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MERCHANTS ARE ADVERTISING FOR FALL BUSINESS

The Texas Spur carries this week advertisements for practically every merchant and business man in the town. This indicates that the merchants are stocked up for a big business and are going out after it. With the price of cotton now above twelve cents and cotton seed selling for thirty five dollars a ton it is very evident that the whole country will be in a prosperous condition.

The Spur cotton and cotton seed buyers are furnishing a market for this product, and the merchants of the town have the goods and are making the prices to secure the trade. We want you to come to Spur and can assure every man that he will be satisfactorily accommodated if he wants to buy goods or sell produce. Spur is fully alive to the interests of this trade territory and will maintain its position as the leading market and trading point of the whole country. Come to Spur.

PRICE OF COTTON AND COTTON SEED GOING UP

During the week the price of both cotton and cotton seed has been steadily advancing. The highest price paid for cotton up to date has been 12.60, while the price of cotton seed went up to as high as thirty five dollars a ton, and the indications are that it will sell in Spur as high as forty dollars a ton before the end of next week.

We believe that cotton will sell in Spur for fifteen cents within the next few weeks.

HALF CIRCLE S RANCH PROPERTY IS SOLD

We learned from a reliable source that Frank Corn of Fort Worth has purchased the Half Circle S Ranch which belongs to A. W. Hudson of Kansas City. The amount involved in the transaction is not known, but it is reported to have amounted to about one million dollars. This includes the land and the Hudson cattle. The deal is not yet closed, but Mr. Corn said to a representative of the Review that it would be fully consummated within thirty or sixty days.

This is one of the biggest transactions which has taken place in West Texas for many a year. Mr. Hudson has owned this property for a long time, and many of his friends hate to see him give it up. However, Mr. Hudson has retired from active business and seldom ever comes to his Crosby county property. Mr. Corn is a young man of great activity and says he will stock the ranch heavily and expects to make a great deal of money out of it within the next few years.

The ranch contains in the neighborhood of sixty-six thousand acres and is very fine piece of ranch property.—Crosbyton Review.

NOT WORRIED OVER PRICE OF COTTON

S. W. Rather, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. — Mr. Rather, although an extensive ranchman and farmer, is one who is not materially worried over the prospective price of cotton this year since he said that he had planted no cotton this year. Many farmers may some day be convinced that the best method of controlling the price of cotton and other farm products will be to raise more hogs, mule colts, butter, eggs and feed stuff—live at home and enjoy the profits of a surplus crop.

ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. W. S. Campbell entertained at her home Tuesday morning in honor of her guest, Mrs. Campbell of Munday, the occasion being a surprise in memory of her birthday. Pleasant conversation enlivened the hours as the guests crocheted, knitted and did other fancy work. Refreshments of ice cream, wafers and nuts were served. Those present were Mrs. Campbell of Munday, the guest of honor, Mesdames Ned Hogan, B. D. Glasgow, Meadows, Katherine Fite, M. E. Manning, M. E. Morris, P. H. Miller, Geo. M. Williams, W. D. Wilson, R. E. Dickson, M. L. Pierce, D. A. Young, Sol Davis, Luke Davis, J. R. Stafford, T. L. Higginbotham, C. A. Love, W. Neilon, T. E. Standifer, and Oran McClure.

NEGROES ARE COMING TO PICK BIG COTTON CROPS

Ruff Watson, a prominent citizen of Mart, Texas, arrived in Spur Monday with some thirty or forty negro cotton pickers which were distributed among several farmers of the Spur territory.

At the present time there are several hundred negroes in this country to help pick the crop of cotton, but the number is yet insufficient to completely gather the big crops throughout the country. Up until the present time it has been a disagreeable task to secure negroes from the eastern part of the state and a number of farmers from this section seeking cotton pickers have encountered not only "orders to hit the road" but have been forced to take "beatings" at the hands of irate and organized farmers of the East. Such difficulties came about from the fact that the crops further east would only make a bale to four and five acres, and because of the short crops the farmers wanted to save every lock possible, and while the negroes were inclined to depart for "greener pastures" the landlords were ready to fight to the end that the negroes remain until the crops were completely picked. However, such conditions now no longer exist. The cotton of the East is picked. We of the West are just beginning to pick and the negroes are now coming.

GRADING AND IMPROVING ROAD AROUND STATION

Superintendent R. E. Dickson, of the Experimental Station, is now grading and placing the roadways around the farm in first-class condition. The work is being done with the county road machinery and at no expense whatever to the county or the public. If every man who owned a farm in the county would do likewise within a very short time Dickens county would have the best roads of any county in all of Western Texas.



We'll Face The Music!

The time of year has come when the wholesale people want us to pay up and pay cash for the goods we buy, and we are going to ask our customers to do the same for us, beginning Monday, October 11th. Now this is not because we do not consider our customers good, but because the time of year has come when we must collect in order to be in a position to care for our customers who may need help next year. This doesn't apply to our customers who pay monthly. In this connection we ask all our friends who owe us to do their very best for us as fast as they can. We do not want to be hard on anyone, but we need money badly and want you to treat us as you would want us to treat you. And we think you will for we don't believe there is a house in the state that has a more loyal set of customers than we have.

Pa, a man's wife is his better half isn't she? We are told so my son. Then if a man marries twice there isn't anything left of him is there?

Stove time is coming. Don't forget us when you want coal or wood heaters. Another car of Peter Schuttler Wagons coming. Also some cheap wood and iron wheeled trucks.

We are headquarters for tents and wagon covers. We placed a big order with the factory before cotton advanced.

Into each life some rain must fall, but don't magnify every shower into a "cloudburst."

Sav, we have some buggies to sell at a Price. If you ever expect to buy a buggy now is your time. Ask to see them.

The deacon asked Bobby what was the news. Papa has a new set of false teeth. Indeed, said the minister, restraining a desire to laugh, and what will he do with his old set? "Oh I suppose they'll make me wear 'em," replied Bobby.

Remember Style Plus \$17 suits can be handed down from father to son. A new shipment due this week. Everybody invited to spend their cash with us this fall. Come on with the crowds who trade with

Bryant-Link Company.

BABY SHOW AT THE DICKENS COUNTY FAIR

One of the most attractive, most important and most interesting shows was the "baby show" held at the fair Monday morning. There were about sixty babies entered in the contest which was for the "better" baby as well as the "prettiest" baby. The judges in this contest were unknown to those interested in the contest and were selected for their competency in judging the "better baby". The prizes were awarded as follows:

The best and prettiest baby, two to eight months old, boy of Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Joplin, first prize, being a bath tub given by Spur Hardware Company. Second prize, comb and brush toilet set by Spur Drug Company, to girl of Mr. and Mrs. Will Walker.

Best and prettiest baby, eight to eighteen months old, boy of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nicholson, first prize a pair of shoes by Love Dry Goods Company. Second prize, high chair by Campbell & Campbell to girl of Mr. and Mrs. Lilly.

Best and prettiest baby eighteen months to two years old, boy of Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Colett, first prize a signet ring by Red Front Drug Store. Second prize, set ring by W. C. Gruben to girl of Mr. and Mrs. Milstead.

Two to three years old, first prize to Jack Blackwell, son of Dr. and Mrs. Blackwell, a rocking chair. Second prize to Maud Clemmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Clemmons, a locket and chain.

Twins, first prize to Jack and John Moore, sons of Mr. and Mrs. White Moore, two silver cups by Mrs. P. H. Miller.

Of the sixty or more babies entered in this contest there were unquestionably many others deserving prizes, but since the premiums were limited the judges were also limited in their awards to the above mentioned number.

ACCEPTED LOW PRICE TO PUSH PERSONAL INTEREST

W. T. Lovell, a leading citizen of the Draper country, and one who aspires to the Mayorship of that town, came to Spur Tuesday with a bale of cotton. He sold the cotton for twelve dollars and twenty cents a hundred, but we are confident that he accepted this low price not for financial gain but rather to promote his ambitions to recognized leadership of his township and further his social as well as commercial standing abroad. A man who will accept twelve cents for cotton at a time when a price of fifteen cents is possible if not probable is open to suspicion of some ulterior motive. However this may be, we are willing and ready to boost any aspirations that the candidate may entertain and our columns are open for any political announcements desired.

THE BEST CROPS AND EVIDENCES OF PROSPERITY

F. T. Rennie, general agent of the Mallory Steamship Company with headquarters at Galveston, was in Spur recently and spent several days here looking after his property interests and greeting his friends. In his business as general agent of the Mallory lines, Mr. Rennie has occasion to visit not only the principal points throughout Texas but other states, and in view of his extensive travels he said that within the Spur country he had seen the best crops and most convincing evidences of general prosperity observed elsewhere within the whole country. In making such observation and conclusion Mr. Rennie had no idea nor intention of giving this section an undeserved boost, but only made a simple statement of fact which can be demonstrated to any one who may doubt the conditions which prevail and the agricultural possibilities evidenced on every hand in the great Spur country.

BUYING HOMES IN THE CITY OF SPUR

This week deals were consummated whereby two of the residences in the east part of Spur and owned by the J. O. Wooten estate were sold, Jas. F. Williams purchasing one of the residences and J. I. Mecom purchasing the other.

Messrs. Williams and Mecom will move with their families to their new homes just as soon as deeds are executed and the present occupants can secure other homes.

SPUR FARM LANDS NOW SELLING RAPIDLY

During the past week quite a number of tracts of land have been sold by the Spur Farm Lands management. Mr. Gunn, of Jayton, was here Wednesday and bought a quarter section southwest of Girard. R. E. Thomas bought another quarter section seven miles north of Spur, and two other quarters were sold in the Dry Lake community to two parties from the Eastern part of the state.

In connection with the sale of land in the country quite a number of sales of town property has been made recently. W. R. Stafford bought the place where he lives and sold a twenty acre block of land to an out of town party. Jas. F. Williams bought one of the Wooten residences. J. I. Mecom bought one of the Wooten residences. Mr. Green bought the C. F. Cates residence. W. H. Teage sold his blacksmith shop, and other sales have been made. All of which indicates that there is "something doing" in Spur and the Spur country.

TRADING IN SPUR

John Self, a prominent citizen of the Red Mud country, was a recent business visitor to Spur, spending several hours here trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Henry N. Pope

New President of the Farmers' Union.



The farmers of today are divided into two classes—the old and the new. The old farmer represents the ancient regime—a regime that has passed into history. The new farmer is the modern business agriculturist and combined with his knowledge of raising the products of the soil is an understanding of the marketing end of agriculture, as well. The new farmer is the worthy son of a noble sire; he is the modern embodiment of the old farmers' progressiveness. To the stock of information which has been handed down to him from generations past on production, he has added a knowledge of disposing of these products in a practical and business-like manner. And where his forefathers lived "to themselves alone," he has learned the lesson of co-operation not only with his brothers who till the soil, but with all lines of industry whose interests are identical with his own.

It is to this new type of farmer that the new president of the Texas Farmers' Union belongs. In selecting Henry N. Pope as the official head of their organization the farmers of Texas have chosen a man whose policies are in keeping with progressive methods and whose far-sighted wisdom will lead the Union safely over the shoals which beset every association which numbers among its membership men of different minds and varied opinions.

Mr. Pope has been the state lecturer and organizer of the Texas Union for several years and in this capacity has met and solved many problems connected with the organization which comprises practically the entire agricultural population of Texas.

It is the opinion of President Pope that it needs no prophet's eye to see the vast change for the better in rural life and conditions that is now in progress. A thorough student of economic conditions, he believes that the evolution of farming methods will steadily continue until the farming interests of the state and nation are placed on a firm financial basis and agriculture takes its rightful place as the foundation upon which all other industries are built.

President Pope invites the continued co-operation of the business interests of the state in helping to solve the problems of the farmer and is especially grateful for the assistance and encouragement being extended by the bankers and business men in trying to finance and market the future cotton crops of Texas. He will endeavor during his administration of the affairs of the Farmers' Union to bring about a closer understanding between the men who follow the plow and the men who direct the financial affairs of the state, hoping that when his tenure of office shall have expired, he may retire with the assurance that the gap of misunderstanding which has so long existed between the farming and allied industries may be bridged over in such a manner as will bring progress and prosperity to the entire citizenship of Texas.

On The "Katy" Going to Church.



The railroads are fast becoming the great moral educators of the nation. A big corporation issuing an order against immorality is more far-reaching in its effect than the most powerful sermon. The fear of a time check oftentimes has more influence for righteousness than the fear of the great conflagration.

Mr. C. E. Schaff, President of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Lines, when asked what that road was doing toward influencing religious growth and moral progress of the country his railway serves, said in part:

"The M., K. & T. Lines are as liberal as the law will permit in issuing passes for religious and charitable purposes. We give free transportation to such organizations and issue the clergy half rates, and we also make reduced rates to religious conferences, conventions, etc. It is our policy to co-operate in every way possible that a common carrier can consistently do in the moral uplift of the communities we serve.

We endeavor to employ only men of high moral standards and prefer to get them from Christian homes. It is as important that our employes be morally capable as that they be physically sound, and we encourage righteous living in every reasonable manner.

The company contributes liberally towards the support of the Railway Young Men's Christian Associations, which have a large membership. At least 60 per cent of our trainmen use the Y. M. C. A. Substantial and comfortable buildings are maintained at the principal terminal points along our line for the use of our employes, where they are provided with baths, clear beds, reading and social rooms, etc. This association is doing much toward the moral and physical uplift of the men in the way of providing them with wholesome environment which they might not otherwise have opportunity to enjoy.

We encourage Y. W. C. A. matrons to occupy office space in our stations and our employes co-operate with them in their work. In this and other ways the railway co-operates in work which in its inception and actual operation has a vital effect in producing better conditions of life and morals. Rather than that a railway has no soul, it should be said that the railway has a soul as big as its operations and as far-reaching as its influence."

I---Introductory

Through the Press Service of Agriculture and Commerce, the master minds of this nation will be invited to the public forum and asked to deliver a message to civilization. Men who achieve seldom talk, and men who talk seldom achieve. There is no such thing as a noisy thinker, and brevity is always a close companion to truth.

It will be a great privilege to stand by the side of men who can roll in place the cornerstone of industry; to associate with men who can look at the world and see to the bottom of it; to commune with men who can hear the roar of civilization a few centuries away.

Too often we listen to the rabble element of our day that cries out against every man who achieves, "Crucify him." Mankind never has and probably never will produce a generation that appreciates the genius of its day. There never will be a crown without a cross, progress without sacrifice or an achievement without a challenge.

This is an age of service, and that man is greatest who serves the largest number. The present generation has done more to improve the condition of mankind than any civilization since human motives began their upward flight. The Greeks gave human life inspiration, but while her orators were speaking with the tongues of angels, her farmers were plowing with forked sticks; while her philosophers were emancipating human thought from bondage, her traffic

moved on two-wheeled carts driven, and oftentimes drawn, by slaves; while her artists were painting divine dreams on canvas, the streets of proud Athens were lighted by fire-brands dipped in tallow.

The genius of past ages sought to arouse the intellect and stir the soul but the master minds of today are seeking to serve. Civilization has assigned to America the greatest task of the greatest age, and the greatest men that ever trod the greatest planet are solving it. Their achievements have astounded the whole world and we challenge every age and nation to name men or products that can approach in creative genius or masterful skill in organization, the marvelous achievements of the tremendous men of the present day. Edison can press a button and turn a light on multiplied millions of homes; Vail can take down the receiver and talk with fifty millions of people; McCormick's reaper can harvest the world's crop, and Fulton's steam engine moves the commerce of land and sea.

The greatest thing a human being can do is to serve his fellow men; Christ did it; Kings decree it, and wise men teach it. It is the glory of this practical age that Edison could find no higher calling than to become the janitor to civilization; Vail the messenger to mankind; McCormick the hired hand to agriculture, and Fulton the teamster to industry, and blessed is the age that has such masters for its servants.

TO ALL THE FARMERS!

We are prepared to give you the Best of Service in Ginning your Cotton. Our competent ginner, Mr. J. E. Wedekind, will look after your interests, and our Book-keeper, Mr. Leslie E. Williams, will be glad to meet you. Respectfully,

SWENSON GIN COMPANY

R. R. JOHNS, Manager

WIRELESS TELEPHONE IS NOW A SUCCESS

J. E. FARNSWORTH SAYS THAT PRESENT WIRE SYSTEM WILL NOT BE SUPPLANTED.

IS A MARVELOUS INVENTION

Talk With Europe Possible, but for Conditions Brought About By Warfare.

Dallas.—"The success of the experiment by which the voice was recently projected without the use of wires, across the continent and afterwards from Washington to Honolulu, does not mean that the telephone wire system of the United States will be supplanted," explains Vice President J. E. Farnsworth of The Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone company in Dallas.

"Instead," he says, "the net work of wires which go to make the present universal telephone system will be supplemented by the installation of this marvelous wireless equipment, devised by Bell telephone engineers, by which hitherto impassable barriers to the interchange of intelligence by direct conversation, may be surmounted. Telephone subscribers may soon see the day when they can call up friends who may be passengers on ships at sea. It is said that but for disturbed conditions in Europe we would even now be talking to England or Germany. It is not even beyond the bounds of possibility that the mayor of New York may call the governor general of Hong Kong with the remarkable question: 'How are you tomorrow?'"

"It has been demonstrated that the voice may be carried over land telephone wires and be automatically passed through wireless telephone transmitters and be flung across oceans, deserts or mountain barriers.

Results Not Surprising. "The results of these wireless experiments," continued Mr. Farnsworth, "has not been surprising. Tel-

ephone officials generally know that John J. Carty, chief engineer of the American Telephone & Telegraph company, was perfecting a method by which he hoped to span the oceans without the connecting link of a cable. Since he accomplished the task of establishing a physical wire circuit which would carry the voice from New York to San Francisco, it seemed as if any dream might come true with reference to the telephone.

Twenty years ago real long distance talking, as we know it today, seemed beyond the realm of the imagination. Last January the transcontinental lines were opened. Now we have transmission of sound through 5,000 miles without the use of wires and where all sorts of atmospheric conditions prevailed. It seems as if the limit in an age of marvelous accomplishment has been reached."

W. D. Blair, of a mile or two east of Spur, was among the many business visitors in the city this week.

S. R. Bowman came in Thursday from his farm home north of Spur and spent some time here on business and trading with the merchants.

J. N. Zumwalt, of several miles west of Spur, was among the visitors in Spur this week. While in the city recently Mr. Zumwalt handed us a dollar and said "keep the Texas Spur coming", and which we will do with pleasure. Such men as J. N. Zumwalt make the days brighter for newspaper men.

Rev. C. C. Cofer, President of the Cofer Bible College, at Krum, Texas, will preach at the Church of Christ next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. You are respectfully invited to hear him. Rev. Cofer has been preaching for over forty years and is one among the most able preachers in the state.

President Vail's Tribute to Inventor of Wireless.

New York.—In tribute to the recent accomplishment of telephone engineers who have perfected a method for wireless communication by spoken word, and in explanation of the probable uses of the wireless telephone, President T. N. Vail of the American Telephone & Telegraph company, has issued the following statement:

"I do not think I can better express my views in regard to wireless telephone than to quote the telegram which I have just sent to Mr. Carty, chief engineer for the company, with reference to what he has brought about. Here it is:

"Carty, I want to congratulate you on this climax in the way of achievements, the greatest in inter-communication—the world has ever seen. To you and to the wonderful staff created by you the world owes a debt. To throw your voice directly, without aid of wires, from Washington to Hawaii, nearly five thousand miles, a greater distance than from New York to Paris, Berlin, Vienna or Petrograd, and greater than between Seattle and Tokio or Yokohama, was wonderful; but to send the recognized voice, part way over the wires and part through the air, was still more wonderful, and was the demonstration of the chiefest use that will probably attach to the wireless as amplifying and supplementing, not substituting the wire system and bring into communication ships, islands and places which could not otherwise be reached. Your work has brought us one long step nearer to our ideal—"A Universal System."

"As you will see from this," continued Mr. Vail, "it is clear that wireless will never substitute or supplant the wire systems but will greatly amplify and extend their usefulness. It is humanitarian rather than commercial but it is useful in that it makes conversation possible between places and moving objects that could not be connected by wire. As with wireless telegraphy, it will probably be dependable enough except as outlined above."

MONEY SAVED IS MONEY MADE!

WE WANT YOUR GROCERY BUSINESS! Why not give us a good share of it? There is no concern that appreciates it more than we do, "or needs it much worse." We will give you the best quality and price. See us before you buy your next bill, and don't forget this: "GLADIOLA FLOUR IS THE BEST."

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BRANNEN BROS. COM'Y.



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C. A. JONES, VICE PRESIDENT

M. E. MANNING, CASHIER
JNO. B. HARDIN, ASST. CASHIER

MOST COMPLETE STOCK SHOWN IN WEST TEXAS

We have taken considerable interest this season in selecting our stock of merchandise in every department and feel safe in making the statement that we have one of the most complete stocks of merchandise ever shown in this section of West Texas. Our Mr. Dortch and Miss Roberts have put in some time making the selections of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Boots, Hats, Caps, Ladies and Misses' Suits, Skirts, and Underwear. In every department our stock is complete and well selected. We not only handle the popular priced merchandise, but, we have some extra values. For instance, our Ladies' Suits, Coats, Millinery and Underwear. No wonder ladies have been ordering their clothing. We don't blame them. They couldn't get it here and they had to do something, but this has been overcome this season. We have as new and up-to-date line of popular priced coats, suits, millinery and everything in ladies clothing as can be had anywhere.

Who was it wanting boy's clothing made up like men's? We have a full line made by the Curlee Clothing Company, and as to style, workmanship and patterns, they can not be equaled at the prices we make on them. Our stock of shoes and boots, made by Roberts, Johnson & Rand, are too well known to dwell very long on but we wish to say that we have all sizes, shapes and lasts, at prices in keeping with any goods you may select. The well known Davis Hats and Caps have been sold by

us so long we have nothing to say. They speak for themselves. They have been sold in Dickens county the past 16 years. Our line of dress goods, laces, embroideries, buttons, trimmings, etc., was never as complete as it is now. Come in and allow Mr. Dortch to show you the line. We are sure you will see something you need.

As to quilts, blankets, comforts, sheets, pillow slips, etc., we have them.

Miss Roberts says she has taken a liking to the people she has met so far. We want her to meet you all. We think we have the best people in Texas and are sure she will think so too when you are better acquainted.

Our grocery stock was never more complete. Don't be afraid we haven't what you want, just come in or phone us, we are prepared to take care of your business, large or small. Our Mr. Nicholson takes great pride and care in this department. Come in and meet the man with a smile on his face and everything good to eat in his department at prices as low as it can be sold at. Try our flour. White Swan and Wapco canned goods. We believe they are the best that can be had for the money. We make a specialty of handling the best and think it is the cheapest.



T. A. Smith came in Saturday from his farm and ranch home on Red Mud and spent several hours here on business and shaking hands with his friends. He reports everything moving along nicely and satisfactorily at this time in his section.

CROPS SUFFER LITTLE DAMAGE FROM RAINS

J. P. Crump, a prominent citizen and one of the most prosperous farmers of Garza county, was among the business visitors to Spur last week. He reports crops doing well in his section and suffered little damage on account of the continued rains. In many sections it is reported that the maize and other feed crops were beginning to sprout on account of the continued rains. However, with clear, sunshiny weather it is presumed that the crops of this country will suffer little ill effects.

C. F. Cates bought of Mrs. White her Rhode Island Red Cockerel which won first prize at the Dickens County Fair. Evidently Mr. Cates is making preparations to take all prizes on Rhode Island Reds at the next fair, he having been awarded the first prize this year on his pen of chickens of that class.

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NOTICE!

October 9, 1915, has been proclaimed by Governor Ferguson as "State Fire Prevention Day" and I earnestly recommend that we observe it in seeing that our chimneys and flues are in a safe condition for winter use and that all rubbish is removed from our premises that might cause fire.
F. W. Jennings, Mayor.

N.B. Fuqua, of Red Mud, was in the city Monday. He reported that Mrs. Fuqua had been suffering of a wound caused by sticking a nail in her foot, and for that reason as well as the continued rains they failed to attend the fair last week. We hope that Mrs. Fuqua will soon be well again.

Just Received

A Car of the Old Reliable

Newton Wagons and Trucks

Have a few Buggies at bargain prices. Let us figure with you.

Riter Hardware Co.

STATEMENT

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of September, 1915.

W. F. Godfrey,
Notary Public.

[SEAL]

FIRE ALARM.

Wednesday the fire department responded to the fire alarm which sounded one long whistle, denoting that the fire was in ward number one, being the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson. However, the fire was only the soot burning in the flue and caused no damage. This is a warning that everybody should examine flues in erecting stoves for the winter. The great majority of fires originate through carelessness in observing the rules to prevent loss by fire.

Mrs. Smith and Miss Reagan, of Haskell, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Henry Wilson.

Harvey Lee returned last week from Kansas where he has been spending the past three months working in the harvest fields of that state. While there he worked only about one third of the time on account of the unfavorable weather. As a result of the continued rains many crops of grain will be completely lost.

Money! Money!! Money!!!

to Loan on Farm and Ranch Land. For Quick Service see W. M. FEATHERSTON, Jayton, Tex.

LUMBER

YOU can buy lumber at most any old place, but when you want the best you should see us before you buy. Buying as we do for a large number of yards we get the very best prices and the "Pick o' the Pines"

If you will let us figure your next bill we will convince you that we can save you money.

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We have just received a shipment of King Candies.

The best made--
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Spur Drug Co.

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Shorty Reynolds, one of the most prominent citizens of Dickens, was in the city Wednesday greeting his friends.

Dr. Blackwell was in Spur Wednesday from Dickens and spent some time here on professional business.

The Fifth Sunday Meeting

of the

Dickens County Missionary Baptist Association

To be held with the Friendship Baptist Church

Beginning Thursday Night at 7:30 o'clock October 28th, 1915

PROGRAM

7:30 p. m. Devotional Service, led by.....G. W. Jackson
8:00 p. m. Introductory Sermon, by.....W. M. Scott

Friday, October 29

9:30 a. m. Devotional Service, led by.....J. W. Hilton
10:00 a. m. "Why Have Fifth Sunday Meetings?"—General discussion led by.....R. F. Self and W. B. Bennett
10:30 a. m. "What Has Religion Done for Me?"—General discussion led by.....G. T. Sterns
11:00 a. m. Sermon, subject: "Adoption," by.....R. F. Self
2:00 p. m. Devotional Service, led by.....P. Henson
2:30 p. m. "What Shall We Give Our Young People in the Place of the Dance?" Led by.....Luther Billberry
3:00 p. m. "What Are the Needs of Our Association Mission Field?" .. Led by.....W. M. Scott
3:30 p. m. "Are We Able to Take this Country According to the Baptist Teachings, Numerically, Financially and Spiritually?" .. Led by.....J. M. McMahan and J. M. Rankin
7:30 p. m. Devotional Service, led by.....Wright Henson
8:00 p. m. Sermon—"This Present War and the Second Coming of Christ," by.....T. F. Medlin

Saturday, October 30

9:30 a. m. Devotional Service, led by.....Bro. Luttrell
10:00 a. m. Should Our Churches Help on Ministerial Education As a Church? Led by.....J. M. McMahan
10:30 a. m. "Woman's Work and the Need of Co-operation," .. Led by.....Mrs. P. H. Miller
11:00 a. m. Sermon on Justification, by.....J. A. Scott
2:00 p. m. Devotional Service, led by.....H. H. Hill
2:30 p. m. "Has Our Missionary the Authority to Baptise a Convert in the Absence of a Church?" Led by J. M. McMahan and A. P. Stokes
3:00 p. m. "What is the Purpose of Church Organization?" .. Led by.....J. M. Rankin and R. F. Self
3:30 p. m. "Does Socialism Affect our Church Relation?" General discussion, led by.....T. F. Medlin
4:00 p. m.Meeting of the Associational Board
7:30 p. m. Devotional Service, led by.....L. G. Crabtree
8:00 p. m. Sermon—"Does the Bible Teach the Pre-Millennial or Post-Millennial Idea?" By.....A. P. Stokes
9:00 p. m. "Buckner's Orphans Home," by.....F. M. Clifton

Sunday, October 31

9:30 a. m. "Our Sunday School Work from the Viewpoint of a Layman," by.....S. F. Starrett and G. T. Sterns
11:00 a. m. Sermon, "The Natural Depravity of Man," by J. M. McMahan

NOTICE

To Our Customers and Friends:
We feel like at this time of the year you should pay cash, as we have fine crops and prices are good. Our wholesale houses have closed their books and we will be compelled to do likewise. We have tried to assist all our customers and hope you appreciate it and will help us by paying cash the balance of the year.

Hoping we wont inconvenience any one by closing our books for the season, we are,

Very respectfully,

Sol Davis
THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST

Faust Collier left last week to enter college at Georgetown where he will attend the 1915-16 term.

Miss Erma Baker left recently for Dallas where she will attend the Southern Methodist University during the 1915-16 term.

C. J. Smith, of several miles west of Spur, was among the number in the city the latter part of last week.

Chalk and Bert Brown, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, were among the number of business visitors to Spur this week.

Al Sullivan was in the city recently. He could hardly walk about the streets on account of having his leg injured in a run away with his team and wagon.

Poet Hagins, of Gilpin, was among the business visitors in the city Saturday, reporting everything moving along nicely in that community.

WE GREET YOU

At Our New Store on and After October 9th

We are located in the new "Moore" building. In trading in the new store we furnish you the best lighted building in West Texas. Our showing of new fall merchandise, while not absolutely complete, we are showing extensive lines in

Ladies' Coats

Silk Dresses, Silk and Net Waists, Skirts

In connection with our extensive showing of the general line of Dry Goods, Silks, etc. Special for Saturday and the following week:

10 Dozen Ladies' Wash Waists

\$2.00 Grades \$1.50--\$1.50 and \$1.75 Lines \$1.25

In our Men's Clothing we are showing High Art Clothes \$15 to \$22.50. Cheaper suits at \$10 and \$12.50. Woolly Boy and Priest make of boys' clothes.

Saturday Special

100 Boys' Knee Pants

Your Choice for \$3.50

They are startling values. We are offering a choice line of Boys' School Caps at 25c and 50c; also in Men's at 35c to \$1.00. Visit us to see our new store and note the great display. If you are not a purchaser at this time you will be later on. 25 dozen leather tipped duck gloves, 3 pairs for 25c. New lines of dress Hats, Shirts and thousands of other items. Stetson Shoes for Men and "Browns" general line of dress and work Shoes.

LOVE DRY GOODS CO.

The Store of the New Type

In the New "Moore" Building

Spur, Texas

W. E. Connell and wife and Allen Connell, manager of week at the home of Mr. and Marion Sansom, of Fort Worth, the O S Ranch, were visitors last Mrs. E. C. Edmonds.



IF YOU ARE LOOKING

for LUMBER SATISFACTION come to our YARD and be SATISFIED. We GUARANTEE to PLEASE YOU by giving you JUST WHAT YOU WANT, WHEN YOU WANT IT, besides saving you money on everything you buy from us.

P. H. MILLER, - - Spur, Texas
Dealer in High Grade Hard and Soft Coal

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Handles Groceries, Ammunition, Rope, Binder Twine, Machine Oil, Wagon Sheets, 8, 10 and 12 ounce Duck, Knee Pads, Cotton Sacks, Enamel Ware and Bourland's Medicated Salt Block.

Ice and All Kinds of Cold Drinks

Westside Barber Shop

TIDWELL & REEVES, Props.

First Class Tonsorial Work. Hot and Cold Baths and Up-To-Date Service in Every Respect. Call and see us

TO ESTABLISH FARM COMMISSION HOUSE HERE

While in the city Wednesday H. C. Allen had the Texas Spur sent to O. J. Cudd of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and for which he has our thanks. Mr. Cudd is thinking of moving to this section of the country and engaging in business in Spur. He contemplates the establishment of a commission business in which he will sell every character of farm product as well as lands and livestock on a small commission basis. We believe such a business would be of great benefit to Spur, interest and profit the farmers of the country and make good returns to the management. Such a business in Spur would relieve the farmers and fruit growers of the country of the necessity of "peddling" their produce over the town and country and would be more convenient to both buyer and seller in consummating the purchase and sale of such commodity. Again we extend a welcome to Mr. Cudd and encourage the establishment of a general commission house in Spur.

MOVED TO ARKANSAS

Rev. J. V. Bilberry and family moved last week to Garfield, Arkansas, where they will make their home in the future, he having recently sold his home near Dickens. Before leaving Rev. Bilberry handed us a dollar to send the Texas Spur to his address. We regret to lose this family from our citizenship but feel that it is only temporary, since we are confident that within the next year or two they will return and we stand ready to extend them a hearty welcome back home.

For Sale—House and lot, close in, a bargain.—C. F. Cates. 482p

LAND OWNERS ATTENTION

We have on file in the office of The Texas Spur an extensive list of names and addresses of prospective home-seekers such as have been compiled by the Emigration Department of the Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company. In addition to this, we have access to more than two thousand names and addresses wherein detailed information concerning each prospect is available.

If you have lands for sale, or land for rent, and desire to communicate with any of these inquirers the names and address will be furnished you free of cost by applying at this office.

Definite and detailed particulars as to the name, address, age, nationality, number in family, years at present address, number of live stock and general condition of all these prospects are also on file in the office of Mr. W. F. Sterley, general freight and passenger agent of the Ft. W. & D. C. Ry. Co. at Denver-Record Building, Fort Worth, Texas, and such specific information concerning any particular prospective home-seeker may be obtained free of cost by enclosing self-addressed envelope to that office and making inquiry referring to the book number and applicant's number in the book.—Advt. 464

NATURE WARNS Against Using Calomel.

The sickening, nauseating feeling that follows the use of calomel is the natural result of disarranging your entire system. Doctors everywhere are agreeing that the action of calomel is much too strong, and leaves the body sick and weakened.

LIV-VER-LAX is a wonderful substitute for calomel, that has all of its good effects and none of its bad ones. It acts soothingly but thoroughly on the liver, cleansing it of bile, and ridding the entire system of stagnating poisons.

LIV-VER-LAX is strictly a harmless vegetable compound, and is guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money will be returned. Insist on the original, bearing the signature and likeness of L. K. Grigsby. For sale here at 50c and \$1.00 by Spur Drug Company.

For Sale—House and lot, close in, a bargain.—C. F. Cates. 482p

Local and Long Distance Telephone Service

The Dixy Telephone Company offers you the best, most efficient service in either the local or long distance branch of the business. If you do not have a Dixy telephone in your home or place of business, see the manager, who will be pleased to furnish you with any information you may desire.

Dixy Telephone Co.

Jim Gibbs, Manager
SPUR, TEXAS

-Oakland Automobiles-

Six-cylinder, 5-passenger, electric starter, one-man top and fully equipped, \$875.00

We guarantee to give more for the money than any other car manufactured. 4-cylinder, 5-passenger, fully equipped \$1150.00

L. A. HINDMAN, Agent, Spur, Texas

NO COUNTRY EVER HAD BETTER CROPS

Postmaster J. E. Shelton, of Roaring Springs, was in Spur Wednesday and Thursday greeting his friends here. Mr. Shelton reports everything progressing nicely in his town and country but says that the cotton is just now beginning to come in, there having been only six or seven bales ginned up to the present time. Some land, he says, is selling in the surrounding country but that more people come to look rather than to buy at this time. If we can get people to come to the West to look it is only a question of time until they come to live. No country ever had better crops than are now being harvested throughout Western Texas, and as the improvement and development progress continues and agricultural diversification is more generally practiced this section will be recognized the world over as an agricultural empire.

OLD SHOES.

Bring me your Men's old Shoes where the uppers are good and I will buy them.—A. C. Lewis.

The best three-section ranch in Dickens county for sale. I have a price that is attractive. Call and see me.—Jackson Realty Co.

V. C. Smart Spur-Roaring Springs

Auto Service via Dickens and Afton
Phone Southwestern No. 78
Leave Spur 8:00 Arrive Roaring Springs 11:20
Leave Roaring Springs 12:30 Arrive Spur 5:20

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YOU WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE US DO That Work

Why Not Now?

Fruit and Ornamental Trees

I am now representing the Austin Nursery, and am prepared to furnish you with Berries, Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees of every variety. Hold your orders for me.

Wyatt Taylor
SPUR, TEXAS
Agent for Dickens, Kent and Stonewall Counties

Jeff D. Harkey came over the first of the week from Dickens and spent some time in Spur on business.

A. S. Jackson came over Thursday morning from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur shaking hands with friends and looking after business matters.

Otho L. Hale, a prominent citizen and business man of Afton, was in Spur Wednesday on business and visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stafford.

Who Will Be The Winner

The time will soon be over. We can assist you. Drop us a line, Texas-Oklahoma Adv. Contest Co., Busch Bldg., Dallas, Texas.

TRADE WITH US

Spur Hareware Company Lyric Theatre
Red Front Drug Store German Kitchen
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AFTON

There has been quite a good deal of changing around lately in Afton. Some moving in for the benefit of the school and others moving out to gather cotton.

It is reported that the blacksmith shop will change hands.

Some new buildings in town and everything prospering in a substantial manner.

Mrs. Bud Johnston's sister and husband have been visiting her the past week.

Mrs. M. B. Haile visited Mrs. Lawson Monday.

Mrs. Rose and family are visiting at her father, P. J. Hext.

People are all busy gathering and marketing their crops.

The fair at Spur was a success or would have been if it had not rained so much. L. B. Haile got the prize for figs. He says he would not know a fig if he was to meet it in the road. I guess it was the same way with the judges, they would not know a persimmon, for it was persimmons Mr. Haile took to the fair and not figs.

At this writing it seems that we will soon get some more rain or snow. It is quite cool.

FOR SALE.

A 5 room bungalow, good well, cistern, sheds, lots and 6 acres fenced and in cultivation, 7 acres in all, also small orchard, 1 mile west of Spur. Consideration \$1,250.00, part down, balance in good notes.—J. E. Day, Grants, N. M. 27-6mo

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 pastures owned by me.—J. P. Goen. 47-3mp.

Mrs. W. R. Stafford is reported quite sick at her home in the city, and we understand is in a critical condition as the result of blood poisoning. We hope to soon note her complete recovery.

BUSINESS METHODS IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS

If a corporation contemplates spending as much as \$25,000 in a piece of construction work, an expert is employed, first of all, to draw plans and formulate specifications. Then, after these are studied, and often times materially changed in many features, the actual spending of the money is put into the hands of one or more experts.

As a result the corporation gets a dollar's worth for every dollar expended.

Now, a community, or a county, is in a measure little other than a corporation, its citizens the stockholders. And it frequently spends money in big sums for construction work, as, for instance, in road building. Shouldn't its method of procedure be very similar to that of the real corporation?

That would mean for the community contemplating the building of roads to employ an engineer to survey the roads, make maps, grades and profiles and draw up estimates of cost. Then a bond issue should be asked for for a sum covering the engineer's estimate and a campaign conducted that would explain every point to every voter.

When the election is carried and the bonds sold, every dollar of the money should be expended under the unhampered direction of an expert or experts. Such business methods get business results.

For Sale—Span mules, three and eight years old, both broke. Price \$250.00 and worth it.—W. J. Elliott. 45tf

Mr. Guthrie, of Paducah, was a business visitor in Spur Thursday of this week, spending several hours in the city.

..J. P. SIMMONS..

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Notary Public in the Office.

Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

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

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

Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut, saw, grub, break down or gather 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

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

First-class lubricating oil for 55c a gallon. Mobiloil 75c and 80c a gallon.—City Garage.

W. F. Cathey, a prominent citizen of several miles north of Spur, was among the number of business visitors here Tuesday.

Mrs. W. M. Winkler, of Afton, was in the city last week visiting at the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Winkler.

Miss Nicholson, of Hamlin, is in the city visiting her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nicholson.

Miss Putman, of several miles west of Spur, left last week to attend college during the 1915-16 term.

E. J. Cairns and wife, of the Paddle Ranch in Kent county, were visitors to Spur the latter part of last week.

Lilburn Standifer returned last week to the A. & M. College after spending the vacation with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Standifer, in Spur.

Judge A. J. McClain came in Monday from his Cat Fish farm and ranch home and spent a short time here on business and greeting his friends.

For Sale—Nice Hill Side property. Cheap.—C. F. Cates.

Tack Kennedy was among the many visitors in the city the latter part of last week.

The best three section ranch in Dickens county for sale. I have a price that is attractive. Call and see me. Jackson Realty Co.

For sale—Three lots, two room house, shed barn, city water near cottage. Price \$750.00.—C. F. Cates

Oliver Gray and A. C. Hyatt, two of the most prominent citizens of Dickens, were among the number of business visitors to Spur this week.

W. P. Sampson, of the Girard country, was in Spur the latter part of last week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

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 Half Circle S pastures.—I. R. Powell, Manager. Mar. 1 p.

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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 pastures owned by me.—W. R. Stafford. 47-3mo.

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 pastures controlled by me.—Sam White. 52tf.

FOR SALE.

My 2068 1-2 acre ranch, 12 miles southwest of Spur, on Cat Fish River, at a bargain, on good terms. Will lease temporarily, also separate section near ranch for sale.—C. C. Higgins, Snyder, Texas. 36-tf.

The best three section ranch in Dickens county for sale. I have a price that is attractive. Call and see me.—Jackson Realty Co.

Mrs. D. H. Sullivan left Wednesday for her former home in the Eastern part of the state where she will spend some time with her relatives while under the treatment of family physicians.

W. M. Stovall came over from Dickens Wednesday and spent several hours in Spur on business and greeting friends.

Robt. T. Dopson, a leading citizen of the Dry Lake country, was in the city Wednesday and spent several hours here on business and trading with the merchants.

Mrs. C. D. Copeland, of six miles east of Spur, was a visitor in the city Tuesday, and while here called at the Texas Spur office and left a dollar with us to send the paper to Ruff Watson of Mart, Texas, and for which she has our thanks.

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. 1-26.

John Weathers came in Wednesday from his farm and ranch home and spent some time in Spur greeting friends and looking after business matters.

FORMING COTTON POOL FOR FARMERS

Draper, Texas, Oct. 3.—Some of the farmers of the county contemplate selling their cotton collectively (or offering for sale) on Friday, November the 5th, of this year, and this is not intended for farmers only, but for the local cotton buyers as well.

We will try to secure cotton buyers from as many points as we can, and should the price offered be too low to justify selling, arrangements have been made to draw approximately the value of the cotton in the local market at six per cent interest per annum and ship to a commission point and hold for a better price.

If this method strikes you favorably write me a card stating the number of (or about) bales you will have in Spur on above date. One thing we want to request of you if you go into the pool with us and cotton should go up to 12½ or 15 cents a pound only a few days prior to November 5, do not cut out and sell.

Some things cotton men should not do—do not depend on an ordinary shipping tag to hold your cotton; do not depend on common lamp black and coal oil, but have your cotton branded with indelible dye or paint. Commission men have condemned the tag or common dyes so generally used.—E. B. Shaw.

For Sale—Good second-hand wagon at bargain price.—J. L. Osborne, Spur Texas. 48-tf.

J. H. Boothe, of a mile or two southeast of Spur, was in the city Thursday and spent an hour or two here on business.

Commanding Success

Some people "command" success, others sit down and wait for it. Those who command success are the ones who watch for opportunity, getting ready meanwhile to seize upon it.

The way they get ready for it is to give constant attention to the growth of their bank account, thus developing, at the same time, business instincts and helpful acquaintance.

Identify yourself with this successful bank, and get in position to command your success.

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

CAPITAL STOCK \$40,000 SURPLUS FUND \$10,000
E. C. EDMONDS, Cashier C. HOGAN, Asst. Cashier G. H. CONNELL, President S. R. DAVIS, Vice-Pres. J. D. HARKEY, Vice-Pres.

Hurry! Hurry!

Cold weather is most here and you are going to need some new Mattresses, Blankets and Comforts to keep you warm this winter.

We have some left and more coming.

Comforts.....	\$1.25 to	\$3.00
Blankets.....	1.50 to	7.50
Mattresses.....	2.75 to	20.00
Kitchen Cabinets.....	12.00 to	35.00
Dresser.....	7.50 to	30.00
Chifforobes.....	18.00 to	32.50
Ladies' Combination Desk Dressing Table.....		12.00
Center Tables.....	1.25 to	8.50
Library Tables.....	3.50 to	22.00
2 inch post Steel Bed.....	8.00 &	9.00
Art Squares.....	6.50 to	27.00

Come in and let us figure with you on that Furniture bill you are going to buy this fall.

We will appreciate your business in anything in our line.

Campbell & Campbell

FARMING OPERATIONS ON BUSINESS PRINCIPLES

W. E. Duke, a prominent citizen and farmer of the Watson community, was in Spur this week. Mr. Duke had the Texas Spur print him some letter heads and envelopes with which to do his correspondence, and also had some blanks printed on which to keep an account of his crop expenditures each year, such account to show date, field weight, gin weight, gin weight of lint, yard weight, tag number, cost of picking, price of seed, value of seed, price of lint and value, the grade and total amount of each year's crop. Evidently Mr. Duke intends to make farming a business and such a method should be adopted by every farmer within this whole country. There is no ques-

tion but that the majority of farmers do business in a hap-hazard manner and at no time could they make a definite statement of the expenses and returns of their business. If a merchant were to do business in this manner he would last about three months. If every farmer in this country would conduct his business strictly on business principles the business of farming would be recognized as the most profitable business within the country. Mr. Duke came to this country from Red River county and this is his second crop in the Spur country. We congratulate him on beginning his farming operations in this country on business principles and we venture the assertion that he will realize a profit from his farming operations.

Cal Martin, of Roaring Springs, was in the city Wednesday.

Cleaning and Pressing

HOFFMAN STEAM PRESS

Suits Made to Measure

Agency for Waco Steam Laundry.
Basket Goes Twice Every Week.

All Tailoring and Laundry
Work Guaranteed.

Johnson Tailoring Co.

SPUR

M. Born and Kahn Co. Clothing

TALK BY WIRELESS TO HONOLULU, H. I.

A CONVERSATION TRANSMITTED OVER DISTANCE OF FORTY-SIX HUNDRED MILES.

SECOND SUCCESSFUL TEST

Came After Talk Without Aid of Wires From the Atlantic to the Pacific.

New York.—The human voice has bridged the North American continent and without the use of wires intelligible sound has been projected through the ether and words spoken in an ordinary tone in New York have reached waiting ears at San Francisco. Beyond all this the official announcement has been made that the distance between Washington and Honolulu, four thousand six hundred miles, has been annihilated by the wireless telephone as perfected by J. J. Carty, chief engineer for the American Telephone & Telegraph company. Telephone communication between New York and any of the great capitals of Europe and even across the Pacific ocean from Seattle to Tokio is now altogether possible, depending upon the installation of apparatus.

The same engineers to whom credit for this achievement in the art of communicating intelligence by electricity, has been accorded, at the same time have announced another wonderful discovery. In the experiment by which the voice was carried between New York and San Francisco, words passed by land wires between New York and Arlington, Va., and from there, as if projected from the loose ends of the copper strands, were sent into the air to be wafted across the plains and valleys, the towering peaks of giant mountain ranges and the deserts, to be picked up again by the slender antennae of the wireless tower at Mare Island navy yard and carried to the waiting ear at a telephone receiver.

This strongly indicates the possibility by which people living inland may call friends who happen to be passengers on ships at sea, as voices are carried over present land lines to some central station along the coast, and there automatically passed into a radio transmitter and projected out over the ocean to a moving object and finally to the one who may be designated to receive the message sent by such wonderful ways.

Considerable Time.

Engineers of the American Telephone & Telegraph company have been engaged, during a considerable time, in perfecting the wireless telephone. To make possible the accomplishment recently recorded, it was necessary, it is stated, to apply radically new ideas to the generally accepted theories of wireless telegraphy. At first temporary towers at Montauk Point, L. I., and Wilmington, Del., served the purpose. Afterwards the government loaned its wireless towers at Arlington, near Washington, and at Mare Island, near San Francisco, to the work. Panama and points in Cuba were also brought into the experiment. The wireless station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was also equipped with necessary telephone apparatus. Obstacle after obstacle was finally overcome.

Seated in his office in New York, President T. N. Vail of the American Telephone & Telegraph company, who authorized the experimental work spoke the first words to travel, part by wire and part by wireless, to San Francisco. He called J. J. Carty, under whose direction the work was done and who was waiting on the Pacific coast, to participate in the final test.

"Hello, Carty," the talk started. "This is Mr. Vail."

Even Mr. Carty was surprised, so clearly and distinctly did the words reach him.

"This is fine," he exclaimed. "This is wonderful."

Army and Navy Take Part.

Representatives of the United States government, of the army and the navy, joined in the demonstration, talking across the continent without the use of wires. Words spoken in this way were repeated back by the transcontinental land telephone lines, opened 1st January, and the proof was conclusive. Secretary of the Navy Daniels, who had loaned government equipment to the prosecution of the experiment, issued a formal statement, announcing the achievement and placing the government's stamp of appreciation upon the marvelous accomplishment.

Now is the Time

To put in your winter coal. We have McAlester Nut at \$6.50 delivered. Also Colorado Nut and Lump Coal. New Mexico Nut and Lump Coal. Anthracite for base burners and genuine Nigger Head.

Phone in Your Order
Spur Grain & Coal Co.

Brazelton-Pryor & Co.

—Dealer in—

High Grade Lumber, Paints and Oils
Cedar and Bois d'Arc Posts
We Appreciate Your Business

METHODS LOSE TRADE TO FOREIGN COMPETITORS

Much trade lost by small-town merchants to foreign competition is the result of antiquated advertising and merchandising methods on the part of the merchants.

A most impressive example in substantiation of this statement came under my observation about three years ago in a small East Texas town.

A woman called at her local dealer's to have a button replaced on a shoe, which service was gladly performed without charge.

After examining the shoe, the merchant asked where it was bought. "In blank city," replied the lady. "I buy all my shoes there, as I wear only this particular make of shoes."

"Well, why dont you buy them from me," countered the merchant. "I handle this full line and can save you the expense and inconvenience of sending away for them."

"You do," she rejoined. Then why don't you let the people know it. You will certainly get my future business."

The only possible reason for her not having patronized him in the past was lack of knowledge on her part that the shoe was carried locally.

Same old story; an utter lack of appreciation of advertising on the

part of the small-town retailer.

Yes, there is a good local newspaper in this town. He had simply failed to use it to let people know what he had to offer them.

Progressive merchants realize that to get maximum selling results they must keep their prospective patrons posted as to what they have to offer.

H. E. Grabener was in town this week from his farm home east of Spur.

W. J. Elliot was in the city recently from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home.

Roy Butts was among the number of business visitors in Spur Monday.

W. M. Randall, a leading citizen of the Steel Hill country, was among the visitors in town this week.

Miss. Eula Bowman, who recently underwent an operation at the Standifer Hospital, is now at home and completely recovered.

J. D. Richards, a prominent citizen and prosperous farmer of several miles east of Spur, was in the city this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

A. W. Jordan, one of the most prosperous farmers of the Steel Hill community, was among the number in the city Thursday. Mr. Jordan has a big crop of cotton and is now having it picked in a hurry.

To The Ladies:

Tuesday night of each week we will give to each and every lady who attends our moving picture shows

A VALUABLE PRESENT

This present will be worth three times the price of admission and the highest class pictures will be shown each night.

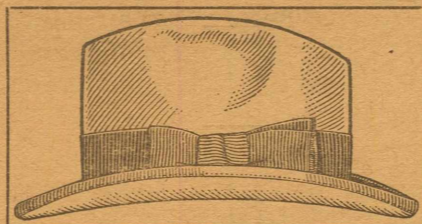
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MEN and YOUNG FELLOWS

WE are entering this FALL with the most COMPLETE showing of MEN'S WEAR ever displayed in Spur. You are responsible for our growth during the past four years, and we feel very grateful to each and every purchaser. Unparalleled values will continue to be our "MOTTO."



The following HIGH GRADES will be found at this store at the same prices and in many instances lower than you pay for inferior brands: - - - - -

Clothes	Hats	Shirts	Shoes	Hosiery	Boots
A. B. Kirschbaum \$15 to 20 Freshman \$15 to \$20	Stetson 3.50 to \$7.50 Star \$2.50 and \$3	Arrow \$1.50 Monarch \$1.00	Walk-Over \$3.50 to \$5.00	Interwoven 25c, 35c, 50c, \$1 Coinsaver 10c and 12 1-2c	H. A. Justin Hand Made \$12 50 to \$40

With over 1000 display samples we are offering the most attractive selection for TAILOR-MADE CLOTHES ever shown here. Our experience with tape insures you a perfect fit. The prices are reasonable--\$14 and upwards.

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SPUR "THE MAN'S STORE" TEXAS

W. F. Godfrey has been suffering the past two weeks of a carbuncle on his neck. He is improving we are glad to note.

J. E. Wright, of the Draper country, came in Wednesday with cotton which he had ginned here and sold on the Spur market. He reports the roads in such condition as a result of the recent rains that it is now almost impossible to haul big loads.

J. A. Murchison, of the Draper country, was here this week with cotton which he sold on the Spur market at the prevailing high price.

Geo. Bennett, formerly of Spur but now of Rule, accompanied by his father and brother in law, passed through Spur Tuesday on his return home from a trip through the counties north of Dickens.

COTTON GOING UP.

W. L. Thanisch came in Wednesday from his place in the Draper country. He brought in three bales of cotton which he sold on the Spur market for twelve dollars and twenty seven and a half cents a pound. The price of cotton continues to advance and is rapidly approaching the fifteen cent mark.

Jim Perkins, of the Tap country, was in the city on business this week.

J. E. Sparks came in Tuesday with a bale of cotton from his place near Tap.

Miss Octavia Manley, of Stamford, is in the city visiting her sister, Miss Delia Johnston.

R. M. Dickenson, a prominent business man of Stamford, was in Spur this week on business.

A. Fry, a prominent citizen of the Cat Fish country, was in the city Monday and spent several hours here on business.

Dr. Fulbright, with a party from Jayton, passed through Spur the first of the week on their way to Ralls.

J. P. Simmons and wife and W. K. Perry left Spur Wednesday for Lubbock where they will spend several days visiting their friends in that city.

P. H. Miller made a trip last week to Jayton and Peacock where he spent several days looking after his lumber interests at these points.

Why buy bread baked out of town when the home-baked bread is better in every respect and bigger in the loaf? Get your next loaf from the German Kitchen and be convinced. 49-tf.

Mr. Hatcher, of Beeville, is in Spur this week visiting G. L. Barber and family. Mr. Hatcher reports that the crops are all gathered in his country, good forage crops and the cotton averaging about one-fourth of a bale to the acre.

R. R. Wooten, a leading citizen and farmer of the plains country near McAdoo, was in Spur this week on business and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything progressing nicely in his section since the recent heavy rains.

PRESIDENT OF BIBLE COLLEGE VISITS SPUR

C. C. Cofer, president of the Cofer Bible College at Krum, Texas, passed through Spur Tuesday on his return home from a trip through the country in the interest of his college. He had been up on the plains to Floydada and as far as Plainview, preaching Sunday at Dickens. While in Spur Mr. Cofer was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. The Cofer Bible College gives lessons and instructions by mail and has numbers of pupils throughout the country.

J. C. Weir, of near Spur, was here greeting friends Saturday.

J. Anderson Davis, of several miles northeast of Spur, was in the city Saturday.

H. H. Hill, of the Dry Lake country, was among the number of visitors in the city Saturday.

W. P. Sampson, of the Girard country, was a recent business visitor to Spur.

Grundy Crego, of the Croton country, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

J. B. Morrison was in the city Tuesday from his ranch home twelve miles southwest of Spur.

Sam Owens, of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was among the business visitors to Spur this week.

J. P. Gibson, of the Steel Hill country, was among the number of business visitors to town Saturday.

G. J. Stearns, a prominent citizen of the Steel Hill country, was among the business visitors here Saturday.

Merchant R. D. Shields, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday on business and spent several hours here.

T. G. Harkey made a business trip this week to Aspermont and other points along the Stamford & Northwestern Railway.

Clifford B. Jones returned last week from Colorado where he spent ten days or two weeks fishing and hunting. He reports a pleasant trip and related some interesting "fish stories."

To Automobile Owners:

You are respectfully invited to make our place Headquarters while in Spur. Nothing but experienced men will work on your car.

Gas, Oils and Plenty of FREE AIR
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H. C. Allen, of the Dry Lake country, was here Saturday greeting friends and trading with the merchants.

County Attorney B. G. Worswick came over Tuesday from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on official business and greeting his friends here.

Mrs. T. G. Harkey and Miss Thelma left last week for Mason county where they will spend some time visiting relatives. They made the trip through the country in an automobile, Miss Thelma driving the car.

T. A. Smith and W. H. Smith, of the Red Mud country, were in Spur Tuesday and spent several hours here trading with the merchants and looking after other business matters.

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and until noon Saturday, October
16th, on his regular monthly trip.
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