looking over the low stone fence, reddened at this covert thrust.

"Davvy's goin' to take his $200 railroad tie money and go to the preacher college after Thanksgivin'. I thought he was goin' to marry on it, but he says he ain't," went on Pauliny.

"Oh, Pauliny, I wasn't meant for David!" Abagail raised propitiating eyes to the old woman's censuring ones, then they deepened and darkened solemnly. "Folks has got a heap to think about besides marryin' these stirrin' times, Pauliny."

"David knows that," his grandmother drawled defensively; "a-bein' lame is all that's keepin' him from enlistin', but it won't hinder his preachin'."

"Two hundred dollars is a lot of money—I wish I had the half," observed Abby wistfully. "Where does Davy keep it, Pauliny?"

"He's got it in my little beaded sack a-hangin' in the loft. He's afraid of banks."

When the girl was gone the bridle-mender, Cleophas, rebuked Pauliny.

"Laws," Paulina tossed her head—"Abby's honester than you, Cleophas. You are a-holdin' spite foolishly. Abby's got her woman's right to prefer Enoch Dawn to our Davy!"

Abby, walking with light swiftness through the reddening woods, stopped when she came to a dead poplar that, destitute of limbs and punctured by woodpeckers and ants, hung over the path.

"I'm goin' to ax that poplar! A cheerful voice sounded behind her, and a sunburned young man lifted her aside out of the way of the leaning tree. "It shan't fall on my girl while I'm fightin'! Yes, I'm goin', Abby. Something in me says: 'Enoch don't stay here takin' it easy makin' excuse your mammy's got but you."

She raised glowing eyes. "Oh, Enoch, I couldn't stand it if you didn't want to go! But I—oh, Enoch, you might not come back."

Enoch kissed her paling cheek.

"There's worse things could happen us, honey."

"I know," she whispered; "sin brings folks the worst griefs."

"I'm not goin' to enlist until Thanksgivin' day, three weeks yet," the boy said presently; "I've got to get the corn in and leave things in shape for winter first for mammy."

The next morning when Enoch met Abby in the woodland path and bent joyously over her she seemed scarcely to sense that he was kissing her.

"My silver breastpin you gave me is gone," she told him nervously. "I could not find it anywhere this mornin'. I'm afraid losin' it'll bring us bad luck!"

"Let's walk as far as Cleophas Dotson's and look for it," Enoch suggested.

Pauliny ran out to meet them, her eyes wide with excitement. "David's money's gone. Stolen!"

Enoch felt Abby's fingers sink into the flesh of his arm. Then David came out, corroborating his mother's story.

"And nobody knew I kept the money in the loft!" he observed mournfully.

"Only Abby!" old Cleophas muttered. "Pauliny told her but jest yesterday."

"Here's the ladder settin' outside the window just like it's been all summer," David went on.

"Yes, and them that climbed that ladder and stole that hard-earned money ought to be made to suffer, be it man or woman!" Cleophas remarked, and Enoch felt that he knew what was in his suspicious old brain.



"David's A-Goin'—A-Goin' Soon!"

Then, in the grass at the foot of the ladder, his troubled eyes fell on Abby's brooch. When his heart began to beat again, he set a cautious foot over the pin, and, unobserved, stooped and transferred the trinket to his pocket.

"I wish I could know where my pin is" she murmured on their way home. Enoch's hand, pressing his breast pocket, felt the uncomfortable roughness of the brooch within, but he grew cold at thought of restoring it to her. Had Abby been tempted to take David's money? He recalled that she had been unaccountably disturbed and troubled over the trivial loss of the brooch, and she had not wanted to go in the direction of Pauliny's to look for it.

Enoch knew that once he were gone, leaving Abby with no men folk to defend her, old Cleophas would not hesitate to accuse her. But if he stayed, the cowardly old man would not make trouble. Could he stop his ears to the call of the flag and stay behind with Abby?

For three weeks Enoch worked and suffered. Two days before Thanksgiving day, the day he had set to pre-



Raised Beseeching Eyes to the November Sky.

sent himself for enlistment, he met Bate Owens, a neighbor lad.

"Cleophas says he believes he knows who got Davy's $200," he remarked, "and wind and weather permittin', he's goin' uptown Saturday and notify the sheriff. Who do you reckon the old cuss has fastened it on, Enoch?"

Enoch shook his head, but when Bate left him he sank on the fallen leaves and raised beseeching eyes to the November sky.

"Hear me, Lord!" he cried. "If she—if my girl never done that wrong, send me a sign and forgive me for thinkin' she might have! And if she did sin, show me what to do between now and Thursday!"

A woodpecker, tapping on the dead poplar, scolded fiercely as a crow alighted on the top. Enoch rose wearily and went to the Seal place.

"Bring me the ax, honey," he requested Abby. "I'm goin' to cut the old poplar. I was about to forget it, and I'm goin' day after tomorrow—at least I ought to. Stand out of the way now."

Presently Enoch, examining the fallen tree's top, gave a joyous cry. On the ground lay some red string, a door key, a safety pin and Paulina Dotson's little red and yellow beaded pouch.

Enoch opened the bag and took out David's four fifty dollar bills. "I saw a crow up there—a tame one, I reckon. He must have had a habit of goin' in houses around here, and he fancied the beads on Paulina's pocketbook."

Abby smiled in his radiant face.

"Your worried look's gone, Enoch!"

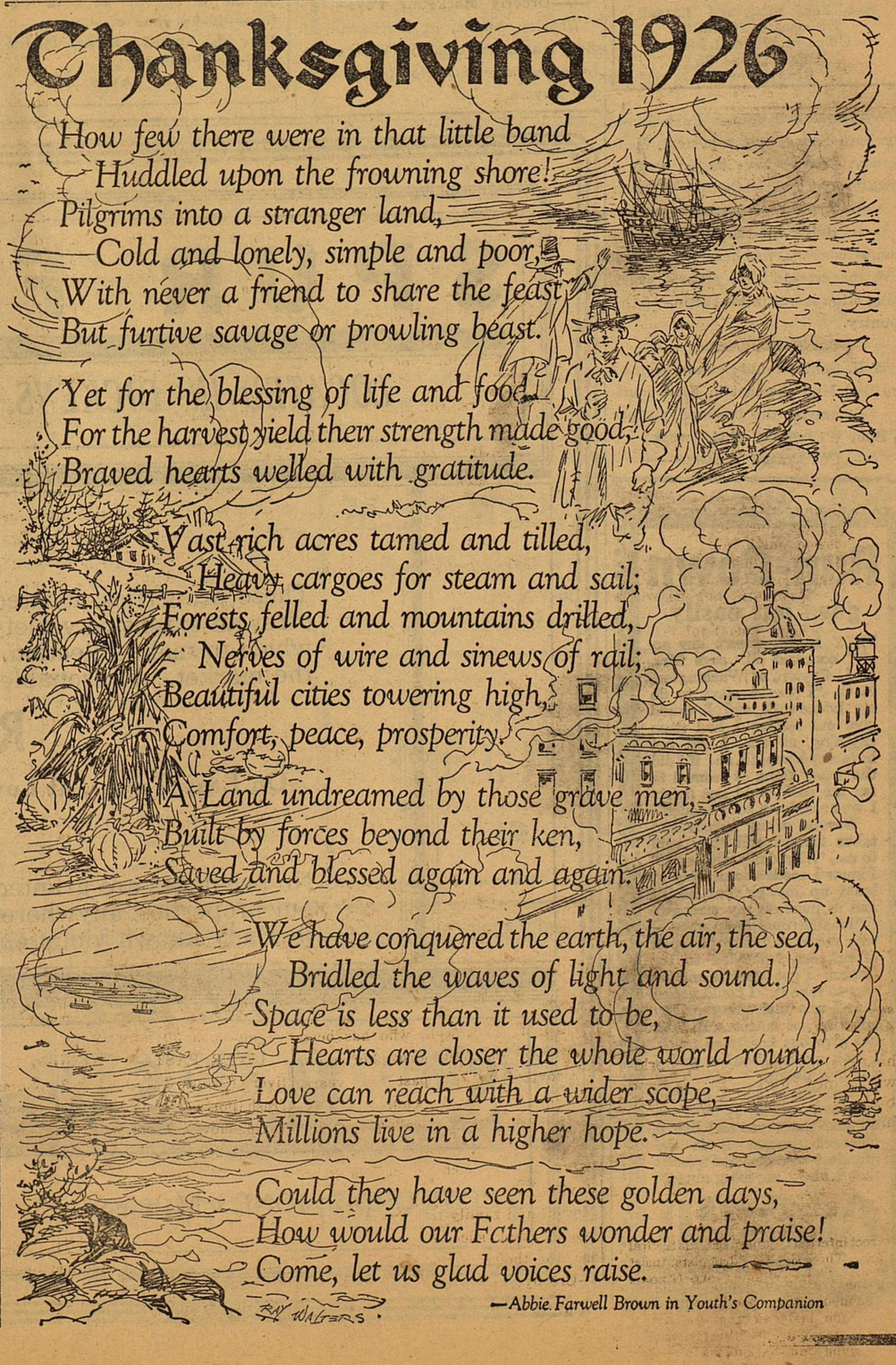
He threw his arms about her and held her so close she could scarcely breathe.

"Oh, Abby" he cried, "that little worry pressed me hard, but it's gone now forever!"

When he was alone again in the wood, he fell on his knees by the felled dead tree.

"O God!" he cried out, "day after tomorrow is the world's Thanksgiving day—but today is mine, today is mine, blessed God!"

Thanksgiving 1926



How few there were in that little band
Huddled upon the frowning shore!
Pilgrims into a stranger land,
Cold and lonely, simple and poor,
With never a friend to share the feast
But furtive savage or prowling beast.

Yet for the blessing of life and food
For the harvest yield their strength made good,
Braved hearts welled with gratitude.

Vast rich acres tamed and tilled,
Heavy cargoes for steam and sail;
Forests felled and mountains drilled,
Nerves of wire and sinews of rail;
Beautiful cities towering high,
Comfort, peace, prosperity.
A Land undreamed by those grave men,
Built by forces beyond their ken,
Saved and blessed again and again.

We have conquered the earth, the air, the sea,
Bridled the waves of light and sound.
Space is less than it used to be,
Hearts are closer the whole world round.
Love can reach with a wider scope,
Millions live in a higher hope.

Could they have seen these golden days,
How would our Fathers wonder and praise!
Come, let us glad voices raise.

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

D. D. Butler, of the Red Mud section of country, was here Wednesday with the crowds. He reports every thing all o. k. out in his section of the country.

——Cut Cotton Acreag——

W.H. Smith, county commission of the Red Mud precinct in Kent county, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Run-Down gave out easily

"MY health wasn't any account at all," says Mrs. H. L. Cayton, of Washington, N. C. "I would start to do my housework and I would give out before I had done anything at all. I did not have any strength, and if I did the least thing it seemed to tax me so I could not finish. I was run-down sure enough.

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Orderly Marketing Pays——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Bull the Market——

Big Boll Rowden Seed at $2.—H. Culbert, 3 miles n.e. of Spur. 1tf

——Reduce Cotton Acreage——

FOR RENT—Place to man that can help gather crop.—Will Garner, Spur, Texas. 3-2tp

——Orderly Marketing Pays——

Charley Austin, of northeast of Spur six miles. came in Wednesday for a few minutes cotton parley with the buyers.

CARD OF THANKS.

We sincerely appreciate your aid, kindness, sympathy and floral offerings during the sickness and death of our wife. mother, daughter and sister.—W. W. and James W. Fox. Fate Wood and family, G. M. Fox and family.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

We have in the vacinity of Spur, 2 pianos, player and straight, reliable make. Will sell at a sacrifice rather than ship back to factory.—Edwards & Sullivan, Rotan, Texas. 2

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Judge F. C. Gipson, of Dickens, came over Tuesday and spent a short time in Spur attending to business affairs and meeting with his friends. Mr. Gipson stated that he was working over time these days, not only in keeping up with the work but in an endeavor to make a living.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mr. Hill, of the Steel Hill community, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week, reporting everything o. k. out his way at this time.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Ellis Scogin, of Clairemont, was a recent business visitor in Spur, spending some time here meeting with his friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. A. Kimmell, of west of Spur, was meeting his friends on the street Tuesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. A. C. Hull is on an extended visit with relatives anl friends in the San Angelo country.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Cecil Ponder has accepted a position with a drug firm in Fort Worth, leaving Spur Wednesday to assume his duties.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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Mrs. Oran McClure was called to Cross Plains Monday on account of the critical illness of her mother, Mrs. Eliza Lamar, who has been confined to her room and bed for many months, and having failed to get relief through varied treatments and surgical operations. Mrs. Lamar was planning to have all her children with her on Thanksgiving day which is also her birthday, to celebrate the occasion together once more, on her sixty seventh birthday anniversary. Mrs. Lamar was among the very earliest settlers of Callahan county, experienced the hardships of a pioneer country, but fortunately in these later years of her life nad afflictions, oil has been developed on her property, and it is hoped that she may be permitted to live years longer and enjoy somewhat of the luxuries of worldly goods in the sunset of life.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mr. and Mrs. Pendley of Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Gilmore of Stamford; Mrs. Joe Terry of Clarendon, Tom Gilmore of San Angelo, and Messrs. Barrow of Post, were among the out of town relatives and friends to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. H. Gilmore who died in Spur the past week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Joe T. Salem returned Saturday of last week from Saint Louis where he attended a big sale by Rice Stix Company.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mammoth Bronz Toms, copper colored, big boned; price $10 and $12. —Chas. Dunlap, Spur, Texas on Geo. Renfroe Ranch. 4-4tp.

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J. J. Martin, of the Red Mud section of country, was here Wednesday. We don't know if Mr. Martin has been saying anything bout his big cotton crop this year, but we do know that he made a big melon crop earlier in the season. The low price of cotton this year has put a "damper" on most farmers, and but few say anything about the amount they are producing.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. E. White, of the Espuela community, was in the city Wednesday afternoon, trading a little and talking "cotton." Up to this time he stated that he had picked out a couple of bales. Possibly he is delaying in the hope that as the season advances. the price also may advance.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mesdames Hale and Blackwell this week made a trip to Lubbock and other Plains towns.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

E. C. Edmonds is now employed with C. Hogan & Company.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cairnes, Kent county, were among the shoppers and visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. A. Craddock came in Wednesday from his farm home to the south west, spending the afternoon here transacting business and meeting his friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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Jim Burress, formerly of Spur, but now of Post, passed through here Wednesday, meeting some of the old timers and enquiring about quite a number, Jim is now in the cattle business a tPost and ding well, we understand.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Ben Tisdale, who has been spending some time at Albany, returned to Spur the past week and is again at the Simpson Barber Shop.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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Lon Fuqua, of Red Mud, was trading and transacting business in the city Wednesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Charlie George, of Highway, was among the number in the city last Wednesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Johnnie Koonsman, of the Croton country east of Dickens, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Cap. Que R. Miller, of Crowell Texas, came through Spur Monday of this week in route to the city of Amarillo and other points on the Plains. Captain Miller is a Son of Mrs. Hopkins of this city and is engaged in the market business.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

It is said that every time it rains, Jim Hahn, of the Highway community, goes fishing.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. G. Mayfield, of Girard, was in Spur a short time Tuesday. He says cotton is now rolling rapidly around Girard.

W. P. Marshall, of Duck Creek, was here Tuesday with cotton, stating that cotton pickers were now keeping all producers busy bringing the staple in to the gins. He added further that the country was now well supplied with hands—the only trouble being in the fact that they all want to "pull" rather than pick the staple. Pulling is an expensive proposition, but in many instances it appears to be necessary.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. T. Wilson, of the Wilson Draw community to the east of Spur, was in town Monday, and in meeting us on the street informed us that the advertisement recently placed in the Texas Spur for a lost and strayed pig brought results, he now having his pig in the pen. An advertisment in the Texas Spur costs but little and they never fail to be read.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Jake Scott, of the north part of the county, was among the business visitors Tuesday in Spur. He says the world looks level and every cloud has a silver lining.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

A. C. Martin, of the Afton country, was among the business visitors to Spur the past week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

O. C. Newberry, of Afton, was in Spur Tuesday, reporting everything all o. k. at Afton.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was among the crowds in Spur Saturday of the past week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

T. D. Hale, of Afton, was among the large number here during the week with cotton.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Wayne Van Leer was transacting business affairs in Spur Tuesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Chas. Perrin, of Draper, was here Tuesday. He was smiling as usual and had a pleasant greeeting for all his friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was in the city Tuesday, meeting and conversing with his numerous friends of the town and country.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. R. M. Hamby, of Dickens, was shopping in Spur Monday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

H. L. Pullen, of near Spur, was among the number here during the week with cotton and also trading with the merchants of the city.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

C. M Jackson, of Croton, was here recently on business and meeting friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

R. E. Slough, of near Dickens, was trading in Spur and also ginning in Spur Tuesday of this week. He reports everything all right.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

T. S. Lambert, of Draper, was transacting business affairs here last Tuesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. E. Sparks, of west of Spur, was among the number on the streets the first of the week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

C. M. Buchanan, of north of the city of Dickens, was transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Bill McArthur, of west of Spur, was in the city Monday of this week meeting friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

T. G. Bass, of the Dry Lake community, was meeting with friends on the streets of Spur Saturday.

Leon V. Goodrich, of Stonewall county, was on the streets of Spur Tuesday of this week, greeting his friends and acquaintances. He was also keeping an eye out for unemployed cotton pickers with a view of landing them on one of his places over in Stonewall. Cotton pickers are said to be plentiful here now—or rather "cotton pullers."

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harkey and L. H. Perry returned Tuesday morning from Stephenville where they had been several days. Roy went over to deliver a new Hudson coach to John B. Hardin, while Mr. Perry formerly lived at Stephenville and still has business interests there which he was looking after.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

A. L. Dozier, popular blacksmith of Afton, was in Spur the first of the week. In meeting us he contributed a five dollar william to our needs during these depressing times of short crop prices—but we will all get by somehow ,some way —and in after days smile how we managed it so easily.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

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——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Robt. Reynolds, of Croton, and county clerk elect, was on the streets Tuesday transacting business and also meeting friends.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. R. J. Wood, of north of the city, was among the larg enumber of shoppers in Spur Saturday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Uncle Dick Holly was on the street Tuesday, talking with old time acquaintances and friends of the town and surrounding country.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hufstedler, of Dockum Valley, were among the shoppers and business visitors here Tuesday afternoon.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. P. Middleton, of Lubbock, was down again this week looking after his farming interests of the Spur country.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. C. Miller and family, of Jayton spent the day here Sunday of this week visiting with his mother, Mrs. Hopkins.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Powell, of Dry Lake, were among the number of shoppers and business visitors in Spur during the week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Shorty Davis and Wendell Gilbert, who are attending Tech College at Lubbock, came down and spent last TTusday visiting with home folks.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. Tom Rape, of Steel Hill, was among the number shopping in Spur Tuesday afternoon of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. L. Thanisch, of Draper, was in Spur Monday, ginning cotton and transacting other business affairs. He reports everything coming along smoothly enough now except the adbance in cotton prices.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Comie Foreman was on the streets Tuesday conversing with friends. He stated that everything was so quiet now that one could almost hear the sun set on occasions.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

BRONCHITIS VANISHES UNDER ADJUSTMENTS

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Friday Health Talk

By

LAVINA B. CONKLIN

Chiropractor

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Uncle Ben Says:



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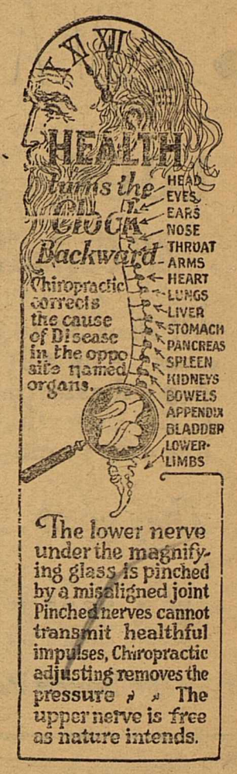
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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hicks, spent the day Thanksgiving with friends in Stamford.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

J. H. Farmer, of four miles to the northeast of Spur, was among the business visitors in Spur Wednesday.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Mrs. McMeans, of near the city, was here Wednesday shopping.

More calls for office help than we can fill. Write Draughon's College, Abilene, Texas for Catalogue M.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. S. Leach, of the Dry Lak section, was among the number of business visitors here during the week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

W. F. Cathey, of near Dickens, was greeting friends on the streets Wednesday of this week.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

TO THE COTTON GROWERS OF SPUR

I am a little late in telling you, but have thoroughly overhauled the plant from one end to the other, new saws and new ribs which is the most essential part of a gin.

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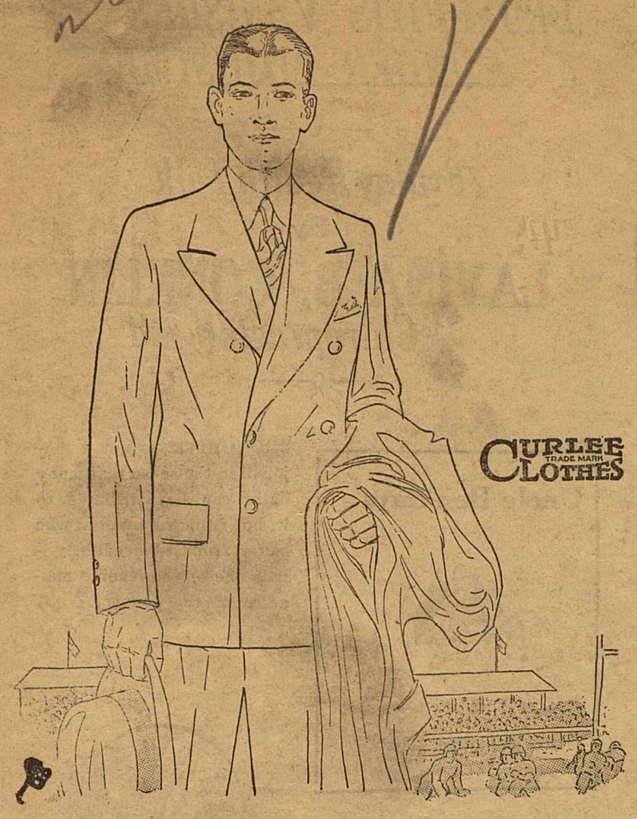
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Lubbock Citizen Dies of Pneumonia From a Wreck With Car

Lubbock.—D. L. Crow died Saturday of pneumonia as a result of being submerged in the icy waters of a ditch on the Woodrow Row Thursday night when the automobile in which he was riding turned over.

He is survived by a sister in Haskell and a brother in Anson, and his parents in Lubbock.

——Orderly Marketing Pays——

A Pioneer Citizen of Fisher County Died at Rotan the Past week

J. C. Denton, a pioneer citizen of Fisher county, died Wednesday at his home in Rotan.

NOTICE

No hunting or tresspassing in any of my pastures.—J. P. Goen. 3-8p.

——Reduce Cotton Acreage ——

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Burlington & Frisco Railways to Build Lines to Plains

Washington, Nov. 19.—The Burlington and Frisco railroad systems were authorized today to proceed with construction of new lines in the Plains territory of the Texas Panhandle, and the Santa Fe and the Texas, Panhandle and Gulf were denied similar permission.

Controversy as to which group should undertake the development has been before the Interstate Commerce Commission for many months. The South and East Plains territory of the Panhandle is involved.

The Bulington system, though a subsidiary, the Fort Worth & Denver, South Plains, was authorized to build a total of 202 miles of line. The main stem would run from Estelline through Plainview to a point in Castro county, Texas, a distance of 132 miles. A branch line of 50 miles would extend to Lubbock and another 19 miles to Silverton.

The Frisco, through the Quanah Acme and Pacific, was permitted to build 27 miles from Bain to Floydada

Conflicting plans, filed by the Texas, Panhandle & Gulf, which proposed to build a total of 303 miles running from Seymour, Texas to Tucumcari, N. M. and from Perrin to Fort Worth, Texas, involving expenditure of $11,177,000, were said by the commission to be necessary, but in case Frisco and the Burlington failed to proceed promptly with their extensions, the Panhandle Company was given the right to again forward its applications.

The objection of the Santa Fe system to the Burlington and Frisco extension was disregarded by the commission and the Pecos & Northern, operated by the Santa Fe was denied permission to construct several branch lines, although it was also held that these applications might be brought forward again should the victorious companies fail to proceed.

The railrod commission of Texas, the commission noted, has approved the Burlington project.

In passing upon the project of the Texas, Panhandle & Gulf, a new corporation, the commission remarked that the railroad would be useful, but that the operating line would be able to give service for less cost. The Panhandle's road would cost more than its estimate, it was also held, while the Burlington and Frisco were said to be financially capable of carrying the burden of pioneering.

Concluding, the commission said the application of the Panhandle and the applications of the Pecos will be denied without prejudice to renewal should the Denver fail to complete its proposed line on or before December 31, 1929.

The cost of the construction contemplated in behalf of the Burlington is $6,000,000. The Frisco's extension will cost about $1,132,000.

1,348,339 Total School Scholastics now in the State of Texas

Austin.—The final compilation of the scholastic census for the year 1926-27, which was taken in March, 1926, shows 599,775 children in the common school districts, and 750,564 in the independent school districts of the state, having more than 150 scholastics, S. M. N. Marrs, superintendent of public instruction announced Monday.

The total for the state is 1,348,339, he said.

The number of children in the common school districts as shown in 1925 was 610,786 and in independent districts 729,267, making a total of 1,340,053. By comparison, this shows a gain in the scholastic census over last year of 8,286 or about 35 of one per cent. It will be noted that the children of independent districts has increased while those of common districts have decreased.

The amount to be distributed this year is $18,876,736, $3,500,000 of which was appropriated from the general revenue fund.

Two furnished rooms to rent. See W. W. Flourney.

Terriffic Sand Storm Sweeps Country Thanksgiving Day

A high wind and sand storm swept the country Thursday, doing much damage to crops in the fields. blowing down windmills, etc.

In Spur the wind was so high that all the gins were forced to close down, telegraph and telephone wires wer put out of commission, the smoke stack on the J. E. Johnson gin was blown down, plate glass front blown out of C. R. Edwards & Co. store, and other minor damage done. A number of windmills were blown around McAdoo. The wind and storm continued throughout the greater part of the day.

W. A. Stevens Farm Home Destroyed by Fire Last Friday

Friday of last week the farm home of W. A. Stevens, in the Highway community to the west of Spur, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin, the family being at work in the field at the time. Nothing was saved from the burning building.

Roy E. Henley Sold Out and Moves Back to his Old Home in the East

G. T. Crafton last week purchased the crops, teams, tools and other farming equipment of Messrs. Roy E. Henley and J. A. Crafton, Mr. Henley departing soon thereafter with his family for Clarksville, Texas where they will again make their home, having moved here from that place the past year.

Mr. Henley stated that they made considerable investment in making a crop here this year, and owing to the low prices for both feed and cotton, were not able to obtain returns upn their investment and labors.

G. T. Crafton will remain here and farm the place in 1 927, and here is hoping he may grow abundant crops which demand highest prices on the markets.

Ed Lisenby Making 900 Bales of Cotton This Year on His Farm

Ed Lisenby was in from his farm on Croton Wednesday of this week with cotton.

Up to this date Mr. Lisenby has ginned and marketed four hundred bales of cotton, and states that the crop is not yet half gathered, he now counting on having a total of nine hundred or a thousand bales for the year's crop.

No doubt this big cotton crop, had prices remained at a profitable figure, would have "pulled Ed Lisenby out of the hole," and here is hoping that a more respectable price may be obtained for the remainder of the cotton crop.

School Building Destroyed in Floyd County by a Fire

Floydada.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Lone Star Rural school building twenty one miles to the northeast of Floydada. The fire was not discovered until too late to save any of the equipment.

The building was one of the best in the county and was valued at $16-000. The total loss is approximately $20,000 covereed with $14,500 insurance.

Clarendon College May be Moved Later to City of Amarillo

Childress.—The Northwest Texas Conference has voted the the appointment of a commission to look into the permanent location of Clarendon College and report to the conference March 1st. ,

Intimations that Amarillo would make a bid for the college if the way opened to submit a proposition was intimated by several speakers during debate of the resolution proposing appointment of the location committee.

The 1927 conference meeting will be held at Big Springs.

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A Profit in Pulling Only the Big, Open Bolls and Sled the Bollies

Ola Miller, of Dry Lake, met us during the week and handed us a check to keep the Texas Spur coming to his address. He stated that he had picked out and ginned about twenty five bales of cotton to this date, and had "pulled" about five more bales, making a total of thirty. It is said to be a hard matter to keep pickers—they all wanting to "pull" rather than pick-and there may be excuse in that cotton can hardly be picked clean from the bolls this year. However, it is figured that there is a loss of approximately $20 a bale by pulling. It is being suggested that in pulling, if farmers will insist upon pullers to pull only the big, fine, open bolls, leaving the "bollies" for later sledding, there will be a considerable profit in so doing.

W. C. Cartwright, of north of the city, was here Saturday with the crowds of business visitors in the city of Spur.

——Cut Cotton Acreage——

Good Beds, 50cts at Oliver House.

Mrs. J. H. Gilmore Died Thursday Following a Brief Illness

Mrs. J. H. Gilmore, of the Watson community, and one of the pioneer women of the country, died Thursday of last week, her remains being interried Friday in Spur cemetery, Rev. Grizzle, of Watson. conducting the funeral services.

Mrs. Gilmore was reared in Dickens county, and was married to Mr. Gilmore in the City of Dickens in 1894. She leaves her husband, five girls and four boys of the family to mourn her death, and all of whom except one daughter, were at her bedside.

Mrs. Gilmore had undergone an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium in the hope of obtaining relief from an advanced attack of appendicitis, but both surgical skill and medical treatment were unavailing in giving her relief.

The Texas Spur extends sympathy to Mr. Gilmore and the family in this hour of berevement.

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