

**BEST COTTON MARKET**

Throughout this fall Spur Merchants and Cotton Buyers have been paying from two to five dollars a bale more than the market price.

# THE TEXAS SPUR

A Paper For The Homes Of Spur And Dickens County

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11.00 TO 12.00

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## POSTMASTERS WILL BE PROBABLY ELECTED

Since on the fourth day of March our government will change from a Republican to a Democratic administration of its affairs, there will be many changes other than that of the tariff and which will effect the people of this section more directly if less importantly, and one which is now being considered by many in every section is the change in postmasters.

In Spur and at other places many applications will be made by democrats for positions as postmaster, and the custom has always been that such offices were given to men in a position to do the party the most good regardless of qualifications for the office. Such a procedure will now doubtless be changed. We are now living in a progressive age, the progressive element of the Democratic party will again come into power and we consider it right and proper that the custom of distributing to favorites the spoils of political victory be done away with. We consider the postoffice as much of a public office as that of sheriff, judge or county clerk, and that being the case the people of this territory should be allowed the privilege of voicing their wishes as to who should serve them in the postoffice. We hope that the day has already arrived when politicians cease to rule and the rule of the people is recognized and instituted.

We consider political office holders not rulers but executors of the will of the people, and what power they possess is delegated to them only through and by the will of those whom they serve. We believe such contentions will be recognized by the incoming administration, and this belief is being substantiated from many sources at this early date. Congressman Jack Beall, of Waxahachie, states that he will ask that primary elections be held in his district in making changes in postmasterships. It is further stated that President-elect Wilson will be asked to support such a procedure in every district in every state. The people of any community and district know better whom they want to serve them as postmaster than any congressman or other official away up at Washington. We have always been taught that a Democratic government was a government of, for and by the people, and the slogan in the campaign just ended in an overwhelming victory, was "Let the people rule."

In Spur there are at least twenty good people wanting to secure this postoffice. Under the old system of dispensing such jobs the man with the best political pull would get the place regardless of the wishes of the home people. We recommend the fairest, most satisfactory and best method will be to hold a primary election when the proper time comes and elect some one whom a majority of the people who patronize this office want to serve them in the capacity of postmaster.

## SUCCESSFUL FARMER

J. F. Sparks, of Tap, was in Spur Monday and reports that he is about finished gathering his crops of this year and ready to begin plowing his land for another crop. Mr. Sparks is not only one of the best citizens of the country, but among our most prosperous farmers. He owns and is cultivating two fine sandy land farms in the Tap country, but is dissatisfied with his surroundings in that he desires to reach out, extend his holdings in land so that he can farm and raise stock in combination. There is plenty room in the Spur country to branch out and if Mr. Sparks will stay within our territory he has our best wishes in becoming one of our most extensive land holders and stock raisers.

## MOVED TO CHILDRESS

M. A. Jordan, wife and children, passed through Spur Tuesday on their way to Childress where they will make their home in the future.

Mr. Jordan owns two fine farms in the Childress country and for that reason he and family are moving back to that section. Mr. Jordan also owns two places in the Steel Hill community five or six miles southeast of Spur, one of which is well improved and on which he has been living the past two years.

We regret to see M. A. Jordan and family leave the Spur country. They are among the best citizens, and since they have here a nice home and fine farming lands it is possible that they will return later and again reside among us. However, we wish them much prosperity in the Childress country and will always stand ready to welcome them back home.

## CONVICTIONS IN CATTLE THEFT CASES AT MATADOR

In the several cases transferred from Dickens to Motley county and tried last week in District Court which convened at Matador, there were two convictions and one hung jury on charges of cattle theft.

Will Duncan was given two years in the penitentiary, the case being appealed and the defendant giving bond to await the final decision.

Jake Ballard was given two years in the penitentiary, this case also being appealed and the defendant will give bond to await the decision of the higher court.

John Law was also tried, the trial resulting in a hung jury. The Judge ordered a new trial immediately and the case will be heard in special session of the court to convene at Matador Thursday of this week.

District Court will convene in Dickens Monday morning, November 25.

## SECURES POSTMASTERSHIP

J. F. Shelton left Spur last week for the Roaring Springs country where he is making preparations to move just as soon as that new town is open to the public. Mr. Shelton has secured the postmastership at that point and when the town is opened the postoffice will be established. Mr. Shelton secured this office under the Republican administration, but since fourth-class offices come under the head of civil service rather than that of "political spoils" no changes will be made in the management of such offices.

## BUYS SPUR LAND

Mr. Langford, formerly of Seymour and Snyder, bought a farm Monday of the Spur Farm Lands management and is now here with his family and making the necessary improvements preparatory to making a crop another year. The farm is located four miles north of Spur, is in a fine belt of country and convenient to markets.

Mr. Langford is a brother-in-law of John Callahan of the Plains country, and we extend a cordial welcome to he and family as permanent citizens of the Spur country, and we wish them much prosperity in their new home.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

There will be a Thanksgiving service in the Presbyterian Church on Thursday, the 23rd inst., beginning at 7:30 P. M.

The sermon will be preached by Rev. G. Carroll Berryman, Pastor of the Baptist Church.

There will be special music for the occasion provided by the united choirs of the city.

Everybody has a cordial invitation to be present and to have a part in the thanksgiving to God for His blessings.

## A DINNER AND SUPPER

The Mothers Club of Spur will serve dinner and supper next Saturday, November 23, at the old Commercial Club rooms next to the Farmers and Merchants State Bank.

The meals will be served for the purpose of raising funds to pay for a piano recently purchased and now being used in the Spur Public Schools.

Everybody is invited to partake of the meals and not only be served bountifully and satisfactorily but thus contribute to a worthy and beneficial cause.

## DRILLING AT DEEP WELL TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Drilling operations at the deep well in Spur is temporarily suspended this week awaiting the arrival of new bits ordered from Houston. The bits are expected to arrive the latter part of this week at which time the drilling will be resumed.

The well is now three thousand five hundred seventy seven feet deep, and driller Minihan is making a daily average of ten feet since adopting the use of the new diamond pointed, roller bits. The drilling continues in the hard, flinty rock struck near the top, and it is thought artesian water or something of value will be encountered under this rock.

For more than three years drilling has been in constant progress on this well, and driller Minihan has demonstrated remarkable ability as a deep well driller in that few accidents and none of a serious nature has occurred to delay the work during that time, and considering the nature of the drilling through a solid rock nearly the total depth, Mr. Minihan is to be congratulated on the progress and success of the undertaking to the present time.

## MOVES TO SPUR

Robt. T. Dopson, who recently moved to Spur from Arkansas, is now temporarily making his home in the city but intends to move to his farm near Spur just as soon as crops can be gathered. For many years Mr. Dopson was County Clerk of his county in Arkansas and was held in high esteem by the citizenship. We are glad to welcome Mr. Dopson and family as citizens of the Spur country and wish them a pleasant and prosperous home here.

## MAKING BIG CROPS

M. L. Blakely, of the Afton country, came to Spur Tuesday with a big wagon load of cotton for the Spur market. Evidently Mr. Blakely made a bumper crop of cotton as well as feed stuff this year, and with good prices for his staple he ought to be in a position to either open up a bank, buy another farm or do anything else he wants to another year.

## IN POOR HEALTH

Mr. and Mrs. Poole left this week for an extended trip over the country for the benefit of Mrs. Poole's health, she having been in poor health for some time. At present they are stopping at Putnam to try the efficacy of the mineral waters of that place and also to have Dr. Milling, a magnetic healer, treat Mrs. Poole. We hope to see them soon return to Spur and enjoy former good health. During the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Poole Miss Addie Poole is presiding over the home.

## VISITS AUSTIN

C. W. Lowery, manager of the Red Front Drug Store, left this week for Austin where he will spend several days before returning to Spur.

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**P**ERSON who cuts wood of any kind from our lands anywhere will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. In some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of lands not occupied. . . . Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it can be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must and will be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and those who will hereafter buy them, from this wood cutting.

Some people have pretended to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespasses hereafter without favor.

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### MORAL AND RELIGIOUS INTERESTS OF SPUR

By Rev. R. A. Stewart

The best indication of the character of citizenship in any community is the religious status that obtains there. Aside from the fact that the greatest interests of human life are invaluable, for purely prudential reasons the churches and Christian influences form the greatest asset of any community. Even material values are enhanced by the fact of good church opportunities. The day has long since passed when thoughtful and observant parents will select and establish a home without consideration of religious influences. To do so is to place material above spiritual values

which is a reversal of the divine order.

It is a pardonable pride for our people to reflect that the churches were almost as early upon the ground, when Spur began her career, as the inquisitous real estate agent. In fact, it has been humorously said that the first train that came in carried a Methodist preacher on the cow-catcher and a Baptist preacher on the water tank. There has been a wholesome rivalry among the churches in the effort to plant themselves deep and strong in the life of the hopeful and progressive city.

The first minister to preach in Spur was Rev. L. Jackson, a local preacher in the Methodist Church. He preached in a large tent which was used at that time as an eating place. It is a question of some controversy as to whether the Baptist or the Pres-

byterians formerly organized the first church in the city. The Methodist Tabernacle was the first church structure erected and every denomination now in the town, except one, held some of its first services there. Prior to the erection of this building all denominations held services in the little white school house. Since then, both branches of the Christian Church, the Baptists and Presbyterians have acquired places of worship—the latter having the distinction of building the first real church house in the town.

We have at the present time six church organizations holding regular services, namely: Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Baptists, Disciples, Progressive Christians and Methodist. The Methodist and Baptist denominations are numerically strongest, the membership of these two churches being about the same.

All these churches, at intervals, have had good revivals since the town started and have accomplished much that is noteworthy through their Sunday Schools and Ladies' Societies.

Conditions, from the standpoint of Progressive Christianity, are by no means ideal. There is much loitering where there should be definite, purposeful advance in the effort to bring in the Kingdom. Notwithstanding these facts, religion is a positive force among us and is influencing all phases of life. Harmony prevails among the denominations. The work goes steadily on. Plans for the future are enlarging. The horizon is widening.

Men and women of all faiths and orders labor faithfully in their respective places with a large confidence that the work they do now in this thriving young town will bear a mighty harvest in the years to come. For all these things we "thank God and take courage." Righteousness is the only worthy and permanent foundation for civic life or any other kind of life. Let "wisdom and knowledge be the stability of our times and strength of salvation." An opportunity to create standards and influence the future confronts Christian men and women here that is presented only once in a life time.

#### FOR SALE

Improved farm six and one half miles northwest of Spur, at \$23 per acre.—H. H. Hill. 3-3tp

### HARVESTING THE BEST CROPS OF MANY YEARS

J. E. Wright, of the Afton country, was here Saturday trading with Spur merchants and looking after other business matters. Mr. Wright said that he would probably move to the Draper country and farm another year. He reports that his crop this year was the best he had made in many years and stated that he was well pleased with the Spur country and Dickens county and he will no doubt buy a farm and make this his permanent home.

H. F. Wade, of Lockney, and J. T. Wade, of Clairemont, were in Spur several days this week visiting their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cooper.

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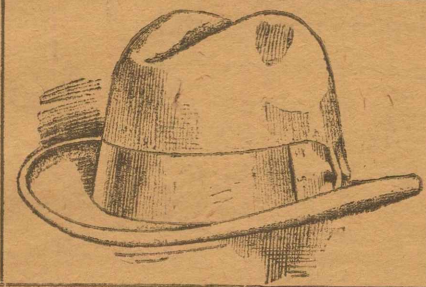
**B**UY now. Selections with us are as good as at any time this season in the various lines which we handle in **Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Underwear, Neckwear, Cloaks, Ladies' Tailored Suits, Tailored Wool Dresses** and a thousand other items too numerous to mention. We want to close this month with extra large sales to make it the greatest month for sales since our opening in Spur. We have added new Shoes, Cloaks, Men's Overcoats, Odd Pants, Boys' Suits, Cadet Hosiery and many other items that the late buyer could have the proper selection from which to get their particular choice. We are making special prices on many items to accomplish our aim. We only ask inspection of our lines. We are here to show you the proper courtesy, and will save you money on every item bought. We ask every buyer of Hosiery to see the new line of—

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### POUND PREACHER

Tuesday night members of the Christian Church pounded Rev. and Mrs. Bowles at their home in the city. Each member carried a pound of something valuable, there being quite a number participating in the pounding. During the evening various games were played and those present were entertained with music.

Mrs. Hearn returned Monday from a months visit to relatives and friends at bronte.

Miss Ruth Attebury returned Wednesday from Amarillo where she spent several days visiting friends.

Mr. Poole returned Wednesday from Putnam where he left Mrs. Poole for the benefit of her health.

Remember that the ladies of the Christian Church will have a Christmas Bazaar in Spur on the 18th of December, and will have for sale many appropriate and desirable gifts for friends and loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant returned the latter part of last week from a business trip to Dallas, also spending one day at the Cotton-Palace exposition at Waco. Mr. Bryant reports that the Waco exposition is a great show, increasing each year in interest and attendance.

Last week while on horse-back and trying to pen a loose horse Marshall Neely was severely injured in that while running full speed his horse stepped into a dog hole, throwing Mr. Neely to the ground. He was picked up by one of the Spur Ranch boys and brought to town.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS

Horace Burkett.  
Sam Dawson.  
Bill Ellington.  
P. E. Johnson (2)  
H. E. Maxwell.  
Jessie Randolph.  
Jerold Riordon (3.)  
W. D. Wiley.  
W. E. Williams.  
Tom Williams (2.)  
Miss Mamie Boyles.  
Miss Trene Bratten.  
Miss Everett King.  
When calling for the above letters please say "advertised."

J. H. Fox and family, who have been living three miles south of Spur the past year, moved last week to Spur and are now living in the east part of the city.

Uncle Pink Higgins was in the city Tuesday from his Cat Fish Ranch and spent some time here on business. Uncle Pink has been under the weather for some time and we are glad to note that he is now very much improved in health.

### CLEAN-UP DAY IN SPUR OBSERVED BY THE BOYS

The Clean-Up Day in Spur the first of the week was observed principally by the young boys of the city, a number having stacks of trash piles to show for their labors and which were hauled away by the scavenger.

The Texas Spur was authorized to offer premiums to the boys exhibiting the largest trash piles and the cleanest premises. We have no funds for this purpose but will give a dollar to the boy showing Commercial Club Secretary Reagan the cleanest premises in the town, and fifty cents to the boy exhibiting to him the second cleanest premises.

The Tongue River Ranch outfit passed through Spur the latter part of last week on their return from the West Pasture where they have been employed during the past several weeks.

### SOLD OUT

Hall & Higginbotham reports that they have sold out their entire stock of pianos as a result of the advertisement appearing in the Texas Spur at a recent date. Each week we are informed of successful results of advertising and the fact that it pays to advertise has been thoroughly demonstrated beyond the per adventure of a doubt in the past years. Ad writing is an art and those who write attractive ads always get results. Many of the biggest firms in the world do business wholly through advertising and if you watch the mail orders and express packages you will be convinced.

J. E. Johnson, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Tuesday on business and trading with the merchants. Mr. Johnson was among the first settlers of Dickens county and has in his possession one of the first copies of a newspaper published in the county. We now have these old relics of the earlier days and will give a reproduction of the newspapers at a later date.

### BRANCHING OUT

Hodges Haile was in the city this week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He was in after a bill of lumber with which to build a new residence on some land recently secured in the Afton country. Hodges is one of the most prosperous farmers and stock raisers of the Afton country, and from appearances the indications are that he intends to engage in these lines more extensively in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. VanLeer, of near Spur, were in the city Tuesday visiting friends and trading with the merchants.

The new home of Mrs. Fite is nearing completion and she expects to move into it within a few days. The home is one of the most attractive and convenient cottages within the city.

M. S. Favor, of several miles east of Afton, was in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday on business. Mr. Favor reports everything all right in his section of the country.

Dock Ellis, a prominent employee of the Spur Ranch, was in Spur, Monday and Tuesday on business. Mr. Ellis has been with the Spur Ranch people many years and is one of their best ranchmen.

It is reported that a representative of the Southern States Cotton Corporation will be in Spur to begin buying cotton during the remainder of the cotton season. Since the corporation will pay fifteen cents for the staple we will be glad to see the representative here at an early date.

## "THE FIRST STEP IS ALL THE DIFFICULTY"

In any important undertaking in life's work, the first step should be taken with a feeling of confidence and security. Backed by the knowledge of a healthy bank account, that step will be made more easy and secure. Opportunities constantly occur for the one with financial backing. We invite you to start an account in our bank, if you are not already a depositor.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

## ATTEND OPENING OF NEW TOWN FREEPORT

Y. L. Jones, G. C. Pass, W. B. Griffin, Lemar Dunn, Dr. Bachelor, Oscar Jackson, W. F. Godfrey and others of Spur are among those who are in Freeport this week attending the opening of that new town. Those attending the opening from Western Texas and who have been speculating in town lots of new Western towns will probably feel a delicacy in investing in town lots in the Eastern section when the higher prices are made known. Yet, Western men are generally "far-sighted" and if there is any money in the speculation proposition it is very probable that some of them will return with the coin. At any rate here is hoping that all will make expenses and return wiser and better fitted to push ahead in the West.

Captain J. A. Lambdin came up Sunday from Stamford and spent Monday in the city looking after his business interests here.

W. F. Walker, of near Spur, was in the city Saturday and spent some time here trading and on other business.

A. J. Hill, formerly of Spur but now of McCauley, was in the city recently to visit friends. Mr. Hill reports everything in pretty good shape in his section of the country.

## BEST CROP PRODUCTION IN HISTORY OF WORLD

Washington, Nov. 18.—A corn crop of 3,369,137,000 bushels, or 281,921,000 bushels more than the greatest crop of corn ever produced in the world, is the feature of the country's most remarkable agricultural year in history, according to the November crop report of the United States Department of Agriculture, recently issued. The report completed the government's preliminary estimates of of the nation's principal farm crops. This great crop of corn was on Nov. 1 worth \$1,850,776,000 to the farmers.

The enormous sum of \$4,171,344,000 represented the farm value on Nov. 1 of the United States crops of corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, flax seed, rye and buckwheat, with the value of the growing cotton crop and the crops of tobacco, rice and apples, the aggregate value of these principal farm products will amount well beyond five billion dollars.

Upon the preliminary estimates of production and prices announced, the values of the crops figure out as follows:

Corn, \$1,850,776,000; hay, \$854,615,000; wheat, \$603,639,000; oats, \$475,169,000; potatoes, \$188,501,000; barley, \$120,845,000; flax seed, \$39,693,000; rye, \$24,370,000; buckwheat, \$12,526,000.

There was an increase in the total of each of these crops, excepting buckwheat, potatoes, barley and rye. The increase netted \$517,000,000 over the value of last year's crops. Record crops of corn, potatoes, flax seed, oats, barley, rye and hay were harvested this year. The government's official estimates of the value of the various crops and its final estimates of total production will be announced in December.

W. C. McArthur was in the city Monday from his home in the Tap country and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

## ALL COUNTY OFFICERS QUALIFY THIS WEEK

All county officers elected at the general election were qualified to take charge of their respective offices Monday and Tuesday of this week. Some of the out-going officers delayed the proceedings over till Tuesday in that the official matters were not in readiness to turn over to the incoming officers. However, all county officers were later sworn in and are proceeding with their respective official duties.

The new county officials are as follows:

O. S. Ferguson, Judge; J. B. Conner, Sheriff and Tax Collector; T. J. Harrison, Tax Assessor; L. T. Cochran, Surveyor; C. C. Cobb, Clerk; B. G. Worswick, Attorney; L. G. Crabtree, E. Austin, W. F. McCarty and Jeff D. Reagan, County Commissioners, and B. A. Crego, County Treasurer.

Dickens county has a fine set of officers and under their administration we expect to continue to progress.

## FARMERS PROSPEROUS

E. B. Shaw, one of the most prominent citizens and prosperous farmers of the Croton country, was in Spur Saturday with several bales of cotton which he sold on the Spur market. Mr. Shaw and others of his section are harvesting big crops of cotton and feed this year, and as a result all the farmers of the north part of the county are in a most prosperous condition.

## DICKENS ITEM

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Higgins made a trip to Spur one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings, of Spur, were in Dickens Wednesday. Mr. Jennings was looking after business for Brazelton-Pryor Lumber Co.

Jeff D. Reagan, a prominent citizen of Spur, and newly elected commissioner from that precinct, was transacting business in Dickens last Monday.

There were two convictions in the cases transferred to the District Court of Motley County. J. N. Ballard and Will Duncan were given two years each.

Commissioners' Court was in session the first of the week, canvassing the election returns. The total vote polled in the county was 448. Next Monday was set for the qualification of the officers-elect.

One of Prof. Barnes' children is sick with scarlet fever. The attending physician reports it a mild case and it is thought that there will be no further trouble from it. Miss Jennie Shields, of Spur, is employed as nurse for the patient.

Dickens cotton buyers have bought, so far, 620 bales. This may seem to outsiders a small amount, but we think it good when we consider the fact that Spur has a number of buyers and Afton has buyers. The cotton is not all out yet by a good deal, and taking all things into consideration, it shows Dickens county has produced a big cotton crop and Dickens buyers are taking a good per cent of it.

Rev. Mike M. Young, of the Red Hill community, was in the city the latter part of last week on business and trading with the merchants.

## Horse Dentist!

W. H. Teague is prepared to pull or cut horses teeth, treat all diseases and prescribe for horses and cattle. Office at Teague's Blacksmith Shop, Spur, Texas.

## NEW WESTSIDE BARBER SHOP

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## EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Tuesday night, November 26, Rev. E. C. Seaman will hold the regular monthly service at the Presbyterian Church. On Wednesday morning following Holy Communion will be observed. The public is most cordially invited to these services.

Jeff D. Harkay came over Monday from Dickens and spent several hours here on business.

Mrs. Viola Flowers is employed as assistant cashier at the Farmers & Merchants State Bank during the absence of Lehmar Dunn who is attending the opening of the new town of Freeport.

J. B. Richburg and J. M. Hipshaw are among those from Spur attending the opening of the new town of Freeport this week. Freeport is located at the mouth of the Brazos River and will no doubt become a city of note.

H. C. Cravey, a prominent citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers of Kent county, was in Spur the latter part of last week trading and on other business.

Mrs. Fred O. McFall, of several miles north of Spur, was a visitor in the city Monday.

Tom McArthur, who has been buying cotton seed in Spur during the past several weeks, returned this week to his home near Tap.

Take The Texas Spur—\$1.00.

## APPEAL TO REASON OWNER SUICIDES

Girard, Kan., Nov. 11.—J. A. Wayland, owner of the Appeal to Reason, committed suicide at 11:20 o'clock last night by shooting himself. He had undressed and gone to bed and then fired a bullet into his mouth. It came out at the top of his head and lodged in the wall near the head of the bed. Death followed at 12:15, although he never moved.

He and Fred D. Warren and C. J. Phifer were to appear in Federal Court in Fort Scott today to be tried on the charge of violating the postal laws by circulating obscene and defamatory matter in the Appeal to Reason concerning some officials of the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth. There were rumors that other indictments were expected and this may have led to the tragedy.

Mr. Wayland has property holdings in Amarillo, aggregating \$200,000 in value.

T. A. Tidwell spent several days of last week at Afton installing a lighting system for Hale & Loyd, the leading business men of that town. He reports that the Afton merchants are doing a big business at this time.

E. K. Taylor, of Clairemont, was in Spur Saturday on business and spent some time here.

## Always Open For Business

People sometimes ask us when we will be open for loans. There is not a day in the year except Sundays and legal holidays that we are not open for any kind of legitimate banking business

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W. G. SHERROD, Cashier  
M. E. MANNING, Asst. Cashier



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## WILL FARM MORE EXTENSIVELY NEXT YEAR

John Callahan was in Spur Monday from his place near Wake and reports that he made big crops of feed this year. He did not plant any cotton this year, but says that he intends to put in more than a hundred acres of cotton next year provided he can make all ends meet. While here he hauled out some wire with which to do fencing and otherwise improve his place.

M. L. Blakeley was in the city the latter part of last week with cotton to sell from his place in the Afton country and reports everything in the finest shape. Mr. Blakeley is one of the most prominent citizens of that section and one of the most successful and prosperous farmers.

W. P. Shugart, of several miles east of Spur, is now making regular tri-weekly business visits to Spur marketing farm products and looking after other business interests. Mr. Shugart is a characteristic Westerner, always smiling, has a contented look and a most prosperous appearance.

T. A. Corbett returned this week to Spur from the Plains country where he has been several weeks looking after his piano business. Mr. Corbett will be here several weeks looking after the business in his line.

## AN ABLE LAWYER

R. S. Holman returned the latter part of last week from Matador, where he attended District Court, he being one of the defendants in several cases transferred from Dickens county to Motley county. In many instances since we have known Judge Holman he has demonstrated his ability as a lawyer, and although he may have lost some of the cases tried at Matador we are assured that it was through no fault in the presentation of claims and evidence to the court and jury.

Sheriff J. B. Conner returned the latter part of last week from Matador where he has been in attendance upon District Court.

T. V. Davis and family, who have been living in the Spur country during the past two years, moved recently to Gunsite in Cottle county where they are now making their home.

G. I. Barber and family moved last week to Texico where they will make their home temporarily, Mr. Barber being employed in railroad construction work in that section.

S. B. Scott, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Monday on business and spent several hours here. Mr. Scott has been suffering of some throat trouble and was here for the purpose of having his throat examined and treated.

## A PIONEER

Luther Hindman returned last week from the McNeill Ranch where he has been employed during several days in drilling wells for stock water. Luther came to Spur at the opening of the town, and is not only one of the "old settlers" but the pioneer well driller of the town.

A. Hutchinson, of four miles south of Clairemont and an extensive farmer and stockman of that section, had business in Spur Saturday.

W. P. Sampson, one of the most prominent citizens of the Gilpin country, was in the city recently on business and reports everything in fine shape in his section.

John Law, of the north part of the county, had business in Spur Saturday and spent some time here.

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## PROGRAM

**Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Dickens County Baptist Association, to Be Held With the Church at Duck Creek December 26-30, 1912**

### THURSDAY

7:30 P. M., Sermon ..... Rev. W. A. North

### FRIDAY

9:30 A. M., Devotional Service ..... P. Henson

10 A. M., "Relationship Between Church and Pastor" ..... Walter Jackson and A. R. Bilberry

11 A. M., Sermon ..... W. W. Fewell

2 P. M., Devotional Service ..... L. G. Crabtree

2:30 P. M., "Need of Resident Pastors" ..... J. V. Bilberry and Neal Holland

3:30 P. M., "What Has Religion in the Home Been Worth to Me?" ..... G. J. Sterns

Twenty Minutes ..... General Talks

7 P. M., Devotional Service ..... Luther Bilberry

7:30 P. M., Sermon ..... Fern Self

### SATURDAY

9:30 A. M., Devotional Service ..... Sam Starrett

10 A. M., "Who Is Entitled to the Lord's Supper?" ..... G. C. Berryman

11 A. M., Sermon ..... G. C. Berryman

2 P. M., Devotional Service ..... Dr. Brandon

2:30 P. M., "Does the Scriptures Say How Often and When We Should Take the Lord's Supper?" ..... T. F. Medlin and Others

5:30 P. M. .... Board Meeting

7 P. M., Devotional Service ..... L. C. Chote

7:30 P. M., Sermon ..... T. F. Medlin

### SUNDAY

10 A. M. Sunday School Mass Meeting ..... P. H. Miller

11 A. M., Sermon, "Origin and Perpetuity of the Church" ..... A. P. Stokes

7:30 P. M., Sermon ..... J. V. Bilberry

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### RETURNS FROM KANSAS

Deputy Sheriff Anderton returned the latter part of last week from a trip to Kansas City, he having gone up with a shipment of cattle from the Spur Ranch. He says that this is probably the last shipment to be made from here to Kansas this year.

Wm. Childress, a prominent citizen of near Spur, was in the city Monday and spent several hours here.

Attorney Dalton, of the Plains, passed through Spur Saturday on his return home from Matador where he has been in attendance upon the District Court at that place. Mr. Dalton has the reputation of being one of the best criminal lawyers in this section of Texas.

Mrs. H. K. Parks, of Jayton, was in the city Saturday on business and visiting friends.

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### AN OLD SETTLER

J. Carlisle, one of the oldest settlers of the country and one of the most prosperous citizens, was in Spur Saturday from his home in the Gilpin country. Mr. Carlisle came here in the very earliest days of the settlement of this section. He staid with the country and as a result he is now one of the best fixed men of the country and has one of the finest farms in Western Texas.

### PICKING SEASON CLOSING

J. E. Johnson, of the Farmers Gin Company, made a business trip last week to the Afton country and reports that within a very short time the principal part of the cotton picking will be a thing of the past. Cotton has been coming in rapidly and at this time it cannot be determined how many bales will be ginned in Dickens county.

### BECOMING A STRANGER

P. Hinson, of Tap, was in the city last week on business. Mr. Hinson formerly carried the mail from Spur to Tap, and since this mail route is now discontinued Mr. Hinson is becoming almost a stranger to his friends in Spur. Since Mr. Hinson is acquainted with "Gadabout" we would like for him to tell him that the Texas Spur misses the "Tap Tellings" and try to persuade him to again renew the contributions.

## TO ESTABLISH BUSINESS AT ROARING SPRINGS

L. H. Perry, a prominent citizen and business man of Stephenville and President of the Spur Hardware Company of Spur, was in the city this week looking after his business interests here. We understand that Mr. Perry will be interested with Mr. Satterwhite in the establishment of a hardware business at Roaring Springs and that the business will be established prior to the opening of the proposed new town. Mr. Perry remained in the city several days before returning to his home at Stephenville.

Mace Hunter was in the city Saturday from his home a few miles east. He reports that the cotton picking season in his section is now nearing its close and will probably not continue longer than one or two more weeks.

I. D. Gamble, a prominent citizen and business man of Floydada, was in Spur last week on business, spending several days here. Mr. Gamble was formerly in business in Spur and it is possible that he may return and again engage in some character of business.

C. C. Haile returned Sunday from a business trip to other sections of the country.

## .....CASSABIANCA.....

The mule stood on the steamboat deck,  
And would not go ashore;  
Because the people on the land  
Wore shabby suits galore.

They cursed and swore—he would not mix  
With such a bummy kind,  
And tho' they beat with rocks and sticks,  
He altered not his mind.

The Captain to the shore cried out:  
"On board this ship I'll rule,  
For goodness sake take off those rags,  
And let's unload the mule."

The Master from the shore replied:  
"The ship's about to sail,  
As other means in vain you've tried,  
Suppose you twist his tail."

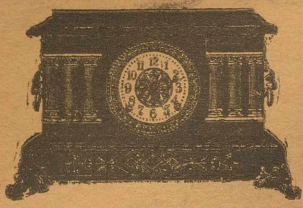
As the ship was soon to leave the land,  
The Shipmate, brave, tho' pale,  
The nearer drew with outstretched hand  
To make the twist avail.

Then came a kick of thunder roar—  
It cost the crew their Mate,  
To show the people on the shore  
Their clothes were out of date.

Not a moment a voice was heard,  
But winked the mule his eye,  
As if to say to him occurred:  
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**HUNTING EXPEDITION ON CAT FISH AND SALT FORK**

One of the most pleasant events in which we have had an opportunity to participate in many days was a four days outing and hunting expedition on the Cat Fish and Salt Fork Creeks last week.

The expedition was originated, planned and superintended by Postmaster J. W. Andruss, of Rotan, who is not only an all-around gentleman but on this occasion demonstrated his ability in the generalship and management of an expedition which will linger in the memories of those participating in the event.

J. W. Andruss telephoned the Texas Spur that the party forming at Rotan and composed of A. R. Fouts, formerly a popular druggist of Rotan and who also established the Spur Drug Company of Spur, Jim Parker, one of the pioneers of Rotan and now one of the owners and managers of a cold drink and confectionery business and Will McKay, who lives in Stonewall county but within the bounds of the Rotan trade territory, was incomplete in that more men familiar with the conditions and most promising haunts of the proposed hunting grounds, and also a reporter for the expedition was needed. In consequence of such statements we asked and was given permission to supply the deficiency, and together with C. D. Copeland, one of the biggest and most extensive farmers of the Spur country, a hunter second to none, a "dead game" sportsman and one of the most congenial men to join a camping party, and Ed Carpenter, a whole-souled young gentleman and without whom the party would have been incomplete, we left Spur Sunday for the hunting grounds and where by appointment the Rotan party was met.

We arrived at the ranch home of Uncle Pink Higgins, on Cat Fish, about dark, and although Uncle Pink was sick at the time, we met a hearty welcome, were taken in and graciously entertained at one of the most hospitable homes of all of Western Texas. Uncle Pink is a noted character, and having spent the greater part of his life on the frontier of Texas he has played an important part in the days of reconstruction, contributed more than his prorate not only in the development of the country but in paving the way for the advent of the white mah, law and order, and although in promoting such a state of civilization he may have placed several notches on his gun and incurred the enmity of the lawless elements, yet Uncle Pink Higgins is a man among men and one to whom the country and the peo-

ple of today are due much credit for the present high state of civilization and progeess of our country. Incidents of the past as related by Uncle Pink would fill most interesting volumes, would be valuable early day history of the country, and in recounting the past a listener to the revelations of an active life in reconstruction days is held spell bond and forms a higher regard for such a man, who without egotism pictures past conditions, recounts events, narrow escapes and battles encountered at a time when the only law in existence was the right and survival of the fittest. Unquestionably, in his day Uncle Pink Higgins was a man among men, and one whom we are glad to know and number among our friends.

Monday morning at four o'clock we were awakened and hustled out to join a party of men of the Cat Fish country who advised us that it was not a violation of the game laws to merely hunt deer, and being thus apprised we headed for the shinnery, took our stands and patiently waited for two of the party to scare up and run the big game by us. No game showing up we returned to Uncle Pink's about two hours by the sun and where a steaming breakfast of birds and other inviting eatables awaited our coming. The day being well advanced we decided to spend the remainder of the time in taking shots at pet Bob Whites surrounding Uncle Pink's place, quite a number being bagged, Mr. Copeland being the undeniable champion game bagger of the day. Another night was spent under the hospitable roof with Uncle Pink, and notwithstanding the fact that he suffered greatly with heart and nerve troubles he told us many incidents of the past, and the time spent at his home passed all to quickly.

The Rotan party failing to meet us at the appointed time, we headed up the Cat Fish and across the country to the Salt Fork and down this stream to the home of Baxter Scoggins where we met the Rotan party, and all together the next day with Baxter as guide and leader we searched many shinnery clumps, covered many acres and walked many miles in an effort to scare up big game, but with no success. However, numbers of Bob White and Blue Quail were added to the game bags, and with the exception of a lingering desire to see a big Buck, we were satisfied.

To give full details of this expedition might become burdensome to readers, and to make a long story short we will say that our meeting with the Rotan party revived pleasant memories of the past and the days spent with them on this hunt-

ing expedition will abide in recollections of older days.

J. P. Simmons, we are glad to note, is now able to get out after several days confinement of a broken leg.

W. A. Jordan, of the Steel Hill community, was in the city one day this week.

J. W. McCormick was in the city one day this week from his home in the Steel Hill community.

E. L. Harkey, a prominent citizen of Dickens and former Tax Assessor of Dickens county, was in the city Tuesday and spent some time here on business.

Roy Zinn returned Tuesday from Waco where he spent several days attending the Cotton Palace exposition. He also visited his parents at Hamilton before returning home.

**Needs**

**A Club**

It won't do to hand out bouquets all the time. Sometimes you have to take a club. You can't knock a home run with a bunch of lilies.

Then here's this jolt for the man who does not save. It may be fine business to spend all you are making right now, but if hard luck should strike you—and it will strike sometime—don't expect that the Lord will provide. The Lord is supposed to help people who help themselves. The great army of "down and outs" is recruited from your very class, my man. There's only one way out. Begin now to pinch a little from your earnings and put it in a bank for a rainy day.

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Hurley Sampson, son of John Sampson, formerly of the O-O Ranch, returned Saturday from California and will remain in Spur with his parents who are now making this place their home.

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WEST SIDE - - - SPU, TEXAS

**SIX BUILDINGS BURNED IN SPUR THURSDAY MORNING**

Thursday morning about ten o'clock fire completely destroyed six of the business houses on Burlington Avenue, the main street of Spur.

The fire originated in the Central Rooming House, a two-story frame structure operated by Wes Hisey. From this the McDonald Confectionery building on the north, caught fire. The wind coming from the north caused the fire to travel south, taking in the business house occupied by Will Stephens and family, the Neely Boarding House, the Hastings Restaurant and the two Patterson buildings used as store rooms, leaving only one building standing on the west side of the street near the depot.

All of the contents of the lower rooms of the Central Rooming House were removed from the building, nothing being saved from the upper rooms in which a number of boarders lost clothing and personal effects. Everything was removed from all other buildings, but the damage was considerable in breakage and from the necessary rapid work in removing.

All buildings were wooden structures and the loss is considerable with partial insurance, the amounts not being obtainable at this time.

Considerable damage was done to the Electric Light Company in the destruction of wires and posts. The Telephone Companies also sustained slight damages.

This was the biggest fire in the history of Spur, and the loss thus sustained will be felt by the business interests. The fire department did excellent work, but their equipments were not equal to the occasion and little effective work could be done only in trying to prevent the further spread of the fire.

McDonald will open his confectionery business in the former Commercial Club room next door south of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank. Mr. Hastings will probably secure another location and re-establish his restaurant business. Since the principal part of the Central Rooming House furniture and furnishings were destroyed it is very probable that the business will not be re-opened. It is not known whether or not the Neely Boarding House will resume business in another location.

Everybody in the town responded liberally to the fire call

and worked faithfully to save everything possible, and they have the thanks not only of those directly involved in the fire but the services rendered are duly appreciated by the entire citizenship.

**Clever Fat Men.**

It is frequently averred that fat is deadening to the brain, and consequently a foe to intellectual activity. But is this so? Some of the greatest men the world has ever known were plump even to obesity.

Napoleon was decidedly embonpoint. Dr. Johnson was fleshy even to flabbiness. So was his biographical shadow, Boswell. Balzac, the great French novelist, was so stout that it was a day's exercise to walk around him, and he was encircled with bandages as if he were a hoghead. Rossini, the composer, was a regular Jumbo, since for six years he never saw his knees.

Jules Janin, the prince of critics, broke every sofa he ever sat down upon. Lablanche, the great singer, was charged three fares when he traveled. Dunas pere was stout, and Sainte-Beuve carried the stomach of a Falstaff. Eugene-Sue had such aversion to his growing corpulency that he drank vinegar to keep it down, and yet he wrote "The Wandering Jew."

A man is not necessarily fat-witted because he has a boundless stomach.

**Blow at Suicides.**

"A pet monkey that I shipped up town this morning was bound on a most unusual mission for a monkey," said an animal dealer.

"He was bought by a woman who runs a furnished room house in which three persons have killed themselves with gas recently. Those suicides have upset her nerves. Now she is going to try the same preventive means adopted by three of her friends.

"They too, keep roomers. Also they keep monkeys. There have been several attempts at suicide in their houses, but they have always been frustrated by the monkeys, who have smelled gas and set up such a chattering that they woke everybody up.

"Monkeys are extremely sensitive to the odor of gas. This customer of mine hopes to utilize hers as a new kind of life preserver."—Philadelphia Record.

**\$8,850,000 FOR EQUIPMENT.**

Four Railroads Total Orders for Freight Car Additions.

Chicago, Ill.: Four lines throughout the country have placed orders for freight car equipment that will cost \$8,850,000.

The Pacific Fruit Express has contracted for 2,000 refrigerator cars and the San Antonio and Aransas Pass has ordered 1,000 box cars. The New York, Ontario and Western Railway will increase its facilities with 500 hopper cars, 400 flat cars, 300 box cars, 50 stock cars and 50 refrigerator cars. Orders have been given by the Northern Pacific for 2,500 box cars, 500 gondola cars and 250 stock cars. The Louisville and Nashville has ordered 5,500 tons of structural material from the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company for all the bridges on its new line between Winchester and Athol, Ky.

Rev. Norris, of near Dickens, will preach at the school house Saturday night and Sunday morning.

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### REV. STEWART IS RETURNED TO SPUR

Rev. R. A. Stewart, pastor of the Methodist Church, was returned to this charge by the District Conference in session at Abilene last week and will continue his pastorate here during the ensuing year.

Rev. Stewart has held the pastorate of the Methodist Church of this city since its establishment almost three years ago, and during this time his services have resulted in much good toward the cause of Christ, and the strengthening of his denomination. He is an able man of God and a forceful divine, and the Methodist Church, together with the city of Spur, are to be congratulated upon receiving his services for another year.

A boy was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson at their home in the city.

Jeff Smith, of several miles northwest of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

J. W. Smith was in Saturday from his home several miles west of Spur.

Hamp Collett was in the city the latter part of last week and spent some time here on business.

Mrs. Y. L. Jones and little daughter, Miss Nan, are visiting relatives in Shreveport, Louisiana, while Mr. Jones is attending the opening of Freeport, Texas.

Bill McArthur came in Friday and Saturday with cotton from his place in the Tap country. Bill says that his cotton crop this year was comparatively short but that he made bumper crops of feed, having most of his land planted to feed in the beginning.

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### PERSONNEL OF TEXAS TICKET

Democrats Take all Offices Save One in the House.

Dallas, Texas: The following is the personnel of the Texas State government, excepting the House of Representatives and the Senate. All are regular Democratic nominees, except in the case of Hon. William Bierch-wale (Republican), elected to succeed himself as Representative from the Eighty-Seventh District.

United States Senator—Morris Shepard.

Governor—Oscar B. Colquitt (re-election).

Lieutenant Governor—Will H. Mayes.

Attorney General—B. F. Looney.

State Treasurer—J. M. Edwards (now serving by appointment).

Comptroller—W. P. Lane (re-election).

Land Commissioner—J. T. Robison (re-election).

Commissioner of Agriculture—Ed R. Kone (re-election).

Superintendent of Public Instruction—F. M. Bralley (re-election).

Railroad Commissioner (full term)—W. D. Williams (re-election).

Railroad Commissioner (two years)—Earle B. Mayfield.

Chief Justice Supreme Court (full term)—Thomas J. Brown (re-election).

Associate Justice Supreme Court (four years)—Nelson Phillips (now serving by appointment).

Associate Justice Supreme Court (two years)—William E. Hawkins.

Associate Justice Court of Criminal Appeals (full term)—A. C. Prender-gast (now serving by appointment).

Presidential Electors—Harry P. Lawther, George D. Armistead, H. G. Wagner, Felix McCord, J. M. Henderson, W. T. Norman, M. D. Carlock, W. L. Hay, John D. McRae, J. K. Freeman, I. A. Daniel, Thomas H. Stone, John W. Gaines, J. M. Mathis, Joe E. Eldson, T. H. Hiner, J. W. Sullivan, M. D. Slater, John T. Briscoe, Walter S. Pope.

Congress at Large—(Two to be elected.)—Hutton W. Sumners, Daniel E. Garrett.

Congress by Districts—1, Horace W. Vaughan, Texarkana; 2, Martin Dies, Woodville (re-election); 3, James Young, Kaufman, (re-election); 4, Sam Rayburn, Bonham; 5, Jack Beall, Wax-shachie (re-election); 6, Rufus Hardy, Corsicana (re-election); 7, A. W. Gregg, Palestine, (re-election); 8, Joe Eagle, Houston; 9, George F. Burgess, Gonzales (re-election); 10, Albert S. Burleson, Austin, (re-election); 11, R. L. Henry, Waco, (re-election); 12, Oscar Callaway, Comanche, (re-election); 13, John H. Stephens, Vernon, (re-election); 14, James L. Slayden, San Antonio (re-election); 15, John N. Garner, Uvalde (re-election); 16, W. R. Smith, Colorado (re-election).

### DEMOCRATS HAVE MAJORITY.

Success of Lane in Oregon Gives Party Positive Control of Senate.

Washington: The positive announcement of the success of Harry Lane, the Democratic candidate for the Senate in Oregon, assures Democratic control of the upper house of Congress and places both branches of the National Legislature and the Presidency in their hands, for the first time in eighteen years. The addition of Oregon to the Democratic list gives that party forty-nine Senators, or a majority of 2.

In addition to the election of successors to Democratic Senators now sitting, Democrats will displace Republican Senators from Oregon, New Jersey, Kansas, Colorado, Montana, Delaware and Nevada, and will fill the vacancy in Colorado with a man of their choosing.

### Wilson Statement on Election.

Princeton, N. J.: Responding to a telegram from the Democratic National chairman asserting that Gov. Wilson unquestionable was elected, the Democratic candidate sent a dispatch to Mr. McCoombs as follows:

"I deeply appreciate your telegram and wish to extend to you and the members of the campaign committee my warm congratulations on the part you have played in the organization and conduct of a campaign fought out upon essential issues.

### Status of Electoral Vote.

Mr. Taylor resigned the nomination for Presidential elector on the Democratic ticket from the Eleventh District in order to run for Senator, and Hon. Joe Eldson of Hamilton County was named in his stead as candidate for elector. However, Mr. Taylor's name appeared on the ballot in most of the counties, and there is some doubt as to whether the entire two-electoral votes of Texas will go to Mr. Wilson.

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### LAST NOTICE

I have given the debtors of Henson & Poole all the time I can, and unless paid by December 1, 1912, I will proceed to collect the same by law.—R. S. Holman, attorney. 3-3t

### WOOD CUTTING PROHIBITED ON ALL THE SPUR LANDS

Notice is hereby given that any person who cuts wood of any kind from our lands anywhere, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. In some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of lands not occupied.

Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it can be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must and will be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and who will hereafter buy them, from this wood cutting.

Some people have pretended to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will follow trespassers hereafter without favor.—S. M. Swenson & Sons, C. A. Jones, Manager. 2 2t

Judge McClain came in Saturday from his Cat Fish ranch and reports everything in fine shape in that section. While in the city the Judge contributed another dollar to our subscription fund, extending his subscription up another year.

### SETTLEMENT OF FARMERS STRIKINGLY ENCOURAGED

J. H. Rhodes, a prominent citizen and farmer of several miles southwest of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week. Mr. Rhodes made good crops of both cotton and feed stuff this year and no doubt he is contented to remain a permanent citizen of the Spur country. Possibly the crops of this section are comparatively short this year, yet the Spur country as a whole produced the best crops of all Western Texas, and since this fact is well known and advertised over the country, we expect many more farmers to settle here during the next year.

### STATEMENT

Statement of the ownership, management, circulation, etc., of the Texas Spur published weekly at Spur, Texas, required by the act of August 24, 1912.

Editor, Managing Editor, Business Manager and Publisher, Oran McClure, Spur, Texas. (Signed) ORAN McCLURE.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th. day of Oct., 1912.

(Signed) OSCAR JACKSON  
Notary Public, Dickens county, Texas.

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#### DRY LAKE ITEMS

Wayne VanLeer attended church here Sunday.

G. A. Draper had business in Spur Saturday.

Rev. Mark Hardin filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Misses Jewell Hardin and Bessie and Ester Davis were the guests of Miss Lottie Johnson Sunday.

Rob Davis spent several days of this week on the Plains.

W. J. Smith, of the Plains country, has, we understand, bought a one hundred and sixty acre farm adjoining the the M. C. West place and will at once begin improving the property

preparatory towards making it his permanent home.

Messrs. Letch and Hargrove, of Killeen, are other new comers in our neighborhood and expect to make their permanent home here.

A. D. Baker and family are making preparations to move to their new home in Chillicothe. Willie Smith and wife will move to their farm here.

Rev. Norris, of near Dickens, will preach at the school house Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Mesdames G. C. Pass and Cloud, of Spur, were the guests of Mrs. W. A. Johnson Sunday.

W. F. Markham spent Mon-

day in Spur buying lumber and posts with which to make improvements on his place.

Mr. Snodgrass, who has been in Geary, Oklahoma, for the past three weeks under the treatment of Dr. E. F. Williams, of that city, returned home the latter part of this week. He says he was greatly benefited by the treatment given him.

Miss Fannie May Cherry spent Saturday and Sunday south of Spur with relatives. — Maiden Vine.

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Cotton Buyer Morgan, of Jayton, was in Spur this week buying cotton of Spur buyers.

H. P. Cole, who is now living on his farm between Spur and Dickens, was in the city last week on business.

J. N. Zumwalt, a farmer and ranchman of several miles west of Spur, was in the city last week on business.

J. C. McNeill, a prominent citizen and ranchman of several miles west of Spur, was in the city recently on business.

H. W. Jennings and wife and Jess Moseley and wife were visitors Sunday to friends in the Steel Hill community.

Firm Self, a prosperous farmer of several miles southwest of Spur, was in the city recently with cotton and reports the cotton picking season coming to a close in his section.

W. M. Randall was in the city Monday from his home in the Steel Hill community and spent some time here on business.

Jas. F. Williams left this week for Coryell county where he will spend some time looking after business matters. Before returning to Spur he will go to Austin.

Tol Merriman was in the city the latter part of last week from his home several miles south of Spur. Mr. Merriman is one of the oldest ranchmen of the country, having been an employee of the Spur Ranch many years. He is now with the Moseworth outfit south and west of Spur.

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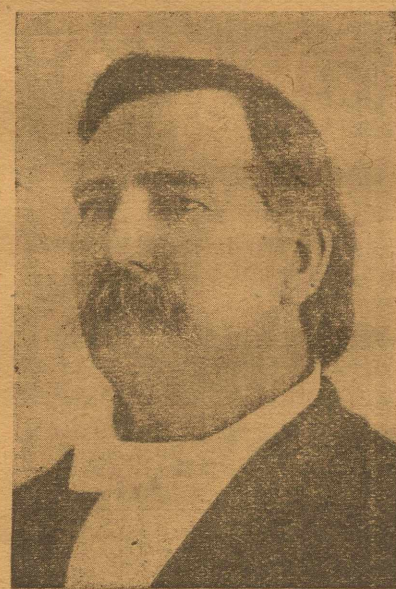
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