

PROCEEDINGS OF THE AGRICULTURAL MEETING

The Central West Texas Agricultural Association closed its Sixth Quarterly meeting at Spur Saturday, after one of the most interesting sessions in the history of the organization. Seven counties were represented, and a program arranged for the special needs of the farmers of this section was carried out.

The meeting was called to order by Homer D. Wade, Secretary of the Association, and in the absence of President A. D. McLaughlin, Jeff D. Reagan, of Spur, was elected chairman of the meeting.

In an address of welcome by Mayor George S. Link the courtesies and privileges of Spur were extended to the visitors. Mayor Link said that while Spur could not boast of miles of paved streets nor sky-scraping buildings she could show that she has the spirit of hospitality as broad as the prairies. That the latch strings were on the outside, and within reach of all. In a response Mr. Wade thanked Spur for courtesies extended, and set forth the purposes and aims of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association. He explained that the bringing together of the farmers and merchants on the same business footing for the mutual benefit of both is to be encouraged, and that when this is done the mission of the association will be accomplished.

C. C. French, of the Ft. Worth stock yards, spoke of the decrease in the meat supply of the United States, and of the necessity of more attention being given by farmers to the business of raising a few cattle and hogs on the farms, which he declared would in the aggregate produce a supply equal to that raised on the ranches where the existence of the cattle depends upon the grass only. He advocated the organization of hog and baby beef clubs by the boys and girls, and explained how the clubs are organized.

Wm. Ganzler, of Denton, state demonstration agent, explained the difference between the experimental and the demonstration farms. How the purpose of one is to try out and determine the best crops and methods of cultivation, and the other to demonstrate the selected crops and approved methods of cultivation.

J. W. Neill, State Department of Agriculture, spoke on the "Insect Pest, and How to handle it." He first explained how to determine what kind of insect is doing the injury to the crop, and then the best method of fighting the pest. How deep winter plowing not only prepares the ground to collect and conserve moisture, but also destroys the insect, and how it is some times necessary to plant trap crops to protect the fields.

Judge L. Gough, of Crosbyton, addressed the meeting on "Farming Around the Cap Rock." He said that three things, properly combined will make farming a success in any country: Water, Brains and Dirt. He said that

blue weeds can be killed by being kept cut down below the surface.

Joe J. Caldwell, of Ft. Worth, representing the Saginaw Silo delivered a very interesting address on silos. He said that the crop that will produce one ton of dry feed will produce six tons of silage, and that the feeding quality of the silage is greatly in excess of the dry feed, it taking the place of pasturage at a time when the grass is gone, or not green and sweet. He recommends silage for cattle, horses, hogs and poultry.

In an address on "My Ideas of the West" J. L. Quicksall, Assistant State Agent, Farm Demonstration Work, said that at the Paris Exposition a test of the soils from all parts of the world was made, and that the soil from the Brazos Bottom of Texas proved the best. Mr. Quicksall said further that the soils of the Brazos Bottom came from the Red Lands of the west, in which Dickens county is situated, and owe their fertility to the properties and elements that are stored in the Red Lands.

Mrs. Benigna Kalb, of the Texas Poultry Raisers Association, delivered an address on poultry, and among other points brought out by her was cleanliness in the poultry quarters. As a remedy for the general complaint against Texas eggs in the northern markets, she advised keeping the laying hens from the male birds during the season when eggs are to be saved for the market and for the table use. The sterile egg will keep better and longer than the fertile egg, and she claims that the hens will lay better when kept to themselves.

Hon. E. Gentry, General Field Agent, Farm Demonstration Work, Bureau of Plant Industry, Washington, D. C. spoke on "Farm Demonstration Work. Its Aims and Accomplishments." Mr. Gentry has made a study of the subject that directly affect the farmer and his interests, and in his address made a general summary of what had been said by others speakers, and emphasized the point that seed selection is of great importance, and that home grown seed, when selected with proper care are better than seed imported.

Hon. Ed R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, spoke on the "State Department of Agriculture." Judge Kone told how the department was organized, and of its struggles for existence, and how it had grown from nothing to one of the recognized departments of the state, second to none in importance.

Chas. A. Jones, of Spur, was elected vice-president of the Association for the remainder of the ensuing year by a unanimous vote.

Hamlin was selected for the next quarterly meeting.

It is believed that great practical benefit will come to Spur from the meeting, and that the Central West Texas Agricultural Association will increase in usefulness and efficiency as its purpose becomes better known.

Our visitors left Spur with that good feeling that comes from hospitality sincerely extended, and expressed the hope that they, one and all, shall have the pleasure of being with us again in the near future.

SOME SIMPLE FACTS

Rockefeller can write a few words on a sheet of paper and make it worth \$50,000,000. That's capital. The United States can take an ounce and a quarter of gold and stamp an eagle on it and make it worth \$20. That's money. A mechanic can take a piece of material worth \$5 and make watch springs worth \$500. That's skill. A woman can purchase a hat for \$3 but prefers one costing \$30. That's foolishness. A ditch digger works ten hours a day and handles several tons of dirt for \$1.50. That's labor. There are fellows who will tell you that they have better flour than Light Crust. That's gall.

Have you seen the Sanitary Steam Washer? It does away with the rubbing and saves 75 per cent of the labor. You men don't mind paying \$50 for a riding plow to make your labor easy, but you are too poor to pay \$12.50 for a washing machine to lighten the burdens of your wife. Open up your old selfish hearts and get a Sanitary Washer. Ask to see them.

It's hot weather now and the old style cook stove makes your kitchen almost unbearable. This can be avoided by getting one of our O. K. oil stoves, the new thing in the oil stove line and consumes less oil than other makes. Saves cutting wood and kindling fires and cuts your fuel bill in half. Every lady who has to cook should have one of these stoves. Now men, one of these stoves will keep your wife in a good humor all the summer, and they only cost \$15.

Yes, the weather seems to get warmer each day and we are wishing for something cool and refreshing. How can we get it? Well, ice cream can't be beat, so get one of the new freezers that we have just gotten in. All sizes in stock now.

Did you see the cut of the auto seat buggy we had in the paper last week at \$65? Now, this buggy is all we claim it to be and we have them in stock, also cheaper jobs than this if you want them. Give us your buggy business, we will compete with all local competitors and sell you from \$15 to \$50 cheaper than the buggy peddler, also cheaper than the mail order house on the same basis they sell you. What we are trying to impress upon you is that we want your buggy business. We are making the price and have goods of quality—the Jnc. Deere and Banner lines.

"Haven't found your dog yet, I hear," said Smith to his neighbor, Jones.

"No," answered Jones ruefully. "Well, have you advertised?" asked Smith.

"What's the use?" answered Jones. "The dog can't read."

A new shipment of dainty laces and nets just from New York this week. Don't forget Style Plus \$17. A new lot of brown and blue serge suits coming by express this week. Guaranteed all wool and perfect fit and tailoring, only \$15.

Our business was good last week, and there's a reason. We give you values and thank you for the business. Let's keep on plowing and planting and singing and whistling until it gets so dry we can't pucker for whistling, for on the darkest billow the brightest foam dances. Your friends.—Bryant Link Co.

A STATEMENT

To the editor of the Texas Spur:—There have been conflicting reports as to the distribution of the amount voted by the graduating class to cover their expenses during commencement week, and through fairness of our teachers and for the benefit of those so deeply interested we wish to make the following statement:

At a meeting of the class, and through no influence of any member of the teaching staff, or the Board of Directors, the class unanimously voted an expense of \$15 on each member to cover graduating expenses. There was not a dissenting vote and each member of the class seemed to be satisfied as to the amount. This money is to be disbursed in the following manner:

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| Announcements, forty to each member at 22c..... | \$72.00 |
| Decorating stage, flowers, etc..... | 20.00 |
| Diplomas, 10 at \$5..... | 50.00 |
| Cards, engraved (individual calling cards)..... | 17.50 |
| Expenses Bishop Temple..... | 15.00 |
| Actual expenses..... | \$174.50 |
| Incidentals (covering extras, etc.....) | 7.50 |
| Total expenses..... | \$182.00 |

The reports that are being circulated that the members of the class had been compelled to contribute a portion of the amount voted to any member of the teaching staff for coaching, or preparing the members for this occasion is untrue, and the teachers have lended every assistance to the class to the end of perfecting them in their orations.

Some of the members of their own free will and accord have been coached, for which they have individually stood the expense, and under no circumstances has the class been compelled or influenced in this regard.

There has also been some talk as to the distribution of the money received for the senior play and the amount to be received for the commencement exercises. This money was and is to be applied to reducing the expenses as much as possible.

We make this statement in order that the people of this community will understand the facts, and not be prejudiced by the false reports being circulated.—B. E. Alexander, Opal Berryman, Nora Link, Lilburn Standifer, Winnifred Mace, Boyd Williams, Earyl Senning, Mary Copeland, Horace Gibson, members of graduating class.

MARRIED

Last week Wayne VanLeer and Miss Eula McAteer were married in Colorado and are now domiciled in their home near Spur. Miss McAteer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McAteer of several miles north of Spur, is a young lady of lovable character, modest and a true representative of West Texas young womanhood and is of one of the best families of the country. Mr. VanLeer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. G. VanLeer, and is a young man of sterling worth and integrity. The Texas Spur joins their friends in extending congratulations and very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. VanLeer.

THE WATER WORKS BOND ELECTION CARRIES IN SPUR

In the election held Wednesday to determine whether or not Spur should issue bonds to the extent of twenty five thousand dollars to install a water works system, there were eighty votes polled, seventy nine being in favor of issuing the bonds and one vote being polled against the issuance of the bonds.

This is the second election held for the same purpose, there being some technical error in the proceedings with respect to the former election.

It is thought now that the bonds will be approved and everything will be in readiness to begin work on the proposed water works system within the next month. The plan is to secure water from wells to be dug just over the hill from Spur, such a supply being only temporary, awaiting the final outcome of the artesian well work now in progress.

MUSICAL RECITAL

Mrs. G. M. Bachelor entertained a large audience in the school auditorium Wednesday night with a musical program of twenty three selections and rendered by the pupils of her music class composed of seventeen young ladies.

The program was well rendered and each number was appreciated and heartily endorsed by the audience. The rendition was conclusive evidence of the aptitude of the pupils and demonstrated the superior ability of the teacher. Mrs. Bachelor is a musical instructor of marked ability, and as a musician she has few equals in the country.

DIED

Mrs. C. P. Poole died Monday night at her home in the city and the remains were interred Tuesday in the Spur Cemetery. Mrs. Poole had been sick for some time and although the death was not unexpected, coming at this time it was a great bereavement to the family. Mrs. Poole was a good woman, a devoted wife and loving mother, and we extend our sincere sympathy to the family in their sorrow.

RETURNS FROM AUSTIN

Mrs. Y. L. Jones and daughter, little Miss Nan, returned Saturday from Austin where they spent some time with her sister, Mrs. Thomas, whose husband died recently. Mr. Thomas was superintendent of the State Deaf and Dumb Institute located at Austin and was one of the most prominent men of the state.

BATCHELOR GIRLS

The Batchelor Girls met Tuesday evening with Miss Reynolds at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holman.

Several musical selections were rendered, after which a delicious ice course was served.—Reporter.

THE TEXAS SPUR

Oran McClure, Ed. and Prop.

SPUR TEXAS

Simplified spelling should be a boon for the rough-writers.

Harvard's plan to teach wit and humor discloses a sad lack of them.

The open season for the idiot who rocks the boat will soon be in our midst.

"Do not hire pretty teachers," advises an authority who never was a boy himself.

If evolution keeps abreast of the times it must be occupied in evolving a swatless fly.

Montenegro is little, but a very small match can start trouble in a powder factory.

The strawberry box, not the peach basket, is the model of this season's hats for women.

It is given out that there is to be an increase in the price of ice. Well, that will h—p s—e.

Word to the wise: Tuck away \$40 or \$50 of your week's salary for that impending vacation.

The only "girl tenor" in the world has arrived in this country. Pity the country that is without one.

Quite appropriately those hair importing musical girls explained when arrested, "Well, I'll be switched."

Why should San Francisco boast that it was founded in 1776? The work was not done by native sons.

A cigar store five feet wide has been opened in Gotham. Stogies should be the proper stock to carry.

Now that the government experts are going to define sausage, a great mystery will doubtless be cleared up.

No longer can we gain emphasis by saying that objects "sink like a stone." They are now building concrete ships.

The bald-headed man has trouble enough, what with drafts and flies, without calling his bareness immodest.

A Colorado judge says that a wife should tell her husband all she knows. But usually she does, and then some.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who used to put fresh straw under the parlor carpet every spring?

Even though some men are slow, did you ever notice that they are "some" sprinters when it comes to running in debt?

There is something to be thankful for in the fact that the peach shortcake crop was spared by the recent blizzard.

Simplified spelling is to be taught in the schools of Philadelphia. And yet Philadelphia once had a reputation of being slow.

A Pennsylvania undertaken tendered a banquet to the doctors of the town. There's nothing like getting a "stand in."

The old-fashioned bicycle rider who used to get arrested for scorching now regards the automobile joy-rider with wonder at the speed with which we progress.

Report says the president of Honduras has died of a disease. How strange, when it is considered how often officials of that part of the globe have shuffled off.

Theoretically a large number of people are fond of dandelion greens. They might get together with the owners of lawns.

The old maxim, "Learn one thing every day," sounds well. But most of us are kept busy unlearning something every day.

A disappointed lover shot himself with blank cartridges and was arrested. Remodel that statement about "the course," etc.

College professor says no man should marry on less than \$5 a day. But the chances are Cupid will continue to ignore wages.

There was a splendid argument for physical culture in the story of the young Canadian athlete who has married an American widow with \$15,000,000.

Modistes in copying natural colors for costumes head their list with "figleaf green"—More of a compliment to the first costume than to an unusual green.

ELK GIVEN STATES

Thousands Needed by Government Agents on Preserves.

Herd Will Be Kept From Starving to Death and the Overcrowded Ranges Will Soon Be Replenished.

Denver.—The long-promised distribution of elk from Jackson's Hole and Yellowstone National Park has begun. Thousands of the animals are now being rounded up by cowboys on the overstocked range in Wyoming and Montana, and are being shipped by the carload to states that have sent in requests for them.

A carload of eighty elk, rounded up on the Yellowstone Park region and shipped from Gardiner, Mont., the northern gateway to the Yellowstone, arrived in Denver the other day on their way to Arizona. These elk will be turned out upon their new range in Arizona. They will be protected from hunters, under state laws, and will be given every opportunity to increase.

In the last few weeks herds of elk have been sent in this way to Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Dakota, Washington, Oregon and California.

Only one of the Arizona consignments died en route. It is necessary to give the elk a rest every day. They are unloaded from all the cars and put into convenient corrals, and, after a few hours' rest, proceed on their journey. In this way the loss is comparatively small.

The government was forced to adopt this plan to prevent the elk in the west from going the way of the buffalo to extinction. Most of the elk in the Rocky mountains had ranged north until they reached the Jackson's Hole region south of Yellowstone Park. Here they congregated in vast herds. The number of elk in this region has been estimated at from 25,000 to 100,000 head, but C. D. Nowlin, former game commissioner of Wyoming, who is now at the head of the work of transportation carried out by the government biological survey, estimates that the smaller number is nearer correct.

Last year congress appropriated a considerable sum for the care and feeding of the Jackson's Hole elk, which were starving in the deep snows. Government employes, aided by ranchmen, carried hay to the elk ranges, especially in the early spring. Hundreds of calves, as well as older elk, were dying of starvation.

The lives of thousands of elk were saved by feeding, but it was soon demonstrated that this measure of relief was only tremendous expense to keep up the work of feeding so it was determined to distribute the elk among the states that put in applications for herds and that were willing to pay the expenses of transportation and guarantee protection to the animals after arrival.

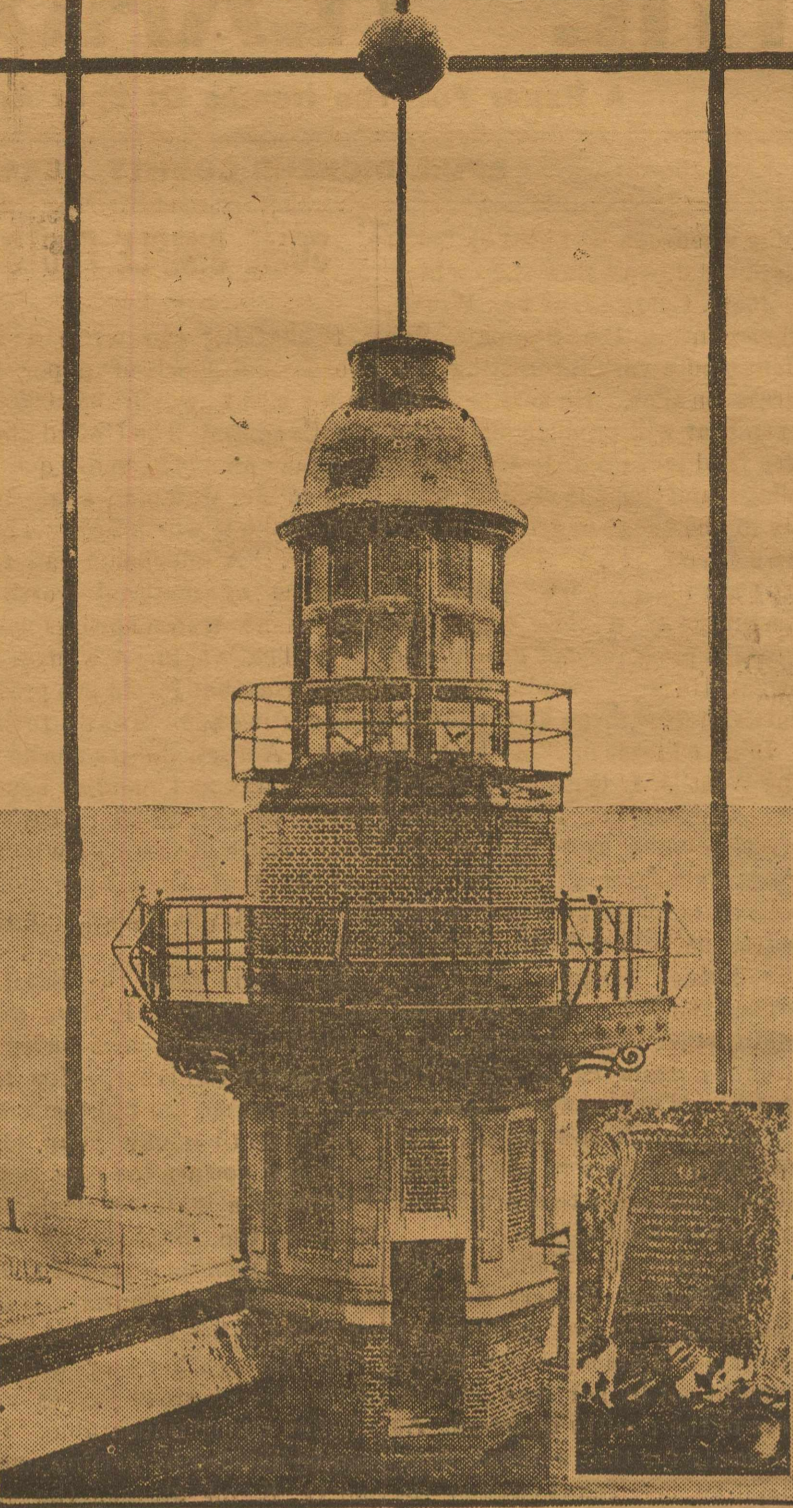
Many states have taken advantage of this offer. Probably 1,500 elk have been shipped, and this number will be trebled before the shipping season has ended.

The elk are rounded up in the deep snows and driven to Gardiner. Ranchmen, state game wardens, forest rangers and Yellowstone Park employes are assisting in the work. It is easy to round up the elk, which become "stalled" in the deep snows.

Under old conditions State Game Warden Hudson of Wyoming reported that nine out of ten elk calves born in the Jackson's Hole region died before they were four weeks old.

In all the government has appropriated close to \$100,000 for elk protection. The appropriation is generally approved, as it will result in replenishing the depleted elk ranges of many states, and will give the fast disappearing elk of this country a new lease of life. In a few years states which have

TITANIC MEMORIAL LIGHTHOUSE TOWER



At the first annual services in memory of those who lost their lives in the Titanic disaster, Bishop Greer in his speech said in part "that the lighthouse tower which tops the new home of the Seaman's Institute had a fitting significance as it throws its rays across the waters as far as Sandy Hook." The tablet reads: "This lighthouse tower is a memorial to the passengers, officers and crew of the steamship Titanic, who died as heroes when the vessel sank after a collision with an iceberg, Latitude 41:46 north, longitude 80:14 west, April 15. Erected by public subscription."

not had elk hunting for generations will be enabled to issue elk-hunting licenses for brief periods each year.

TRUTH ABOUT ADRIANOPOLE

Times Correspondent Says Turk Defense Were Pitifully Inadequate.

London.—The Times publishes a long and critical account of the siege and capture of Adrianople, from a correspondent who visited that city immediately after it was taken by the allies. It shows that the defense of Adrianople, though stubborn, was not as skillful and spirited as had been supposed and that the difficulties the Servians and Bulgarians had to overcome in the final assault have been very much exaggerated.

The correspondent attributes the fall of the fortress in a great measure to lack of spade work on the part of the Turks, and says that in the final assault the main works were barely defended—were, in fact, almost indefensible.

"When I remember the Ladysmith defenses and the Russian works which the Japanese had to force at Liao-Lang," continues the correspondent,

"and compare them with the parodies on military engineering which were defended at Adrianople for five months, my opinion is that Adrianople could and ought to have been taken at any time during those five months. "Along the whole line of barbed obstacles were none of those signs of desperate passage which those who were in Manchuria will remember in their dreams to their dying day.

The infantry trenches on Arnutkeul ridge were nothing more than field works that a brigade of Indian Infantry would have been ashamed of.

"The fortifications in the positions around Adrianople were miserable in design and totally devoid of military acumen in their execution. The marvel is that the Bulgarian artillery did not pound these batteries to pieces. They apparently feared to get into range of the Turks' heavy guns."

The correspondent thinks that it would be kinder not to examine into the allies' official estimates of the losses on either side in the final assault.

Shower Money on Revivalist. Evangelist Sunday's collections in one week of revival in McKeesport, Pa., totaled \$3,749.

COUNTY'S WOLF HUNT

Montana's Pest Run Down by Dogs and Men.

Colts and Two-Year-Old Cattle Attacked and Mangled While Still Alive in Corral by the Hungry Animals.

Phillipsburg, Mont.—A big gray wolf that had been the terror of the stockmen of the Rock Creek country, Granite county, since early fall was finally run down by a pack of dogs and a force of mounted hunters. The wolf was laid low by six shots fired on the run by "Jack" Guinnane, a rancher of Rock creek, and Fred Elkins, a professional hunter from Colorado. Mr. Elkins' dogs continued the chase for gray wolf's mate after darkness compelled the men to discontinue.

Wolves were never seen in the

Rock Creek country before last fall. This pair is supposed to have come across from the Big Hole country. Many depredations among the stock on Willow and Rock creeks were committed by the wolves before stockmen were aware of their presence in this section. A few stockmen who knew of the characteristic manner in which the wolf attacks his prey started the belief that wolves were actually in the country, and the stockmen of Granite county offered a reward of \$75 to any one killing a wolf in the besieged section and afterward raised it to \$100, when the effort to sight a wolf proved unavailing by individuals on the hunt.

About three weeks ago the whole Rock Creek country rose up to the pursuit, but found the wolf a wily animal to deal with. All day the crowd would track the animal and just before nightfall be obliged to give up the chase without a result.

The wolves committed their depredations in the dark of the early morning, visiting pens or fields where stock might be corralled for safety and devouring from the living animal what meat they needed. Colts and two-year-old heaves were their special prey. Sometimes the victims would escape with the loss of their tails or portions of their hind quarters, but would die from the effects of the attack.

An attack would be telephoned from one ranch at daybreak, and at the same time fresh tracks of the wolves would be found at another ranch miles away. This made it confusing and discouraging for the stockmen in pursuit. The services of Mr. Elkins, a professional hunter, and his pack of trained hounds were obtained, and since then the wolves have been sighted repeatedly and shot at, but never overtaken until crowded back into the Meadow Creek range.

Great relief is felt and general rejoicing prevails among ranchmen throughout the country over the fact that the larger and more vicious one of the pair of wolves has been killed. He measures 5 feet 7 inches from tip to tip, height 2 feet 8 inches and weighs 150 pounds.

PAINFUL, TRYING TIMES



Housework is hard enough for a healthy woman. The wife who has a bad back, who is weak or tired all the time, finds her duties a heavy burden. Thousands of nervous, discouraged, sickly women have traced their troubles to sick kidneys—have found quick and thorough relief through using Doan's Kidney Pills.

The painful, trying times of woman's life are much easier to bear if the kidneys are well.

A California Case
Mrs. E. Walsh, 1649 Tenth Ave., San Francisco, Cal., says: "I had such sharp, shooting pains through my kidneys, it seemed that a knife were being thrust into me. My back was so lame I could hardly stoop. Doan's Kidney Pills cured me after doctors failed. I have had no trouble since."
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"It was, to say the least of it," a London letter remarks, "just a little bit awkward that the electric light went out the other evening at the town house of a presumably wealthy widow who had been doing a good deal of political entertaining. The guests, to the number of a dozen, had just finished their soup when the unfortunate incident occurred. The scramble to find a sufficient number of candles so that the dinner might proceed was attended with a great deal of difficulty and no little amusement. The butler, who is described as being a bit new to his job, was immediately told to telephone to the electric company report the catastrophe and demand attention to the matter. It was a trying moment for the guests when he returned to the dining room and announced in real Cockney accent: 'Please, my lady, the gentleman what on the telephone says they sent several warning letters unless the account was paid active steps would have to be taken.'"

As to Modesty.

Modesty didn't make dress. Dress made modesty. Only it should be borne in mind that once modesty has developed the conventions cannot be suddenly and radically violated without social degradation. Modesty isn't something that doesn't matter. It does matter.—Exchange.

Knew All About It.

"Young man, you must learn that time is money," counseled the father.

"Well, dad, at least, I have noted points of similarity between them."

"In what way?" asked the encouraged parent.

"You know the expression 'time flies,'" replied the young hopeful.—Buffalo Express.

Occasionally a man manages to remain ignorant, notwithstanding the efforts of a lot of women to put him wise.

Naturally a beauty doctor likes to demand a handsome fee.

MORE THAN EVER

Increased Capacity for Mental Labor Since Leaving Off Coffee.

Many former coffee drinkers who have mental work to perform, day after day, have found a better capacity and greater endurance by using Postum instead of coffee. An Ills. Woman writes:

"I had drank coffee for about twenty years, and finally had what the doctor called 'coffee heart.' I was nervous and extremely despondent; had little mental or physical strength left, had kidney trouble and constipation.

"The first noticeable benefit derived from the change from coffee to Postum was the natural action of the kidneys and bowels. In two weeks my heart action was greatly improved and my nerves steady.

"Then I became less despondent, and the desire to be active again showed proof of renewed physical and mental strength.

"I am steadily gaining in physical strength and brain power. I formerly did mental work and had to give it up on account of coffee, but since using Postum I am doing hard mental labor with less fatigue than ever before."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Postum now comes in new concentrated form called Instant Postum. It is regular Postum, so processed at the factory that only the soluble portions are retained.

A spoonful of Instant Postum with hot water, and sugar and cream to taste, produce instantly a delicious beverage.

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GILPIN HAPPENINGS

A fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hagins the 13th. of this month.

Rev. Vincent Bilberry is here attending the bedside of his mother.

Misses Pearl and Alice Goodwin, of near Jayton, visited the Misses Hagins last week.

Hon. A. J. Hagins and wife visited at the home of their son, D. D. Hagins and wife last week.

Miss Lilly Hagins is spending the week at the home of her grandparents, Hon. A. J. Hagins, of near Jayton.

The aged mother of L. W. Bilberry has been seriously sick for several days, but is reported better at this time. Several of the Bilberry children are also sick.

Henry Bilberry and wife, of Jayton, are here to attend the bedside of Mrs. Bilberry.—A. Farmer.

Mr. Myres, a prominent citizen and hotel man of Crosbyton, was in Spur Tuesday and spent several hours in the city on business. He reported that a fine rain fell in Crosbyton Monday night and as a result that section is in the best of shape.

Little Miss Dahlia Link came up last week from Aspermont and will spend some time in Spur with her father and family, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Link.

F. L. Allcorn, of Tap, was in Spur Saturday on business and to attend the meeting of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association.

County Attorney Worswick was here from Dickens Friday and spent several hours here on business.

EPIDEMIC OF DISSENTION IN SCHOOL MATTERS

From reports of school trustee elections appearing in our exchanges, taken in connection with our own interesting election, it appears that there is an epidemic of dissention in school matters in the country. At Dublin there was evidently a warm election and at Spur the condition of affairs was such that the hold-over members resigned when the new members were inducted into office.

The state of affairs in Rotan was hardly as serious as in some places, and if the antagonisms were prompted by a sincere desire for the betterment of the school the action is justifiable and the results will undoubtedly be beneficial. We take it for granted that such was the case, and at any rate the motive of all agitators will be clearly proven by their words and actions henceforth.

If those who interested themselves in the election and later in the selection of a superintendent were in good faith working for the best interests of the school, they should continue to show an interest in our school matters and do what you can to promote peace and harmony in the district and lend their assistance in building up our schools and the school interests of the community.

It is to the interest of every citizen of our community to try to promote harmony among our people and co-operation between patrons, trustees and teachers. This is one of the greatest factors in the problem of a good school and when these are secured the question will then take care of its self.

There has been quite a lot of criticism passed around, some of it just and some unjust. We believe the result of this has been not wholly bad. Honest and just criticism put honest people to thinking and may result in a more careful inquiry into the merits or demerits of questions and in this way elevate our thoughts and decisions, while unjust and unreasonable criticism rebounds to the discredit of the originator and the stigma so self-imposed impresses the honest and sincere man with the wrong done by indiscreet or maliocous assertions that are not well founded on fact, and if he is controlled by other than selfish or revengeful motives he will avoid committing a similar error again.

Every public official, whether drawing a salary or giving his services free, must feel that his official acts are subject to criticism, and if he honestly and conscientiously does his duty he will welcome rather than resent criticism given in the right spirit. The members of the school board are neither excepted or exempt from the condition and we believe every member on the board will welcome the honest and sincere criticism, advice, suggestions and co-operation of any and all persons in the district when that person shows that he is actuated by a sincere desire for the betterment of the school.

The time in our school affairs that bickerings should cease has now arrived, and those who have the interest of the school at heart will promptly discountenance every suggestion of factional feeling and discourage every effort to stir up strife, discontent and dissatisfaction in school matters and lend their as-

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Dr. and Mrs. Hale, of Dickens, were in Spur Wednesday to accompany his sister, Miss Hale, who is returning to her home after spending the year as one of the teachers of the Dickens school.

Miss Odeneal returned the latter part of last week from Afton where she spent several days visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McCormick.

Mrs. Higginbotham returned this week from Dublin and other places where she has been on an extended visit to relatives and friends.

Leslie Holman returned this week to his home in Spur from South Texas where he has been spending several months.

L. W. Davis was a business visitor to Dickens the first of the week, spending several hours there.

Dock Edwards was in the city Saturday from his home in the Croton country and reports everything in good shape.

BATCHELOR GIRLS

The Batchelor Girls Club was entertained Tuesday evening by Miss Mary Henson who proved to be an ideal hostess.

The roll call was answered by descriptions of and impersonating different characters familiar in Spur. The contest, in which 14 pictures represented 14 Batchelor Girls, was quite interesting and enjoyed by all.

An ice course was served.

Editor White of the Crosbyton Review, was in Spur last week and spent some time here soliciting the sale of Hupmobiles.

Uncle Pink Higgins and family were in Spur Friday from their Cat Fish farm and ranch home. Uncle Pink says that the grasshoppers are not bothering the farmers of his section since their teeth are all broken out in their efforts to kick through the sand. However, he says that a good rain would be appreciated at this time.

E. Ham, a prominent citizen of the Croton country, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and to attend the agricultural meeting.

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SPUR BOTTLING WORKS

NEW HOPE

Mr. Brooks and wife, of Gilpin, are visiting friends in our community.

L. P. Hale, of Dickens, has been taking the scholastic census for school 2 in precinct one.

Midway Sunday School elected a secretary last Sunday. Miss Willie Segall received 6 votes and Miss Alpha Blakeley 11.

J. J. Cloud, of Spur, is in our midst on business.

Mr. Aubrey Loyd and wife, of Afton, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Buchanan.

Mr. Wayne Van Leer visited the home of Mr. Stovall Sunday.

Quite a large audience was at Midway Sunday at eleven o'clock services to hear Rev. J. A. Zinn preach. The choir gave special music with Miss Nora Blakeley as organist.

G. W. Dodson and wife took advantage of the excursion and visited friends and relatives in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gentry are taking an outing and have gone fishing on Blanco Canyon.

R. C. Forbis has purchased a new Ford Automobile.

Rule Sargeant and A. L. Smith have been to Spur on business.

Oat Meal had the pleasure of visiting H. J. McCarty's corn mill and crusher, and found it running on full time. Mr. McCarty does crushing every day except Saturday that being the day for grinding corn.—Oat Meal.

W. D. Biles and C. Wilson, two prominent young men of the Plains country, spent several days of last week in Spur. On their return home they were accompanied as far as the Cap Rock by Misses Elnora Dunn and Mary Henson. On the Cap-Rock a delightful dinner was spread and enjoyed, after which the young people went their different ways, no doubt sadly but with fond remembrances of the past and lingering hopes of the future.

J. L. Karr, of several miles north of Spur, was among the many visitors in Spur Friday and Saturday to attend the agricultural meeting and trading with the merchants.

Dave Carter, one of the oldest employees of the Spur Ranch, was in the city Saturday from the ranch headquarters.

E. R. Rorie was in the city Saturday from Spur Ranch headquarters and spent some time here on business.

W. F. Walker and wife, of near Spur to the southeast, were in the city the latter part of the week.

J. N. Zumwalt was in the city Saturday from his farm and ranch home fifteen miles west of Spur.

Ross Edwards left last week for his former home in East Texas.

Robt. T. Dopson, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

J. P. Gibson was in the city this week from his home in the Steel Hill country and reports everything in good shape. While everything is pretty dry at this time, especially with respect to the hard lands, it is said that J. P. Gibson prepared his land in such manner during the fall and winter that his place is not now suffering for lack of rain. There is no longer any question but that land can be so prepared for cultivation that the moisture will be conserved for the crop needs at a later season, and the farmer who takes advantage of such methods of land preparation will be benefitted should a dry season prevail.

L. A. Hindman, who recently moved to a farm in the Steel Hill community, has been coming to town several days this week and reports that his section of the country needs rain, and that as a result of continued dry weather his cotton is dying as fast as it comes up. We hear considerable complaint at this time by farmers of the hard land belts of this section, both as to dry weather and depredations of grasshoppers. However, everything is in good shape on the sandy lands and good crops are promised.

Uncle Tom Harkey is again on the streets after being confined to his bed several days. The report was circulated that Uncle Tom suffered a stroke of paralysis and his many friends in the town and country will be glad to know that such was not the case.

G. A. Howsley returned this week from the coast country where he has been spending the past several weeks with relatives and enjoying the pleasures of seashore resorts.

Prof. Powell and wife returned the first of the week to their home in Jayton after spending several days in Spur and visiting friends near Spur.

John Sampson, a prominent citizen of the Girard country, was in Spur Saturday and spent some time here trading and on other business.

W. P. T. Smith and wife, of several miles northwest of Spur, were in the city Saturday trading and to attend the farmers meeting.

Hon. A. J. Hagins, representative of this district in the State Legislature, was in Spur Monday from his home in Kent county.

W. F. Markham, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of near Spur to the west, was in the city Saturday on business.

Miss Effie Ellis, who has been on an extended visit to relatives and friends at Anson, returned last week to her home in Spur.

Miss Edith Marley, who has been teaching music at Jayton, is now in the city visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. C. Tyler.

Mr. Hearne and wife left last week to visit relatives and friends in Georgia. They will be gone several weeks.

SHIPPING CREAM

Last week the Spur Bottling Works made a big shipment of ice cream to the various towns along the line of the Stamford & Northwestern railway, including Jayton, Aspermont, Swenson and Peacock. The Spur Bottling Works is turning out high grade cream and sodas made only of pure fruit juices combined with filtered water, and their products are becoming recognized and deserve the consideration of the trade of this entire territory.

Dr. Grace returned the latter part of last week from Dallas where he had been to accompany Mrs. V. H. Bryant who underwent an operation at a Baptist Sanitarium in that city. He reports that while Mrs. Bryant stood the operation she is in a critical condition. The many friends of the family in Spur and surrounding country hope soon to see Mrs. Bryant return home completely recovered. Dr. Grace says that the eastern part of the state is in the finest shape and promises abundant yields of all kinds of farm products.

J. A. Neighbors, a prominent citizen of the Duck Creek community, was in the city Saturday and spent some time here trading and attending the agricultural association.

Al Sullivan, a prominent citizen of several miles southeast of Spur, was in the city Saturday trading and on other business.

W. S. Dunn has been on the sick list the past week.

IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING THE POULTRY INDUSTRY

(Summary of talk before Central West Texas Agricultural Association, Spur, May 24.)

Judge Gough gave you a text yesterday as the basis for his address and he also quoted several old proverbs and sayings, brought "down to date." He said: "Successful farming depends upon the intellect of the man who cultivates the farm and the woman who builds the home." In the light of present day experience and teaching, I submit it should read: "Successful farming depends upon the intellectual development of the man and woman who cultivate the farm and make the home"—for there is no home what it should be unless the man recognizes and shoulders his own responsibility within that home, and no farm development what it may be unless the woman has an understanding interest in everything connected with it.

We hear "cooperation" stressed on all sides, but unless it be found upon the fullest cooperation in the home, upon the farm, the results will never be what may be hoped for. The women and children (girls especially) are too generally silent (working) partners without any share in the profits of the concern—literally holders of nonparticipating stock upon which even a low rate of interest is never paid. Need we wonder that the boys and girls, when opportunity for escape comes, follow the lure of the city call? Let there be the fullest cooperation on the farm, the farmer and his wife, and the children, too, as they come on, sharing responsibilities,—studying, planning, working together, sharing fairly the profits as well as labor, and we will hear less of the unattractiveness of farm life, less of failure on the farm, and will need be less concerned about the question of "how to keep our boys and girls on the farm." Then only may outside cooperation be made what it should be.

Mr. French, in his excellent talk concerning the Boys' and girls' Baby Beef Clubs (those listened in vain for any mention of the girls beyond the title,) stated that one acre of peanuts would make 1000 to 1050 pounds of pork—a meat that cannot be compared with poultry, eggs, and dairy products from the standpoint of wholesomeness and high food value, especially in our hot climate.

I venture to suggest that if you will turn into your peanuts a good laying bunch of pullets, at the rate of about one hundred to the acre, provide them with cheap, open front, colony house protection and plenty of water and grit available; keep account of eggs sold and figure the value of the hens at the end of the first month's laying as market poultry, comparing with the NET value of hogs raised on such an acre, you will need no further "showing" as to where the profit lies. Besides, the poultry will not ruin nor use the whole crop as hogs would do and will leave much to be harvested also. Turkeys under similar circumstances will make an equally good showing with chickens, and with Indian Runners also.

Furthermore, with deep fall cultivation of the land, and plenty of poultry on it, you need not sit up nights studying how to get rid of grasshoppers, bollworms, and other pest, for the turkeys,

chickens and ducks will, if given a chance turn them into good meat and eggs, at the same time cultivating and fertilizing the land. Without question this section is almost ideal for successful poultry raising, and the fact that your acres are not covered by chicken flocks, as well as crops growing in the ground, means an annual loss and waste which it would be difficult to estimate. The production of dairy and poultry products on all farms, to the capacity of those farms, and cooperative marketing these products, would mean not only a better living for all, but on the average farm the actual difference between profit and loss. With a state wide co-operation and the markets of all the world at our door, as they will be with the opening of the Panama Canal, with our conditions making possible the production of poultry and eggs cheaper than in almost any other part of the country, the poultry industry can easily be made of the greatest economical value to our state and productive of the greatest profits to the farmer.

This section seems to me especially adapted to the raising of trukeys in the large way, the very fact that it is overrun with grasshoppers and other insects indicates the need of something which will turn these present enemies of growing crops to economic value; and the dryness of climate and absence of dews should make the rearing of the poultts comparatively easy.

As the farmer and his family are in position to get into this industry on a substantial scale with little effort and without large investment (since it is a business always more successfully developed from a small beginning,) it becomes all the while more surprising that they are not availing themselves of their opportunities. There is no line of farming business which can be begun with less capital and which can be conducted with more certainty of study profit through varying seasons than marketing poultry production, if started right and carried along on right lines.

Moreover, this crop can be grown on the very same land that produces the other crops and when untoward weather conditions of cold or heat, or of continued rains or drouth make impossible successful results with the crops growing in the soil, the poultry will be right there attending to business and will tide over without debt until another growing season; or, if established upon a large enough scale will yield a substantial income on its own account. Not this only, but the flocks turned into the orchards or growing crops at a stage when no injury will result will help cultivate, save much spraying by turning the insect life into egg material and fertilize the land at the same time. If deep plowing will, as we know, double our acreage without the purchase of additional land, because it doubles the productivity of the land, how much more will the growing of a poultry crop on these same acres treble our acreage without added purchase, adding to the fertility of the soil as well.

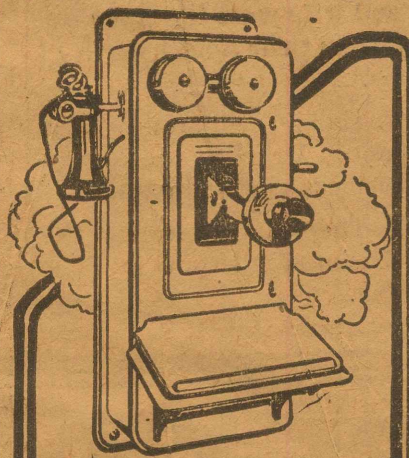
Of course, in order to secure best results in this, as in other lines, the business must be understood, and the equipment and handling must be such as to make for greatest economy of time, labor and expense. Herein lies the really vital point of

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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY AGRICULTURAL MEETING

Whereas, a bill has been introduced by Senator Morris Shepard authorizing, and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to make a complete soil survey of Texas, and, whereas we believe that such a survey would be of inestimable value to Texas as a whole and to West Texas in particular; therefore, be it resolved by the Central West Texas Agricultural Association that we cordially indorse said bill and call upon the Texas congressmen to give same their earnest support.

Whereas, we believe that the conservation of the flood waters of Texas as a whole and West Texas in particular would be of great importance to the state, therefore, be it resolved that we petition the next session of the legislature to take such action in passing laws that will aid and encourage this conservation of flood waters.

Whereas a constitutional amendment is to be voted upon by the qualified voters of this state July 21 that seeks to change the requirement of a two-thirds majority of voters for the issuance of bonds for roads to a majority vote of said voters, and, whereas, we believe the future development of Texas will be materially aided by the improvement of our public highways; therefore, be it resolved that we urge that this amendment be adopted and we hereby pledge ourselves to aid in every possible way to bring about the passage of this amendment.

Whereas, the state department of agriculture is not receiving adequate financial appropriations at the hands of the state legislature, and, whereas, we believe this department of the state government is capable of being of great benefit to the agricultural interests of the state of Texas; therefore, be it resolved that we earnestly petition the incoming legislature to give the necessary relief, to the end that the state department of agriculture may be in keeping with the needs of the great state of Texas.

We have been very fortunate in having the presence at this, the sixth quarterly meeting of the Central West Texas Agricultural Association, Mr. E. Gentry, Field Agent of the Farm Demonstration Work of the Department of Agriculture, as well as that of J. L. Quicksall, Assistant Agent, and William Gazner, District Agent. Also Hon. Ed R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, J. W. Neill and Mrs. Benigna Kalb, two of his able assistants; C. C. French, of the Fort Worth Stock Yards Company, and Joe J. Caldwell, of the Saginaw Silo Company, and, whereas, these and others have aided materially in the success of the meeting by their able addresses and splendid counsel; therefore, be it resolved that we thank the agencies they represent for permitting them to be present, and also extend our appreciation to each one mentioned and others who have aided in any way towards the success of the meeting as well as the help they are giving in the general development of the state.

Whereas, the federal government is expending a vast amount of money in farm demonstration work; that the demands of this work is steadily growing, and, whereas, we believe that this

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work is of great benefit to the state; therefore, be it resolved that we petition the governor of the state of Texas to include in his call for the special session of the legislature the matter of making special appropriations with the government in carrying on this important work.

The people of Spur have been unstinted in their reception of the visitors present at the meeting, and while no efforts have been spared by any of her citizens to make the meeting a very pleasant and profitable one, we want to especially thank the commercial club and the mayor for courtesies extended. We also desire to express our appreciation to the Townsite Company for its activities and courtesies shown, and also to the pupils of the Spur High School for their most entertaining and interesting program given at the school building Friday night for our entertainment.

We also thank the railroads and press for their continued co-operation and express the belief that with the continued co-operation of these agencies, as well as the people of the urban and rural population, that we can make Central West Texas the banner agricultural section of Texas.

T. E. Marshall, a prominent citizen of near Spur, was in the city Saturday to attend the agricultural association and trading with the merchants.

V. H. Grubbs came in Saturday from his home in the Red Mud country and spent several hours in the city on business.

Otho L. Hale, one of the leading merchants of Afton, came to Spur Saturday and spent several hours here on business.

A. A. Marshall was in the city Saturday from his home in the Steel Hill country.

C. D. Copeland and wife were in the city Saturday from their home six miles east of Spur.

FROM DICKENS ITEM

N. R. Morgan went to Spur today to meet his daughter, who is coming to make her home with him.

H. L. Robinson, State Ranger, who has been stationed in this country for the past year, left today in answer to orders from headquarters.

M. S. Favor left today for Chattanooga, Tennessee, and his old home in Georgia. This is the first visit he has made back to his old home since he left and he is anticipating a great time.

The Texas Spur last week published an article in regard to our hardware man, A. S. Jackson, moving to that village. We interviewed Mr. Jackson, however, and he stated that if he moved at all it would be quite a while. Mr. Jackson is a good hardware man and Dickens is a good town for such a business.

N. B. Fuquay, a good citizen and prosperous farmer of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Saturday trading with the merchants and on other business.

Judge McClain was in Spur Saturday from his home on the Cat Fish and remained in the city several hours on business and greeting his friends.

J. B. Morrison, a prominent citizen of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was in the city Saturday on business, spending several hours here.

Poet Hagins, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Saturday and purchased supplies of the merchants.

County Tax Assessor Harrison and wife were in Spur recently from their home north of Dickens.

C. C. Haile, post master and merchant of Draper, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

R. N. Thomas was among the many business visitors in Spur Saturday.

Rev. W. B. Bennett was in Spur Saturday from his home at Gilpin and purchased supplies of the merchants. Rev. Bennett reports his country in fairly good shape at this time, although a good rain is needed and would be welcomed by the farmers of that section.

Jim Perkins and Mrs. Will McKay, both of the Tap country, were married recently, and are now enjoying the congratulations of their many friends. The Texas Spur wishes them a long and prosperous married life.

J. Carlisle, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of the Gilpin country, was in Spur last week trading with the merchants and attending to other business affairs.

W. F. McCarty, a prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in the city last week on business and trading with the merchants.

County Commissioner Early Austin, of the Croton country, was in Spur Saturday and purchased supplies of the merchants.

W. M. Randall, an extensive farmer of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur on business the latter part of last week.

Luther Jones came in Saturday from his home at Espuela and spent several hours in the city on business.

J. Anderson Davis, a prominent citizen of near Spur to the northwest, was in the city Saturday.

F. C. Gipson, of Dickens, was in Spur recently on business and spent several hours in the city.

W. F. Shugart was in the city Friday and Saturday to attend the agricultural association.

O. A. LaBeff, a boot-maker of Jayton, was in Spur Saturday on business.

Sheriff Conner was here from Dickens Friday.

THE POULTRY TICK OR BLUE BUG PEST

The eggs are laid in clusters in the cracks of the hen house, under loose boards, and under the bark of trees on which chickens may roost. They measure from 6 to 10 of a millimeter, are aspherical and highly polished, usually of a purplish brown color. Eggs hatch in the laboratory four days after being laid.

The first stage of this animal has only six legs. These forms can be found on poultry of an infested locality at all times. They fasten themselves into the skin of the chickens, principally on pullets, under the wings and around the neck in much the same way as the cow tick fastens itself onto cattle.

The adults have four pairs of legs and are nocturnal feeders. On account of being very flat, when not engorged with blood, they are able to enter very small cracks and are then hard to reach with insecticide. The female is from one fourth to three eighths of an inch in length, whereas the male is somewhat smaller. These ticks can live a long time without food.

Poultry affected by this tick look droopy, will not eat or drink, and if very badly infested will die in a few days.

Like in the control of all the troubles of domestic animals, cleanliness seems to be the essential point in checking this pest. An old hen house with plenty of organic matter and cracks is an ideal breeding place. If too old to repair, destroy it, or move it out of reach of the poultry yards. In building a new one make it as free from cracks as possible and so that all parts can be reached with an ordinary spray pump. The new hen house should be painted with coal tar or crude oil and crude carbolic acid and then white-washed.

If your hen house is not too old, clean it out, being careful to destroy all the ticks removed with organic matter. Give the house a thorough spraying with hot whitewash with a pound of carbolic acid to every six pounds of lime, having the mixture diluted so that it will pass through the spray nozzle. This spray kills all forms of the pest that it comes in contact with, and the lime will hold the carbolic acid in the cracks for some time, making it hard for new colonies to get started. The spray should be repeated in a week or ten days, it being assumed that the young forms on the chickens will seek breeding places after this length of time.

Hot water, kerosene emulsion, whitewash corrosive sublimate, 2 per cent solution of carbolic acid, oil of sassafras, gasoline, Beaumont oil and Texas Wonder Spray are other remedies that have been successfully used.

In using hot water the treatment must be repeated every ten days and then only keeps the pest in check. Gasoline is dangerous to handle and is therefore not generally recommended. Oil of sassafras kills the ticks but is destructive to young chickens. In the case of the Beaumont oil the poultry are confined in clean pens for a few days while the old hen house is thoroughly cleaned and drenched with the oil. It is also advisable to paint or spray the house with carbolated whitewash.

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SYNOPSIS.

Major McDonald, commanding an army post near Fort Dodge, seeks a man to intercept his daughter, Molly, who is headed for the post. An Indian outbreak is threatened. "Brick" Hamlin, a sergeant who had just arrived with messages to McDonald, volunteers for the mission and starts alone. Molly arrives at Fort Ripley two days ahead of schedule. She decides to push on to Fort Dodge by stage in company with "Sutler Bill" Moylan. Gonzales, a gambler, is also a passenger. Hamlin meets the stage with stories of depredations committed by the Indians. It is decided to return to Ripley. The driver deserts the stage when Indians appear. The Indians are twice repulsed in attack on the stage by Hamlin, Moylan and Gonzales. The latter is killed.

CHAPTER VI.—Continued.

Then it came to him in a sudden flash of intelligence—he was alone; alone except for the girl. They were out there yet, skulking in the night, planning revenge, those savage foemen—Arapahoes, Cheyennes, Ogallas. They had been beaten back, defeated, smitten with death, but they were Indians still. They would come back for the bodies of their slain, and then—what? They could not know who were living, who dead, in the coach; yet must have discovered long since that it had only contained three defenders. They would guess that ammunition would be limited. His knowledge of the fighting tactics of the Plains tribes gave clear vision of what would probably occur. They would wait, scattered out in a wide circle from bluff to bluff, lying snake-like in the grass. Some of the bolder might creep in to drag away the bodies of dead warriors, risking a chance shot, but there would be no open attack in the dark. That would be averse to all Indian strategy, all precedent. Even now the mournful wailing had ceased; Roman Nose had rallied his warriors, instilled into them his own unconquerable savagery, and set them on watch. With the first gray dawn they would come again, leaping to the coach's wheels, yelling, triumphant, mad with new ferocity—and he was alone, except for the girl.

And where was she? He felt for her on the floor, but only touched the Mexican's feet. He had to lean across the seat where Moylan's body lay, shrouded in darkness, before his groping fingers came in contact with the skirt of her dress. She was on the front seat, close to the window; against the lightness of the outer sky, her head seemed lying upon the wooden frame. She did not move, he could not even tell that she breathed, and for an instant his dry lips failed him utterly, his blood seemed to stop. Good God! Had she been killed also? How, in Heaven's name, did she ever get there? Then suddenly she lifted her head slightly, brushing back her hair with one arm; the faint starlight gleamed on a steel barrel. The Sergeant expelled his breath swiftly, wetting his dry lips.

"Are you hurt?" he questioned anxiously. "Lord but you gave me a scare!"

She seemed to hear his voice, yet scarcely to understand, like one aroused suddenly from sleep.

"What! you spoke—then—then—there are others? I—I am not here all alone?"

"Not if you count me," he said, a trace of recklessness in the answer. "I haven't even a scratch so far as I know. Did they touch you?"

"No; that is, I am not quite sure; it was all so horrible I cannot remember. Who are you? Are you the—the soldier?"

"Yes—I'm Hamlin. Would you mind telling me how you ever got over there?"

She straightened up, seemed to notice the heavy revolver in her fingers, and let it fall to the floor.

"Oh, it is like a dream—an awful dream. I couldn't help myself. When the Mexican rolled off on to the floor, I knew he was dead, and—and there was his revolver held right out to me in his hand. Before I realized I had it, and was up here—I—I killed one—he fell in the wheel; I—I can never forget that!"

"Don't try," broke in Hamlin earnestly. "You're all right," he added, admiration in his voice. "And so it was you there with the small gun. I heard it bark, but never knew Gonzales was hit. When did it happen?"

"When—when they fired first. It—it was all smoke out there when I got to the window; they—they looked like—like wild beasts, and it didn't seem to me I was myself at all."

The man laughed lightly.

"You did the right thing, that's all,"

he consoled, anxious to control her excitement. "Now you and I must decide what to do next—we are all alone."

"Alone! Has Mr. Moylan been hit also?"

"Yes," he answered, feeling it was better to tell her frankly. "He was shot, and is beyond our help. But come," and he reached over and took her hand, "you must not give up now."

She offered no resistance, but sat motionless, her face turned away. Yet she knew she trembled from head to foot, the reaction mastering her. A red tongue of flame seemed to slit the outside blackness; there was a single sharp report, echoing back from the bluff, but no sound of the striking bullet. Just an instant he caught a glimpse of her face, as she drew back, startled.

"Oh, they are coming again! What shall we do?"

"No," he insisted, still retaining her hand, confident in his judgment. "Those fellows will not attempt to rush us again tonight. You must keep cool, for we shall need all our wits to get away. An Indian never risks a night assault, unless it is a surprise. He wants to see what he is up against. Those bucks have got all they want of this outfit; they have no reason to suppose any of us were hit. They are as much afraid as we are, but when it gets daylight, and they can see the shape we're in, then they'll come yelling."

"But they can lie out there in the dark and shoot," she protested. "That shot was aimed at us, wasn't it?"

"I reckon it was, but it never got here. Don't let that worry you; if an Indian ever hits anything with a gun it's going to be by pure accident." He stared out of the window. "They're liable to bang away occasionally, and I suppose it is up to us to make some response just to tell them we're awake and ready. But they ain't firing expecting to do damage—only to attract attention while they haul off their dead. There's a red snake yonder now creeping along in the grass—see!"

"No," hysterically, "it is just black to me."

"You haven't got the plainsman's eyes yet. Watch now; I'm going to stir the fellow up."

He leaned forward, the stock of the Henry held to his shoulder, and she clutched the window-casing. An instant the muzzle of the rifle wavered slightly, then steadied into position.

"Have to guess the distance," he muttered in explanation, and pulled the trigger.

There was a light flash, a sharp ringing report, a yell in the distance, followed by the sound of scrambling.



"Have to Guess the Distance," He Muttered in Explanation.

Hamlin laughed, as he lowered his gun.

"Made him hump, anyway," he commented cheerfully. "Now what comes next?"

"I—I do not know," she answered, as though the question had been asked her, "do you?"

Somehow she was not as frightened as she had been. The calm steady coolness of the man was having its natural effect, was helping to control her own nerves. She felt his strength, his confidence, and was beginning to lean upon him—he seemed to know exactly what he was about.

"Well, no, honestly I don't; not yet," he returned, hesitating slightly.

"There is no use denying we are in a mighty bad hole. If Moylan hadn't got shot we might have held out till help arrived; I've got about twenty cartridges left; but you and I alone never could do it. I've got to think it out, I reckon; this has been a blind fight so far; nothing to it but blazing away as fast as I could pull trigger. Now, maybe, I can use my brains a bit."

She could not see him, but some instinct led her to put out her hand and touch the rough sleeve of his shirt. It made her sure of his presence, his protection, and understood its meaning, his heart throbbing strangely.

"You are going to trust me?"

"Of—of course; how could you doubt that?"

"Well," still half questioning, "you see I'm only an enlisted man, and sometimes officers' ladies think we are mostly pretty poor stuff, just food for powder."

She tightened her grip on his sleeve, drawing a quick breath of surprise.

"Oh, but I am not like that; truly I am not. I—saw your face this afternoon, and—and I liked you then. I will do whatever you say."

"Thank you," he said simply. "To know that makes everything so much easier for me. We shall have to work together from now on. You keep sharp watch at the window there, while I think a bit—there's ordinarily a chance somewhere, you know, if one is only bright enough to uncover it."

How still the night was, and dark; although the sky was cloudless, the stars shone clearly away up in the black vault. Not even the howl of a distant coyote broke the silence. To the left, seemingly a full half-mile distant, was the red flicker of a fire, barely visible behind a projection of bank. But in front not even the keen eyes of the Sergeant could distinguish any sign of movement. Apparently the Indians had abandoned their attempt to recover the bodies of their dead.

CHAPTER VII.

Plans for Escape.

Desperate as he certainly felt their situation to be, for a moment or two Hamlin was unable to cast aside the influence of the girl, or concentrate his thoughts on some plan for escape. It may have been the gentle pressure of her hand upon his sleeve, but her voice continued to ring in his ears. He had never been a woman's man, nor was he specially interested in this woman beside him. He had seen her fairly, with his first appreciative glance, when he had climbed into the stage on the preceding day. He had realized there fully the charm of her face, the dark roguish eyes, the clear skin, the wealth of dark hair. Yet all this was impersonal; however pretty she might be, the fact was nothing to him and never could be. Knowing who she was, he comprehended instantly the social gulf stretching unbridged between them. An educated man himself, with family connections he had long ago ceased to discuss, he realized his present position more keenly than he otherwise might. He had enlisted in the army with no misunderstanding as to what a private's uniform meant. He had never heretofore supposed he regretted any loss in this respect, his nature apparently satisfied with the excitement of active frontier service, yet he vaguely knew there had been times when he longed for companionship with women of the class to which he had once belonged. Fortunately his border stations offered little temptation in this respect, and he had grown to believe that he had actually forgotten. That afternoon even—sweetly fair as Miss McDonald undoubtedly appeared—he had looked upon her without the throb of a pulse, as he might upon a picture. She was not for him even to admire—she was Major McDonald's daughter, whom he had been sent to guard. That was all then.

Yet he knew that somehow it was different now—the personal element had entered unwelcomed, into the equation. Sitting there in the dark, Gonzales' body crumpled on the floor at his feet, and Moylan lying stiff and cold along the back seat, with this girl grasping his sleeve in trust, she remained no longer merely the Major's daughter—she had become herself. And she did not seem to care and did not seem to realize that there were barriers of rank, which under other circumstances must so utterly separate them. She liked him, and frankly told him so, not as she would dismiss an inferior with kindness, but as though he was an equal, as though he was a gentleman. Somehow the very tone of her voice, the clinging touch of her hand, sent the blood pumping through his veins. Something besides duty inspired him; he was no longer merely a soldier, but had suddenly become transformed into a man. Years of repression, of iron discipline, were blotted out, and he became even as his birthright made him. "Molly McDonald," "Molly McDonald," he whispered the name unconsciously to himself. Then his eyes caught the distant flicker of

Indian fire, and his teeth locked sawagely.

There was something else to do besides dream. Because the girl had spoken pleasantly was no reason why he should act the fool. Angry at himself, he gripped his faculties, and faced the situation, aroused, intent. He must save himself—and her! But how? What plan promised any possibility of success? He had their surroundings in a map before his eyes. His training had taught him to note and remember what others would as naturally neglect. He was a soldier of experience, a plainsman by long training, and even in the fierceness of the Indians' attack on the stage his quick glance had completely visualized their surroundings. He had not appreciated this at the time, but now the topography of the immediate region was unrolled before him in detail; yard by yard it reappeared as though photographed. He saw the widely rutted trail, rounding the bluff at the right a hundred yards away, curving sharply down the slope and then disappearing over the low hill to the left, a slight stream trickling along its base. Below, the short buffalo-grass, sunburned and brittle, ran to the sandy edge of the river, which flowed silently in a broad, shallow, yellow flood beneath the star gleam. Under the protection of that bank, but somewhat to the left, where a handful of stunted cottonwood trees had found



Something Besides Duty Inspired Him; He Was No Longer Merely a Soldier.

precarious foothold in the sand, gleamed the solitary Indian fire. About its embers, no doubt, squatted the chiefs and older warriors, feasting and taking council, while the younger bucks lay, rifles in hand, along the night-enshrouded slope, their cruel, vengeful eyes seeking to distinguish the outlines of the coach against the black curtain of the bluff.

This had proven thus far their salvation—that steep uplift of earth against which the stage had crashed in its mad dash—for its precipitant front had compelled the savages to attack from one direction only, a slight overhang, not unlike a roof, making it impossible even to shoot down from above. But this same sharp incline was not likewise a preventive of escape. Hamlin shook his head as he recalled to mind its steep ascent, without root or shrub to cling to. No, it would never do to attempt that; not with her. Perhaps alone he might scramble up somehow, but with her the feat would be impossible. He dismissed this as hopeless, his memory of their surroundings drifting from point to point aimlessly. He saw the whole barren vista as it last stood revealed under the glow of the sun—the desolate plateau above, stretching away into the dim north, the brown level of the plains, broken only by sharp fissures in the surface, treeless, extending for unnumbered leagues. To east and west the valley, now scarcely more green than those upper plains, bounded by its verdureless bluffs, ran crookedly, following the river course, its only sign of white dominion the rutted trail. Beyond the stream there extended miles of white sand-dunes, fantastically shapen by the wind, gradually changing into barren plains of alkali. Between crouched the vigilant Indian sentinels, alert and vengeful.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Another Enemy of the Fly.

The fly has an effective enemy other than the hand that wields the swatter. This is the parasitic fungus known as the Empusa muscae. This fungus is a deadly enemy of the house fly, and it must destroy myriads of these pernicious insects, especially in the fall. The flies may often be seen in a dead or dying condition on walls, ceilings and window panes, surrounded by a quantity of white powder—i. e., the spores of the fungus which have fallen from the insect's body. These spores are capable of infecting other flies which may come in contact with them. Whether the flies actually eat the spores, or merely get them attached to their bodies, apparently is not known.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

J. J. Martin was in from the Tap country to attend the farmers meeting.

J. W. Clark and family, of several miles north of Dickens, were in Spur recently trading.

J. E. Sparks and family, and J. H. Sparks, of Tap, were in Spur Friday trading and visiting friends.

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H. P. Cole was in the city the latter part of last week from his home north of Spur.

E. H. Blakeley was here Saturday from his home north of Dickens to attend the farmers meeting.

Sebe Lambert was in the city the latter part of the week and reports everything at Tap in good shape.

P. J. Hext, one of the most prominent citizens of the north part of the county, was in Spur Friday and Saturday to attend the farmers meeting.

R. L. Overstreet, one of the most prominent citizens of the Afton country, was in Spur Friday and Saturday attending the agricultural meeting and trading with the Spur merchants.

E. J. Cowan, who has been attending the State Law University at Austin during the past several months, returned last week to Spur and will again be temporarily located in Spur. He has many friends here who welcome him back to Spur.

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Rev. Stewart went to Stamford last week to preach the baccalaureate sermon for the Stamford College. Rev. Stewart is a forceful and fluent speaker.

Mrs. George Bennett and children returned Friday from Rule where they have been spending several weeks with relatives and friends.

T. J. McClure, of Pioneer, in Eastland county, passed through Spur last week on his way to Roaring Springs and Matador where he secured petitions to the Governor to pardon Joe T. Lee, sentenced in Motley county to two years in the penitentiary. Since Mr. Lee is guilty only of technically violating the law in disposing of mortgaged property, and his wife is expected to die of pelegra at any time. It is probable that the Governor will favorably consider the petitions and send Mr. Lee to his home.

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The crop to leave for seed depends on what season of the year gives the best seed-maturing conditions; also in the arid country it will often be evident at the time of the first cutting that there is not moisture enough in the ground to start and mature a second crop either for hay or seed, and it must then depend on the grower's judgment whether to cut for hay and then cultivate the ground awaiting rain. If the ground is merely dry on top a good cultivation will restore things, but if digging shows it to be dry clear down rain must be awaited, and if the alfalfa be allowed to stand for seed in such condition my experience is that a second growth will almost always start when rain comes, the seed be lost and two crops of alfalfa occupy the ground at the same time. This is less apt to occur when the rain gets clear down into the soil than if it were merely superficial, which affects the upper part of the plants and sprouts the buds at the expense of the main plant.

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Autocratic Englishmen.

One of the reasons why English is expected to become a world wide language is that English people refuse to learn another. For instance, at Muscat, at the entrance to the Persian gulf, there lived for many years an Englishman, supposed to be the only, or almost the only, British resident on the 1,500 miles of Arabian coast line from Aden to Koweit. It would seem that he could hardly have escaped knowing Arabic. Yet he confessed that he could not speak a dozen words of that language. “But how do you carry on your trade?” some one asked. “Oh,” he replied, “the beggars have got to learn English.”

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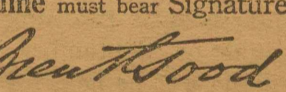
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IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING THE POULTRY INDUSTRY

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the whole question—the matter of saving of time and strength, and thereby expense, in caring for the flocks.

The most profitable line of operation for the farm, that requiring least equipment and labor, is the production of table eggs, the supplying of fryers and broilers being a by-product. As soon as may be, the cockerels and pullets should be separated and all surplus males not needed for breeding purposes should be pushed with a fattening ration and sold to the market as soon as possible, thus cutting down the feed bill. The receipts for the sale of young cockerels should pay for the raising of the pullets to the laying stage.

I would not advise the undertaking of strictly show stock breeding as the main business on the farm, though by the selection of good standard stock which has been also bred for heavy egg production, it is possible to add considerable to the profitability of the business by the sale of breeding stock and hatching eggs.

Hatching and brooding operations are the most exacting as to time and labor requirements and the most hazardous as to results of any poultry work. On the general farm it would be most profitable to mate up in early spring (how early depending upon whether hatching is to be done with machines or hens) enough of the best females of the flocks with good cockerels to supply all the hatching eggs for raising the pullets needed on the home place and to fill the demand for hatching eggs which will come if good standard bred laying stock is kept. If line breeding is not carried on those male birds should be disposed of as soon as sufficient chickens are obtained, thus saving their care and board during the non-producing season, raising or buying cockerels to take their places the next spring. If it is desired to retain the breeding males, then they should be turned out by themselves or yarded, as soon as hatching operations are over for the year.

One of the most important things to be stressed is the need for keeping male birds from the market egg flocks. The pullets will do better without them and the sterile eggs are far better table use, keeping longer in good condition and bringing the highest prices. In fact, the gen-

eral presence of useless male birds in the flock is mainly responsible for the great losses of summer eggs in the south and their bad reputation in the large markets. The fertile eggs, the egg with the chick germ in it, will start incubation at any temperature over seventy, so that during the hot summer months the growth of the chick germ starts within a short time after the egg is laid and proceeds rapidly if the egg remains in the hot sun or under successive laying hens for even a few hours. This results in the so-called "heated eggs" of commerce, known as "light floats," "heavy floats," "blood rings," and even later on to chix actually visible to the candler. Millions of these eggs are dumped into the sewers every year. The damage by heating and the consequent financial loss is absolutely incalculable. Market eggs have no business being fertilized, and the simple removal of all male birds from the table egg flocks provides the preventive measure. Even the sterile eggs, however, should be gathered as often as possible and placed immediately in the coolest available place until carried to market once or twice a week.

Dr. Abbott, State Pure Food Commissioner, has taken this matter up and is urging this course to the end that no fertile eggs may be sold during the hot months. In fact, it is far better and more profitable to sell none but sterile eggs at any time of year, a practice we have always followed.

As chickens do their heaviest laying during the pullet year, they should be hatched early enough to come into laying by the first of October, pushed for eggs up until moulting time, in August or September, and all but those to be held for breeders, should be sold for table purposes at the beginning of the moult when they should be in prime condition and bring good prices. It is rarely profitable to keep hens for table egg production after the first ten months' laying, though for breeders they may be held as long as they produce a goodly number of eggs and their eggs hatch well.

The selection of breed is not so vitally important as is commonly supposed. Of course, breeders all have their preferences, but the fact is that strain is more important than breed or variety. Generally speaking, there are strains of nearly all breeds that have been bred up in the matter of egg production, though not necessarily losing sight of standard or show points

at the same time. The two are not incompatible. In fact, we have observed in the course of many years' trapnesting of layers and selection for eggs as well as shape and feathers, that almost invariably our heaviest and most persistent layers are the nearest to ideal type of the breed. This would not hold good in strains where no attention has been paid to heavy egg production and birds selected wholly from the standpoint of show quality. Especially is this so where the extreme types favored by the standard used in judging are incompatible with heavy laying type; and care must be exercised in the selection of farm stock to secure foundation birds or eggs from a strain of the favored breed that has been bred to lay.

Wherever practicable, it is best to secure birds or eggs from a nearby breeder, if the desired quality can be secured, so that one may know that the birds are healthy and vigorous and kept under sanitary conditions. If this is not possible, then buy from a producer of your chosen breed upon whose word you can rely, from one who may be held responsible for claims made, be willing to pay a fair price for what you want, and then give the eggs or birds the best possible chance. This does not mean that an extravagant price should be paid for fancy stock or eggs, though it will always pay to get the best birds or eggs you can afford to begin with, providing they are from egg producing stock. The better the foundation stock the better price can be secured for hatching eggs and birds sold for breeders, and this added price will help the profits amazingly.

Early maturity is also an important factor to be considered in the selection of breed, as it makes a big difference whether 100 or 500 or 1,000 pullets begin paying their board at six months or ten months or a year, and this point should be carefully considered, in that the young birds may reach the broiler or fryer stage early and be full meated and plump.

The matter of rations is a very different problem as between yarded fowls and those of range. Layers or growing stock may be kept at the rate of about 100 per acre (more of young stock) on grass or field crops, or in the orchard. If turned into a corn field, for instance, something like rape, oats or other green stuff should be sown between rows on a portion of the field, to furnish good picking. If turned into peas or some other crops they will eat enough of the plant foliage, without doing any damage to furnish this food. When nothing else is available, sprouted oats may be easily and cheaply provided and should be fed when the green sprouts are from one half to one inch long.

In order to manufacture eggs, the hen must not only have provision for her bodily needs, but the essentials for egg making as well. This must include, besides such grains as are at hand, some form of meat food. Even when hens are on range, unless insects are known to be plentiful, this element should not be overlooked. The best form and that which should be available on every farm is skim milk, especially in clabber form, which not only furnishes ideal meat food but helps condition the fowl as well. The next best or safest is cottonseed meal, used in a very small porportion, us-

ually not over one tenth of the bran or other content of the mash, which is always better to feed dry. Commercial beef scrap may be supplied, but its condition must be very carefully investigated as this article is often unfit to feed. Rabbit or other game may be fed to poultry to good advantage.

Outside of shell, charcoal and milk, if the birds are on range, they will need only a self-feeding hopper of whole grain to be fully provided for. This hopper should be large enough to hold about two weeks supply of grain. Green food may be supplied in various ways and if double yards are used crops can be planted in rotation supplying green food at all times.

W. M. Winkler, one of the most prominent citizens of the Dickens country, was in Spur this week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and made us feel good by giving us a check for two dollars on his subscription to the paper.

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L. C. Arrington, one of the most prominent citizens of the Afton country, was in Spur Wednesday and spent some time here on business. He reports that his section of the country is now dry and hot.

Howard Monteith, the popular barber holding down the front chair in the Eastside Barber Shop, is spending the week in Sweetwater visiting friends and seeing the sights of that city.

C. A. Jones, of Afton, was here Tuesday and Wednesday to meet some of his relatives coming in on the train and who will return with him to his home for an extended visit.

A. Q. Smelser was in the city Wednesday and reported that he had a message stating that his father, who is quite sick, is not improving.

Miss Tot Morrison, who has been visiting relatives in Dallas during the past several months, returned last week to her home in Spur.

Rev. J. H. Wofford and wife, of Denison, are in the city visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Manning.

Oliver Gray and family moved recently to Dickens where he will be manager of the telephone exchange at that place.

Mr. Dunn, of Crosbyton, was in Spur Sunday on business—according to the report of Miss Lillian Grace.

Walter Wilson and wife left this week for Amarillo where they will make their home in the future.

Harrell Mace, who has been in Nocona the past several months, returned last week to his home in Spur.

Have your suit cleaned and pressed before the show.—Edwards-Hogan Co.

Dr. J. E. Morris and wife left Wednesday for Haskell to visit his mother who is sick.

Y. C. Carpenter, a prominent citizen of Dumont, was in Spur this week on business.

Dr. Grace spent several days of this week in Rule on business.

Mrs. J. S. Gose, of Dumont, visited friends in Spur this week.

GILPIN HAPPENINGS

Miss Lillie Hagins has returned from her visit in Kent county.

D. D. Hagins and Cecil Bennett made a trip to Spur Saturday.

Mr. Morris, publisher of the Ralls Banner, and family passed through Gilpin Friday en route to Jayton.

Charlie Carlisle, Cecil Bennett, Willie Hagins and Top Hawkins attended the spelling bee at the Bend school house Friday night.

L. W. Bilberry and sons have been kept from working in the field during the past two weeks because of sickness in the family. His mother is now lying at death's door and his daughter, Miss Mamie, and several of the smaller children are also sick. About fifteen neighboring men and boys met at the Bilberry farm Monday and assisted him in working out his crop.

Mrs. Nettie Anderson and baby, of El Paso, are here to be at the bedside of her grandmother, Mrs. Bilberry, who is very sick.

Rev. Keene, of Jayton, filed his regular appointment here Sunday.

W. P. Sampson, who has been sick during the past few days, is able to resume work again.

Mrs. W. A. Hawkins and Miss Mae Wasson were at Spur Saturday.

W. P. Sampson and family were shopping in Spur Monday.

Farmers are pretty well up with their work and crops are looking fine, but a good rain would be appreciated.—A. Farmer.

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The automobile business has come to stay—are you interested. I have the car—the worlds best. Will be in Spur Monday, at Godfrey's office. If you are too busy to call, I will come to see you—Coley Flyer.—Harry C. Rodgers, agent.

Mrs. J. E. Shelton came down Wednesday from Roaring Springs and is now visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Bachelor. Mrs. Shelton will also visit friends and relatives at Jayton before returning home.

Oscar Jackson, who has charge of the Clifton Addition to the town of Roaring Springs and is now making that new town his headquarters, spent several days of this week in Spur with his family.

M. J. Norrell, manager of The Fair, left Wednesday for Santa Anna and other points where he will spend several days on business.

T. B. Rash was in the city from the Steel Hill community the latter part of last week.

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