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# THE TEXAS SPUR

A Paper For The Homes Of Spur And Dickens County

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They Go Where you See Them

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## A DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN OF DICKENS COUNTY

Minor Wilson, one of the most prominent citizens of the Dickens country, was in Spur last week and while here called around and had a subscription to the Texas Spur shoved up another year. Mr. Wilson was one of the first settlers of this country, and is quite a distinguished citizen in that he assisted in the organization of Dickens county, served as Clerk of the first Grand Jury, was appointed and served as the first Justice of the Peace, organized and taught the first school of the country and also baptized the first party to join a church in this section. Minor Wilson is a man of high intellect, a zealous Christian gentleman and has contributed much to the development progress of the country in social intercourse and religious and literary teachings and the advance ment of agricultural and commercial interests.

### 2500 BALES WEIGHED.

Weigher Carlisle reports that he has weighed up to this week two thousand five hundred bales of cotton at his yard in Spur. The indications are that just about one-half the number of bales of cotton will be weighed here this year as was weighed here last year.

## MORE RAIN THIS WEEK IN SPUR COUNTRY

Monday and Tuesday of this week Spur and the Spur country were visited by more showers of rain which further contributed to an ideal season for the growing small grain and also for the 1914 crops.

A considerable acreage in this section this year has been sown in small grain for fall and winter crops, all of which is doing nicely and will no doubt bring in good returns to the farmers.

The recent rains here have contributed to the best season Western Texas has had in many years and as a result the crop prospects for another year were never better than at the present time.

While Western Texas has had just enough rain for an ideal season, reports from the Eastern part of the State are to the effect that many lives have been lost and millions of dollars damage done as a result of too much rain and even floods. Come to West Texas.

### WILL BE CANDIDATE.

T. J. Harrison and wife, of several miles north of Dickens, were in Spur the latter part of last week. While here Mr. Harrison was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and contributed another dollar to our subscription funds. Mr. Harrison stated that he would be a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor and would make his announcement at the proper time. He has made the county a good officer and his official work was not only approved but complimented by State department.

## TO SPUR SCHOOL PATRONS

Promotions will be made in the Spur Public Schools January fifth. At this time a beginners class will be formed in the primary grade and all patrons who have children whom they desire to enter in this class should enter them at this time. Pupils will not be received after January twenty third unless they can enter a class already organized. Pupils who can enter a class already organized will be received at any time.

We are always pleased to see patrons of the school at any time and to discuss with them matters pertaining to the schools or to their children. We would suggest that it will be better for the school, in which all are interested, if patrons will visit the schools, obtain information from teachers and superintendent and discuss matters with them rather than stay away and criticize on hear-say evidence—which is always one sided—the school and the teachers. The superintendent will be pleased to meet you at any time.

We also wish to call attention

## THE LAST CALL.

Before another issue of the paper, Christmas will be here, so we must in this issue wish for you a Happy Christmas. May many joys be yours. May you be again in spirit as a child to enjoy the little things that grown-ups try to forget. May your turkey be the very best, stuffed with good things and cranberry sauce to spare, and may you have the appetite to enjoy your Christmas dinner. Do you remember those days when we were kids and waited in the other room 'till the grown-up folks were through? Ye gods and little fishes, what appetites we had. May such be your appetite now, forgetting the cares that mature years has brought upon you and be children again for just a few days while you celebrate with joy and gladness the birth of Him who is or should be all in all to you.

Our Sale so far has been a success and we will continue to add new features each day until the 24th. The Contest grows

is just the same as cash to the people who will need goods in the future, and will help the contestants. Contestants will call at office and get the amount of books they think they can dispose of. Remember there remains only a few days to work.

We are making some prices lower than our last weeks ad. Winter Goods must be sold. Come on and take advantage of our special offers.

Implement time is here and one car of John Deere goods will be here by the time you read this. We want you to see the new improved Deere line. It is better than ever before. Not cheap but good.

Peter Schuttler wagons, 10 votes to one on every wagon sold for cash 'till the 24th. Now is the time. Special prices also for cash.

We want to thank our customers for the good share of their business they have given us, and we realize it would have been greater if conditions had been better with you. We want you to continue to trade with us, assuring you we will give you as good

## GIRARD AND SURROUNDING COUNTRY DEVELOPING

E. F. Smith, of Girard, was in Spur Friday and Saturday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Smith has just moved to Girard and will be manager of a lumber business at that point. He has secured the contract to furnish material in the construction of a five thousand dollar school building which is now being built at Girard. Girard is located in one of the best farming sections of this whole country, the surrounding lands are being rapidly sold, many new farm homes are being built and the surrounding country now rapidly developing and in the course of a very few years Girard will be a substantial and modern town and the trade center of a rich farming territory.

### BOY INJURED.

Dudley, the thirteen years old son of Bill Ellis of Kent county, was brought to the Standifer Hospital Wednesday for an operation, he having sustained severe injuries from a horse falling on him. Dudley was accompanied by his father, Bill Ellis, and his sister, Mrs. Lock of Miami. The accident occurred Thursday of last week and at this time the boy is reported doing nicely.

## COMMISSIONERS MAKE A TRIP TO INDIANA

County Commissioner Jeff D. Reagan of Spur, L. G. Crabtree of the Croton country, E. Austin of the Afton country and W. F. McCarty, accompanied by County Judge O. S. Ferguson, County Attorney B. J. G. Worswick, County Clerk Crawford Cobb, left Spur Monday for a trip to Indiana where they will spend some time inspecting iron works and manufacturers of bridges and other road improvement material. We understand that an iron works company is paying the expenses of the party, possibly to give the Commissioners more information concerning their materials and to encourage buying county material from the iron works company.

### AN EXTENSIVE FARMER.

C. D. Copeland was in the city Saturday from his home six miles east of Spur. Mr. Copeland continues to branch out in his farming operations and we understand that he is now preparing to cultivate about five hundred acres of land on his place next year. He says that he was favored with some of the recent rains and as a result his place is now wet to the bottom for the first time in several years.

### HOME FOR HOLIDAYS.

Miss Trenholm Doyle left the latter part of this week to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents and other relatives at Grandbury. She will return about the fifth of January and resume her duties as teacher of music in the Spur Schools. Miss Doyle is a music teacher of exceptional ability and her pupils are advancing rapidly.

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We extend to every patron and reader the compliments of the season, and sincerely wish everybody a

**VERY HAPPY  
CHRISTMAS.**

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to the fact that pupils are equally under the control of all teachers while in the halls, on the school grounds, or on the way to or from school.—F. F. Mace, Superintendent.

### A REFORMED TEACHER.

W. H. Lain, a prominent citizen of the New Hope community, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Lain is a reformed school teacher and is now engaged in the business of farming. He is making a success in the farming business and says that it is more agreeable and remunerative. Mr. Lain intends to buy a place another year and begin his farming operations on his own land and according to his own methods.

### CLOSES BUSINESS

W. E. Kellar closed up his saddle shop and business Monday for the benefit of creditors. This business was a valuable asset to the town and country and we hope that Mr. Kellar will again be able to resume the business.

more interesting and the last four days there will be lots of extra specials in prices and votes, so the ones who wait and take advantage of these extra specials will be the ones whose contestants will win the coveted prizes.

Remember we have music on busy evenings and a good warm fire all the time. Prices that attract and Votes Free in the Big Contest, and these last four days will be decision days in the Contest. Who will get this Watch, Diamond Ring and Piano? Your friend if you try to help them. Now is the opportune time and it will soon pass. Contestants you must work now? We are going to give you a chance to do something extra for yourself. We have Coupon Books which when signed by us are as good at our store as cash to buy merchandise with. We are going to let the Contestants sell some of these books, and with each \$10 Coupon Book they sell we will give 20,000 votes and 25 cents in cash, so now is the time to see which contestant has the most determination and friends. It

treatment as we have in the past and better if we possibly can. We want to build a great business in Spur, on a foundation that will stand. Come on with the crowds who already trade with us. Your friends,—Bryant-Link Co.

### MARRIED

It is reported that Mrs. Viola Flowers and Bill Simpson were recently married in Dallas and are now making their home in that city. Bill Simpson was formerly in the barbering business in Spur. Mrs. Flowers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harkey. Both parties are well known in Dickens county and have many friends who extend to them congratulations and very best wishes.

### BAZAARS SUCCESSFUL

The Methodist and Baptist ladies bazaars were held this week in Spur, and we understand that both were liberally patronized on the part of the people of the town and surrounding country.

## THE TEXAS SPUR

Oran McClure, Ed. and Prop.

SPUR - - - - TEXAS

It's pity there are no fall styles in prices.

When we have women judges the lawyers won't dare talk back.

We hope hobble skirts will not be reduced under the new tariff law.

Some men enjoy their indigestion, judging by the way they brag about it.

The latest idea of luck in New York is to get to see a play before the police stop it.

Assurance comes from Panama that the locks are safe. Anything with locks to it usually is.

As a general thing it doesn't improve a man's chance of going to heaven for him to inherit a lot of the earth.

One wonders what literature and the drama would do without the recruits they draw annually from baseball.

A Pittsburgh man has been fined \$50 for winking twice at a girl. Perhaps the first one was caused by a cinder.

The latest feminine fashion is to have their hands in their pockets. Sarcastic husbands will welcome the change.

England has at last won a sporting championship from us, the women's golf. Is this a tribute to the virility of the militants?

Lace spats for women is a late style, but unfortunately they do not displace the old-fashioned clothes-line recriminations.

If the tailors wish to do something unusual why do they not give the men knickerbockers and thus start a fashion worth while?

The superintendent of West Point wants football eliminated. He seems to think the students could be maimed and killed in a better cause.

Scientists have produced something "just as good as radium," but we shall accept no substitute and shall demand the old-fashioned kind.

The passenger who rode with Pegoud when he looped the loop shares the fame of the man who crossed Niagara Falls on Blondin's back.

"Facilis decensus," says a book reviewer in discussing the latest novel by the author of a former "best seller," which means that he has hit the toboggan.

A French dramatist declares that "any dance can be made vulgar." True; but the trouble with some is that they are in the category of the self-made.

A German paper says that when a diplomat says "yes" he means "perhaps," and when he says "perhaps" he means "no," and if he says "no" he is no diplomat.

A Scotch expert says that we are approaching the smokeless age. But as his prediction applies to locomotives and factories and not cigarettes, no alarm need agitate the community.

If, as a careful statistician asserts, Americans paid \$600,000,000 for music last year, it would seem to a plain person that they ought to have something to show for it—a creditable song, at least.

A Philadelphia watter has had a broker convicted on a charge of false pretense in handling \$8,000 worth of securities. How many of those who tipped him had that much?

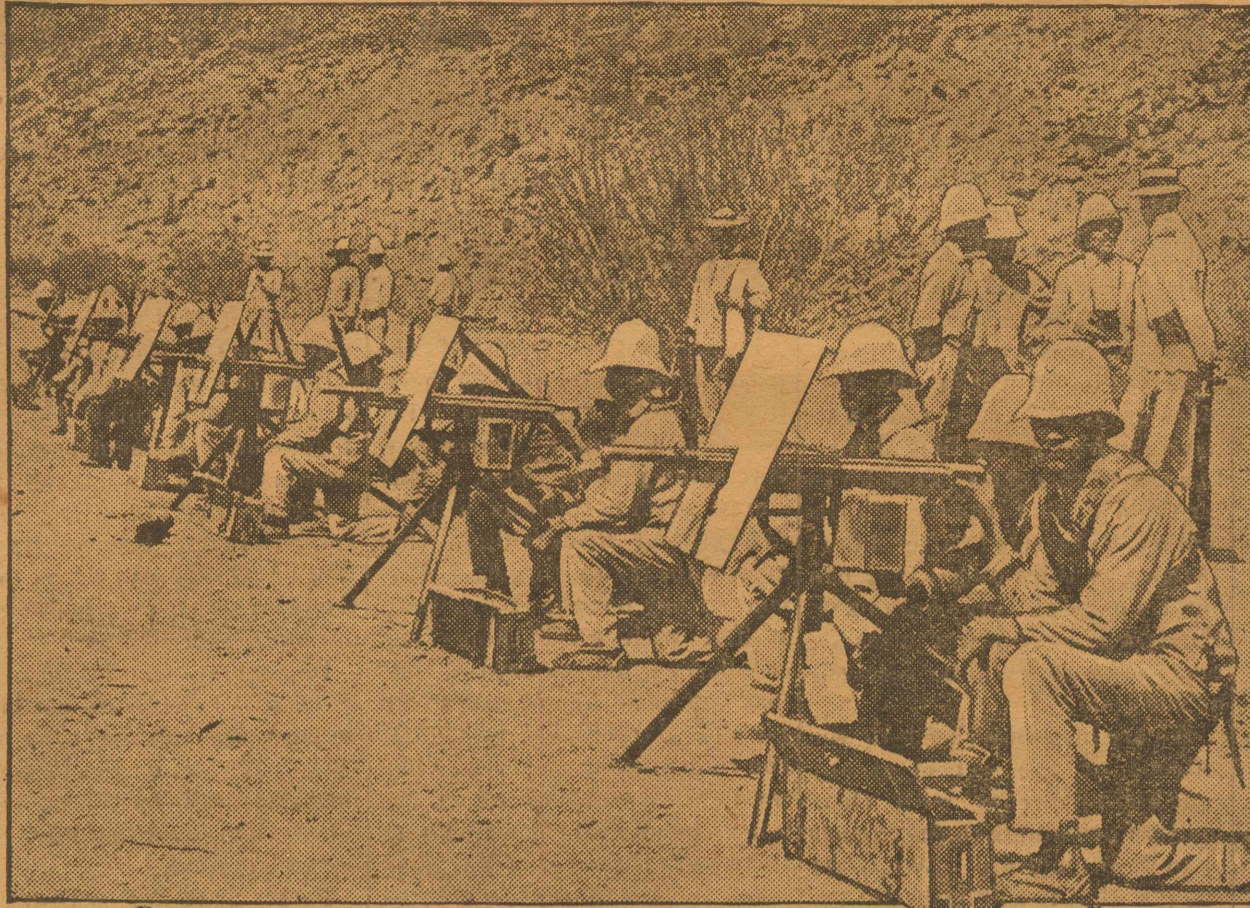
Radium is to be put within the reach of the common people. This will help to bring down the high cost of living, as there is such a popular demand for radium.

A Philadelphian who undertook to demonstrate how it was possible for a man to stab himself in the back fatally almost succeeded. If he recovers he will take it for granted.

Accidents will happen even in the "safe" French duels. A sword expert was badly pinked in his 173d encounter, and is in a Paris hospital. Honor issues should be fought out over a chess table or not at all.

A noted English surgeon has discovered that cancer is sometimes caused by coal used for fuel. He might also discover with some more observation that apoplexy is sometimes due to the coal bills.

## MEXICAN CONSTITUTIONALISTS WITH MODERN GUNS



The rapid-fire squad of the Constitutionalists of Mexico at Santa Maria. The squad is equipped with modern, up-to-date machine guns, and well trained in how to use them effectively.

## SKELETONS ON SHIP

### Captain of British Vessel Reports a Weird Discovery.

Ill-Fated Sailing Ship Said to Have Been Sighted in a Rocky Cave in Magellan Strait—Craft Missing Twenty-three Years.

London.—A weird story of the sea has been briefly cabled from New Zealand. It is the story of the finding of the sailing ship Marlborough with 20 skeletons on board.

The Marlborough, a Glasgow owned bark, belonging to Messrs. Leslie & Co., sailed from Lyttelton, New Zealand, with several passengers and a crew of 33 under the command of Capt. Hird in January, 1890. She was homeward bound by the Cape Horn route and was spoken in midocean in the southern Pacific after which no other word of her was ever heard.

In April of that year she was posted as missing, and later on was given up as having been lost around the Horn, where the bones of many a good ship and many a hundred seamen lie. A government cruiser searched the rocky and tortuous coasts of Patagonia, but no trace of her was found. The Marlborough became just another of the thousand mysteries of the sea.

A day or two ago another British sailing ship arrived in Lyttelton with the story that she had found the Marlborough and the skeletons of 20 of her crew in one of the rocky coves near Punta Arenas (Sandy Point) in the Magellan Strait.

The captain is quoted as telling the story in the following words:

"We were off the rocky coves near Punta Arenas keeping near the land for shelter. The coves are deep and silent, the sailing difficult and dangerous.

"We rounded a point into a deep cleft cove. Before us a mile or more across the water stood a sailing vessel with the barest shreds of canvas fluttering in the breeze.

"We signaled and hove to. No answer came. We searched the 'stranger' with our glasses. Not a soul

could we see, not a movement of any sort.

"Masts and yards were picked out in green—the green of decay.

"At last we came up. There was no sign of life on board. After an interval our first mate with a member of the crew boarded her. The sight that met their gaze was thrilling.

"Below the wheel lay the skeleton of a man. Treading warily on the rotten deck, which cracked and broke in places as they walked, they encountered three skeletons in the hatchway.

"In the messroom were the remains of ten bodies, and six were found, one alone, possibly that of the captain, on the bridge.

"There was an uncanny stillness around and a dank smell of mold which made the flesh creep. A few remnants of books were discovered in the captain's cabin and a rusty cutlass.

"Nothing more weird in the history of the sea can ever have been seen. The first mate examined the still faint letters on the bows and after much trouble read, 'Marlborough, Glasgow.'

Punta Arenas is a pretty large place as South American towns go. It has a population of several thousands, and, of course, the Magellan Strait is a great highway traversed by hundreds of ships yearly, which take this way to avoid doubling the Horn with its furious gales.

The whole of the Magellan Strait, from Cape Virgus to Cape Pillar, is familiar to thousands of seamen and indented and rockbound though it is it seems incredible that a ship could lie concealed for nearly a quarter of a century in that part "near" a place like Punta Arenas.

Had the discovery been made among the desolate and multitudinous isles of the Cockburn channel or down about Cook bay or False Cape Horn—perhaps the wildest coasts in the world—it would have been more credible. Indeed, shortly after the ship was lost there was a report that the crew of a passing ship saw seamen signaling from an island down that way which is 300 or 400 miles from Punta Arenas.

## "WIND JAMMERS" OF ARMY

Some Specimens of the Quaint Slang That is Used by English Soldiers.

London.—There is more slang among soldier than one would find at all the schools in England. Some amusing examples are given by Corporal P. L. King of the Second Life Guards in the Household Brigade Magazine.

A Tom Clarke is a swab, and it is also a kiss. Hence, one may hear a soldier refer to "Tom Clarking his straight missus, which means kissing his prospective bride. Nobody knows who the original Tom Clarke was.

A touch of the Lawrence means a fit of laziness.

A pennyworth of bread and cheese is known as a "rimer" for some inscrutable reason, and tea is "dirty 'ot." Meat is "saddle flap."

To "put half a gauge on" anything is to do work for a man for sixpence, which may have some connection with the fact that a half-gallon can is known as "half a gauge."

A man wearing a muffler is in "burg-

lar order," and is open to the question, "Where are the ferrets?"

If anyone has an unpleasant surprise he "drops about 17 holes." Should you agree with a statement you say, "same as that," whereas if you disagree you remark, "What's coming off?" Bandmen are referred to as "wind jammers."

## DUBS WIFE STREET CAR FLIRT

Husband Charges Woman's Weakness Causes Him Great Discomfort and Sues for Divorce.

St. Clairsville, O.—Charles F. Marmie, a coal operator, declared in a suit for divorce that his wife "was possessed of a weakness for flirting with Harry Alrough and other street-car conductors to his discomfort and the lowering of her good name."

Marmie declared his business suffered through the weakness of his wife for "street railway uniforms." On numerous occasions, according to Marmie, he was compelled to remain at home with his wife to prevent her

## SOCIETY LIGHTS IN COSTUME

Son of Germany's Envoy and American Girl Do "Stunt" for Charity's Sake.

New York.—Count G. von Bernstorff, the son of Germany's ambassador to the United States, in the costume of a Harlequin, as he appeared



Society Devotees in Costume.

with Miss Elsie Park, well known in Long Island society, in the masque ball at the Garden City hotel, Garden City, Long Island, in aid of the Nassau County hospital. Miss Park wore the costume of an oriental princess.

from spending the day riding back and forth on street cars.

In answer to her husband's accusations, Mrs. Marmie admitted that one or two street car conductors had tried to flirt with her, but declared that she had always rebuked them.

## EUGENICS AID TO LOBSTERS

Supply Increased by Work of Fisheries Bureau in Washington City.

Washington.—Heavy increase in the supply of lobsters this year, according to a report from the bureau of fisheries to Secretary Redfield of the department of commerce, is attributed by fishermen and dealers to operations of the fisheries bureau in artificial propagation of the lobster.

Reports show that there has been a heavy increase in the supply since the bureau devoted special attention to the work, particularly along the coast of Maine, where lobsters are being taken in greater numbers than ever before.

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A 10-cent box means health, happiness and a clear head for months. No more days of gloom and distress if you will take a Cascaret now and then. All stores sell Cascarets. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a cleansing, too. Adv.

Just because a man doesn't drink is no sign he isn't thirsty.

Worms expelled promptly from the human system with Dr. Peery's Vermifuge "Dead Shot." Adv.

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The Direction.

"Old Colonel Bragg says when he was in the army he always had his enemies on the run."

"I don't doubt it, when he was in front of them."

First Aid for Love.

The beautiful Lillian Russell, as everybody knows, is a first-aid expert, and recently bound up in Paris the wounds of Theodore P. Shontz.

At a dinner in Pittsburgh a young architect said to Miss Russell:

"I understand you're a first-aid sharp. Will you please tell me what's the best remedy for a broken heart?" "To be sure!" replied the actress. "You must bind up the fracture with a gold band, bathe with orange blossom water, and apply plenty of raw rice. The cure is guaranteed."

The Other Way.

"Donald MacMillan, who is to marry Marie Peary, the 'snow baby,' is an extremely temperate lad. Hence his success as an explorer."

The speaker, a member of the famous Philadelphia Geographical society, smiled and resumed:

"MacMillan has no patience with drink victims—no patience either with them or their excuses. I once heard him say to a sailor who had succumbed:

"No, no, Jack. He who says misfortune drove him to drink is putting the cart before the horse."

FAMILY OF FIVE All Drank Coffee From Infancy.

It is a common thing in this country to see whole families growing up with nervous systems weakened by coffee drinking.

That is because many parents do not realize that coffee contains a drug—caffeine—which causes the trouble. (The same drug is found in tea.)

"There are five children in my family," writes an Iowa mother, "all of whom drank coffee from infancy up to two years ago.

"My husband and I had heart trouble and were advised to quit coffee. We did so and began to use Postum. We now are doing without medicine and are entirely relieved of heart trouble" (Caffeine causes heart trouble continually used as in coffee ing.)

"Our eleven-year-old boy had digestion from birth, and yet he craved and was given coffee. We changed to Postum he liked it and we gave him all he wanted. He has been restored to health by Postum and still likes it."

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## CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

This is the happiest time of the year; Christmas is coming, December is here. Old Santa is busily packing his sleigh—Be good, little children, be good every day; For Santa is sending a carload of toys To the good little girls and the good little boys.

He has all sorts of toys for the good little girls; Big sleeping dollies with beautiful curls; Doll beds and doll buggies and ribbons and rings And bracelets and all sorts of bright pretty things.

He has little red wagons and automobiles And freight trains and street cars and horses on wheels; And clambering monkeys—O! my at the toys

Old Santa is sending the good little boys. This is the happiest time of the year; Christmas is coming, December is here.

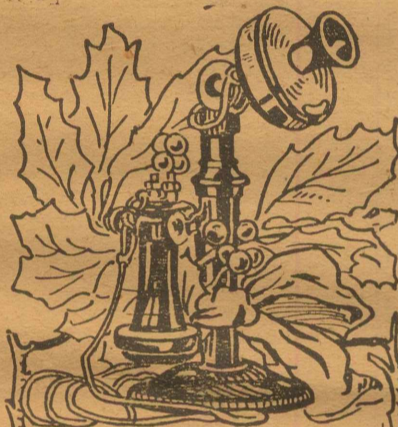
—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

R. C. Forbis was in the city Saturday from his ranch home north of Dickens and spent the night in Spur with Sol Davis and family.

J. B. Conner and wife were in the city Saturday visiting T. G. Harkey and family.

Joe Erickson returned last week from Stamford where he had been on business several days.

Dock Ellis, of the West Pasture, spent Saturday and Sunday in Spur.



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### COTTON REPORT.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The total production of cotton in the United States for the season of 1913-14 will amount to 13,677,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, not including linters, the department of agriculture announced today. This compares with 13,703,421 bales last year.

Productions in bales by states follows:

Virginia, 25,000; North Carolina, 765,000; South Carolina, 1,330,000; Georgia, 2,275,000; Florida, 68,000; Alabama, 1,510,000; Mississippi, 1,195,000; Louisiana, 400,000; Texas, 3,390,000; Arkansas, 900,000; Tennessee, 375,000; Missouri, 66,000; Oklahoma, 820,000; California, 18,000.

The report was construed as bullish by traders and markets rose swiftly on the announcement. This is the final United States report on this season. The total was several hundred thousand under estimates.

### HEAVY HAILSTORM

Justiceburg, Garza Co.—A heavy rain and hail fell here Friday night. The hail drifted in low places from eighteen to twenty-four inches deep. The heaviest hail was from one to two miles wide. It has done very little damage to this community, as most of the people have gathered their crops. Farmers of this community made a good feed and cotton crop this year. Maize and Kaffia corn averaged about 2,000 pounds to the acre, while cotton averaged about half a bale to the acre.

### FOR SALE

Will sell my residence in Spur very cheap, with small cash payment and balance like rent.—Mrs. M. E. Pruden, Quanah, Texas. 41-1f

### ACTS ON THE LIVER

**Dodson's Liver Tone Livens Up the Liver—Is More than a Mere Laxative.**

Calomel was for years the only known medicine that would stimulate the liver. But calomel is often dangerous, and people are not to be blamed for being afraid of it.

Within the last few years many medicines have been put out to be used instead of calomel, but their effect is on the bowels—not on the liver. The Red Front Drug Store says that the only real liver medicine to actually take the place of calomel is Dodson's Liver Tone, a mild, harmless, vegetable liquid that the Red Front Drug Store recommended to take place of calomel and which gives prompt relief in cases of biliousness and sluggish liver.

So confident are the Red Front Drug Store that they give their personal guarantee with every 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. You can be sure that you are getting Dodson's by asking at this store if they are giving you the medicine they personally guarantee to refund money on if unsatisfactory.

I have bought the Auto Garage and prepared to do all kinds of auto repairing. Also have oil and gasoline for sale. I will appreciate your business in this line.—E. L. Clay. 5tf

Have a glass put over that picture to preserve it. Brazelton-Pryor & Co, sell glass of all sizes, either plain or plate. 52tf

### NOTICE

You will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law if caught hunting, fishing, shooting, trapping or trespassing in any way in any of the 24 pastures.—Mrs. Boley Brown & Sons. By Bert N. Brown, manager. 1-26t

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Make You Feel Fine in a Day.

Don't fool with Calomel or Salts or harsh purgatives that act violently, many times injuring the lining of the bowels, and causing serious illness.

**HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS** are mild, gentle, yet absolutely certain. They always act blissfully on the bowels and never fail to unplug the stubborn liver, and compel it to do its work properly.

Physicians in Hot Springs, Arkansas, prescribe them because they know that there is nothing better they can prescribe. Take **HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS** as directed and get rid of constipation, dizziness, biliousness, sick headache, slow, pimply skin. They are a fine tonic, for they drive impure matter from the blood, make the bowels and stomach antiseptic, and give one a hearty appetite. All druggists 25 cents, and money back if they are not just what you have been looking for. Sample free and 100 of 17,000 testimonials from Hot Springs Chemical Co., Hot Springs, Ark.

### Charity.

Charity begins at home, and often ends there. It is usually divided into two kinds, namely, public and private. Public charity consists of a salaried office force and a subscription list. Private charity is what we give when we don't know what to do with the surplus.

There is also a species of charity known as genuine. Inasmuch, however, as it is never advertised in the newspapers, scarcely anything is known about it.

### BLOTCHES COVERED LIMBS

19 Roach St., Atlanta, Ga.—"A few months ago I had some kind of skin eruption that spread until my limbs and feet were covered with blotches and watery blisters. It looked like eczema. When the trouble reached my neck and face I was almost driven frantic. It itched and stung so intensely that I could not sleep or wear any clothing on the affected parts. After two months I commenced to use Cuticura Soap and Ointment and after two days I noticed improvement and in six days the trouble left. My skin was fair and smooth again and the eruption never returned.

"My cousin was a sufferer from pimples, known as acne, on his face and seemed to grow worse all the time. I recommended Cuticura Soap and Ointment to him and now his face is smooth for the first time in three years and he owes it all to Cuticura Soap and Ointment." (Signed) Walter Battle, Oct. 7, 1912.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

### Title to Be Defended.

"What are you going to call the new baby?"

"Reginald Claude," replied Mr. Bliggins.

"Isn't 'Reginald Claude' a rather affected name?"

"Yes. I want him to grow up to be a fighter, and I fancy that 'Reginald Claude' will start something every time he goes to a new school."

## HER TROUBLES BEGAN EARLY

Young Lady Relates Her Experience, and Tells How She Overcame Troubles Which Started at Fifteen.

Paulina, La.—"When I was only fifteen years old," says Miss Lizzie St. Pierre, of this town, "I began suffering from womanly troubles. I had all kinds of pains, felt nervous, dizzy and weak, had headache, backache, and with all that I had fever.

I commenced taking Cardui, the woman's tonic, and it made me perfectly well. Am only seventeen years old now, but feel a whole lot younger.

Mama got so she couldn't sleep, and always felt dizzy. She took Cardui treatment, and now she is in perfect health.

If you think the publication of this letter will encourage other suffering ladies to try Cardui, you may print it.

I certainly feel thankful for what Cardui has done for my mother and me."

Thousands of women have written, like Miss St. Pierre, to tell of the beneficial results they obtained by taking this well-known woman's remedy. You must believe that Cardui will help you, because it has helped so many others.

Composed of purely vegetable, medicinal ingredients, having a gentle, strengthening action on the system, Cardui is a reliable remedy for young and old, with absolutely no bad after-effects. Try it, and you will find it of benefit, whenever you need a tonic.

At the nearest drug store.

N. B.—Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. Adv.

## IS SEASON FOR BEAUTY

FEMININE FINERY NEVER SO LUXURIOUS AS NOW.

Showing of Imported Frocks by One New York House Reveals the Extravagance That Is to Be Marked.

The shops are all displaying feminine finery calculated to arouse the enthusiasm even of the most indifferent observer, but one house on lower Broadway had on view last week a collection of imported frocks, which struck the high note of the season with regard to extravagance. Elsewhere were found models as beautiful, but nowhere else were so many superb creations shown in one group.

Every famous French dressmaker was represented by the best of his or



Chantilly Lace and Chiffon.

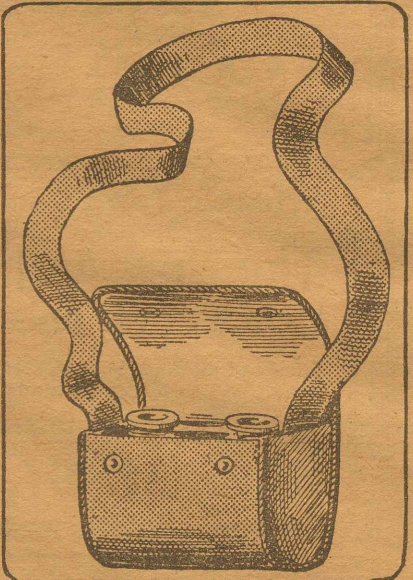
her productions, and looking over the scores of elaborate models and reading the price labels, one could not help exclaiming over the extravagance which can justify a shrewd buyer in catering after this fashion to American women. The only conclusion is that American purses must be full and American husbands and fathers must be very indulgent.

But if this is to be a season of unusual extravagance it is also to be a season of exceptionally beautiful

### CASE FOR OPERA GLASSES

May Be Made Without Much Trouble From Any Strong Material That Is Handled.

In our sketch may be seen a case for opera glasses, that can be made without much trouble, and in which the glasses may be comfortably carried. Any strong material may be



Case Ready for Use.

used for the making of it, corded silk or art serge being specially suitable, and it should be lined with soft silk of some contrasting shade of color.

It would be useless to suggest dimensions, as opera glasses vary so much in size and shape, but a case

clothes. This fact has been evident since the first autumn models began to drift across the seas, and the collection of frocks referred to above emphasized it, underscored it, put exclamation marks after it.

After a general survey of the exhibit, one was left with a dazed impression as of a riot of velvets and furs, chiffons and laces, wonderful gleaming embroideries and supple silken stuffs in lines of indescribable beauty. But closer study revealed the unity in variety and resolved the bewildering confections into their component parts.

Our sketch shows a gown of chantilly lace and chiffon. A bright bit of color was added in the way of a deep reddish-purple belt and garlands of roses of harmonizing tones. The blouse and tunics were of white chiffon.

The profusion of intricate embroidery and beads is one of the most pronounced features of the handsome evening frocks and a quantity of dull gold and silver is another thing that leaves a distinct impression. Velvet and fur are omnipresent, and broadcades are claiming a surer hold than was accorded to them when manufacturers and dressmakers combined to push them last year.

MARY DEAN.

### MANY NOVELTIES FOR FALL

Wonderful Selection From Which the Woman of Fashion May Pick Her Favorite.

Milady of fashion who is seeking for novelties in fall fabrics will have a wonderful selection to choose from this year. The soft colors which blend so well in furs show to special advantage in the new materials. Kittens' ear cloth, a soft, velvety material, just what the name implies, is a triumph indeed of the weaver's art. Drap de nymphe, a cloth fabric with the luster and drape of charmeuse, chenille cloth which is rich, soft and distinctive, and peluche de laine bid fair to be some of the most used materials of the season.

The demand for soft clinging folds and draperies this year has taxed the manufacturer's skill to the greatest degree. The result from the loom is a marvel of art, even the stiff brocade of silver and gold, praised by our ancestress of old, has been transformed under the deft finger of the weaver into a pliable material with a softness that falls and drapes at the modiste's will. The brocade of this fall is of a royal richness, with a riot of color and fanciful designs. One beautiful design was woven of gold and claret, the warp being of one and the wool of the other. Over the background was brocade a design in plain claret.

### Pompons With Beads.

Pretty pompons for slippers are made in this way: Gather a doubled strip of chiffon—about three inches wide when folded—into a rosette. Make a little satin rose of the same color.

If you are not versed in the ways of making roses from satin, make two rosettes, as you made the chiffon one, one smaller than the other, and fasten them together, and they will look flower like.

Use bright crystal beads for the flower center, and dot beads around the edges of the petals of the satin rose. Pure, clear glass beads give the best effect, but gold or silver beads would also be pretty.

to fit any glasses can be made on the lines of that shown. It is cut out in three pieces, one piece forming the body of the case and fold-over flap, and the other two pieces the sides. After the material has been cut out, it should be lined and then sewn together, the seams being hidden with a fine silk cord which is carried round the edge of the flap. This flap can either be made to fasten with small buttons and buttonholes, or two snap fasteners, cut possibly from an old kid glove, can be used. A long loop of ribbon (the ends of which are sewn in on either side of the case) is provided by which it may be carried slung upon the wrist.

The colors of the materials are a matter of choice, but dark green silk lined with soft silk of a lighter shade of the same color, and ribbon and cord of an old gold color, would be a strikingly pretty and effective combination.

### To Dress the Neck.

A band of fancy ribbon for the neck, topped with a narrow edge of fur, fastens at the left side under a flat bow of the ribbon, one edge of which is fur-trimmed. On no type of neckwear does narrow fur trimming show off to better advantage than on a gracefully draped fichu. Many such fichus are made of embroidered net or chiffon. Some of them have a wide throat band of black velvet, together with a fichu-jabot finish.

### Popular Coflar.

The beautiful Medic collar has reached a high place in popular favor and is expected to retain widespread vogue this fall and winter.

## MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs"

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

### Not Keeping to Schedule.

Doctor—From now you may let your husband have a glass of beer every day. You understand?

Wife—Yes, doctor—just one glass a day.

Doctor (a week later)—Now, I hope you have kept strictly to that one glass per day that I allowed your husband to take?

Wife—Most decidedly, doctor—only he is four weeks in advance with his allowance.

### SAGE TEA AND SULPHUR DARKENS YOUR GRAY HAIR

Look Years Younger! Try Grandma's Recipe of Sage and Sulphur and Nobody Will Know.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome.

Nowadays we simply ask at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy." You will get a large bottle for about 50 cents. Everybody uses this old, famous recipe, because no one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy and you look years younger.—Adv.

### Barber's Pole.

A number of traditions cling around the symbolical sign of the barber's pole. The gilt ball at the end represents a brass basin, which in some instances has been suspended from the pole. The basin had a notch cut in it to fit the throat, and was used for lathering customers who came to be shaved. The pole itself represents the staff held by persons in veneration, thus recalling the days when the barber performed the duty of bleeding patients in need of such ministrations. The two spiral ribbons painted round it represent the two bandages, one for twisting round the arm previous to blood-letting, and the other for binding.

### ARRESTED.

Further arrests are being made daily—not of persons, but of pain. Its Hunt's Lightning Oil that so many people are talking about because it arrests and stops pain, and affords almost instant relief in cases of Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Headaches, Burns, etc. Just try it if you want pain to quit quick. Adv.

### It Sometimes Pays.

A New York contractor said, apropos of a poor man who, after taking tremendous risks, had improved his position a little:

"This fellow's case proves to us that it is sometimes better to try the fire than to stay always in the frying pan."

### Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of **CASTORIA**, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

### A Souvenir.

"I suppose you wish your friends to share in your new automobile?"  
"Oh, yes. The first time I smash it up I'll send you a wheel."



## Lameness

Sloan's Liniment is a speedy, reliable remedy for lameness in horses and farm stock. Here's proof.

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"I have used Sloan's Liniment on a fine mare for splint and cured her. This makes the third horse I've cured. Have recommended it to my neighbors for thrush and they say it is fine. I find it the best Liniment I ever used. I keep on hand your Sure Colic Cure for myself and neighbors, and I can certainly recommend it for Colic."—E. E. Smith, McDonough, Ga.

## SLOAN'S LINIMENT

is a quick, safe remedy for poultry roup, canker and bumble-foot. Try it.

**For Roup and Canker**  
"Sloan's Liniment is the speediest and surest remedy for poultry roup and canker in all its forms, especially for canker in the windpipe."—E. F. Spaulding, Jaffrey, N. H.

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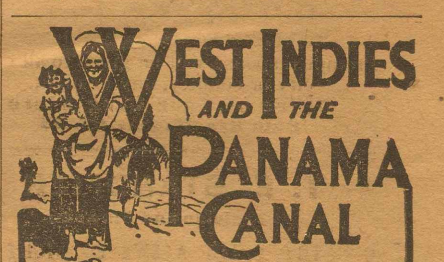
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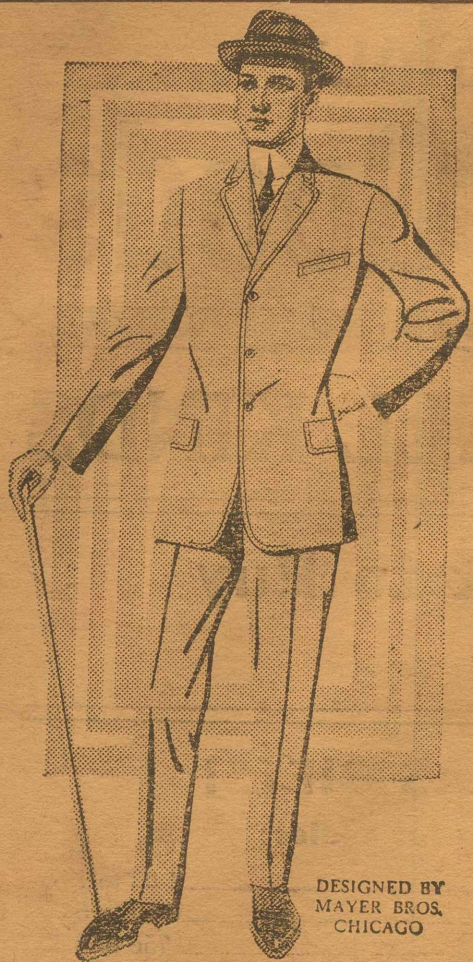
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**C**OME TO US TO LOOK! Plenty Good Style Clothes for the Man or Boy. Plenty up-to-now Shoes for any member of your family. Come Now while you can get tickets free, with each one dollar purchase, for the Bale of Cotton to be Given Away Wednesday, December 31st. Only a few more days in which to get tickets for this prize

## The Love Dry Goods Company

Morrison Stand "ALL NEW GOODS" Spur, Texas

#### NOT AN OBSERVER.

The Texas Spur came last week with ten pages. That seven pages were well written and patronized was very potent; that three were not, was very patent. Oran McClure fills the bill at Spur, however.—Stamford Leader.

Any inferred compliment in the above is appreciated, however it is very patent that the Leader did not thoroughly observe that issue of the Texas Spur since it had twelve pages, seven of which were well patronized, and that four pages were good reading is patent.

Read the Texas Spur.

#### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Spur National Bank of Spur, Spur, Texas, will be held at the banking house of said bank in Spur, Texas, on the second Tuesday, the 13th. day of January, A. D. 1914, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business properly coming before said meeting. 6-4t

R. V. Colbert, President.  
W. G. Sherrod, Cashier.  
Spur, Texas, December 9, 1913.

Subscribe for the Texas Spur.

#### SANTA CLAUS IS COMING.

Will Bring Twenty Million Dollars Worth of Toys.

Santa Claus is going to bring the children of the United States an assortment of toys valued at \$20,000,000 this Christmas, and nearly a million dollars worth will be distributed among Texas kiddies. Assuming that this amount will be apportioned, each child's allotment will amount to one dollar. These statements are based upon facts and figures contained in a recent report issued by the Federal Department of Commerce relating to the importation, production and exportation of toys in the United States, and the prices used represent wholesale value. According to this bulletin the theory that our Christmas playthings come from Greenland has been exploded as it is shown that more than one-half the toys consumed in this country, or approximately \$11,000,000 worth, are manufactured in the United States, while the remainder is imported principally from Germany.

There are 226 toy factories in continental United States, but none of them are located in Texas, and consequently our annual expenditure for Christmas trifles leave the State.

Since Santa Claus made his last visit a year ago, the toy factories of the United States have been running full time preparing for his next annual tour. These establishments have employed 6,072 persons, who have earned \$3,000,000 in salaries and wages and whose unceasing labors will brighten the lives of 20 million good little boys and girls when they wake on Christmas morning.

The consumption of this class of merchandise in the United States has grown with remarkable rapidity. Importations in 1893 were less than 3 million dollars; in 1903 they had grown to four and one-half million, and for the calendar year of 1913 it seems likely that they will reach the enormous sum of nine million dollars. While the domestic manufacture of toys has increased materially in recent years, the yearly factory output is no nearer the annual demand than it was twenty years ago, and as a result the imports, production and consumption show approx-

imately the same percentage of gain during this time. Exports of toys from the United States are comparatively small when the manufacture and importations are considered. The exports amount to less than a million dollars annually and have somewhat declined in recent years.

Ben Hagins was in the city this week from his farm home on Duck Creek and reports everything flourishing in that section.

Chas. A. Jones returned last week to Freeport where he will remain some time looking after the Swenson interests at that place. It is reported that at this time Freeport is the only town in that section which did not suffer damage from the recent high water and floods. Levees completely surround the town, they being sufficiently substantial to withstand the high waters.

## THE TOY SHOP

Miss Dora Odeneal has put in a nice line of Toys in the store with her father and ask all of her friends to buy their toys from her. You can buy them some cheaper than elsewhere, next door to the F. & M. Bank.

## I'm Not Selling at Cost

**M**Y stock of Watches & Jewelry is about complete. I have paid cash for my Watches and Clocks, and I can make better price than you can get anywhere else, either at home or away from home. I have a beautiful line of Locketts, just come in, Neckchains and Neck pendants bot filled and solid gold, in fact I have everything that you would expect to find in a Jewelry store. I have had Experience enough to do the best of Repair work on Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Spectacles. All work guaranteed. Store next door to F. & M Bank, Spur, Texas. Get your lowest prices, then come to me and buy.

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A Big line Silk Half-Hose, all calors.....	25c to 1.00
Silk and Wool Mufflers.....	25c to 50c
Jersey Sweaters in Red, Blue and Gray.....	75c to 3.00
Kid Gloves.....	1 00 to 2 50
Suit Cases.....	6.50 to 12.50
Silk Shirts.....	1.50 to 3 50
Sweater Vests.....	2 00 to 3 50
Belts.....	50c to 1 25
Traveling Bags.....	5 00 to 7 50
Bath Robes.....	3 50
Stetson Hats.....	4.00 to 10 00

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS!**

Suggestions For Ladies:

Beautiful Line Ready Made Veils.....	1 00 to 1.50
Beautiful Line Auto Veils.....	3.50 to 5.00
Ladies Shopping Bags.....	75c to 3 50
Ladies Silk Hose.....	1.00 to 1.50
Ladies Silk Boot Hose.....	50c to 75c
Ladies and Chil. Handkerchiefs.....	50c to 35c
Ladies House Slippers, a pair.....	1 50
Ladies Kid Gloves.....	1 25 to 3 50
Beautiful Linen Towels, pair.....	75c to 2.00
Ladies Auto Hoods.....	75c to 2 50
Fine Wool Blankets, pair.....	4 00 to 10 00
Fine Wool Sweaters.....	1 50 to 3 50

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**THE BEST  
DISPLAY!**

J. B. Anderson, of Hall county, passed through Spur this week making a trip over this section of the country. Mr. Anderson

was formerly a citizen of Dickens county, residing years ago in the Northeast Corner community.

Sol Davis, E. L. Clay and Mr. Nicholson made a business trip to Jayton the first of the past week.

**Santa Claus Headquarters**

**THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT IS NOW IN THE AIR!!**

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*The Rexall Store*

In every town some folks keep a houn' aroun,  
 And every time strangers come to town—  
 Some folks go to kickin' the town aroun'.  
 It's even worse'n kickin' a houn' aroun'.

Stop your kickin', be hopeful and profoun';  
 It's a mighty poor way to build up a town—  
 To keep kickin' the public interest aroun'.  
 Who wants to locate in a town that's kicked  
 down.

This is the best town anywhere aroun',  
 But, like others, we have a few old houn's,  
 Who get the stranger that comes to town—  
 Says the town's a houn', and kicks it aroun'.

If a houn's a houn', then a town's a town,  
 And can't be built if kicked 'roun' and  
 'roun'.

You have a right to kick your own houn'  
 But it hurts us all if you kick your town.

Now let's pull together for the good home  
 town,

Let's stop kickin' our town aroun'  
 Tho' the town, if a myth'll make no soun'  
 If not we'll get no strangers in town.

**A BIG BOY BORN.**

Tuesday a thirteen pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Young of the Red Hill community several miles east of Spur. The birth of this fine boy is evidence that Dickens county can produce the finest boys as well as crops. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Young, and may their son continue to grow and develop and in the years to come be recognized as one of the biggest men of the state.

The rains this week amounted to .38 inches, and coming slowly and in showers it all soaked into the ground, giving the country a more desirable season. Reports from all parts of Western Texas are to the effect that range conditions as well as crop conditions are now better than for the past ten to thirty years. West Texas is now coming into its own.

Mr. Eldredge, of the Plains country, loaded his effects on the cars in Spur this week and departed for the eastern part of the state where he and family will again make their home.

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# THE FREE BALE OF COTTON

Will be Given Away Wednesday, December 31.

WHY NOT BUY WHERE YOU GET GROCERIES  
CHEAP AND SOMETHING FREE?

IT WILL BE MONEY TO YOU to buy from us. Our price is always Right, Quality and Quantity Unsurpassed "Anywhere." We have nice dishes. You will want to give some one a nice present for Christmas and they are just fine for that as well as for yourself. We have just received a fresh car of Gladiola Flour, the best you can buy. Why buy cheaper grades and cause trouble with the cook? Gladiola will make everything pleasant in the home.

WE WILL BUY TURKEYS AT THE HIGHEST  
MARKET PRICES.

REMEMBER THE DATE, DECEMBER 31, THE BALE OF COTTON WILL BE GIVEN AWAY!!

## Luce And Brannen Brothers Com'y.

N. Q. BRANNEN, Mgr.

SPUR, TEXAS

### GIRARD ITEMS.

Mr. Murav, of Spur, spent Thursday in our city.

Judge Jay, of Clairemont, was a business visitor to Girard Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Smith spent Friday and Saturday in Spur.

Gyp Mayfield has started the work on his new business house.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Carlisle entertained Saturday evening. All report a pleasant time.

The P. H. Miller Lumber Co. is preparing to open a lumber yard at this place with the congenial E. F. Smith as manager.

At a meeting held at the schoolhouse Friday evening, arrangements were made for having a Christmas tree on Christmas Eve. Everybody come.

R. I. Goodall has returned from Ft. Worth.

A. C. Miller and family, of Tuttle, Oklahoma, arrived here last week and will make this their future home.

Girard is to have a bank, it is thought, by the first of the year.

Hiram Arm's home, a mile and a half west of town, is nearing completion.

Work on the new brick school building has stopped temporarily.

Mrs. Gertrude Pursley and Miss Lucile Denton came in Saturday from the former's ranch.

Claude Darden has commenced work on his house west of town.

Miss Ruby Parks, primary teacher at the Bond Schoolhouse, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. M. A. Darden.

B. P. Woody, druggist from Jayton, was in town visiting his brother, S. F. Woody, Tuesday. —Reporter.

### NEW HOPE.

Mrs. J. C. Davis has been visiting her sons S. R. and L. W. Davis at Spur.

O. O. Love of Roaring Springs visited at the home of C. M. Buchanan.

Mrs. L. E. Osteen's brother, Henry, of Post City, is visiting here.

Jacob Scott and Frank Yates have been attending District Court as petit jurymen.

Albert Kendall, of Tarrant county, is visiting friends and relatives here.

J. M. Jones and T. J. Harrison had business in Spur Saturday.

M. L. Blakeley attended the Dickens County Log Rolling Association at Dickens Friday.

Chas. Rodgers is teaching a singing class at Midway.

R. S. Holly and J. W. Clark had business in Spur Monday.

Tom Jackson, who has been away since July, is at home again. —Oat Meal.

### HOW ABOUT SANTA CLAUS?

Christmas comes but once a year, but by handing only \$1.75 to the Texas Spur you will get 156 papers a year, or three a week. That's some reading, ain't it? Good, instructive, wholesome reading, too. Try the combination. You'll like it. It is this: The Texas Spur \$1 a year. The Semi-Weekly Farm News \$1 a year.

The two well worth \$2 a year. You get them both for \$1.75.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Every farmer should remember to be present in Spur on first Saturday in January at the first regular meeting of the Dickens County Agricultural Association. A large and enthusiastic membership can be of great benefit to all in this section. Farmers of other sections than Dickens county should also make it a point to be present.

### NOTICE.

All those who are indebted to me will please call and settle up, or make other satisfactory arrangements not later than Jan. 1st, as all notes and accounts will be placed in the hands of an Attorney for collection after this date. By doing this you will save yourself as well as me unnecessary expense.—A. S. Jackson, Dickens, Texas. 7 2t

Prof. A. C. Woodburn, who is teaching one of the schools west

of Dickens, was in the city last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Before leaving he handed us one dollar and seventy-five cents for the Texas Spur and Dallas News in combination, for which he has our thanks.

E. Long returned last week to Spur to attend Justice Court and also appear before the grand jury. Mr. Long is now located at Aspermont where he contemplates opening up a boot-making shop. Mr. Long is an expert boot-maker and does the very highest class work.

Mr. Moses, of Arkansas, spent some time in Spur with his uncle, W. S. Dunn and family. He left Tuesday for Dallas where he will join Miss Elnor a Dunn and go from there to Arkansas.



## ADVERTISING TEXAS

Money Follows Line of the Least  
Resistance.

BY W. HOLT HARRIS

MUCH has been said and more written about advertising the resources of Texas abroad and our glowing opportunities, when properly safe-guarded, will make the eagle on every American dollar spread its wings and fly to Texas. But the thing most essential to our growth and progress is the proper alignment of our laws and conduct and a clearer understanding of the necessities and requirements of progress. When this is done, it will be as unnecessary to solicit capital to come to Texas as it will be to invite the bees to make honey. Money follows the lines of least resistance and capital flows wherever profit is greatest and conditions most stable. The bank vaults of the nation are filled with dollars that are searching to and fro, up and down the earth for safe and profitable investments but it is of first importance that the house be put in order before the guests are invited.

There is nothing that so weakens the foundation of industrial achievement as the knockout drops of uncertainty, and capital will never seek investment where a myriad of scornful fingers are point-

ing toward it and neither will it give serious consideration to opportunities that are scarred by fear. No amount of publicity, however adroitly presented, can bring about profitable results under such circumstances. Such a country can only hope for satisfactory development through some freak of nature.

We have so many laws and rumors of laws and Dame Duty is such a fickle goddess when flirting with Ambition, that it keeps industries guessing as to the true status of affairs lest they all become companions in adversity.

The press of Texas has been groaning for the past few months under a burden of announcements of progress made by the State in its efforts to visit the pains and penalties of law upon industry and the incandescent flashes of malice and prejudice that have lighted the horizon have had a tendency to wither and blight our destiny and we still hear threats of war. Not only has it done violence to progress but it has very effectively placed fetters upon our growth and development by giving the State millions of dollars of bad advertising.

Mr. Wilson, of Milford, and Mesdames L. E. Hall of Brownwood and Tom Maben of Coleman, returned this week to their homes after spending some time in Spur with Mr. and Mrs. Higginbotham.

Mrs. W. O. Smith is now assisting the sales department of the Love Dry Goods Company during the busy season and in the absence of Mrs. Cole who is visiting relatives and friends at Hamlin.

Santa Claus

HEAD-QUARTERS!

..1913..

*5th*  
FIFTH YEAR

# Meet Me At THE RED FRONT

Santa Claus

HEAD-QUARTERS!

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*6*  
FIFTH YEAR

## DRUG STORE!! During Christmas Holidays!

OPENING OUR BUSINESS IN THE YEAR 1909, THIS BEING OUR *6* FIFTH YEAR UNDER THE SAME MANAGEMENT, WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT OUR HOLIDAY GOODS WILL MEET ALL YOUR DEMANDS

WE Have used the most precaution in selecting our Mammoth Stock of Holiday Goods and feel confident that we will have on display during the Holidays the Swellest assortment and Best selected stock of Holiday Goods ever shown in this part of the country. This advertisement is nothing more than an invitation to all, young and old, to call at our place of business and inspect our line of holiday goods before you buy. We have the goods and the prices to suit. We quote below only a partial list for holiday buyers:

### JEWELRY

Diamonds	\$55.00 to \$300.00
Watches	5.00 to 30.00
Chains	1.00 to 10.00
Rings	1.00 to 300.00
Brooches	1.00 to 40.00
Cameo La Valliers	3.50 to 35.00
Cuff Links	.35 to 7.50
Hat Pins	.75 to 3.00
Jewel Box	2.00 to 7.00
Gold Head Umbrella	\$10 to 15.00
Locketts	1.00 to 10.00
Cameo Bar Pins	.50 to 5.00
Emblem Pins	1.00 to 5.00
Bracelets	1.00 to 10.00
Stick Pins	1.00 to 10.00
Belt Pins	2.50 to 5.00

All Guaranteed.

### MILITARY SETS

Sterling Silver	\$5.00 to \$10.00
German Silver	4.00 to 8.00
Genuine Ebony	4.00 to 8.00

### MANICURE SET

For Both Men And Ladies	
Sterling Silver	\$3.00 to \$15.00
German Silver	3.00 to 10.00
Genuine Ebony	5.00 to 10.00

### BOOKS

Bibles	\$2.00 to \$5.00
Testaments	.35 to 2.50
Poems	.50 to 2.00
Young Folks Books	.25 to 2.00
Childrens Books	.05 to .50

### PICTURES

Anything in This Line	
Parlor Pictures	\$1.00 to \$4.00
Dining Room Pict	2.00 to 4.00

### DOLLS

This is One Line That We Have Everything The Market Affords

Dress Dolls	25c to \$5.00
Kid Dolls	25c to 4.00
China Dolls	.05c to .75
Rubber Dolls	25c to .50
Pop Eyed Bill and Susie	
Brother and Sister and Old Sis Hopkins	

*Cupids 25 to 150*

*True Works, Roman Candles, True Cracker, Ballons etc*

### TOYS, TOYS! TOYS!!

Tricycles	Doll Buggy	Air Guns
Dishes	Black Boards	Doll Beds
Doll Furniture	Doll Trunks	Drums
Iron Trains	Wagons	Blocks
Fire Engines	Pianos	Tops
Steam Engines	Tool Boxes	Foot Balls
Magic Lanterns		

### CHINAWARE

Hand Painted China of Every Design That You May Want	
Cake Plates	\$1.00 to \$7.50
Berry Sets	3.00 to 8.00
Chocolate Sets	7.00 to 10.00
Fruit Bowls	2.00 to 5.00

### CUT GLASS

The Newest Designs of The Highest Grade

Water Sets	\$15.00 to \$25.00
Vases	5.00 to 15.00
Pin Trays	1.00 to 5.00
Bowls	3.00 to 8.00
Puff Boxes	6.00 to 12.50
Perfume Bottle	2.00 to 10.00

### SILVERWARE

Knives & Forks	\$5.00 to \$10.00
Shoe Buttoner	.50 to 1.00
Finger Files	.50 to 1.00
Shoe Horns	.50 to 1.00
Tooth Brushes	.50 to 1.00
Butter Dishes	3.00 to 7.50
Syrup Pitchers	3.00 to 5.00
Shaving Set	2.50 to 5.00

Extending to all a Cordial Invitation to visit our store during the Holidays, and thanking all for their liberal patronage during the year now coming to a close, we will remain

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Yours Very Respectfully,

# THE RED FRONT

## DRUG STORE

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# GOING SOME



A ROMANCE OF  
STRENUOUS AFFECTION

BY  
REX BEACH

SUGGESTED BY THE PLAY BY  
REX BEACH AND PAUL ARMSTRONG

Illustrated By  
Edgar Bert Smith

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## SYNOPSIS.

Cowboys of the Flying Heart ranch are heartbroken over the loss of their much-prized phonograph by the defeat of their champion in a foot-race with the cook of the Centipede ranch. A house party is on at the Flying Heart. J. Wallingford Speed, cheer leader at Yale, and Culver Covington, inter-collegiate champion runner, are expected.

## CHAPTER I.—Continued.

"Nonsense! Robert Keap is only twenty-three. Why, she hardly knew her husband, even! It was one of those sudden, impulsive affairs that would overwhelm any girl who hadn't seen a man for four years. And then he enlisted in the Spanish War, and was killed."

"Considerate chap!"

"Roberta, you know, is my best friend, after Helen. Do be nice to her, Jack." Miss Chapin sighed. "It is too bad the others couldn't come."

"Yes, a small house-party has its disadvantages. By-the-way, what's that gold thing on your frock?"

"It's a medal. Culver sent it to me."

"Another?"

"Yes, he won the intercollegiate championship again." Miss Chapin proudly extended the emblem on its ribbon.

"I wish to goodness Covington had been here to take Humpy Joe's place," said the young cattle-man as he turned it over. "The boys are just broken-hearted over losing that phonograph."

"I'll get him to run and win it back," Jean offered, easily.

Her brother laughed. "Take my advice, Sis, and don't let Culver mix up in this game! The stakes are too high. I think that Centipede cook is a professional runner, myself, and if our boys were beaten again—well, you and mother and I would have to move out of New Mexico, that's all. No, we'd better let the memory of that defeat die out as quickly as possible. You warn Fresno not to joke about it any more, and I'll take Mrs. Keap off your hands. She may be a widow, she may even be the chaperon, but I'll do it; I will do it," promised Jack—"for my sister's sake."

## CHAPTER II.

HELEN BLAKE was undeniably bored. The sultry afternoon was very long—longer even than Berkeley Fresno's autobiography, and quite as dry. It was too hot and dusty to ride, so she took refuge in the latest "best seller," and sought out a hammock on the vine-shaded gallery, where Jean Chapin was writing letters, while the disconsolate Fresno, banished, wandered at large, vaguely injured at her lack of appreciation.

Absent-mindedly, the girls dipped



"It's a Medal. Culver Sent it to Me."

into the box of bonbons between them. Jean finished her correspondence and essayed conversation, but her companion's blond head was bowed over the book in her lap, and the effort met with no response. Lulled by the somniferous droning of insects and lazy echoes from afar, Miss Chapin was on the verge of slumber, when she saw her guest rapidly turn the last pages of her novel, then, with a chocolate between her teeth, read closed-eyed to the finish. Miss Blake closed her book reluctantly, uncurled slowly,

then stared out through the dancing heat-waves, her blue eyes shadowed with romance.

"Did she marry him?" queried Jean. "No, no!" Helen Blake sighed, blissfully. "It was infinitely finer. She killed herself."

"I like to see them get married." "Naturally. You are at that stage. But I think suicide is more glorious, in many cases."

Miss Chapin yawned openly. "Speaking of suicides, isn't this ranch the dearest place?"

"Oh, I don't think so at all." "Oh yes, you do, and you needn't be polite just because you're a guest."

"Well, then, to be as truthful as a boarder, it is a little dull. Not for our chaperon, though. The time doesn't seem to drag on her hands. Jack certainly is making it pleasant for her."

"If you call taking her out to watch a lot of bellowing calves get branded, entertainment," Miss Chapin sighed.

Miss Blake leaned forward and read the inscription on her companion's medal. "Oh, isn't it heavy!" feeling it reverently.

"Pure gold, like himself! You should have seen him when he won it. Why, at the finish of that race all the men but Culver were making the most horrible faces. They were simply dead."

Miss Blake's hands were clasped in her lap. "They all make faces," said she. "Have you told Roberta about your engagement?"

"No, she doesn't dream of it, and I don't want her to know. I'm so afraid she'll think, now that mother has gone, that I asked her here just as a chaperon. Perhaps I'll tell her when Culver comes."

"I have heard Culver speak of him, but never as an athlete. Have you and Mr. Speed settled things between you, Helen? I mean, has he—said anything?"

Miss Blake flushed. "Not exactly." She adjusted a cushion to cover her confusion, then leaned back complacently. "But he has stuttered dangerously several times."

A musical tinkle of silver spurs sounded in the distance, and around the corner of the cook-house opposite came Carara, the Mexican, his wide, spangled sombrero tipped rakishly over one ear, a corn-husk cigarette drooping from his lips.

"It's that romantic Spaniard!" whispered Helen. "What does he want?" "It's his afternoon call on Mariadetta, the maid," said Jean. "They meet there twice a day, morning and afternoon."

"A lovers' tryst!" breathed Miss Blake, eagerly. "Isn't he graceful and picturesque! Can we watch them?"

"Sh-h! There she comes!" From the opposite direction appeared a slim, swarthy Mexican girl, an Indian water-jug balanced upon her shoulders. She was clad in the straight-hanging native garment, belted in with a sash; her feet were in sandals, and she moved as silently as a shadow.

During the four days since Miss Blake's arrival at the Flying Heart Ranch she had seen Mariadetta flitting noiselessly here and there, but had never heard her speak. The pretty, expressionless face beneath the straight black hair had ever retained its wooden stolidity, the velvety eyes had not laughed nor frowned nor sparkled. She seemed to be merely a part of this far southwestern picture; a bit of inanimate yet breathing local color. Now, however, the girl dropped her jug, and with a low cry glided to her lover, who tossed aside his cigarette and took her in his arms. From this distance their words were indistinguishable.

"How perfectly romantic," said the Eastern girl, breathlessly. "I had no idea Mariadetta could love anybody."

"She is a volcano," Jean answered. "Why, it's like a play!"

"And it goes on all the time." "How gentle and sweet he is! I think he is charming. He is not at all like the other cowboys, is he?"

While the two witnesses of the scene were eagerly discussing it, Joy, the Chinese cook, emerged from the kitchen bearing a bucket of water, his presence hidden from the lovers by the corner of the building. Carara languidly released his innamorata from his embrace and lounged out of sight

around the building, pausing at the farther corner to wait a graceful kiss from the ends of his fingers, as with a farewell flash of his white teeth he disappeared. Mariadetta recovered her water-jug and glided onward into the court in front of the cook-house, her face masklike, her movements deliberate as usual.

Joy, spying the girl, grinned at her. She tossed her head coquettishly and her step slackened, whereupon the cook, with a sly glance around, tapped her gently on the arm, and said: "Nice it's gally."

"The idea!" indignantly exclaimed Miss Blake from her hammock.

But Mariadetta was not offended. Instead she smiled over her shoulder as she had smiled at her lover an instant before.

"Me like you fine. You like pie?" Joy nodded toward the door of the culinary department, as if to make free of his hospitality, at the instant that Carara, who had circled the building, came into view from the opposite side, a fresh cigarette between his lips. His languor vanished at the first glimpse of the scene, and he strode toward the white-clad celestial, who dove through the open door like a prairie dog into his hole. Carara followed at his heels.

"It serves him right!" cried Miss Blake, rising. "I hope Mr. Carara—" A din of falling pots and pans issued from the cook-house, mingled with shrill cries and soft Spanish imprecations; then, with one long-drawn wail, the pandemonium ceased as suddenly as it had commenced, and Carara issued forth, black with anger. "Ha!" said he, scowling at Mariadetta, who had retreated, her hand upon her bosom. He exhaled a lungful of cigarette smoke through his nostrils fiercely. "You play wit' me, eh?"

"No, no!" Mariadetta ran to him, and, seizing his arm, cooed amorously in Spanish.

"Bah! Vamos!" Carara flung her from him, and stalked away.

"Well, of all the outrageous things!" said Miss Blake. "Why, she was actually flirting with that Chinaman."

"Mariadetta flirts with every man she can find," said Jean, calmly, "but she doesn't mean any harm. She'll marry Carara some time—if he doesn't kill her."

"Kill her!" Miss Blake's eyes were round. "He wouldn't do that!"

"Indeed, yes. He is a Mexican, and he has a terrible temper."

Miss Blake sank back into the hammock. "How perfectly dreadful! And yet—it must be heavenly to love a man who would kill you."

Miss Chapin lost herself in meditation for an instant. "Culver is almost like that when he is angry. Hello, here comes our foreman!"

Stover, a tall, gangling cattle-man with drooping grizzled mustache, came shambling up to the steps. He dusted his boots with his sombrero and cleared his throat.

"Evening, Miss Jean. Is Mr. Chapin around?"

"I think you'll find him down by the spring-house. Can I do anything for you?"

"Nope!" Stover sighed heavily, and got his frame gradually into motion again.

"You're not looking well, Stover. Are you ill?" inquired Miss Chapin.

"Not physical," said the foreman, checking the movement which had not yet communicated itself the entire length of his frame. "I reckon my sperrit's broke, that's all."

Haven't you recovered from that foot-race?"

"I have not, and I never will, so long as that ornery Centipede outfit has got it on us."

"Nonsense, Stover!" "What have they done?" inquired Miss Blake, curiously. "I haven't beard about any foot-race."

"You tell her," said the man, with another sigh, and a hopeless gesture that told the depth of his feelings.

"Why, Stover hired a fellow a couple of months ago as a horse-wrangler. The man said he was hungry, and made a good impression, so we put him on."

Here Stover slowly raised one boot-foot and kicked his other calf.

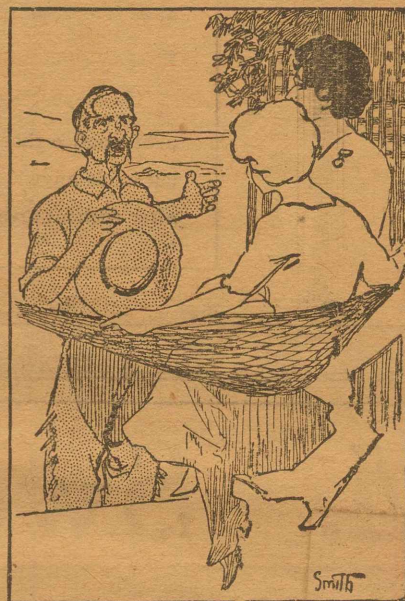
"The boys nicknamed him Humpy Joe—"

"Why, poor thing! Was he humpy-backed?" inquired Helen.

"No," answered Still Bill. "Humpy-back is lucky. We called him Humpy Joe because when it came to running he could sure hump himself."

"Soon after Joseph went to work," Jean continued, "the Centipede outfit hired a new cook. You know the Centipede Ranch—the one you see over yonder by the foot-hills."

"It wasn't 'soon after,' it was simultaneous," said Stover, darkly. "We're beginnin' to see plain at last."



"This Grubslinger Thinks He Can Run."

He went on as if to air the injury that was gnawing him. "One day we hear that this grub-slinger over yonder thinks he can run, which same is as welcome to us as the smell of flowers on a spring breeze, for Humpy Joe had amused us in his idle hours by running jack-rabbits to earth—"

"Not really?" said Miss Blake.

"Well, no, but from what we see we judge he'd ought to limp a hundred yards in about nothing and three-fifths seconds, so we frame a race between him and the Centipede Cook. With tumultuous joy we bet our wages and all the loose gear we have, and in a burst of childish enthusiasm we put up—the talking-machine."

"A phonograph?"

"Yes. An Echo Phonograph," said Miss Chapin.

"Of New York and Paris," said Stover.

"Our boys won it from this very Centipede outfit at a bronco-busting tournament in Cheyenne."

"Wyoming." Stover made the location definite.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



## SPECULATIVE FORM OF ART

Vogue of the Cubist Has Given Rise to a New Idea in the Laying of Forbidden Wagers.

The law forbids poolrooms where there is betting, but the Cubist and allied divisions of the international art show has been in full swing. The temptation to bet on what a thing is or isn't would break the resolution of a St. Anthony. You hear wagers being laid on all sides of you. Perhaps you come, as two visitors did, to Picasso's The Woman with the Pot of Mustard, No. 350. Suffice it to say that the woman's face, when once you have made it out, looks as if it had been in a wreck, and is black and blue and purple in a sort of agony. The pot of mustard—well, it is in the composition, but it didn't deserve to get into the headline with the woman. One of the visitors had surreptitiously looked in the catalogue for the title. He bet and won on his correct guess.

"But the pot of mustard?" objected his companions, entranced by the face's fine frenzy.

"Easy enough," was the answer. "It's inside the lady."

Domestic Science Graduate. A Cherryvale woman was delighted when she hired a cook who had taken a domestic science course, Mrs. F. D. Moffett writes, according to the Kan-

sas City Star. The first day this up-to-date maid announced: "I can't make a flaky pastry unless I have a marble slab." "Where is your spatula?" was the next question. A call was then made for an oven thermometer; this was followed by a plaintive request for a pastry tube, a bread mixer, a grapefruit knife, a rotary cream whip, an egg separator and a glass rolling pin. She talked of balanced rations and garnished the wishes with parsley and curled celery till the man who foots the bills peremptorily ordered more grub and less alfalfa. You the domestic science pupil is hunting another job where true worth is appreciated.

To Catch Foxes. If you are particularly anxious to catch a little surreptitious fox catching try the following. It is the sage of Lexington who speaks, in his "Thousand Notable Things": "Anoint the sole of your shoes with a piece of fat swine's flesh as broad as your hand, newly toasted or a little broiled at the fire when you go out of the wood homeward. And in every of your steps cast a piece of the liver of a swine roasted and dipped in honey and draw after your back the dead carcass of a cat." Your fox cannot resist all this, but "be sure to have a man nigh thee with bow and shaft to shoot at him, or by some other means to hit him." Good for this in a country house party at loose ends.

## OUCH! BACKACHE, RUB LAME BACK

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When your back is sore and lame or lumbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacobs Oil" at any store, pour a little in your hand and rub it right on your back, and by the time you count fifty, the soreness is gone.

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Quite So. "That artist made me rather an acrobatic proposal."

"What kind?" "He said he would make me a standing offer to sit for my portrait."

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Characteristic. "If we wear a flower in honor of Mother's day, what shall we wear to remind us of father's day?"

"How about a hunted look?"

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, a bottle, 15c.

Wedding Near. "I understand she takes dictation from him."

"Yes, but she won't take it long. He's already buying her bonbons."



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# Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

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

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

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

## S. M. Swenson And Sons

CHAS. A. JONES, Manager,

Spur, Dickens Co., Texas

T. S. Lambert was in Spur Saturday from his farm home near Tap. He reports everything moving along nicely and farmers all smiling at the ideal season and bumper crop prospects for another year. Sebe is always smiling and always has something to sell from his farm to the townspeople.

Howard Campbell was in the city Saturday from his farm home southwest of Spur. Mr. Campbell made fairly good crops this year, and since he is one who farms with his head as well as his hands we expect him to make a record breaking crop next year.

We received a letter last week from S. Ellis, of the West Pasture, enclosing a dollar and seventy-five cents for a renewal subscription to the Texas Spur and Dallas News in combination, and for which he has our thanks.

J. D. Hufstедler was in the city the latter part of last week from his home several miles west of Spur. He reports everything in fine shape now in his section and an ideal season in the ground for next year's crops.

Bill Hyatt is still reported quite sick as a result of a kick by a horse two weeks ago. We hope soon to note his complete recovery.

Will Walker, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city Saturday and while here called in and gave us a check for three dollars on his subscription account to the Texas Spur, for which he has our thanks. Mr. Walker is among the most prosperous and successful farmers of the whole country.

R. R. Johns left last week on a business visit to eastern parts of the state where he spent several days. Mr. Johns is one of the most extensive farmers and prominent citizens of the Spur country.

S. W. Rather, one of the most prosperous citizens of the country, was in the city Saturday from his farm and ranch on Cat Fish. Mr. Rather is an extensive and successful stock-farmer and was one of the earliest settlers of this country.

W. T. Wilson and little sons, of several miles east of Spur, were in the city Saturday on business and trading. Mr. Wilson is an extensive farmer and among our most prosperous citizenship.

Cecil Bennett, of the Gilpin country, was among the many visitors to Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

L. A. Hindman and wife were in the city Saturday from the Dry Lake community and spent several hours here trading and greeting friends.

Tom Wright came up last week from Stamford and spent some time here on business and greeting his friends.

E. R. Rorie was among the many business visitors in the city Saturday.

W. D. Eldredge, a prominent citizen and one of the most prosperous stock farmers of the Plains country, was in Spur Saturday after supplies and also looking after other business matters.

J. H. Sparks, a very prominent citizen of the Tap country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and spent several hours here greeting his friends and trading with Spur merchants.

Wayne VanLeer was in Spur Monday from his farm home several miles north of Spur and spent some time here on business.

N. B. Fuquay, a prominent citizen of the Red Mud country, was a recent business visitor in the city. He reports everything in fine shape in the Red Mud country.

W. P. T. Smith was among the many business visitors in Spur Saturday from the surrounding country.

T. A. Smith was in the city the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

J. J. Martin, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Monday on business and spent several hours here.

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Come in Today and be One of our Many Satisfied Customers.

WATCH FOR OUR CUT-GLASS AND SILVERWARE FOR XMAS!

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## Sang All Summer!

If you hold a membership in the "Easy Spenders Society" we would advise you to take out a demit at once. The dues in that lodge are too high for the good you get out of it. It may be pleasant to be known as a "Good Fellow" for the time being, a leader in the Spenders Lodge, but it leads to but one end—needy and dependent old age. Remember the lesson of the grasshopper that sang all the summer. It had one continuous round of hilarity—until cold weather came.

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**Rump Steak and Oyster Pie**—One pound of rump steak, 25 oysters, half blade of mace, one tablespoonful walnut catsup, a piece of yellow peel of lemon, salt and pepper to taste, a cup of gravy and half-pound of paste. Cut the pound of steak in small collops, flour them. Put puff paste, or a good light paste around the edge of a baking dish, or deep pie dish. Then put in alternate layers of the rump steak and oysters, filling the dish. Season each layer with salt and pepper. Pour in a large spoonful of the gravy; cover the top, glaze, make the opening in the center and bake. Put the strained liquor of the oysters in saucepan; add the beads or gills, which should be clipped from the oysters, the bit of lemon peel, blade of mace, the catsup and remainder of the gravy. The original recipe calls for a glass of port wine, but that is not essential. When the pie is done, the gravy is made very hot and poured into the pie at the opening in the middle.

**Veal and Ham Pie**—These are the directions for making Mrs. Boffin's famous "veal and ham" that "mattered the organ" of Silas Wegg:

Take the thick part of the breast of veal, removing all the bones, which are put in for the gravy, stewing them slowly and a long time. Put a layer of veal, pepper and salt, then a thin sprinkling of ham, cut in dice, if boiled; or chop finer if raw ham is used. Then add more veal and so on until dish is full. A sweetbread may be cut up and added to this pie, or the same amount of mushrooms. Or you may use forcemeat as in Windsor pie, or one made of hard-boiled eggs. Pour in half a cup of the gravy, which must be cold as well as all other ingredients when the cover of paste is laid on for baking. Finish same as Windsor pie.

**Vermicelli Pie**—Butter rather well a deep baking dish. Have ready two ounces of vermicelli boiled and drained. Put it in the bottom of the baking dish. Season the inside of four dressed pigeons with salt and pepper and stuff with a piece of butter, a few bread crumbs, a sprig of parsley, minced, then put in the pigeons, breast downward. Border the dish with puff, or good paste. Cover with a thick lid, and bake in a moderate oven. When done turn out carefully on to a heated dish with the vermicelli on top. Macaroni or spaghetti may be used instead of vermicelli.

### Crab and Tomato Sandwich.

The bread should be toasted on the outside and filled with a large slice of ripe tomato browned in butter or broiled nicely, and either buttered crab meat, or a soft shell crab flattened in a double broiler and done over hot coals, basting with butter. Serve this sandwich hot, of course. In restaurants when this is a specialty the crabs are first cooked a la Creole—really smothered by steam over a mixture of condiments so that the natural moisture and delicacy of flavor is preserved with the added pliancy from the condiments. Tender-hearted people must forego this delicacy after learning the real process and be content with more humane methods.

### Sour Milk Doughnuts.

Two eggs well beaten, add one cup sugar, one cup of sour milk, one teaspoon of soda in the milk to foam, one teaspoon of melted butter, a little salt, nutmeg, and don't forget to add a pinch of ginger to make them light. Now sift in flour with one teaspoon baking powder. Mix soft as can be handled. They are fine rolled in sugar while hot.

### Fish Souffle.

Make a cream sauce of one large teaspoonful of butter, one tablespoonful of flour and one cup of milk. Have ready one cup of cold fish (any kind) in small pieces, beaten yolks of two eggs, and salt. After making the sauce add the fish and eggs; if desired add a drop or two of table sauce. Let it cook a minute, let cool and fold in the whites beaten stiff. Have ramekins or buttered dish ready, place in hot water in a pan and bake 20 minutes. These will be light and delicious.

### Hot Clam Broth.

Wash and boil about two dozen clams in one pint of boiling water. Boil ten minutes, remove the shells and strain the liquor. Season with pepper. Serve hot with a tablespoon of whipped cream seasoned with salt in each cup. Serve with croutons.

### Corn Soup.

One pint heated milk thickened with one tablespoon butter blended with one tablespoon flour. Add one-half can of corn, salt. Ready to serve when heated through.

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## 'FATHER' AND 'MOTHER' BEST

No Other Names for Parents Carry the Same Deep Meaning of Reverent Love.

"Father" and "mother" are difficult words to improve upon when one thinks of the associations they convey, and the dignity of their meaning, remarks London Answers.

Many, however, have been the offshoots of these appellations. "Papa" and "mamma" have been in use in England for at least three centuries, and it is generally accepted that they are of Italian origin, as Dante uses the word "mamma" in the Purgatorio. Among middle class folk "dad" or "daddy" is a favorite nickname. "Dad" is of pure Welsh extraction, and is derived from, or is a corruption of, the word "tad."

"Pater" and "mater" make their appearance when students are in the throes of Latin grammar. "Poppa" and "momma" have appealed to the young American.

None of these nicknames, or terms of endearment, can, however, approach the beautiful Anglo-Saxon definition of parents—"father" and "mother," and it is these terms that one clings to when childhood's days are over.

## GAS, DYSPEPSIA AND INDIGESTION

"Pape's Diapepsin" settles sour, gassy stomachs in five minutes—Time It!

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Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in giving relief; its harmlessness; its certain unfailing action in regulating sick, sour, gassy stomachs. Its millions of cures in indigestion, dyspepsia, gastritis and other stomach trouble has made it famous the world over.

Keep this perfect stomach doctor in your home—keep it handy—get a large fifty-cent case from any dealer and then if anyone should eat something which doesn't agree with them; if what they eat lays like lead, ferments and sours and forms gas; causes headache, dizziness and nausea; eructations of acid and undigested food—remember as soon as Pape's Diapepsin comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes. Its promptness, certainty and ease in overcoming the worst stomach disorders is a revelation to those who try it.—Adv.

### Suitable Move.

"What's the matter at that broom factory?"  
"They've been making a clean sweep there."

### GROUND ITCH (THE CAUSE OF HOOKWORM) CURED

Also sweet sleep and quick relief from that itching, burning sensation by using Tetterine, a wonderful remedy for eczema, tetter, ground itch, erysipelas, dandruff and all other forms of skin diseases. It keeps the skin healthy. Mrs. Thomas Thompson of Clarksville, Ga., writes: "I suffered 15 years with tormenting eczema; had the best doctors to prescribe; but nothing did me any good until I got Tetterine. It cured me. I am so thankful." Thousands of others can testify to similar cures. Tetterine at druggists or by mail for 50c by J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga. Adv.

### Its Style.

"After all, it was the poor wooer who won the heiress."  
"Yes, and wasn't it a rich joke?"

### A Good Work.

Edith was light-hearted and merry over everything. Nothing appealed to her seriously. So, one day, her mother decided to invite a very serious young parson to dinner, and he was placed next the light-hearted girl. Everything went well until she asked him:

"You speak of everybody having a mission. What is yours?"

"My mission," said the parson, "is to save young men."

"Good," replied the girl, "I'm glad to meet you. I wish you'd save one for me."

### To Endorse Tuberculosis Day.

Requests for endorsement and approval of National Tuberculosis day, December 7, have been sent to President Wilson, to almost every governor, to hundreds of mayors, the leading church dignitaries and to other prominent men. Last year ex-President Taft, Colonel Roosevelt, Cardinal Farley, about a dozen governors, and a large number of mayors and others endorsed this movement.

### Human Nature.

The charities of the late Timothy D. Sullivan made him beloved in New York's East side.

But these charities also gave Mr. Sullivan an insight into human nature, and he would sometimes say with a wry smile:

"Give a poor man help and he'll love you for a week. At the end of that time he'll hate you because you don't give him more help."

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Girls! Beautify Your Hair! Make It Soft, Fluffy and Luxuriant—Try the Moist Cloth.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you cannot find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

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### Misunderstood.

"Whenever Kate asks her husband if he will give her some money, he gives her assent."  
"What? Does he give her only a penny at a time?"

### Classed as Criminals.

"What do umpires do in winter?"  
"I don't know, but if the fans had their way, umpires would probably do time."

An air-propelled hydroplane has been built in France for use on shallow rivers in America.

Too many of us kick before we know where the shoe pinches.

People who talk the most disseminate the least wisdom.

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### Not Getting Anywhere.

"What sort of platform is this candidate running on?"  
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Never use flattery with its full strength. Dilute it with a little tact.

### Natural—Historically Correct.

"No adults admitted," interposed the stage-door keeper as the frenzied mother tried to break in on the children's fancy dress ball.

"But I must go in. My little girl's in there, and she's forgotten part of her costume. She has gone on as a butterfly without her wings. I want to put the wings on her."

"Can't help it, mum; my orders is to let no adult pass. You'll have to let your little goll go as a caterpillar."

### Martial Explanation.

He—Did you take me for a fool?  
She—No; if I had known it before, I wouldn't have taken you.

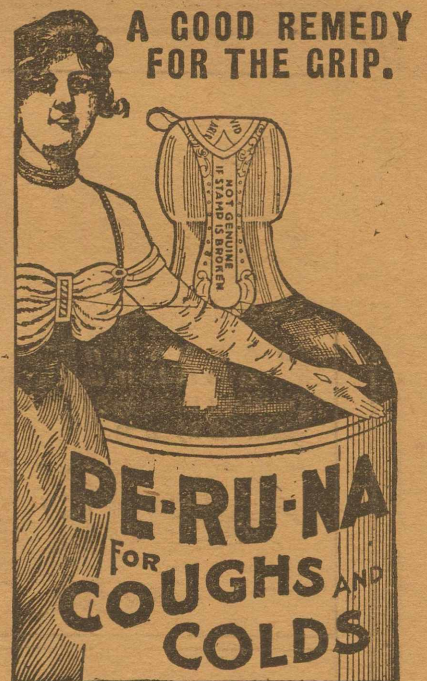
### His Contribution.

"What will you put down on our contribution list, Mr. Jones?"  
"My foot, sir."

When you feel in a scrappy mood don't try to take a fall out an air-ship.

After all it is better to take a chance than to lose on a sure thing.

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 Plain and Roman Gold, 75c to 2.25  
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 Fancy Flower Pins, two on card, very fancy, priced at..... 5.95

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**GRUBEN, THE JEWELER,** Spur, Texas

**NOTICE.**  
 I desire to thank the patrons of Spur School and the people of Spur for their liberal patronage in the past, and to solicit a continuation of the same. I will take up regular work with my classes after the Christmas Holidays, on January 5th, and will be glad to meet any who are not already taking music and who desire to take either Piano or Voice.  
 Respt.  
 7-2t Miss Trenholm Doyle.

Mrs. M. E. Travis came down Tuesday from Ralls and spent some time here looking after her property interests in Spur. Mrs. Travis left Wednesday for Quanah where she will spend some time looking after other business interests in that part of the country.

Judge R. S. Holman left Wednesday for Benjamin where he will spend several days assisting his father in preparing evidence in several suits now pending in the court at that place.

Miss Andrews returned last week to her home at Stamford after spending several weeks in the city with Mr. and Mrs. Y. L. Jones.

Gifts of the better kind, in nice holiday boxes.--Hogan & Patton.

Experimental Farm Agents I. S. York and W. H. Harrison left the first of the week to attend a convention of Experimental Farm Agents to be held at Temple.

Miss Wilson, who has been in Spur some time visiting her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wilson, returned last week to her home at Grandbury.

Miss Boyd returned the latter part of last week to her home at Cleburne after an extended visit to her aunt, Mrs. Geo. M. Williams.

The Spur Schools will dismiss Friday for the holidays.

Sol Davis has secured a Ford automobile and is now having it remodeled into a delivery car which he will use in his business.

Leslie Holman returned home this week from Lubbock and the Plains country where he has been some time.

Misses Crockett and Hardin, teachers in the Spur School, will leave the latter part of the week to spend the holidays with relatives and friends at their homes.

Prof. Saffold, principal of the Spur Schools, will leave the latter part of the week to spend the holidays at Paris.

Sheriff J. B. Conner is here this week collecting taxes and will remain here until Saturday to accommodate tax-payers.

E. W. Rogers and wife, of several miles northwest of Spur, were in the city Wednesday trading and greeting friends.

Miss Burnett returned last week from Stamford where she spent several days visiting friends.

Mrs. R. P. Cole left this week for Hamlin where she will spend the holidays with relatives.

Nice gifts for men--"At the Man's Store."--Hogan & Patton.

**STANDING OF CONTESTANTS FOR BRYANT-LINK PIANO.**

Following is the number of votes received by each number entered in the piano contest now being conducted by Bryant-Link Company, as counted at five o'clock Saturday, December 13th:

Number 1, .....	82,480	votes.
" 2, .....	150,915	"
" 3, .....	68,740	"
" 5, .....	98,640	"
" 6, .....	89,650	"
" 7, .....	124,240	"
" 8, .....	5,945	"
" 10, .....	126,255	"
" 11, .....	9,925	"
" 13, .....	7,375	"
" 15, .....	90,040	"
" 16, .....	137,360	"
" 17, .....	46,980	"
" 18, .....	15,335	"
" 19, .....	23,810	"
" 20, .....	221,205	"
" 22, .....	7,815	"
" 25, .....	103,680	"

**\$10 REWARD**  
 I will pay \$10 for the return of the following stock: One blue mare, weight 1250 lbs., and black filly colt; 1 bay mare branded 4 bar on left thigh, and bay horse colt; 1 red mule colt branded half circle A on left thigh. --A. B. Morgan, Spur, Texas.

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