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THE TEXAS SPUR

AND DICKENS ITEM

A NEWSPAPER

For the Homes of Dickens County, and the best advertising medium of this section of West Texas

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 3, 1915.

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CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK

This week The Texas Spur is authorized to announce Leslie E. Williams as a candidate for County and District Clerk of Dickens County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election to be held in July 1916. Heretofore The Texas Spur has taken an inactive part in the elections held in Dickens county for the reason that we were "new comers" here, were not familiar with conditions and needs of the people. However, we have now been in the county more than six years, and during this time we have closely observed not only the trend of politics but the "trend of the times," and while at this time we are not disposed to advise people "how to vote," but we can say with a clear conscience and with a knowledge and acquaintance of the man, that no better man could be selected to fill the County and District Clerk's office than Leslie E. Williams. During the past six years he has been employed as telegraph operator for the Stamford & Northwestern Railway Company at Spur, and during this fall has been employed as bookkeeper and weigher for the Swenson Gin Company. Mr. Williams is a man who is not only neat and accurate but thoroughly systematic in his official duties. He is honest, energetic and qualified in every respect for the office. He is a man who will be courteous and accommodating in every detail of his official duties. There is no man who will better serve the general public in the capacity of District and County Clerk than Leslie Williams, and we say here and now that no man will or can keep better or neater or more accurate records of the proceedings of the county affairs than Mr. Williams. The voters of the county are privileged to vote for whom they please, but the Texas Spur Editor will vote for Leslie E. Williams because of the fact that we think he will make the best County Clerk Dickens County has ever had or ever will have in the future.

VISITS SPUR

E. L. Pass, formerly of Spur but who has been engaged in the grocery business in Temple the past year or two, was here this week looking after his property interests in Spur. Mr. Pass owns several places in Spur and since he has sold out his grocery business in Temple it may be possible that the conditions here now will encourage him to return and again become a resident citizen of Spur.

HAILED OUT

L. C. Arrington, of the Afton country, was in the city Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Arrington this year was hailed out on his place in the Afton country and consequently has had a very small crop to gather this fall. However, on his other places in the county he is making big crops and as a result he will enjoy a portion of the prosperity which abounds throughout the country.

E. AUSTIN DIED TUESDAY OF HEART TROUBLES

County Commissioner Early Austin died Tuesday night at four o'clock at his home in the Afton country and the remains were interred Thursday in the Dickens Cemetery, the ceremonies at the cemetery being conducted by the members of the Oddfellow Lodges at Dickens and Spur.

Early Austin's death at this time was a surprise to his many friends of the country. He was in Dickens and Spur during the day Tuesday transacting business and greeting friends, seemingly in as good health as ever. After returning home he had an attack of heart trouble with which he had been affected at intervals during the past several years. Dr. Blackwell was called out from Dickens but arrived too late to render effective medical aid.

For a number of years E. Austin has served as a member of the Commissioners Court from the Afton Precinct, and was recognized as one of the County's foremost citizens. In his death the county lost a good citizen and a real asset. The Texas Spur joins the entire citizenship in extending sincere sympathy and condolence to the bereaved family and relatives.

THE PRICE OF COTTON CONTINUES TO ADVANCE

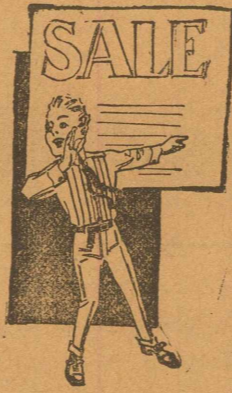
J. E. Wright and wife and Earl Wright, of the Draper country, were in Spur Monday and Tuesday buying supplies of the Spur merchants and also selling some of the large cotton crop which they have gathered on their places this year. Mr. Wright was offered eleven cents for his cotton on the streets Tuesday but at that time was undecided as to whether or not he would continue to hold for a better price. As we stated earlier in the season, we believe the conditions warrant the price of cotton to advance to as high as fifteen cents before the end of the season, but of course we can never tell just what will happen.

RETURNS TO SPUR

W. E. Fletcher, who is making his home this fall in the Steel Hill community, was among the number in the city Saturday. A year or two ago Mr. Fletcher moved with his family to Stephens county. However, the inviting conditions which prevail throughout the Spur country encouraged his return and we are glad to number him among our permanent resident citizens.

HOLDING COTTON

T. N. Dodson, of Roaring Springs, G. W. Dodson and Tom Dodson, Jr., of the Afton country, were all in Spur the first of the week. G. W. and Tom remained in the city several days trying to sell about one hundred bales of cotton. They had been offered eleven-ninety for their cotton but were holding for twelve cents.

**DON'T MISS IT!**

We are closing out our entire stock of Millinery. We can't afford to carry a single hat over, so we are offering all Millinery goods at greatly reduced prices. In fact you can buy almost at your own price.

As we think of Christmas, to most men it brings the worry of deciding what to get for wife or sweetheart. Now, allow us one suggestion: What is more useful and more appropriate than a nice set of Furs? We have a great assortment ranging in price from \$3.00 to \$60.00. We will guarantee one of these sets to please. Now, you boys who think you have a sweetheart, get one of these Fur sets. It would be a good way to keep her, and you other boys who are striving to get a sweetheart we suggest this means. And you old married men, who have been spending your money for Star Navy, don't you think it would be well to use as much money in buying a nice Fur set for your wife as you have spit away during the year? And you fellows who buy booze and iron tonics, don't you think you are really due your wife as much money for her pleasure as you have spent during the year for BOOZE? Think a little, and come in and buy your wife a nice set of Furs, or some other useful present. Now we have lots of useful things for Christmas gifts. Most of our friends are not rich folks. Most of them will appreciate some gift of service. So let's be practical in our giving this year. Think of the many things you can find in our Dry Goods department, also in our Ladies' Ready-to-Wear department, and especially in our Hardware department. Just come in and ask for suggestions for your Christmas giving.

Our car of wire and nails is here and going fast. Buy your wire quick, for the prospects are for higher prices. Yes, our car of the old reliable Peter Schuttler wagons are here, just being unloaded, and they will soon be sold out, so to get the very kind of wagon you want come quick. Peter Schuttler wagons are like Light Crust Flour—not the cheapest but the best.

We still have a few of those special overcoats at \$5.00.

A big coffee sale. Last Tuesday we had a demonstration of the superior qualities of Maxwell House Coffee; coffee was served free and during the demonstration we sold over a hundred pounds of the celebrated coffee. There must be a reason.

Our Mr. Link has been at court this week.

The fellow who is fired with enthusiasm is never fired by the boss.

Bryant-Link Co.

Your Xmas Shopping

MADE EASY AT OUR STORE

WE have something that will make a suitable gift for everybody from the baby to grandparents.

We have now on display the most complete line of

Christmas Goods

ever brought to this town.

We invite you to come now and make selections and we will put them back and hold them until Christmas time.

Spur Hdw. Co'y.

SELLING HIS COTTON AS IT IS PICKED AND GINNED

J. Carlisle was here Tuesday from his place in the Gilpin country and while here sold a bale of cotton. During the year he has sold seventy five or eighty bales of cotton from his place and there are several more bales yet to pick out on the place. Throughout the fall Mr. Carlisle has been selling as the cotton was picked and ginned and is well satisfied with the prices obtained in this manner.

WELCOME

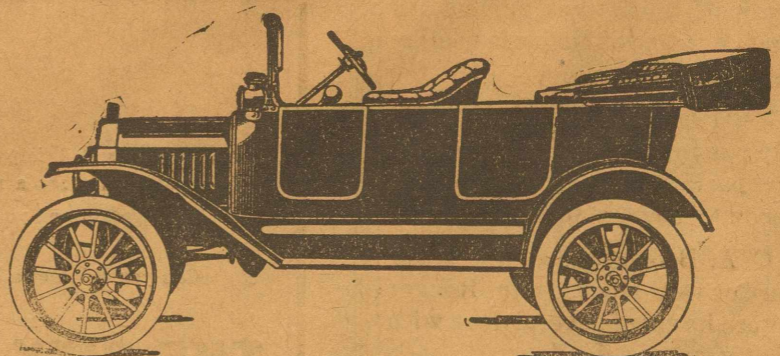
W. F. Baber and family, of Winsboro, arrived in Spur this week. Mr. Baber recently purchased a tract of farm land in this section and will make a crop here next year. We are glad to welcome this excellent family as resident citizens of this section.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO TEXAS SPUR COMING RAPIDLY

H. E. Grabener, of six miles east of town, was here Saturday and while here had the Texas Spur sent to C. M. Grabener of Milano, and A. J. Grabener of Rogers, and also renewed his own subscription for another year. At this rate the Texas Spur will soon have one of the biggest subscription lists of any paper in the whole country, and we appreciate very much the consideration which is being extended us in the newspaper work.

A PLEASANT CALLER

W. W. Stegall, of north of Dickens, was in the city the first of the week on business and while here was a very pleasant caller at this office, leaving a dollar to be credited on his subscription to the Texas Spur.



FORDS AND BUICKS

Touring Cars, \$440.00
Roadsters . . . \$390.00
F. O. B. Detroit

W. F. GODFREY
Salesman
Spur, Texas

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

It is easy to make a selection of your Christmas present at the Spur Hardware Co.

Grundy Crego, of the Croton country, was in the city recently on business.

FOR SALE—Pure bred, single comb White Leghorn chickens for sale.—P. Henson. 5 2p

J. I. Greer was among the many visitors in the city Saturday from the Tap country.

J. L. Karr, of several miles north of Spur, was among the many business visitors here Saturday.

O. C. Henry, of a mile or two south of town, was among the large number of business visitors here Saturday.

Mr. Posey, of Aspermont, was in Spur this week taking orders for periodicals and also selling goods to townspeople.

C. A. Bobo returned the latter part of last week from Ranger where he spent several days with relatives and friends.

W. W. Waldrup was among the number in the city Saturday and hauled out several loads of cake with which to feed his cattle this winter.

Tom Greer came in Saturday and spent several hours in the city greeting his friends and looking after business matters.

Bill McArthur and wife, of the Tap country, were among the many visitors in the city Saturday, spending several hours here trading with the merchants and greeting friends.

Lum Hobson came in Saturday from the Draper country with cotton and hauled back a load of cake for W. W. Waldrup who is preparing to feed cattle through the winter.

A. Fry, a prominent citizen and stockfarmer of the Cat Fish country, was among the number in the city Saturday spending several hours here on business and shaking hands with friends.

C. D. Copeland was in the city Saturday from his place five or six miles east of town and spent several hours here on business and greeting his friends. Mr. Copeland is making big crops this year and has a large force of negroes to gather his crops.

Bob Davis, a leading citizen of the Dry Lake community, was among the number of visitors here Saturday. Bob Davis is one of the best fixed men and most prosperous farmers of his community.

Miss Ida Sampson was in the city recently visiting young lady friends. From Spur Miss Sampson went down to Jayton where she spent a few days with friends returning the latter part of last week.

W. M. Randall, a leading citizen and one of the most extensive farmers of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur the latter part of last week looking after business matters and greeting his friends.

E. B. Shaw, of the Croton country, was among the number in the city Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Shaw reports everything moving along nicely in his section and the farmers all about through gathering crops.

"SAY HELLO!"

When you see a friend in woe, walk right up and say, "Hello!" Say "Old Brother, howd' ye do; How's the world a usin' you?" Waltz right up, and don't be slow, laugh and shake, and say "Hello!" Slap the brother on the back; bring your hand down with a whack. His clothes are poor—makes no show, never mind, just say "Hello!" That home spun shirt may conceal a great heart, true as steel; that old coat and shabby vest cuts no ice, but do your best to make him happy here on earth and to feel that he's of worth. Don't you know that such a chap has every day his sure mishap? All he needs is hearty cheer to make him happy while he's here. Don't let him think, that the earth was dead against his birth. Crack his shell, draw him out; don't let him whine, sulk or pout. Make him tell you all the woes of his heart before he goes. Don't tell him he's a chump but tell him to get up and hump; tell him not to be so slow, but

LOUIS LIPSHITZ

Wholesale buyer of
PECANS
Also buys and sell pecan BAGS
Waco, Texas

get around and say "Hello!" I'm alive, what can I do to help myself, as well as you?" Do not wait until he's dead to strew bouquets around his head. Nice words spoken are out of place, if not said before his face. Make him see that you're his friend, and will stay such to the end. Yes, tell him now though he's rough: "Why, old brother, you are just the stuff this world needs to make it go; now brace up and cry, "Hello!" There are plenty such about, that are worth digging out. In this way you surely can make him feel he's a man. He will always think of you as his best friend, tried and true. In the future you will know what good it does to say "Hello!"

IMPROVING RANCH HOME.

Baxter Scogins, who formerly lived in the Cat Fish country but who is now improving a fine ranch home between Snyder and Post Cty, was in Spur the latter part of last week greeting his many friends here and looking after business matters. While here Baxter called at the Texas Spur office and left a dollar with us to send him the Texas Spur at Justiceburg. We are glad to know that Baxter is prospering in his new home.

NOTICE!

I have Mebane cotton seed for sale at \$1 per bushel. First come first served.—W. H. Birdwell. 5 2p

PAID

When your bill is paid by your City National Bank check, it makes no difference whether or not the person you pay returns a receipt.

His signature on your paid check means that he received payment, and the bank itself guarantees the fact.

Can you think of a better way to spend money?

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For County Clerk:
LESLIE WILLIAMS

Dick Sampson was among the number in the city Saturday, coming in from his home twelve miles southwest of Spur.

Evangelist W. A. Kertchville will preach at the Church of Christ Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited to hear him.

O. B. Martin, is moving his garage this week from the Sheet Iron building on Burlington Avenue to the building just west of the postoffice on Fifth Street.

Mrs. McGuirt, formerly of Spur but who is now making her home near Jayton, was in the city Wednesday to visit her brother, Edgar Graham.

T. J. Harrison, of the Amity community, was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Wednesday of this week and before leaving had his subscription account credited up with a dollar and also had the paper sent to Mrs. L. C. Harrison at Seymour, Texas.

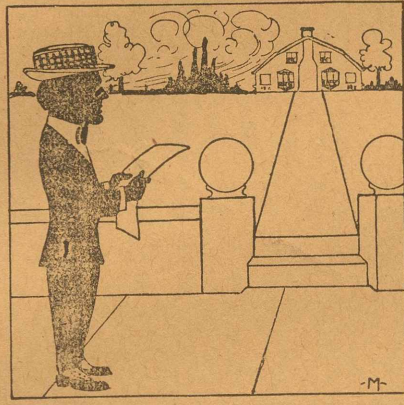
C. D. Pullin came in Monday from the McAdoo country and reports the cotton picking season now nearing its close in that section. He had counted on securing several more bales of cotton on his place but says that since the freeze the bolls are slow in opening and he is afraid now that they may not open.

E. R. Rorie, who has been an employee of the Spur Ranch for a number of years, but who recently moved to near Turkey where he is working on a ranch owned by W. J. Lewis, was in Spur this week greeting his many friends. Mr. Rorie handed us a dollar to have the Texas Spur continue coming to his address. He brought back a bunch of saddle horses which will be run on the Spur range throughout the winter.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

The following letters remain uncalled for at Spur, Texas. In calling for same please say "advertised."

Alexander, Nathan
Barrow, S. B.
Brown, Eddie
Blair, Frank 2 letters.
Croughen, B. V.
Curry, N. E.
Daniel, Winfree
Davis, Mrs. Nannie
Fisher, Wesley
Griffith, Eunice
Hartnett, Mrs. Leota 2.
Hernandez, Sr. Lola
Jones, Rev. Arthur
Jonson, W. R.
Johnson, Mrs. Sallie
Johnson, Mrs. Lizzie
Lemons, T. J.
Murry, Andrew
Murphy, John J.
Murphy, Katherine
Max, Minnie
Newton, J. M.
Reader, Gus
Reed, Cohn
Rogers, Jack
Scott, Vina
Smith, Jewel
Thornton, Hattie
Valloolid, Senora Poblun
Waller, A. L.
Wilson, John
Woodard, Clara
Ossn, P. F. O.
Mrs. Evans, P. M.



YOUR NEW HOME

will have the desired appearance if you purchase your Lumber from our Yard.

HIGH GRADE BUILDING MATERIALS are the only kind we handle.

Let us furnish you with the very best coal for your heaters and base burners. We also have blacksmith coal.

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

BIG FIRE AT LUEDERS MUCH DESTRUCTION

There was a most disastrous fire at Lueders Thursday night about 9:30, when eight of the business houses, nearly the whole south side of the east and west street, were burned to the ground and many of the stocks and fixtures a total loss.

The fire is said to have started in the barber shop on the south side of the street, and owing to the high wind was soon beyond all control of the bucket brigade, although everything that could be done was done to save the town.

King & Putman, the Smart Drug Store, the restaurant, the postoffice, J. A. Wilhite's grocery store, Mims & Webb, gent's furnishings, the barber shop, Grubbs Cash Grocery, all were burned out. The Smart drug store, Wilhite's grocery store and the Grubbs Cash Grocery saved part of their stocks. We learn that all but one or two of the burned stocks carried insurance.—Stamford Leader.

Bill Austin, of the Afton country, was in the city Wednesday and spent a short time here on business.

For cabbage and sweet potatoes see W. R. Wade at Howsley's Blacksmith shop. Cabbage 40 pounds for \$1.00, sweet potatoes \$1.25 per bushel. pd

Homer Dobbins, of the Bryant-Link Company, is among the new subscribers to the Texas Spur this week and for which he has our thanks.

J. A. Legg, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of the Dickens country, was among the business visitors to Spur Thursday of this week, spending some time in the city on business. He reports everything in first-class condition in his section. While here Mr. Legg dropped in at the Texas Spur office and handed us a couple of dollars to be applied on his subscription and for which he has our thanks.

Many people of Spur and surrounding country have been attending court this week in Dickens.

Mr. Barrett, of Stephenville, is in Spur this week visiting his son, L. R. Barrett, of the Spur Hardware Company.

Sheriff Conner came over the first of the week from Dickens and spent some time here summoning witnesses and jurors to court which convened Monday.

W. T. Wilson and family came in Wednesday from their farm home five miles east and spent several hours here visiting friends and shopping with the merchants.

Mrs. I. G. Van Lier came in Saturday from her home in the Dry Lake community and spent some time in the city greeting her friends and shopping with the merchants.

Minor Wilson, a prosperous farmer and leading citizen of the Dickens country, was in Spur Tuesday on business and greeting friends. Mr. Wilson reports everything moving along nicely in his section.

J. W. Carlisle was in the city the first of the week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, leaving one simolion with us and requesting us to add his name to our fast-growing subscription list.

Mr. Poteet, of Jack county, recently bought the residence in the city now occupied by Mr. White, and he and family will move to the place at an early date and make Spur their permanent home in the future.

J. J. Noland, of the Afton country, was in the city Tuesday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Noland has his farm home listed for sale and is now about to close out a trade. He said that when he sold he would either buy a bigger place or take up land further west. He intends to make a trip into New Mexico to see that country before fully deciding what he will do.

C. J. Smith was among the number of business visitors to the city the latter part of last week. He reports everything in good shape and farmers progressing nicely with their crop gathering in his section of the country.

H. C. Allen was in the city the first of the week from the Dry Lake country and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He was looking for cotton pickers since a number of his pickers left him on account of the officers making a raid on a "nigger crap game" in that section.

J. A. Murchison was in the city the first of the week from his home in the Draper country. He reported that rapid progress was being made in his section by all farmers in gathering their crops. Within a very short time the great majority of farmers of this whole country will have their crops gathered.

D. W. Pritchett was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Thursday and gave us three dollars and seventy five cents to be applied on his subscription account and for which he has our sincere thanks. Our latch string is always out for such visitors and should you desire to follow his example, it will certainly be appreciated.

G. W. Rash and family, formerly of Winsboro, arrived in Spur this week. Mr. Rash is desirous of obtaining a place on which to make a crop another year. We are glad to welcome this family to the Great Spur country and wish for them a very liberal share of the good health and prosperity which abound throughout this section.

Hilton Manning entertained quite a number of his little boy friends Saturday afternoon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Manning, the occasion being a birthday party in celebration of his ninth birthday. He received quite a number of nice presents from his little boy friends and the occasion was enjoyed by each of the number of guests.

COFFEE DEMONSTRATION AT BRYANT-LINK CO'S.

Monday and Tuesday the Bryant-Link Company had a coffee demonstration under the supervision of R. C. Ledford representing the Cheek-Neal Coffee Company. Throughout the two days Maxwell House Blend Coffee and cakes were served to the many visitors in the store. During the progress of this demonstration three hundred pounds of coffee were sold to the customers. A prize of one dollar was given to the clerk selling the largest amount of coffee during this demonstration, W. S. Taylor being awarded this prize, he having sold ninety one pounds of coffee.

The demonstration will be had again Friday and Saturday and everybody is invited to come in and partake of the service.

ANCIENT CITY FOUND

Dr. Fewkes, of the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, visited the Fryer Ranch near Canadian, Texas, last week and viewed what is said to be the ruins of an ancient buried city. He obtained a skeleton and gained considerable information. His presumption is that this buried city was the annual feast grounds of the various tribes of Indians all over the country.—Ex.

LIVELY CAMPAIGN

According to an editorial statement in last week's Chillicothe News, "the talk" now is that the opposition to Congressman Stephens will be narrowed down to one man, and his name is R. M. Ellerd. Mr. Ellerd lives in the western end of the district, but is originally from Denton county and is said to be an excellent gentleman and a fine runner. If we are not mistaken there's going to be some lively times in the Old Thirteenth next year.—Clarendon News.

PUBLICITY WILL DO IT

Why shouldn't churches advertise their Sunday services, and their mid-week meetings, and their social and other public affairs? If they are worth attending (and they are) they are surely worth the expenditure of a dollar or so in bringing them to the attention of all of the people. We are strongly of the opinion that if the churches in this town would contract for display space in this paper each week and then announce their subjects for sermons, with a key to their import and application to current events, together with any other special features of the day, there would be greater interest taken in church affairs, with a consequent increase in attendance and financial receipts. Times are not as they were fifty years ago, and the church that would fill its pews must adopt modern methods of keeping in touch with the people. Publicity will do it.—Ralls Banner.

Experienced young married man wants position on ranch or stock farm. Can give good references. Address Box 243, Spur, Tex. 4-3P

Mr. Brummell, of the Afton country, was in Spur this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Mr. Fry and family, of the Cat Fish country, moved last week to Spur and are now occupying the former W. A. Smith residence in the west part of town and which was recently purchased of Mr. Smith. We are glad to have Mr. Fry and family as resident citizens of the city and wish them a pleasant home with us.

A Sanitary Steel Kitchen Cabinet FREE

Don't forget the White Steel Kitchen Cabinet to be given away absolutely free by us. There are several in the race. The votes are ready for you, come right on and get them. You can't afford to miss this free deal.

We Shall Look for Your Next Bill

BRANNEN BROS. CO'Y.

No. 10703
Report of the condition of The City National Bank of Spur, at Spur, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Nov. 10th, 1915.

RESOURCES

1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b)	\$112,882.05	
Total loans	112,882.05	
2. Overdrafts, secured, \$3805.76; unsecured, \$1,126.74		4,932.50
3. a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (parvalue)	\$10,000.00	
Total U. S. bonds	10,000.00	
4. e Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stock) owned unpledged	2,890.12	
Total bonds, securities, etc.	2,890.12	
5. Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank stock		100.00
6. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	3,000.00	
a Less amount unpaid	1,500.00	1,500.00
7. Banking house (if unencumbered)		7,750.00
8. Furniture and fixtures		2,150.00
10. Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		2,401.46
11. a Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	2,303.73	
b Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	18,585.19	20,888.92
12. Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)		527.06
14. Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		660.21
15. a Outside checks and other cash items	247.54	
b Fractional currency, nickles, and cents	98.00	345.54
16. Notes of other national banks		1,745.00
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank:		
18. Total coin and certificates		1,815.00
19. Legal-tender notes		3,569.00
20. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation)	500.00	
Due from U. S. Treasurer		500.00
22. Customers' liability account of "Acceptances"		29,385.83
23. Other assets		614.15
Total		\$204,656.84

LIABILITIES

24. Capital stock paid in	\$40,000.00	
25. Surplus fund	10,000.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL AND SURPLUS		50,000.00
26. Undivided profits	\$9,549.50	
Reserved for:	\$ 9,549.50	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	4,708.91	4,840.59
27. Circulating notes		10,000.00
Demand deposits:		
32. Individual deposits subject to check		111,233.07
33. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days		79.30
35. Cashier's checks outstanding		733.60
Total demand deposits, Items 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39.	112,045.97	
46. a Rediscunts with Federal Reserve Bank	3,770.28	3,770.28
47. Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	24,000.00	24,000.00
Total		\$204,656.84

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss: I, E. C. Edmonds, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. C. EDMONDS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Nov., 1915.

JENNIE SHIELDS, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

J. D. Harkey,
T. E. Standifer,
S. R. Davis,
Directors.

OBJECTS OF CHARITY

Space and copies of his paper go to make up the newspaper man's entire stock in trade. These two are all that he has to offer for sale to the public, and no one has as yet given any sort of satisfactory reasons why he should ever be asked by anyone to donate them.

One thing newspaper people will never be able to understand is why any person will walk into a newspaper office and make himself or herself an object of charity and insist upon what they would disdain to ask for in any other shop or place of business in the town. The principle is the same in the newspaper office as in the dry goods store, the grocery, the drug store, and what a great many people need is to

recognize it as the same and get off the newspaper list.

Advertising space in the news paper is for sale, not to give away. It has a certain value in itself that makes it worth money. Copies of the newspaper are for sale—not to give away. If they are worth having, they are worth the exceedingly small price asked for them.

The public, or at least a large portion of it, has some very erroneous ideas about these matters, and it is but just to the newspaper folk that their ideas be corrected in accordance with the same business principles that prevail in all other business establishments.

In a vast majority of cases this generous charity on the part of the newspapers is blissfully taken for granted, and the paper's liberality is abused. That which is purely a favor is accepted as a matter of course, and what should be requests are couched as demands.

When the courtesy has been performed there is rarely appreciation and more often dissatisfaction—generally silence.

The result in many other towns and cities is that a ban has been put upon all free publicity, no matter what its object—even upon church notices. In these cities such favors as the press bestows are properly appreciated and valued.—The Fourth Estate.

Toys of every description for the children; puff boxes, handkerchief and glove boxes, trinket and jewelry cases for the young ladies; cut glass, silverware and aluminum ware for the married ladies, automobile gloves, safety razors and pocket knives for men are some of the suggestions we offer you for Christmas.—Spur Hardware Co.

FARMERS TAKE NOTICE

I have come to stay, will buy anything you have to sell. S. W. Lane at Spur Nat'l Bank. 52

A BIG FARMER

Doc Edwards was in the city Tuesday from his place in the Croton country and while here handed us a dollar and six bits for Texas Spur and Dallas News another year. He reports that he is nearly through picking his cotton this year and will soon be ready to begin work on another crop. Doc Edwards is one of the biggest farmers of the country and this year he made a large number of bales of cotton on his place and throughout the fall has had a large crew of negroes picking cotton on his place.

Miss Ida Sampson, of twelve miles southwest of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week visiting friends.

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the popular growing newspaper, which has the largest mailing list of readers in the state. The regular price is \$6.00 a year, but

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AN ORDINANCE.

Be it remembered that the City Commissioners of the City of Spur hereby order that Willard Avenue from Hill Street to Harris Street, and Harris Street from Willard Avenue to Burlington Avenue, both being streets and highways within the incorporate limits of the City of Spur, be improved by grading and graveling the same, and said Commissioners have ordered that the sum of \$495.00 be expended in such improvement, one-fourth of which sum is to be paid by the City of Spur, and three-fourths of said sum, the City Commissioners have determined should be assessed in accordance with the provision of Chapter 11, Title 22 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, against the abutting property, or lots on said Willard Avenue and said Harris Street as follows:

The following lots to be assessed at the rate of 8 1-2 cents per foot frontage on Willard Avenue:	
Lots 1, 7, 8 and	in Block 28
" 7 and 8	" " 29
" 1 and 4	" " 37
" 10 to 18 both inclusive	" " 36
" 1, 4, 5 and 6	" " 44
" 10 to 18 both inclusive	" " 45
" 8 to 13 "	" " 52
" 1 to 5 "	" " 53

The following lots to be assessed at the rate of 16 cents per foot frontage on said Harris Street:

Lots 20 to 26 both inclusive	in Block 21
" 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 23	" " 28

It is further ordered by said Commissioners that a meeting be held in the City of Spur at the office of City Recorder on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1915, for the purpose of hearing any contest or contests by the owner or owners of said property to be so assessed, as provided by Article No. 1013 of said Title and Chapter aforesaid, and that a duplicate copy of this Ordinance be published in The Texas Spur for three successive issues of said paper, as a notice to the owners of said property, or properties assessed, and of the time and place of said meeting for the hearing of contests.

F. W. Jennings,
Mayor.
(Signed) Oscar Jackson, City Clerk. 3-3t.

S. B. Scott was among the number here Saturday and spent the day in the city greeting his friends and trading with the merchants. He reports everything progressing nicely in his section.

Al Sullivan came in Saturday from his home in the Gilpin country and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Al is making good crops this year and we are glad to know is enjoying his share of the general prosperity which prevails throughout the country.

Mrs. M. E. Manning entertained the members of the Merry Wives Club Friday afternoon of last week at her home in the west part of the city. Several tables were prepared for progressive auction forty two and at the conclusion of the games refreshments were served the guests.

Tom Owen came in Saturday from his ranch home southwest of Spur and spent some time here on business and greeting his friends.

Mat Bingham, who has been doing fencing for the Matador company, was among the number in the city the latter part of last week.

W. J. Elliot came in Saturday from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home and before leaving for his home dropped in at the Texas Spur office and pitched us another dollar to extend his subscription up ahead of time.

W. F. Shugart was among the number in the city Saturday from his place six miles east of Spur. Mr. Shugart is one of the big farmers of the country and has now nearly completed the gathering of his crops.

B. F. Yeates was in Spur last week from the Afton country and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and left a check for five dollars to be credited to his subscription account. Such visitors always find a welcome at this office, and our only regret is that such agreeable callers are limited in numbers.

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.

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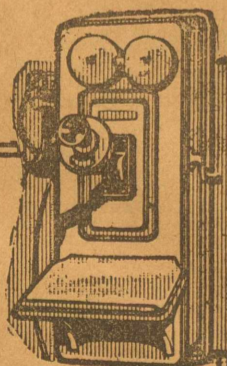
NOTICE.

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.

LIST IS GROWING

Bert Brown, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, having the paper sent to a party in Oklahoma and for which he has our thanks. The Spur subscription list continually grows larger and before the end of another year we expect to have as large a list of readers as any other newspaper in the whole country.

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



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LIV-VER-LAX is GUARANTEED to give satisfaction or your money will be returned without question. Insist on the original, bearing the likeness and signature of L. K. Grigsby, for sale here in the 50c and \$1 sizes at the Spur Drug Company. 1-4t.

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-

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.—W. R. Stafford. 47-3mo.

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

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

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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THE BEGINNING

More farmers in the Southwest will save meat for home use this year than for many years. There will be more smokehouses and more cured meats to help farmers save their money crops than usual. It is one of the best indications of progress. It means cheaper and better living, greater independence and greater efficiency.

There is much satisfaction in having home raised meats in abundance. With plenty of ham, bacon, sausage, lard, etc., it is an easy matter for the keeper of the farm home to prepare a palatable, nutritious meal. Then with vegetables, canned and preserved fruits a "good table can be set" and the farmer and his family can enjoy the reward for their labor.

In the homes where there is an abundance of meat, bread, fruits, potatoes, etc., there will be more cash for education, for cultured wants, for home improvement and for home adornment. In fact the beginning of better living is an abundance of food products, raised and saved on the farm.—Farm & Ranch.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL

We understand that Ed Robertson is going to build a new blacksmith shop and resume that business.

J. T. Whitaker and family have been visiting the home of B. F. Whitaker.

T. D. Hale, of Jayton, has bought some land of the Roaring Springs Townsite Company and is improving it and building a nice cottage.

F. F. Henry recently bought two fine brood mares from John Parker for \$285. One of them is a Clydesdale, which is considered the best for draft purposes. The other is a half Steeldust.

Lucius Hale has gone to Roaring Springs to meet his mother who has been attending to Mrs. Hodges Hale during her sickness and death.

Steve Austin was to begin school last Monday, but on account of no stove and other preparation, the Gravel Hill School will be postponed another week.

Rev. W. A. Crutchville, pastor of the Christian Church at Afton, preached Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. Farmer and family have moved to the Chas. Cannon place. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Farmer to our community.

M. L. Blakley has just returned from the District Stewards meeting at Stamford.

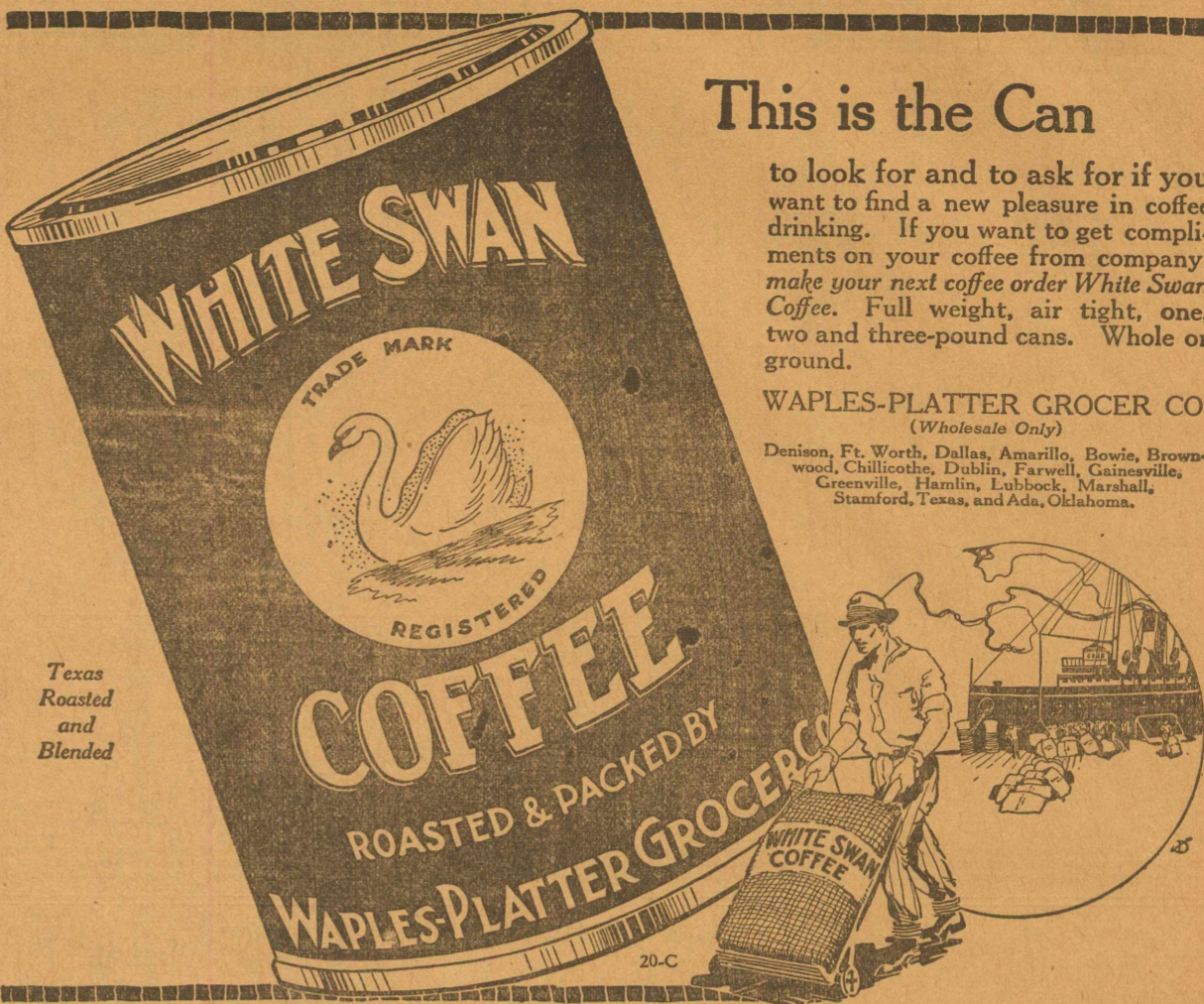
Hewey McCarty and J. C. Christopher are attending District Court at Dickens.

Albert Powers recently purchased a handsome and stylish horse at a consideration of \$200.00

FEEDING HOGS

W. M. Childress, of several miles northeast of town, was among the number in the city the latter part of last week. Mr. Childress is one among the large number of farmers who is prospering here this year. He is enjoying revenues not only from the staple product of the country but has a number of head of hogs which he is feeding and from which he will realize a nice income from his farming operations.

FIRST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
Saturday night at 7:45 Presiding Elder B. W. Dodson will hold the first quarterly conference of the conference year. Rev. Dodson will also preach at the M. E. Church Sunday at eleven a. m.



This is the Can

to look for and to ask for if you want to find a new pleasure in coffee drinking. If you want to get compliments on your coffee from company, make your next coffee order White Swan Coffee. Full weight, air tight, one, two and three-pound cans. Whole or ground.

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RETURNS FROM DALLAS.

P. H. Miller returned last week from Dallas where he had been several days at a sanitarium. Recently Mr. Miller was in an auto wreck and as a result of injuries sustained he is now suffering of partial paralysis which also affects his voice and speech. We hope that he will soon be completely recovered.

The Methodist Ladies will have a bazaar December 2, 3, and 4th. A variety of things suitable for Christmas gifts will be on display. 4 2t.

The most sensible gift for Christmas is something useful and we made the selection of our Christmas stock with this in view. We have a gift to suit every member of the family—something that they can use every day in the year and will take pleasure in helping you to make selections.—Spur Hardware Co.

Link Tidwell celebrated his ninth birthday Saturday afternoon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Tidwell, in the west part of the city. Quite

a number of his little boy friends of the city were present to enjoy the occasion and each remembered the host with a suitable gift in honor of the day.

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We have an 800 acre farm and ranch, 200 acres in cultivation with about \$5,000.00 worth of improvements. This farm and ranch is located near Spur, convenient to markets, and will be sold at a bargain to any man who can handle the proposition.

We also have a 320 acre farm and ranch, 100 acres in cultivation and one of the best improved places in all of Western Texas. This is an ideal proposition for a small rancher and farmer. If you are interested in either of these two places you had better call and see us at once because they are going to sell.

We have other farm and ranch propositions, in large and small tracts to suit any purchaser. Also some bargains in Spur town property and residences.

If you want to buy or sell property in Spur or the Spur country call and see us. We will give you the best bargains and the best service.

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Office in Texas Spur Bldg.

Spur, Texas

TO THE FARMERS:

WE are very thankful for the patronage we have received from the farmers of the Spur country. We have tried to give as good service as was in our power to give. To one and all we again thank you. We will continue to gin cotton as long as there is any in the country.

SWENSON GIN COMPANY

R. R. JOHNS, Manager

JOHN L. SULLIVAN TO SPEAK AT AMARILLO

It is reported that John L. Sullivan may speak at Amarillo in the near future. He has written for a date at the Grand Opera House. In his letter he says, "Booze put me out of the running once. I am after it now and I am hitting it harder than I ever hit a ring opponent."

John L. ought to be a big drawing card for any kind of an entertainment. He is the most renowned of all the old time prize fighters. He fought in the days when they used bare knuckles, and was always fair and square in the game. John is becoming rather old now, and his fistic days are in the distant past, but it is reported that he can put up a good talk against whiskey.—Crosbyton Review.

S. W. Rather was here the first of the week from his ranch home on Cat Fish.

Miss Gussie Stafford returned last week from Afton and Mator where she had been spending some time with friends.

George Paddick, of near Spur, was among the number in the city Saturday on business. Mr. Paddick is living on a twenty acre block just east of Spur and during the past two years has made good crops and is now prospering with the great majority of people of this country.

E. P. SWENSON ARRIVES

E. P. Swenson, of New York, arrived in this city last Friday over the Wichita Valley in a special car. Mr. Swenson is one of the heads of the Swenson interests in this state and comes down regularly to look after the interests of himself and his brothers. Their holdings in this country are very large and they are popular people with all who work for them or deal with them. Attorney W. T. Andrews of this city, C. E. Binnings of this city and A. J. Swenson of this city came in on the same train with Mr. Swenson. The latter are all connected with the Swenson interest.—Stamford Leader.

A. Stiffler has been out of the city this week delivering a fine player piano he has just sold.

L. G. Crabtree, of the Croton country, was in the city again Tuesday and spent a short time here on business.

Howard Campbell called in at the office one day last week and reported that he had recovered his watch which he advertised in the Texas Spur as being lost. We are glad he found the watch.

Judge A. J. McClain came in Monday from his farm and ranch home on Cat Fish and spent an hour or two here trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends. The Judge reports everything moving along nicely in his section.

CAPTURES SEVERAL RATTLE SNAKES ON HIS FARM

W. H. Birdwell, of several miles south of Spur, was in the city this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, leaving with us an advertisement which appears elsewhere in this issue of the paper. Mr. Birdwell brought in his twenty sixth bale of cotton grown this year on his place and has several more bales yet to pick. He reported capturing eight rattle snakes from three and a half to four feet long on his place and killed three more smaller rattlers. He intends to ship the snakes to San Antonio where he expects to get a good price for his trouble.

Don't forget to see "Polished Pebbles" December 10th.

Cord wood for sale at \$2.00, 4 miles northwest of Spur.—See J. M. Aston or City Nat. Bank. 5-2p

W. E. Duke, of several miles west of Spur, was among the many business visitors here this week.

Martha and Nick will give you a big laugh when you see "Polished Pebbles."

Bring me your remnants of seed cotton for highest market prices.—D. H. Sullivan.

J. H. Reynolds, of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday and spent several hours here on business and greeting friends.

J. H. Meadors, a prominent citizen and business man of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday and spent an hour or two here on business.

J. R. Rogers, of the Draper country, was among the number in the city Saturday looking after business matters and greeting his friends.

R. F. Rogers, of six or seven miles northwest of Spur, was among the many visitors here Saturday. Mr. Rogers has ginned and marketed a number of bales of cotton from his place this year. He has only a few more bales to pick on his place at this time.

W. F. Foreman, of the Dry Lake country, was among the number in the city the first of the week with cotton to be ginned and marketed. The cotton and cotton seed market maintains a high price in Spur, cotton being sold for eleven cents and more while cotton seed continues to sell for thirty five and thirty six dollars a ton.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Lottie Fite entertained quite a number of her young lady friends Saturday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Fite, the occasion being a birthday party in recognition of her fourteenth birthday. The occasion was one of pleasure to each one of the number of guests, all of whom wish Miss Lottie the pleasure of celebrating many more anniversaries of the day.

NOTICE.

No hunting allowed in my enclosure.—W. W. Stegall. 5 2p

I have a complete stock of Christmas goods where you can select your Christmas gifts with ease.—Mrs. G. O. Hubbert.

MARRIED

Sunday night George Greenwade and Miss Edna Shields were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Shields of Dickens.

The bride is a young lady of lovable disposition and the highest womanly character, while George Greenwade is one of the most prominent young men of the country and one of our very best citizens. The Texas Spur joins their many friends in extending congratulations and very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Greenwade and may they enjoy many happy years of married life.

NOTICE.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to me please call in at once and make settlement or make satisfactory arrangements for an extension of time.—Dr. J. E. Morris, Spur, Texas. 52-tf.

SPECIALISTS IN SURGERY AT STANDIFER HOSPITAL

Dr. W. R. Moore has had a number of years practical experience in special surgery and will hereafter be connected with the Standifer Hospital in operations for tonsils and adenoids. Dr. Moore is equipped with every surgical instrument required for such operations and also has other equipments to facilitate such operations. Having had experience in this special line of surgery, and being well equipped for such operations Dr. Moore is expected to place Spur in the front ranks of special surgery and further maintain her reputation as a leader in every line of surgery as well as commerce and agriculture.

Any one needing treatment in this line would do well to see Dr. Moore before going elsewhere.

You will be sorry if you miss "Polished Pebbles" Dec. 10th. It will only cost you 35c.

Be sure to see the Christmas display at the Racket Store.—Mrs. G. O. Hubbert.

Tom McArthur came in Saturday from his home in the Tap country and spent several hours here greeting his many friends. He reports everything moving along nicely in his section.

W. A. Craddock was in the city the first of the week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Although Mr. Craddock lives immediately adjoining the townsite he is seldom in the city and spends all of his time looking after his dairy and farming business.

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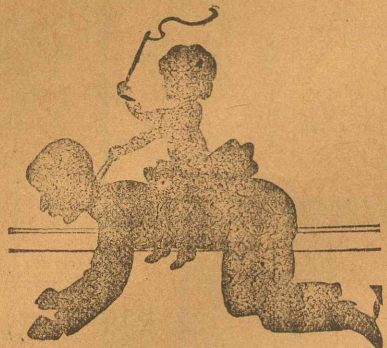
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SPUR, TEXAS



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Just be boss for a few minutes—then check up your record for the past month as employee. Remember now, its your money meeting the pay roll.

If you applied to yourself for a job, would you get it?

Have you produced enough in the past month to make you a profitable investment?

Have you asked questions and improved or have you been too wise to learn?

Have you, as an employee, filled your hours with productive, conscientious labor—or have you been too busy watching the clock.

Have you put your shouder to the wheel—forgotten petty differences and difficulties—or have you put sand in the bearings?

Have you analyzed what you are doing and why, or used instinct instead of reason and got an indifferent and methodless result?

Have you been heart and soul in the work—on the job every minute with a breadth of vision that made of the desert of work an oasis of opportunity.—Texas & Pacific Quarterly.

FOR COUNTY CLERK

Having been urged by my friends to make the race for the clerkship of Dickens county I have decided to become a candidate for the office, and will say if I should be favored with the nomination I will give the best service possible for me to render.

Respectfully,
LESLIE WILLIAMS.

W. T. Wilson and family, of six miles east, were among the number in the city Saturday.

SHE ALMOST OVERSLEPT

A charming Southern girl of my acquaintance, who lived in a small town, used to come up in the season to visit friends in a larger place, where there was a military post. The out-of-town girls led busy lives during their short stay, and were often worn out for lack of sleep between festivities—lunches, teas, dinners, dances lasting to the wee small hours and breakfasts beginning not much later.

On one visit the popular girl realized that she had fallen in love with a man who was paying her marked attentions. But, though when he led her out on the moon-lit piazza between dances—she wanted intensely to stay awake—she felt herself following her usual custom, and becoming drowsy as soon as she sat down.

She struggled against it, but a nice armchair and a soft Southern voice, talking on and on, were too much. She slept. Presently the silence woke her. She knew some answer must be expected of her, but she had no idea where the conversation might have drifted.

She tried diplomacy. "I am afraid I don't quite understand," she said, to break the stillness.

"Don't understand!" he cried. "What don't you understand? I have just asked you in so many words to be my wife."

And although they "have lived happily ever afterward," he has never let her forget that she went to sleep while he proposed.—Chicago Tribune.

For Sale—Well located Main Street business lot in Spur, clear of encumbrance. Price \$150.00 cash. C. H. McDonald, Wirt, Oklahoma. 3-3tp.

A GOOD INVESTMENT

Y. L. Jones, formerly of Spur but now of Dallas, was in the city last week looking after business interests and greeting his many friends here. Mr. Jones owns some valuable property in Spur and which he has turned over to the Spur Real Estate and Livestock Company to sell. Property in Spur has been selling and changing hands rapidly and constantly the past several months, and if there should be any one who desires to invest in choice business property now will be a good opportunity to do so.

W. A. Smith, of the Red Mud country, was here Saturday ginning and marketing cotton. Mr. Smith is one of the large number of farmers of this section who is prospering in the sale of his farm products this year.

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Office At Spur Drug Co.

I. O. JOPLING BAGGAGE AND EXPRESS

Prompt service and safe delivery guaranteed.

SOLD HIS FARM

W. F. Markham was among the number of visitors in the city Saturday from the Dry Lake community and spent some time here on business. Mr. Markham, we understand, recently sold his place in that community and we presume is now in the market for a larger place since we are confident that he does not intend to leave the country. In fact we know that he is not only contented but has prospered in this section. He is a good citizen and we of course would be glad to see him remain one of our citizenship.

We Are Right, Our Prices Are Right

and we want you to show us that you are right by assisting your friends that are in the contest by doing your trading with us.

TRADE WITH US

Spur Hareware Company Lyric Theatre
Red Front Drug Store German Kitchen
Hogan & Patton Midway Hotel Texas Spur
SPUR - - - TEXAS

NEWSPAPER ADS ARE CHEAPER.

When one remembers that the public which is supposed to scan the billboards and posters, must invariably do so "on the move." That a large proportion of that public is so busily engaged otherwise as not to have time to note the poster advertisement, that but few words can be caught by those who have the opportunity and the desire to read the advertising while flitting past it—when all these facts are taken into consideration, one marvels at the cheapness of newspaper publicity as compared with the cost of this other class.

The newspaper is not subject to "rush reading." The hastiest of its scanning takes in every important statement in its columns. Whatever urges the hurried reader to give it further attention will have closer examination later, or the paper is laid aside for leisurely perusal.

Far different is the fate of the billboard, which is furtherest

from the individual when he has most leisure. The reader of the billboard must visit it.

Newspaper advertising goes to the people—into their rooms, their offices, ensconces itself in pockets, occupies the place of honor on the library table and in an easy chair awaits the coming of the householder ready to enjoy an hour of ease. It is everywhere that humanity can be found, and is telling the story every moment of the day and night.—Danville, (Ill.) News.

HERE PROSPECTING

Mr. Avery, of Haskell, was in Spur this week looking over the country with a view of buying land and locating here. Mr. Avery has a son who recently bought land ten miles west of Spur and which he is now improving for cultivation for another year. Mr. Avery is a substantial citizen and we will be very glad to see him located as a permanent citizen of this section.

Money! Money!! Money!!!

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

LUMEBR

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.

R. D. Jones Lbr. Co.

A. K. HALL, Manager

Roaring Springs, Texas

W. C. BOWMAN Lumber Com'y.

LUMBER, SASH
DOORS, AND...

All Kinds of Building Material

SMASHERS THAT COUNT!

One of the best made Corduroy Work Coats, all sizes, 34 to 44, heavy lined. Regardless of values our clean up price on this coat is **\$2.50**

100 pair Men's pants, Jackrabbit brand Corduroys Buckskin Breeches in values up to \$3.00. What sizes we have clean up price **\$1.95**

Ladies' all wool dress skirts in all the new models, as good or better than the \$5 and \$6 kind. Special **\$3.95**

Men's heavy storm ulster overcoats full length extra heavy. Regular \$10 coat. Special while they last **\$6.95**

We Will Make Some Smashing Good Prices This Week In
All Departments

Visit Us; Trade Here and Make Your Dollars Bring 100 Cents

THE LOVE DRY GOODS CO'Y.

The Cash Store

Spur, Texas

The Cash Store

GINS 1926 BALES TO DATE

The Swenson Gin Company, under the efficient management of R. R. Johns, has ginned to date 1926 bales of cotton. This gin is equipped with the Continental stands, hullers and other first class equipments. That this gin is giving satisfaction is proven by the steady run it has had throughout the season, and by referring to their ad in this issue it will be seen that they are duly appreciative of the patronage they have received.

The aeroplane song at "Polished Pebbles" by the O'Brien girls and chorus.

Attorney W. D. Wilson is in Dickens this week attending court.

Judge B. D. Glasgow is on professional business at the county capital this week.

Be sure to see my Christmas goods before buying your presents.—Mrs. G. O. Hubbert.

I will pay highest prices for seed cotton.—D. H. Sullivan.

Don't fail to get to "Polished Pebbles" in time for the great Farming Life song.

A big doll that sells elsewhere for \$4.00 can be bought for \$2.50 at Mrs. Hubbert's Racket Store.

Mrs. M. E. Gilpin has our sincere thanks for her renewal to the Texas Spur this week.

D. H. Sullivan will pay the highest prices for all remnants of seed cotton. See him before selling.

C. D. Bird, of Matador, was in Spur Wednesday attending to business matters and visiting friends.

J. Anderson Davis, of northeast of Spur, was in the city the first of this week ginning cotton and on other business.

J. G. Currie came in Wednesday from his home in the Archer county settlement and spent the day here on business.

HOME TALENT MUSICAL COMEDY

Don't miss "Polished Pebbles" at the School House Auditorium Friday night, December 10th, Catchy songs, plenty of music.

This will be the first attraction in the nature of a musical comedy that has ever been given in the city, and those taking the different parts have worked hard to make it a success.

The play will be for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church.

The story, as told in song and music, is of a very wealthy old bachelor, who, desiring to educate his three nieces, sends his sister \$5,000.00 for this purpose, which she squanders on her own children, leaving Rosalie, the sweet little country girl, back at home while she and her children went to the city. Rosalie's sweet disposition and loveable manners bring about her own reward. The story is fine, the music is good, and the prices are reasonable—35 and 25 cents.

"Old Black Joe" by "Uncle Joe" and Rosalie and chorus—"Polished Pebbles."

Mr. Patton, of near Spur, was in the city Wednesday on business and buying supplies of the merchants.

A year's subscription to The Texas Spur will make an excellent Christmas gift. Why not send it back home?

T. M. Burgess, of the Afton country, was here the first of the week on business and trading with our merchants.

Mrs. A. C. Hyatt, of Dickens, came over Thursday and spent several hours here visiting relatives and shopping with the merchants.

W. L. Thanisch and Earl Wright, of the Draper country, were in Spur Thursday ginning and marketing cotton from their places in that section.

J. B. Morrison came in the first of the week from his ranch home southwest of Spur and spent an hour or two here on business.



Get the first pick by buying your Christmas presents now.

Your friends will appreciate a beautiful, RARE present more than something big. OUR DRUG STORE is the place to come to find UNUSAL gifts.

And then, at our store you can buy handsome gifts for less money.

Pick out your presents NOW and put them aside for Christmas delivery.

WE GIVE YOU WHAT YOU ASK FOR

Red Front Drug Store

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**WE DO FIRST CLASS
CLEANING AND PRESSING**

Let Us Do Your Work

Newton Johnson

THE TAILOR