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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, MARCH 21, 1913.

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MORGAN JONES PROPOSES TO BUILD A RAILROAD

John Chalk, a prominent and leading citizen of Matador, was in Spur this week and reported that a railroad meeting was held in Matador Monday, citizens there meeting Morgan Jones who is a noted railroad builder.

Morgan Jones proposes to build a railroad running from Matador through Roaring Springs, Afton, Girard and to connect with another one of his railroads at Hamlin. He was accompanied by a surveying corps which is now making a survey of the proposed line of railway.

The citizens of Matador are optimistic and confident that the railroad as planned will be built.

PREPARING TO PLANT

G. A. Draper, of three or four miles west of Spur, was in the city Monday and reports that his section of the country is now in fine shape for plowing since the recent rains. He and other farmers of his section are now breaking land and making preparations for the planting season.

IN GOOD SHAPE

R. A. Brown, a prominent citizen of near Spur, was in the city the first of this week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything in good shape since the recent rains.

REPORTS GOOD RAIN

W. P. T. Smith was in the city Saturday from his place eight or nine miles west of Spur and reports that that section of country had good rains last week. The country as a whole is now in good shape with respect to season and crop prospects.

MOVING TO JAYTON

N. Q. Brannen came up Wednesday from Jaydon to pack up and ship his household goods to Jaydon where he is now engaged in the mercantile business with his brothers. We wish Mr. Brannen and family a pleasant home and a successful business in their new location.

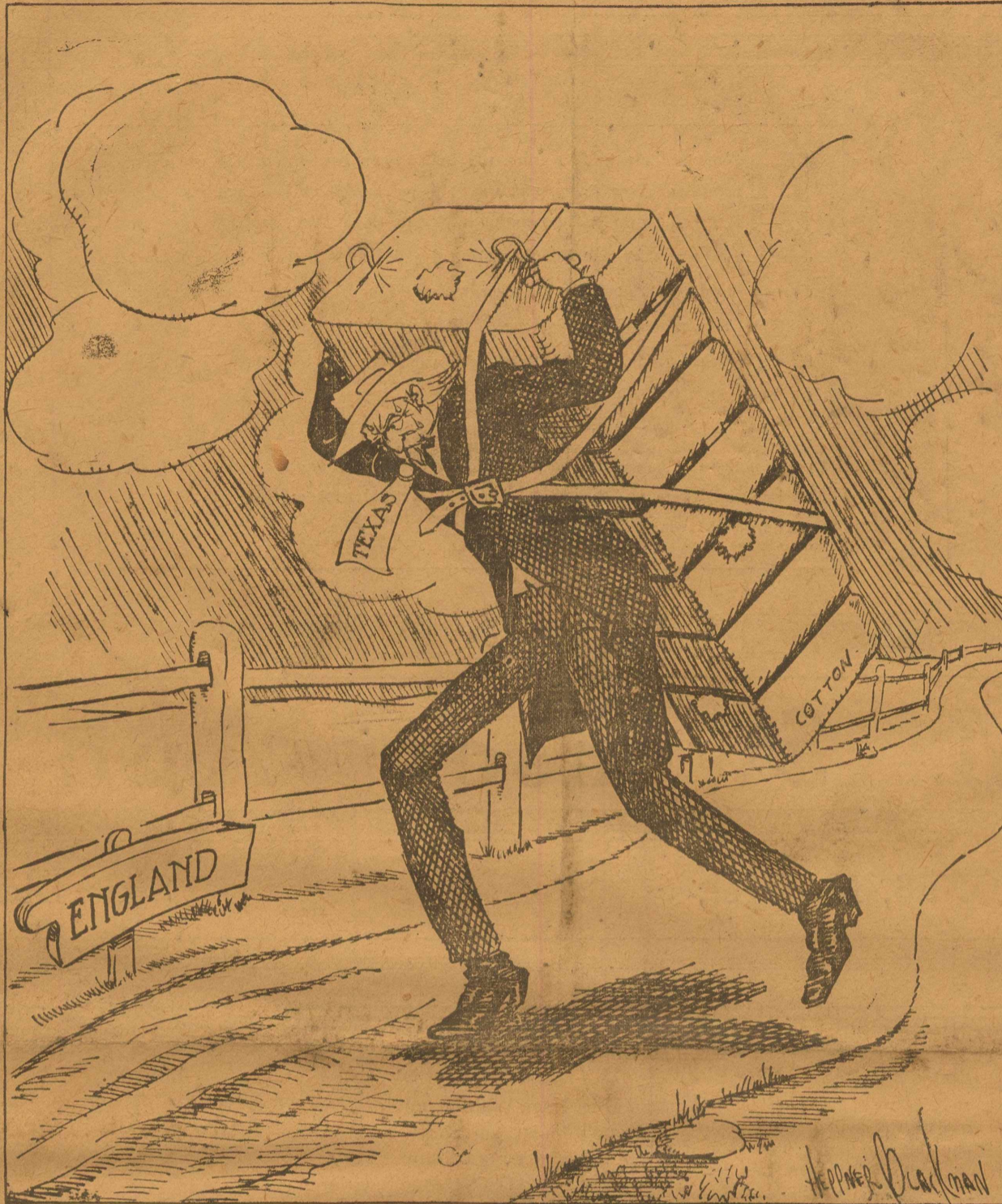
RETURN FROM FORT WORTH

M. L. Blakeley and Mr. Johnson of the Liberty community north of Dickens, passed through Spur on their return home from Fort Worth where they spent several days attending the fat stock show. They report having had a pleasant time, and Mr. Blakeley said that he saw the fur producing sheep owned by R. L. Collier and now on exhibition at the show.

DIED

Mrs. Frank Smith died Thursday night of last week at her home six miles southwest of Spur and the remains were interred Friday in the Smith family cemetery west of Jayton. Although Mrs. Smith had been sick several months her death at this time was unexpected. The Texas Spur extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband and relatives.

THE LONG ROAD



The cotton crop last year in Texas was 4,297,000 bales and of this enormous crop, the Texas cotton mills manufactured less than 40,000 bales.—Texas Welfare Commission.

THE BATCHELOR GIRLS

The Batchelor Girls Club held their regular meeting Tuesday evening with Miss Buchanan. The organization was made complete and signs adopted which will enable a member to make her self known to another where ever they may meet. A lecture by our sec. (Miss Reynolds) was very helpful and enjoyed by all, after which delicious refreshments were served, and next meeting appointed to be held with Miss Burnett, March 25th.

METHODIST SERVICES

Rev. M. M. Beavers of Aspermont will preach Sunday morning and evening March 23rd., at the Methodist tabernacle. Many remember Bro. Beavers for the full and efficient service in revival here two years ago and every one is cordially invited to be with us Sunday.—R. A. Stewart.

DIED

Tom Scogin, of Clairemont, died Tuesday morning of this week of a short illness. Mr. Scogin was a business man in Clairemont for many years, and was well known throughout this country. He leaves a widow and one little child to mourn his death. The Texas Spur extends sympathy to the sorrowing relatives and friends of the family.

Found—A Belt pin. Owner call at Texas Spur office.

ALL OF WESTERN TEXAS IN FINE SHAPE FOR CROPS

From the different papers over the country we note that all of Western Texas is now wet and crop prospects are most promising at this time in every section of the country.

During the past two weeks every section of the country has had ground-soaking rains, even Rotan and Fisher county is now wet and gives promise of bumper crops.

There is no better agricultural and stockfarming country in America than Western Texas in general and the Spur country in particular. Since the opening of Spur Farm Lands to settlement abundant staple crops have been produced each successive year, and not a total crop failure has occurred in this section since the beginning of farming operations more than twenty years ago.

As the country becomes more densely populated and more scientific methods of soil culture practiced the agricultural possibilities of the country will become more fully developed, the people more prosperous and Western Texas recognized as an agricultural empire.

H. C. Allen was in the city Monday from his home in the Dry Lake community and spent several hours here on business.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Rev. E. Seaman, of Stamford, will hold his regular monthly appointments of the Episcopal Church, Tuesday Mar. 25 at 7:30 o'clock. Also Holy Communion will be celebrated Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock. The public is most cordially invited to both services which will be held at the Presbyterian Church.

R. L. Roberts left Tuesday for Roaring Springs where he has already established a drug business. Mr. Roberts will also engage in his business as carpenter and contractor when the new town opens up to the public.

J. W. Peters and family moved this week from Spur to near Guthrie where Mr. Peters will make a crop this year. Mr. Peters called in and had the Texas Spur sent to him at Guthrie.

R. R. Johns was in the city this week from his place several miles north of Spur and while here handed us another dollar to push his subscription to the Texas Spur up to another year.

Oscar Jackson accompanied Mrs. Pursley to the Plains country this week where they spent several days looking at lands with a view of making a purchase.

W. Bender, of near Spur, purchased 200 head of cattle from Nonnie Rodgers, of Garza county, last week at a consideration of \$47 per head.

NOT SOMETHING JUST AS GOOD; IT'S BETTER

Have you tried it—Light Crust? It is not just as good to make either light bread or biscuit, but better. Hundreds of the best cooks in the country will testify to Light Crust being the best, not the cheapest. "Calico is cheaper than silk," is a fair comparison between some flour and Light Crust. Come on and join the good bread procession. A 25 pound sack will convince you that Light Crust is better.

"Some fellows don't care what they say, and neither does anybody else."

We are tickled over our new stock of dress goods and trimmings. We want every lady in the country to look them over. We know they are right in style, price and every other particular. So positive are we that our dress goods department is right, we are willing to leave it to your judgement. All we ask is a look—we will be glad to show you, and remember to ask to see our line of white Linweave, the kind that stands the wash tub. It is not just as good; but better.

Two men got pretty hot in talking about a book. One of them, an author himself, said: "No, John, you simply can't appreciate it; you never wrote a book, you know." "H'm," retorted John. "I never laid an egg but I am a better judge of an omelet than any hen in the state."

Have you seen our two-row cultivator? It is the only real success in the two-row cultivator line. It is not just as good as others, but better. Planting time is here and you can't afford to buy anything but the best planter. See our Jno. Deere; no side draft; no little cogs to wear out; will plant one seed in a place, or a sluce as big as you wish; not just as good. Ask your blacksmith about Jno. Deere plow points. He'll tell you they are the best steel point he sharpens. All other parts are made of the best, as well as the points. Not a piece of cast on our cultivators. Can't break the least piece on them with a nail hammer. Ask to be shown. They are not just as good, but better.

Everyone wants to live on easy street, but few establish a permanent residence there. The Queen Quality Shoe makes every street easy to your feet. Not just as good. Every lady who has worn Queen Quality knows the comfort of the Flex-sole, a patent that other shoe people cannot use. Our line is full of new styles in pumps, straps and boots. If you want to be well dressed don't neglect your feet. Queen Quality will ease a multitude of ills.

"Style Plus \$17." If you have been reading the leading magazines you know what "Style Plus \$17," one price the world over means. If you don't know ask to be shown. Now "Style Plus \$17" is something, not just as good, but better. Style Plus is for men only.

The merchant had died and his spirit appeared at the Golden Gate. "What do you want here?" asked St. Peter. "I'd like to come in," answered the spirit. "I'm sorry that we can't let you into heaven, but we have something just as good that I can cheerfully recommend."

Our millinery opening was a success, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Hurry and get your Easter hat. Business good in every line last week. Come on with the crowd that trades with us.—Bryant-Link Co.

Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

Notice is Hereby Given That Any Person Who Cuts Wood of Any Kind Whatever From Any of Our Lands Any Where Now or Hereafter Will Be Prosecuted to the Fullest Extent of the Law Without Favor or Consideration

IN Some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of land 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 pretend 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 trespassers hereafter without favor.

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SHARING IN EASTER

To have lost no joy, buried no hope, known no suffering is to come to Easter day with little sense of its meaning and fellowship. Only those who have deeply suffered can enter deeply into its glorious message.

Easter is the symbol of life triumphant, life more abundant, life rejoicing over death. It is the birthday of immortality, to be celebrated by all men with gladness. Whatever hope has been defeated in our lives, Easter offers us the victory. The dead we loved are not dead; they live forever in newness of life, awaiting our entrance into immortality. The things we have hoped to do, the things we have longed to reach, are only anticipations, after all, of what the soul shall possess in the larger life that Easter foreshadows.

In our modern living, of the day and for the day, the thought of immortality is often pushed aside. Easter bodies it out afresh immortal love, endless joy, everlasting hope, a clarion-call of power—Harper's Bazar.

DIDN'T BELIEVE IN KNOCKING

"I don't believe in knocking," he said To his friend in the car one morning. "But of this man Jones you praise so much I am going to give you warning."

"I believe he took that money, though The case was investigated and Another man to the theft confessed, And he was exonerated.

"It looks suspicious," continued the man Who didn't believe in knocking. "Between you and me he won't do to trust Though the knowledge to you may be shocking."

"Why do you doubt him?" asked his friend.

"You know he has been promoted, Is highly honored and not a breath Of suspicion about him has floated."

"I believe he is guilty," replied the man And was cunning enough to quell it. But I would not hurt him for the world, And I ask you not to tell it."

—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

Judge McClain was in the city Monday from his Cat Fish farm and ranch and reports everything in good shape.

George Chumley and wife, of Draper, were in Spur last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Duke Henson.

NEW HOPE

Miss Nina Walder, one of New Hope's most cultured and accomplished young ladies, has returned home from Paducah where she has been attending school.

Mrs. C. M. Buchanan has returned home from a visit to her mother at Cleburne.

Amity and Liberty crossed bats last Saturday and the game resulted in a score of 9 to 8 in favor of Liberty.

Amity gave quite an interesting program at their regular monthly program last Friday night.

New Hope will have an all day meeting next Sunday and dinner for every body will be spread on the ground.

R. C. Forbis, of the Afton country, was in our community recently on business.

L. M. Blakeley and wife and J. M. Jones have returned from a visit to the Fat Stock show at Forth Worth.

Rev. Fort will preach at Midway the fourth Sunday in each month.—Oat Meal.

J. Anderson Davis, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of several miles northeast of Spur, was in the city last week and while here called at the Texas Spur office and contributed another dollar to our subscription funds. Let the good work go on.

Tom Scogin, a prominent citizen and former business man of Clairemont, was in Spur last week on business and spent several days here.

C. F. Cates moved this week to his place recently purchased of J. E. Dement west of Spur.

DISHONESTY

"Don't go in the garden Tommy," she said. There's a big black bear inside. But meddlesome Tommy went in to see.— "You told me a story," he cried.

"I can't go to church today," he whined. "My head aches fit to split. But he read papers the whole day through And it didn't hurt him a bit.

"I'll whip you, John, if you do that again. Just touch again if you dare!" But Johnny tore the thing into bits And she didn't seem to care.

"I'm not able to buy you a hat," he growled. "My money's all gone, don't you know. But he bought a gallon of whiskey that day And went to a picture show.

"Good gracious me! Yonder comes Mrs. Jones.

I wish she had stayed at home. But she hugged her and kissed her and said with a smile, "O! I'm so glad you have come."

"We've nothing to give to the cause at all. We wish that we could," they said. But they bought a fine present (to make a big show)

To give to Miss Newly Wed.

We can fool ourselves, we can fool our friends With speeches cunning and glib. But there's One above whom we cannot deceive.

He knows when we tell a fib.

—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

INDUSTRY SPIRIT NEEDED!

A press report announcing that seven hundred car loads of wagons had been shipped from Louisville, Kentucky, to Texas points ought to set every member of our Legislature, as well as good citizens, to thinking.

Why is it we do not make our own wagons? We have the timber, the labor, the capital and the market and all that is lacking is the "spirit of industry." The Legislature, more than any other organized body, is the custodian of our destiny and upon it rests the responsibility of sowing seed-germs of industry into the thought life of the state. Creation is the true test of statesmanship. Any lawyer can punish crime, light a lamp of warning or transfer wealth, but it is a rare genius who is competent to toil at the loom of creation.

We notice that many farmers are now hauling out new and improved farm implements with which to cultivate their lands and crops this year.

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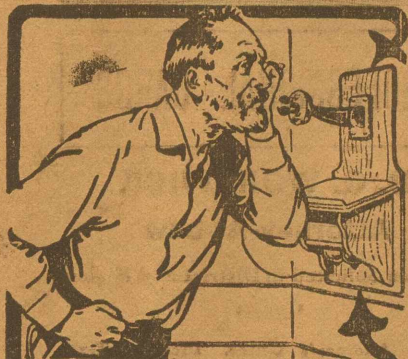
SPUR GRAIN & COAL COMPANY BOTH PHONES 51 SPUR, TEXAS

The millinery openings Saturday at Sol Davis and Bryant-Link Company were largely attended by the ladies of the town. Both places had attractive showings in hats and millinery goods, and at Sol Davis' small shell souvenirs were distributed among those in attendance.

Mr. Teague, of Roaring Springs, is now operating a regular hack line from Spur to Roaring Springs, giving us direct connection three times each week.

J. M. Rodgers was in Spur the latter part of last week from his farm and ranch in Kent county near Clairemont.

B. D. Glasow is in Denton this week on legal business.

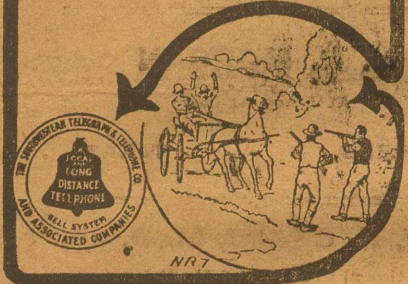


GIVES MIDNIGHT ALARM

Farmer Stout was awakened from a sound sleep by the ringing of his telephone bell. The barn of his neighbor, three miles down the turnpike, had been broken into and a driving horse stolen.

The horse thieves were headed toward the Stout farm. Calling his hands he armed his forces, lined them upon the turnpike, captured the thieves and held them until the arrival of the Sheriff.

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Friday afternoon of last week Mrs. G. T. Brandon entertained the "Merry Wives Club" membership at her home in the city. Dainty refreshments were served during the afternoon and the occasion was one of pleasure to all in attendance.

J. M. Jones and wife, of Afton returned through Spur Sunday on their return home from Fort Worth where they spent several days attending the Fat Stock Show.

Dr. B. F. Hale, of Dickens, came over to Spur Monday in his new Hupmobile car and spent some time here.

Ned Hogan is in Dallas this week buying merchandise for the Edwards-Hogan Company.

Dr. Guest, of Lockney, passed through Spur Tuesday on his return home from Fort Worth,

SAVE YOUR DOLLARS!!

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WITHIN THE Next few days we will have in a complete line of new dry goods and notions, and you can get just what you want in Cotton Checks, Dress Calicos—solid colors in calico and gingham—Dress Gingham, 10-4 Sheeting and other spring and summer goods. These new goods added to our already enormously large stock will make it complete, and the entire stock is to be sacrificed at bankrupt prices. Come in and see the goods and get prices. Compare these prices with those of other merchants and be convinced that we save you dollars—Great Big Cart Wheel Dollars. : : : : :

The R. R. Morrisn Stand

C. C. TYLER, Manager

DICKENS ITEM

R. M. Hamby transacted business at Spur this week.

Judge Ferguson went to Spur last Saturday.

Mr. Higgins, our popular hotel man, went to Spur last Saturday to take his father to the train.

J. H. Reynolds, proficient postmaster, transacted business at Spur this week.

Commissioners Court was in session this week and many wolf scalps were brought in for the bounty.

Considerable damage was done to the Afton Telephone Company's lines by the hard winds this week. Several poles were blown down and the lines remained on the ground for quite awhile.

Mr. Lee Coffman and wife, of Knox county, passed through Dickens the first of the week en route to their home from Spur. They had been at the bedside of Miss Myrtle Craig, of Benjamin, who underwent an operation at the Standifer Sanitarium the first of the week. They reported her doing nicely.

R. L. Collier returned Tuesday from Fort Worth where he has been on business.

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

L. W. Bilberry and mother and daughter, Miss Mamie, were in Spur Monday shopping.

Homer Wilson, of near Jayton, was a visitor here Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins who was quite sick Saturday and Sunday, is convalescent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawkins and children made a trip to Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brooks, Sr., were the visitors of Rev. Bennett and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Marshall, of near Afton, are visiting at the home of Chas. Brooks and wife.

Miss Mae Wasson, our esteemed school teacher, visited Miss Mamie Bilberry Sunday.

D. D. Hagins made a business trip to Spur Monday.

The singing given by L. L. Arnold and wife Sunday night was largely attended.

W. P. Sampson is digging a cistern. He says he is tired of hauling water.

We are glad to note that Mrs. F. W. West, who has had a severe attack of lagrippe, has recovered.

The farmers here are elated over the two good rains that fell here last week. Had it not been for the snow storm Saturday no doubt some of them would have been planting ere this.

Say, don't forget that the Farmers Union meets at Duck Creek schoolhouse the 21st.—A Farmer.

A. C. Lewis, the shoe-maker, has been sick the past week, having been confined to his bed several days.

Wm. Elliot was in the city Tuesday from his Spring Creek Farm and Ranch.

ENTER THE CONTEST

The State Industrial Congress is again offering ten thousand dollars to farmers this year for the best crops produced. We want to see at least twenty-five farmers of Dickens county enter the contest which offers prizes for the best corn, maize, kaffir corn, sorghum, cotton, grain, hay and all farm products. To get in the contest your name must be entered before the first day of April. Jeff D. Reagan has blanks and will be glad to assist all who will enter the contest.

Mrs. Sol Davis entertained the "Merry Wives Club" at her home Friday afternoon, and quite a number of club membership was present and enjoyed the occasion. Refreshments were served and the guests were delightfully entertained.

V. H. Grubbs was in Spur Monday from his place in the Red Mud country and spent some time here trading.

R. M. Glazbrook was in from the ranch Monday and spent several hours in the city on business.

Dock Ellis, of eighteen miles west of Spur, was in the city this week trading.

Joe Allison, of Dickens, passed through Spur Tuesday on his way to the Steel Hill community where he will spend the week with his friends and acquaintances. He says that his friends are always glad to see him come, but are generally gladder to see him leave. However, he says he has good luck unloading his medicine.

W. H. Teague returned last week from an extended trip over the country to the north and west of Spur. He reports having sold a number of brooms to merchants on the trip and also sold medicines and did veterinary work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Higgins were in the city Tuesday from their home on Cat Fish.

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F. G. Townsend is in Spur this week from Fort Worth to overhaul and re-tune the player-piano at the Lyric Theatre.

R. L. Collier, dealer in livestock, Milk cows and Poland China hogs a specialty. See me when you want to buy or sell. 12

Frank Broyles was in Spur this week from the Paddle Ranch and spent some time here on business.

W. T. Cathey, a prominent business man of Jayton, was in Spur this week on business.

Mrs. F. M. Adams, of Red Hill, was in the city Monday trading and spent several hours here.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

ENCOURAGE YOUNG CITIZENSHIP

We are opposed to slates and caucusses in political, governmental and social affairs, because, if persistently practiced, the public will be in jeopardy and the result eventually leads to centralization of power. Therefore, in making a suggestion as to the personnel of the city ticket to be voted upon Tuesday, the first day of April, we do not wish to be misunderstood as to making a slate, since at the present time no one has authorized us to announce candidates for city offices, but rather to promote the real interests of the town and citizenship. The following names are suggested to appear upon the city ballots to be voted:

For Mayor: Sol Davis, P. H. Miller, L. N. Riter, A. T. Odeneal, N. A. Baker, B. D. Glasgow, R. S. Holman.

For Commissioners: Carl Lowery, W. S. Campbell, C. C. Tyler, Dr. Morris, Dr. Brandon, W. F. Godfrey, Ned Hogan, J. A. Koon, Leslie Williams, L. R. Barrett, H. W. Jennings, Cephus Hogan, F. W. Jennings, W. S. Cooper, J. B. Richburg, W. G. Broyles, T. L. Higginbotham, Clay Smart, W. B. Griffin, J. H. Meadows, L. A. Hindman, W. C. Gruben, Sanders Taylor, Ross Edwards, M. E. Manning, Sam Clemmons.

These are all young men, capable, trustworthy, can and will give the city a progressive business administration. We believe it right and proper that the young men of the town should not only be encouraged but honored in the administration of public affairs, and by having the whole list of suggested names to appear on the tickets the tendency will be to discourage factions and encourage an active interest and create a spirit of friendly rivalry in public city affairs. Probably not one of the gentlemen included in this list but would say, "get some one else who is better fitted for the place," and certainly not one of them but what would be back-

ward in permitting his name to appear on the ticket, and in no instance will one of them push himself ahead for the place, yet we are firm in the belief that the town is due some consideration to its younger men, and we appeal to the public to at least give the young men a chance to do something for the public, the town and the country.

We have no axe to grind in municipal affairs, and if there are other names suggested put them on the ticket. A slate of three names appearing upon a ticket for public office has the appearance if not the inference that voters will follow a lead like sheep.

People differ in their ideas and desires of public officers and whom they wish to serve in public office, therefore a variety of names should be submitted from which voters can select their preferences.

The Charter of the city of Spur allows five dollars a day for the services of each city officer. While the present city officers have not been drawing pay for their services until the recent meetings, the precedent is now made, and the officers elected at the coming election will not be forced to serve the public but will be expected to draw five dollars per day for such public service. This is right and proper. No man should be expected to serve the public without compensation.

F. A. Loyd, a prominent citizen and business man of Afton, is in Dallas this week buying goods for the Afton store.

W. D. Blair, of several miles east of Spur was in the city on business.

Mrs. Fred O. McFall was in the city recently from her home several miles northeast of Spur.

Robt. Nichols, a prominent citizen of Dickens, was in Spur Monday.

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THE FIRST EASTERTIDE

Come to my knee, little children,
Come gather close to my side;
For I'm going to tell you a story
This beautiful Eastertide.

You know you have often heard
Of the Baby who was born
In a manger in a stable
The first glad Xmas morn.

You know about the shepherds
From the greatest to the least.
You know about the story
Of the wise men from the East.

You have often heard, my darlings,
The sweet and wonderful story,
How Jesus, our blessed Redeemer,
Left His throne in glory

And came to earth to save you—
Yes, came to be crucified—
And now I am going to tell you
Of the first glad Eastertide.

After Jesus, the Savior,
Was laid in Joseph's tomb
And left his loved disciples
Bowed down in sorrow and gloom:

Tho Jesus had often told them
He would rise again, you know,
They did not understand Him
And would not believe it so:

They mourned for their Lord and Master
In anguish and despair
And direful apprehensions
With hearts bowed down with care.

Just think of Jesus' mother—
Forced from her Son to part!
No tongue can tell the anguish
That wrung her loving heart.

"O! Will he ever come back?
O! Will he rise from the dead?"
He told us He would conquer
Death and the grave," she said.

Methinks that John, the beloved,
With his arms around her said:
"Yes, after three days dear mother,
He will again be at our side."

And when the Sabbath was over
The mother of James and Salome
And Mary Magdalene
In the early morning's gloom

Came to anoint the body
Of Jesus with spices that day,
Tearfully asking each other,
"Who shall roll the stone away?"

That the stone had been rolled away
They found to their surprise.
They entered the tomb of Jesus,
And there before their eyes

Was a beautiful shining angel
Clothed in a robe of white.
And the women were seized with terror
And trembled in their fright.

But the angel calmed their terror,
Saying, "be not afraid;
Ye are seeking Jesus of Nazareth,
Behold the place where he laid."

"He is not here," he answered,
"He is risen from the dead,
Go quickly and tell His disciples,"
And quickly the women fled.

But they did not tell the story
As they were commanded to do,
Because they feared to tell it—
They were just like me and you.

We do not tell the story
Of Jesus as we should—
If we were brave, my darlings,
And not afraid—we would.

Then Jesus appeared to Mary
Magdalene and she fled
And told his weeping disciples
He had risen from the dead.

O! What a joyful meeting
That first glad Eastertide,
When Jesus stood before them
Who suffered, bled and died

On the cruel cross to save them
And conquered the monster death—
O! How they must have worshipped
Their Lord with every breath.

For forty days He tarried,
Telling them many things
About God's coming kingdom:
And then on joyful wings

To heaven He ascended
To prepare us a beautiful home
Where sin, nor sorrow, nor pain,
Nor death can never come.

Now children, let us remember
This blessed Eastertide:
To tell the wonderful story
Of Jesus, the crucified.

Go tell it, children, tell it;
Go tell it o'er and o'er.
For all who trust in Jesus
Shall be saved forevermore.

—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

John S. Callahan, formerly of Spur but who is now farming in the Wake country, was in Spur Tuesday after supplies and looking after other matters. Mr. Callahan says that since the rains last week his section of the country is in fine shape and the farmers are all busy preparing their lands for the planting season.

The report came to Spur this week that Irl R. Morgan, formerly one of the Texas Spur force, is now married and is making his home in Paducah. We extend congratulations and best wishes and may Mr. and Mrs. Morgan live long and prosper.

Jeff Williams and family returned last week from Wichita Falls where they have been spending several weeks on account of the ill health of Mr. Williams. We are glad to note that he is very much improved in health at this time.

L. N. Riter was called to Hamlin Tuesday on account of the illness of Mrs. Riter who is visiting her daughter and family at that place. The many friends of Mrs. Riter in Spur wish her a speedy recovery and an early return home.

Poet Hagins was here the latter part of last week from his place near Gilpin. He reports everything in good shape.

Mrs. A. L. Jobe, of Merkel is in the city this week visiting her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jackson.

Mr. Chaffin, of Clairemont, has been confined this week in the Standifer Hospital for treatment.

W. M. Randall, was among the many citizens in Spur from the Steel Hill country last week.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following names for city offices, subject to the will of the voters at the election to be held April 1st, to elect one mayor and two commissioners to serve two years in the city of Spur:

For Mayor:
A. T. Odeneal.
For Commissioner:
E. C. Edmonds.
P. H. Miller.

T. B. Rash, a prominent citizen of the Steel Hill community, was in the city recently and spent some time here on business.

R. B. Bryant, of Stamford, was in Spur Monday and Tuesday on business.

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EASTER MESSAGE

The Message of Easter Day to men is the promise of a new and nobler life.

Men may die out of a meaner self here and now into a nobler self, if so they will.

And this is the pledge that the offer of Christ to humanity shall find yet higher fulfillment in still diviner forms of being yet to be.

So history runs, proclaiming not so much the descent as the ascent of man, step by step, into the kingdom of highest and Divinest of all.

Nature is life. Anything in it that looks like death is a but token and cretificate of life about to commence anew. Every end there is only a beginning—some lower form letting go its life and casting away its coarser self, that it may re-appear again in forms more beautiful and pure. The mere leaves that seem to fade and rot, pass downward into the root life of some rarer plant more lovely than themselves, and when the sun and rains summon them anew comes forth in forms more wonderful and hues more rare than ever they had known before.

The creeping worm dies out of its meaner life into a winged beauty which Egyptian art and Christian symbolism have alike borrowed to utter—the one its struggling hope, the other its clear undoubting faith. And this is at once the fitness and the suggestiveness of our Easter blossoms. We miss the lesson of yonder flowers if we look on them as forms of mere adornment, or see in them only the hues and fragrance of a fleeting life. Beautiful as they are, like us, they will fade and fall. But their special appropriateness lies in this that in all plant life under Heaven, death is the stepping stone to life more fair and rich, the law of which is held with themselves. The autumn winds strip the plant's branches bare and to outward semblance quench the life out of it wholly. But when the spring rains come again and the sun's kindlier rays kiss the greenness back again into the shriveled branches, there has

been at work all the time an answering law of life within those branches, more powerful than all other powers besides. And thus our vernal buds best symbolize our Easter fact. How can our hearts refuse, then, to echo those notes of triumph gladness?—Bishop Henry Potter.

W. Bender and wife returned to their home near Spur last week. Mr. Bender has been on an extended business trip to South Texas and Mrs. Bender visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Snowden, of near Clairemont.

The O—O ranch, one of the large cattle ranches in Kent county, is to be cut up into small farm tracts and placed on the market for settlement, according to a recent press dispatch from Fort Worth.

Otho L. Hale, a prominent citizen and business man of Afton, was in Spur Friday and Saturday of last week on business. Mr. Hale has recently put in a large stock of hardware at Afton.

C. D. Copeland, a prosperous farmer of a few miles east of Spur, passed through Spur Friday on his return home from a visit to the stock show at Fort Worth.

J. F. Vernon, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank, returned Friday from a business trip to Stamford and Rotan.

W. M. Featherston, a prominent citizen of Jayton, was in the city last week on business and spent some time here.

Mrs. Holland, of Colorado, Texas, was in Spur last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Duke Henson.

E. D. Chambers, of Dickens, was in the city last week on business and spent some time here.

Highest cash price paid for chickens and eggs. Phone 91.—J. C. Hindman. 1S 4tp

P. E. Randolph is at Draper this week in the interest of his photograph business.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

H. C. Allen spent several hours in Spur Tuesday on business.

There was no preaching here Sunday because of the rainy weather.

Mrs. Tucker, of Coke county, is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Johnson.

We had several good showers last week.

Misses Lottie Johnson and Edice West spent Saturday and Sunday south of Spur visiting Miss Fannie Mae Cherry.

Wayne VanLeer, of near Spur, visited his parents here Sunday.

Rev. Buck Hardin, of Post City, will preach at the Dry Lake school house Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith were the guests of R. E. Thomas and family Sunday.

A dance was given last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith. There was an unusually large crowd present and many pleasant hours spent during the night.

There will be a singing at the school house Sunday evening. A large crowd is expected and plenty of good singing.—Maden Vine.

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Every Article of Merit that is Sold These Days is Guaranteed—No Guarantee Often Means Poor Quality.

There is very little excuse for any person to claim that he has been "stung" on a purchase. Fifty years ago the buyer had to look out, but to-day it is unusual to find a merchant who will not return the money for any article that has proved unsatisfactory.

An excellent example of this kind of fair dealing is shown by the cleancut guarantee that The Red Front Drug Store gives on Dodson's Liver Tone.

These people tell us that any person who pays 50c. for a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and does not find it a gentle and most pleasant liver tonic, harmless, but a sure reliever of constipation and a perfect substitute for calomel, can get his money back just as quick as they can get it out of the money drawer.

Dodson's Liver Tone has practically taken the place of calomel. It is absolutely harmless, sure in its action and causes no restriction of habit or diet. No wonder the drug people are glad to guarantee it while other remedies that imitate the claims of Dodson's Liver Tone are not guaranteed at all.

A. W. Johnson, of Oklahoma, passed through Spur Sunday en route to Clairemont where he will visit his daughter, Mrs. W. P. Blackburn and family. Mr. Johnson is a public auctioneer, and during the past few months has traveled throughout the Texas Panhandle and New Mexico in the interest of his profession.

N. E. Porter, of Jayton, was in Spur Sunday and spent several hours here on business. Mr. Porter is ex-mayor of Jayton and one of the most prominent citizens of the town.

F. A. Loyd, a leading citizen and business man of Afton, was in Spur the first of the week on business and spent several hours here.

L. W. Davis, who has been confined to his room for several days on account of rheumatism, is able to again be at his office.

Miss Myrtle Rodgers is visiting her parents near Clairemont this week.

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C. A. JONES, Vice-President

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

Mr. Houston, who has been in Spur the past several months in the interest of his insurance business, left Sunday for his home at Arlington where he will remain some time.

I have high bred White Orpington, White Wyandotte, Barred Rock and Rhode Island Red Hens. Will sell a few settings locally for 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.—F. F. Mace, Spur, Texas. 14tf

Robert T. Dopson, a leading citizen of the Dry Lake community, was in the city Saturday trading with the merchants and on other business.

C. C. Haile, merchant and post master at Draper, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and spent some time here.

M. L. Hale, of Afton, passed through Spur Saturday on his return home from Fort Worth where he attended the Fat Stock Show.

THE TEXAS SILOS

Recent statistics compiled by the Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association, showing that we now have 214 silos in Texas, indicate that the silo has secured a permanent place among the necessary equipment of the modern Texas farm. The majority of these silos were erected during the past 12 months and four manufacturing plants have recently been established in Texas.

The results show that butter and beef can be produced cheaper on a ration of ensilage than is possible by any other method of feeding and a silo will increase the efficiency of the feed 15 per cent.

Sebe Lambert, of the Tap country, was in the city last week on business and spent several hours here.

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LOST HORSES

Straved—One bay mare, blaze face; one brown mare, roached mane. Liberal reward for information leading to their recovery.—G. M. Hufstutler, at Second Hand Store, Spur, Texas.

J. A. Nichols, a very prominent citizen and one of the most extensive farmers of the Wake country, was in Spur Tuesday after supplies. Mr. Nichols is now operating a big traction plow on his farm and Herbert Irwin went out to operate the machine. The plow turns more than ten feet of dirt and during the day many acres are turned under.

Mrs. Berry Pursley and little son, of near Jayton, were in Spur the first of the week and spent some time here. Mrs. Pursley will probably buy several acres of Spur Farm Lands as an investment and was here for that purpose.

Considerable damage is reported to the Dickens school house as a result of the high winds last Thursday. Several brick flues and one gable end of the building tumbled in and the damage will amount to several dollars.

A. R. Lake and son and Leon Lewis returned the latter part of last week from Paducah, Quana and other places to the north where they have been spending several weeks railroading.

If you want the best pants on the market for \$2.50 \$3.50 and \$5. every one of them guaranteed why can't we trade.—Edwards-Hogan Co.

Captain J. A. Lambdin came up the latter part of last week from Stamford and spent some time in Spur looking after his business interests.

V. H. Bryant is now employed at the E. Luce grocery store in the place of N. Q. Brannen who has gone to Jaydon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, of the Duck Creek country, were in Spur Monday trading with merchants.

Will do furniture repairing at your residence. Phone W. S. Hunter, at Hisey Gro. Co. 16-4p

L. W. Davis and wife visited relatives and friends in Dickens the first of the week.

A boy was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Fike at their home in the city.

See me for land loans. No attorney nor inspection fees.—E. C. Edmonds. 14-tf.

I am going to Randolph's and have my picture made



Come on and have your picture made and get that enlarged picture free while you have an opportunity as we are going to Jayton the first of next month for a short stay. Come and ask about the enlarged picture—it's free. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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WATCH THIS SPACE, SPECIAL EACH WEEK

Sol Davis
THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST.

HOGS! HOGS! HOGS!

Three thoroughbred Poland China male pigs for sale at my farm four miles west of Clairemont. They are four months old, of the big-bone type, and registered certificates can be supplied with each pig if desired.—B. C. Cairns. 16-4t

Miss Lois Morrison left Wednesday for Dallas and Sherman where she will remain on an extended visit to her brother and sister and other friends.

Dr. Morris received his new Krit automobile Wednesday. The car is a beauty and the Doctor will use it in his practice and for pleasure.

Mrs. Jobe, who is here from Merkel visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Jackson, has been quite sick this week.

S. E. Gunn of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday on business and to see his daughter, Miss Gunn of the Bryant-Link Company.

Mrs. W. S. Cooper and children returned Wednesday from Clairemont where they have been visiting her parents.

Spur Masonic Lodge Number 1023 will meet Thursday night, March 20th. All members are invited to be present.

C. L. Love made a business trip last week to Stamford where he spent several days with his family.

E. L. Clay, who has been out of the city the past several weeks is again at home with his family.

Honest Fact! We want your breeches business.—Edwards-Hogan Co.

A. Stiffer and wife, of Dickens, were in Spur and spent several hours shopping.

Money to loan on farms and ranches, do my own inspecting, no delays.—L. W. Davis.

Jim Walker, of several miles southeast of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

R. H. Howell, who formerly lived in the Afton country but recently moved to Roaring Springs country, was in Spur Monday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He says that crop prospects are fine at this time in that country.

Mr. King of several miles west of Spur, recently purchased the Spur Hotel of Willis Smith and C. C. Haile. The business will be managed hereafter by Mr. Harris who is said to be a first-class hotel man.

W. C. Gurben and Dr. Grace made a trip this week to Post City where they spent some time. Mr. Gruben will probably remain there some time to do watch repairing work.

I have opened a first-class curb stone, walking real estate office in the city of Spur. I have some real bargains in 160 acre tracts up to 3,000 acre tracts. See me if you want to buy or sell land.—W. A. North. 18-4t

J. E. Dement and family moved last week to Plainview where they will make their future home. Mr. Dement traded his Spur property to C. F. Cates for property at Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. John Langham and Miss Grace Chumley of Dickens, were in Spur last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Duke Henson.

T. L. Higginbotham is moving his bottling works this week to the old Tovland building where he will do business this summer.

A. E. Reeves returned Monday from Dallas where he had spent several days visiting friends relatives and acquaintances.

Mrs. Attebury returned Monday from Dallas where she had been as a delegate to the Woodman convention.

S. R. Bowman, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and spent some time here on business.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

W. A. Johnson was in Spur last Saturday on business.

Misses Lottie Johnson and Edice West spent Saturday and Sunday east of Spur with Miss Fannie Mae Cherry.

Quite a crowd of young folks went kodaking on Soldier Mound Sunday.

Mr. Smith is breaking sod this week preparatory for making a bumper crop.

W. F. Markham and Harvy and Gray Draper attended the singing at Steel Hill Sunday of last week.

Misses Irene and Erna Mae Leach were the guests of Mrs. T. G. Cherry Friday.

Joe Draper returned Sunday from Haskell where he spent several days visiting relatives and friends.

Rev. Buck Hardin failed to fill his regular appointment here Sunday on account of sickness in his family.—Maiden Vine.

Do you wear breeches? If so you cant afford to miss our unusually low values.—Edwards-Hogan Co.

E. R. Rorie was in the city Saturday from the ranch and spent several hours here.

Ex-Sheriff Cole was in Spur Saturday from his farm several miles north.

ELECTION ORDER

Be it ordained by the commissioners of the City of Spur, Texas, that there be held an election on the first Tuesday in April, 1913, in the City of Spur for the purpose of electing a mayor and two commissioners to serve two years from the date of their election, and that said election be held in accordance with the law governing city elections and be it further ordained that Cephus Hogan, T. A. Tidwell and C. F. Cates are hereby appointed judges to hold said election, and that said election be held in the Toy Land building in Spur, Texas.

By order of the commissioners of Spur, Texas, in regular session February 24, 1913.—Geo. S. Link, Mayor; Oscar Jackson, Recorder. 16-4t

ATTEND CONVENTION

J. M. Jackson and wife, Raldo Newman and wife, John Southworth, of Matador, and J. B. Conner and wife, Jeff D. Harkey, K. H. Kennedy, of Dickens, and W. A. Wilkinson of Spur, left on the south bound Stamford & Northwestern Sunday afternoon for El Paso to attend the cattlemens convention in session this week in that city.

Mrs. J. B. Morrison, who has been confined in the Standifer Hospital for an operation, was removed Thursday to her home twelve miles southwest of Spur.

If its life insurance you want, let me show you my policy, and there will be no occasion for you to spend your money with others.—W. A. North. 18-4t.

R. L. Collier bought a thousand head of cattle this week in the Jayton country and will pasture them on his place in the Afton country.

We have a new shipment of \$2.50 \$3.50 and \$5.00 Curlee pants, gaurasteed both by us and the manufacturers.—Edward-Hogan Co.

Lee Wilhite, of Roran, returned Thursday to Spur and will spend some time here in the intrest of his lone company promotion.

Clay Smart returned this week from Arkansas where he has been several days with his uncle who was sick.

J. H. McClaren, of Hamlin, is in Spur this week visiting his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nicholson.

L. N. Riter returned Thursday from Hamlin where he had gone to be with Mrs. Riter who was sick at that place.

See me for land loans. No attorney nor inspection fees.—E. C. Edmonds. 14-tf.

W. D. Bender was in the city Thursday from his place several miles north of Spur.

W. K. Perry visited friends at Soldier Mound Saturday night and Sunday.

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