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SAND STORM DESTROYS ENTIRE COTTON CROP

R. G. Rogers and daughter, of the Draper country, were in Spur Wednesday and while in the city were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Rogers reports that the sand storm Monday did considerable damage in that part of the country. He said that W. D. Thacker lost his entire cotton crop as a result of the storm, and that he is now replanting his whole crop in feed stuff.

INFORMAL DANCE AT OWENS RANCH HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Owen entertained a number of their friends at their ranch home last Wednesday evening with an informal dance in honor of the Misses Putman. Those present on this delightful occasion were Misses Velma and Clemmie Putman, Clairebelle Brown, Creola Richbourg, Jessie Lisenby, Helen White, Mary Rash, Irma Baker, Norma Smith, Anne Owen, Flora Love, Ruby Johnson, Messrs. Moore, Sam White, Sherrod Williams, John Hardin Early, Senning, Luke Attebury, Jim Mahon, Chas. Yates, Austin Putman, Dick Sampson, Donnie Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. Bert N. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Chalk Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Putman, E. J. Cairns, Dick Sampson, Hurley Sampson, E. E. Kutch, Pete Sampson, Donnie Sampson, Howell Bridgeman.

On this special evening the host and hostess seemed to be with each other in the care of their guests, and to those so fortunate to be present the recollection of so splendid an evening spent in this home will be one of the most pleasant memories of the past.

EVERY FARM HOME SHOULD HAVE A NAME

J. D. Hufstедler, of several miles east of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent a few hours here trading with the merchants and on other business. Mr. Hufstедler bought a new farm last year and is this year making improvements and cultivating the land for the first time. He said that he had been at a loss as to selecting a name for his farm home. At first he thought of naming it appropriate to his dairy herd but since he had been having bad luck in the dairy business such a name became inappropriate. "Happy Valley Farm" was for a time considered, but since the hails, followed by wind and sand this name, too, became inappropriate. Other names were also discarded for similar reasons and the "Hufstедler Farm Home" yet remains unchristened. Every farm home in the country should have a name, and in the years to come the farm homes will be known only by such names.

GOSPEL TENT MEETING TO BEGIN IN SPUR

Rev. John E. McLean will begin his union meeting Sunday, July 2nd, under the big tent in front of the Spur Inn. Dr. McLean will be ably assisted by a splendid singer, and good music will be a feature of the meeting. The people of Spur and country are familiar with Dr. McLean, he having held a union meeting at Spur three years ago, and he will appreciate having his many friends assist him in this meeting as loyally as they did in the last one. Every one is urgently invited to take part in these services.

CROPS GREATLY INJURED BY THE SAND STORM

Ed Hulse, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city Tuesday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He brought in some fine plums which had been blown from the trees by the high winds. He says that the sand storm of Monday almost stripped the crops in his section and that his peanut crop was almost covered up by the sand and as a result will be greatly retarded in growth if not injured materially in production. It looks now as if the hot winds and sand storms will get what crops were left by the hails.

GROCERY STORE HAS MOVED ITS LOCATION

To Our Many Customers and Friends:

We have moved our store just a few feet north of where we have been located in order to erect a brick building on the lot where we were originally located for the past few years. You please bear in mind, just as soon as the brick is completed we shall occupy same.

You may feel assured that we can serve just as well now as ever, therefore we are asking you to come right on and trade with us. We have always tried to give you the very best grade of groceries for the least money we could, only charging a small profit, enough to try to live on. We do not use some things for leaders in order to get your business, and then make it all back on you on something you probably do not know so much about. Then dear friends, this all being true, why not give "or continue" to give us a good share of your business?

Since that, we have been here a long time and helped to make Spur and the Spur country, we feel that we are due all the business you can give us, so that we may continue the same throughout the coming years.

Again hoping you will remember that on or about September the 1st, 1916, we will be located in the brick building that is being built on the lot where we have been located in the past.

Come right on and trade with us, where you get Quality unsurpassed, Honesty, Price and everything else that is essential to a first class business.

Thanking you for your past and future favors, we are
Your Friends,
BRANNEN BROS. CO.

ETHEL YOPP DIED AFTER PROTRACTED ILLNESS

Ethel Yopp, who has been sick for many months died Thursday morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Yopp, and the remains were interred in the Spur Cemetery. Ethel had been a patient and instance, no doubt, was a relief to her, and without a doubt she is today enjoying her reward in that Great Beyond. To the family we extend our sincerest sympathy in this bereavement.

BAPTIST RALLY IN PROGRESS AT MIDWAY

The Baptist Rally commenced Thursday night of this week at Midway north of Dickens. A lengthy and most interesting program has been prepared for the occasion, and which was published last week in the Texas Spur. A large attendance is expected.



NO SHORTSIGHTEDNESS HERE

We know our existence depends upon your favor.

We know when your confidence strays our dollars go with it.

We know you want Dependable Goods, Honest Prices, Trustworthy Salesmen, so you see it's something more than Self-Respect keeps straining to please.

We are in business to stay, and we are doing our best to please you to gratify our own ambitions.

Now, we understand each other, so come on and join the crowds that trade with us. Don't get blue over the prospects and make yourself and friends miserable about you. Cheer up! Look on the bright side; this is the time when it takes men of courage to stand the trials that confront us.

The Mexican situation is trying Uncle Sam's patience and what if he were to throw up his hands and say as some of you want to say; that we have done all we can and just quit? Where would Our Country go to? But not so, our president and Men of State are men of courage, so should we as citizens of Dickens county say we have not given up, but will fight it out, trusting in the Divine Leadership of Him Who will lead aright.

RECRUITS WANTED

Every able bodied man between the ages of ten and ninety years is wanted at our store.

We have a fine line of Overalls and Work Shirts that is sure to enlist your attention.

Join the army of well-dressed working men now. Buy your work clothes from us.

Say Ladies, we have one more set of those Dishes to give away next Saturday, so come and bring your tickets, and remember to call for your tickets when you buy, up until 4 p. m., for the last ticket may be the lucky one, so come on with the crowds that buy their Dry Goods, Groceries and Hardware from us.

We are short a clerk or two, but the others will do their best to give you the very best attention, as they have always done at

BRYANT-LINK CO.

SCHOOL LANDS TO BE PLACED ON SALE SEPT. 1

About four million, three hundred thousand acres of land will be placed on the market by the state the first day of September. The list of lands for sale will be ready for distribution by the first day of July and any one can secure the list by writing to the state land commissioner at Austin. With all this land to sell on forty years time and on easy payments we see no reason for so many people being without a home. The land is supposed to be sold for the purpose of furnishing a home to the homeless.

J. T. Whitaker, of the Afton country, was in Spur recently and purchased a new automobile, having disposed of his old one to G. T. Snodgrass.

SAND STORM MONDAY KILLS COTTON CROP

W. A. King, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week and while in the city was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reported that the sand storm of Monday killed every stalk of cotton on his farm and as a result he will now have to replant the entire acreage in feed stuff. He also had about 20 acres of pea nuts on his place which he said were greatly damaged, many of the vines being completely covered up by the sand while the greater part of the vines were blackened and beat up by the wind and the sand.

DEATH ENDS SERIES OF BALL GAMES IN SPUR

Monday afternoon while playing ball on the Fair Park diamond in Spur, Doc Williams, of Rule, died as the result of the heat, overexertion and possibly the rupture of a blood vessel.

Spur and Rule had matched a series of games to be played in Spur Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The first game was called about four o'clock, four innings having been played when the death occurred. The Rule team was at bats. Mr. Williams had just come in from center field where he was playing, walked to the bucket of ice water and took a drink, sat down on the ground and died without speaking a word.

The remains were carried Monday night to Rule where funeral services were held Tuesday morning, after which interment was had in the Haskell cemetery.

Mr. Williams was about 24 years of age, and lived with his sister in Rule where he was employed by the railway company of that place. He was a brother of Jas. F. Williams of the Spur Drug Company of Spur. He was highly respected, which fact was attested in that every business house in Rule closed their doors to attend the funeral.

The suddenness and unexpectedness of this death was a shock to relatives, friends and all present at the time, and the bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire country.

WESTERN TEXAS PEOPLE THE BEST ON EARTH

R. E. Rogers, of the Croton country, was in Spur Wednesday and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and handed us a dollar and six bits for this paper another year in connection with the Dallas News, and for which he has our sincere thanks. Mr. Rogers is just recovering of a two weeks illness. During the time he was sick his neighbors came in and worked out his crops for him. Such acts is true Christianity. Again we say that there are no better people on earth than the people of this section of Western Texas.

FIRST BALE OF COTTON SELLS FOR \$1.50 A POUND

The first bale of cotton of the 1916 crop was sold recently at Houston. The bale was sold for \$1.56 a pound and brought the owner \$950.00. The bale weighed 608 pounds and was classed as strict middling.

While cotton is now being picked, ginned and sold in other parts of Texas, the people of the great Spur country are now planting and but few have cotton large enough to chop.

FARMERS INSTITUTE ORGANIZED IN SPUR

D. C. Dove and Wilton Winn of the state department of agriculture at Austin, and A. K. Short agricultural agent of the Fort Worth & Denver and the Wichita Valley railroads, were in Spur last week for the purpose of organizing the Spur Farmers Institute.

As the literature announcing the coming of these gentlemen prominent in the developing of agriculture in the west was misplaced only a very few knew of the meeting. However, there were enough present to form a permanent organization and the following officers were elected: S. R. Bowman president; J. P. Gibson, W. A. Johnson, W. P. Sampson, vice-presidents; R. T. Dopson secretary.

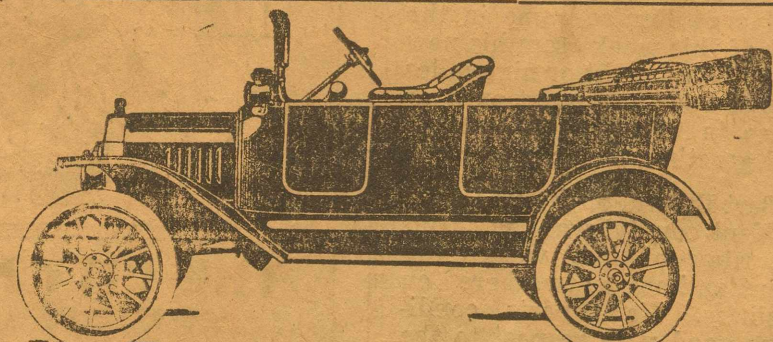
R. T. Dopson and J. P. Gibson were elected delegates to the state farmers institute to be held in Austin the middle of July. The railroad companies issue passes to these men.

It is hoped that the county will soon be able to employ a demonstration agent and he, together with Mr. Short of the railroads, the institute men of Austin and the local state experiment station, will be able to be of a great deal of assistance to local farmers.

ADVERTISING IN TEXAS SPUR BRINGS RESULTS

B. F. Smith, of the McAdoo country, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He came in to report finding a grip which had been advertised for through the Texas Spur. The Texas Spur always gets results through its advertising columns, and you can take notice that those who advertise each week in its columns are doing the leading business in Spur. We will make the further proposition, that any reader of this paper who fails to get the best goods at the best prices from any advertiser in this paper we will give them a year's subscription free to the Texas Spur. In fact we know that advertisers can afford to sell better goods at cheaper prices than the man who never advertises.

W. J. Elliot, Jr., had one of his legs broken Wednesday or Thursday of last week as the result of a horse falling with him. At this time he is reported doing nicely, we are glad to note.



FORDS AND BUICKS

W. F. GODFREY, Salesman

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 COUNTY, TEXAS.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

Farm loans at eight per cent.—E. J. Cowan. 34 tf.

John Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was a business visitor in Spur this week.

J. E. Brown was among the number in the city Saturday from the Dry Lake country.

We are cleaning up our shirt waists this week. \$1.50 to \$1.75 values at your choice for 95c.—Love Dry Goods Company.

J. Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Saturday greeting his friends and buying supplies of the Spur merchants.

R. N. Thomas, of several miles southeast of Spur, came in the latter part of last week and spent some time in Spur on business and greeting his numerous friends.

George Renfro came in the first of this week from his new ranch home eight or nine miles east of Spur and spent an hour or so in the city on business and greeting his friends.

Bert Brown, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, was in Spur Saturday of last week and spent an hour or two here on business. He reports conditions good with respect to the ranching interests in his section of the country.

It's the fashion. What's the fashion? Why to eat at the German Kitchen. 28 tf.

F. W. West and wife, of four miles northeast of Spur, were in the city Saturday shopping with the merchants.

H. E. Grabener, of seven or eight miles east of Spur, was in the city Monday of this week and spent a few hours here on business.

W. M. Moore and wife were in the city Saturday from their ranch home west of Spur, and spent several hours here shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.

In passing the Mace Hunter farm home the first of this week we noticed that he was harvesting his wheat crop. The crop, apparently, was fine and will make a big turnout when threshed.

R. M. Hamby and wife returned the latter part of last week from Marlin where they have been the past several weeks on account of Mr. Hamby's health. We are glad to note that Mr. Hamby is very much improved in health.

The Spur Produce Co. always pays the highest market prices for hides, furs and all produce.

J. A. Neighbors, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur Saturday meeting his friends and looking after business matters.

Dick Sampson came in the first of this week from his home southwest of Spur and spent the day here on business and greeting his friends.

W. M. Childress, of several miles north of Spur, came in Saturday and spent an hour or two here shaking hands with his friends and buying supplies of the merchants.

Rev. W. B. Bennett, of the Gilpin country, was among the visitors in the city this week. He reports the Gilpin country in good shape with respect to crop conditions and crop prospects.

W. H. L. Ward recently purchased the lot adjoining his residence in the east part of the city. He has been making some improvements on his residence and contemplates more extensive improvements at a later date.

See Dr. Rodgers, Veterinary, Spur, Texas. All work guaranteed. 22tf

Wagon yard and four room residence in Tulia to trade for land.—E. J. Cowan. 34 tf.

Tom Owen came in Tuesday of this week from his ranch home twelve miles southwest of Spur and spent a few hours in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stiemins, of Stamford, were here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caple and family. They were on their "honey moon" and from here they will go to points in the north and east.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stiemins, and C. E., Jr., of Cleburne, and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Brown, of Stamford, are expected to arrive here Sunday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caple.

J. A. Koon returned the latter part of last week from a trip to the north and eastern part of the county where he spent the greater part of the week seeing the voters in the interest of his campaign for the office of county and district clerk.

G. T. Snodgrass, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday on business.

Lon Cross, of Kent county, was in Spur Monday and spent several hours here buying supplies of the Spur merchants and meeting his friends.

The man that pays cash don't have to worry about payments. See our work shirts and work clothes. We beat any man's price. Love Dry Goods Co.

Miss Delia Johnston will leave the first of next week for a month's vacation. During the time she will visit relatives in Slaton, Amarillo and Elk City, Oklahoma.

Uncle Dan Hisey returned last week from Haskell where he has been some time looking after his farming interests in that part of the country. He reports everything in fine shape in that part of the country at this time.

Picnics are scheduled for Roaring Springs the 4th and 5th of July, Girard the 7th and 8th of July, Matador the 16th and 17th of July, and at Guthrie June 28th and 29th. Spur will have its big celebration during the fair which will be held in September.

W. Neilon has been making considerable improvements on his home in Spur the past several weeks, having a new roof placed on the building and extensive changes in the inside of the home. The building and improvement progress continues uninterruptedly in Spur.

Messrs. Nicholson and Dortch returned last week from Devils River where they spent two weeks fishing and hunting. Mr. Dortch reports that they had the very finest luck fishing and that they caught four and six pound Bass. They brought in the head of one which proved that their report was well founded.



When You Stand in Line
at the bank to make a deposit, or to get a check cashed, you feel as if you were part of the business world, and not a non-entry. You know the advantages of a bank account without our telling them to you, and if you have no checking account we should be glad to have you open one with our bank.

CAPITAL STOCK \$40,000 SURPLUS FUND \$10,000

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

E. C. EDMONDS Cashier
C. HOGAN, Asst. Cashier

G. H. CONNELL, President

S. R. DAVIS, Vice-Pres.
J. D. HARKEY Vice-Pres.

W. M. KNIGHT FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF COURT

The Tribune has noticed that the Hon. Wm. M. Knight, of Hereford, Texas, who was for many years a prominent and useful citizen of Bosque county, is a candidate for the judgeship on the Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo. Mr. Knight while residing in Bosque county served us as county attorney, special judge several times, member of the state legislature and as assistant attorney general under General Crane. In addition to these positions he served us as a member of the county board of examiners, member of our city council and otherwise. It is but just to say that in every position occupied by Mr. Knight while he lived here he faithfully and satisfactorily discharged every duty as an honest, conscientious man. He is a ripe scholar, thoroughly grounded in the law by both study and an active practice of more than thirty years, which, combined with his sobriety, integrity and high sense of honor, most peculiarly fit him for the place he seeks. The Tribune can but hope that the good people of that district will elevate Mr. Knight to this judgeship, and we feel sure none of them will ever regret supporting him.—Meridian Tribune, June 16.

Mr. Franklin, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Saturday and spent several hours here on business.

O. O. Gray and wife and son were in Spur Monday of this week visiting her mother, Mrs. W. G. Potts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland and daughter, Miss Mary, were among the many visitors in the city Saturday.

Mrs. John Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, has been spending the week in Spur having the dentist treating her teeth.

Mr. Bradshaw, of Hill county and who has been in the Spur country during the past two or three months, left this week for his home. While in Spur Saturday he met Martin Gay, who after a short conversation proved to be kinsfolks. Mr. Bradshaw married Mrs. Gay's sister's daughter, and of whom they had not heard in twenty three years, Mrs. Gay thinking probably that her sister was dead.

ATTENTION AUTOMOBILE OWNERS

We have recently moved into our NEW BRICK BUILDING, and are prepared to serve you in FIRST CLASS manner. Our shop is modern and convenient, enabling us to give you the BEST service the QUICKEST way. We have DALLAS mechanics and as good as the city affords.

We guarantee our work and can fix all kinds of cars, barring none. Our Prices are no more than that of the average BLACKSMITH GARAGE MECHANICS, then you take no chance on having your car butchered.

Cars left with us will be properly cared for in a place as near fire proof as you will find. BRICK walls, CEMENT floor, METAL ceiling, and SOBER men in attendance.

We are here to stay, we want your business and in return will give you first class service in every way. We invite you come to see us.

Ready to Serve You Day and Night!

HIGHWAY GARAGE
SPUR, TEXAS

PLAN GEOLOGICAL MAP OF TEXAS COUNTIES

Austin, Texas, June.—Under the direction of the bureau of economic geology of the University of Texas, a geological map of each county in Texas will be made, showing the geological structures, natural resources, water, formations favorable to oil or gas, building stone, road materials, clays of economic value, gypsum and other minerals of economic value, according to a statement made today from Dr. J. A. Udden, head of the bureau.

Three employees of this bureau left recently for Hays county where they are now at work on the enterprise. Few of the counties in Texas have been so surveyed, and the undertaking is a gigantic one which it will take a long period of years to accomplish. However, according to Dr. Udden, this work must precede any estimate pretending to accuracy of the mineral resources of the state.

Much of the information gathered from this survey will be valueless to the great majority of people, but to individuals and corporations interested in such information, it will mean thousands of dollars, and in view of this situation the great state of Texas should be congratulated in its efforts to assist the poor corporations in finding out the resources in this line.

NEW HOPE.

Mr. Parker is visiting at the home of W. A. Formby's.

J. P. Goen had business in Dickens Saturday afternoon.

Rev. L. S. Bilberry preached at E. Idier Mound Sunday.

J. L. Law and family are in Seymour this week visiting relatives.

Frank Burgess has gone to Geary, Oklahoma, to be treated for appendicitis.

N. A. Baker, of the Spur Hardware Company, has been in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ragsdale are visiting relatives in the Soldier Mound community.

Mrs. Sibyl Dodson, of Roaring Spring, is visiting her brother-in-law, G. W. Dodson.

G. L. Barber and J. H. Latham have been in our midst in the interest of their candidacy for sheriff.

Mann Clark and family and Ben Clark and family have been taking an outing and went fishing last week.

The protracted meeting at Midway will begin the third Sunday in July. Rev. Firm Self has secured an evangelist to help with the meeting.

W. F. Godfrey attended the picnic at Guthrie Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

For Sale—A jersey cow, six years old, with heifer calf. See Howard Campbell, Spur, Texas.

Mrs. W. N. Harkey, of the city left last week for an extended visit with relatives at some point in Mason county.

J. B. Morrison, of Bar N Bar Ranch, came in Saturday and spent the day here on business and greeting his many friends.

J. P. Goen came in the first of this week from his ranch northwest of Spur and spent an hour or so here on business and greeting his friends.

H. P. Cole, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week and spent a few hours here on business and greeting his friends.

WICHITA DOTS.

W. T. Lovell made a trip to Spur Saturday.

The ball game was put off at Draper Saturday on account of the Croton team not coming.

Mr. Thacker and family attended singing Sunday at Soldier Mound. They report a good dinner and good singing.

Mrs. Rogers returned home this week from the home of her son, Elmer, who has been very ill the past week. However, he is now improving and we hope he will soon be well once more.

Mr. Brummett made a trip to Spur Friday, returning home that night at twelve o'clock. He saw the light burning at his home upon his arrival, and thinking that something serious had happened, he rushed in to see and asked what had happened. He finally came to find out that his wife and Bernice Wright were sitting up to keep the rats from carrying off their clothing.

Earl Wright, Hub Giddens, spent the day with Hughel Evell Sunday.—Breezy Bill.

W. J. Elliot was in the city Tuesday from his Spring Creek farm and ranch twelve miles southwest of Spur.

N. B. Fuqua, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur last week and while in the city was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

The Spur base ball team will go to Aspermont the latter part of this week where they will play a match game with the Aspermont team. The Spur team is now one of the best in all of Western Texas and are expected to be the biggest scorers in every series of games.

Buster Bural, of the Gilpin country, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports that the condition of his father, B. F. Bural, has not improved as a result of the trip to Marlin. Mr. Bural has been in a critical condition for some time, and it is hoped that his condition will soon change for the better. It is thought that the doctors have not yet been able to properly diagnose his case, and as a result are not in a position to give him proper treatment.

ENNIS J. HARKEY, Pres. M. GAY, Secretary

SOUTH PANHANDLE LAND TITLE CO.
(Unincorporated)

Abstract, Land and Loan Agents, Dickens, County, Texas. Let us make you an Abstract, and read your "TITLE CLEAR." Money to loan on farms at 8 per cent. See us if you want cheap money.

We Have Just Received
Another Car Load of

**Emerson-Brantingham
Buggies**

Can fit you up with rubber or steel tire. See us before you buy.

Riter Hdw. Co.

Have Your Tires Repaired

Having installed a first class vulcanizing machine I am prepared to repair blowouts, rim-cuts or any affected parts about casings and inner tubes. Bring me your old discarded tires and I will fix them so you will get a many miles more service from them. All work reasonable.

H. WARD, at Fry Garage



THE WAY TO PROPERLY GUAGE

really values is to keep in touch with the market. If you have not the time or the inclination to analyze the trend of property values why you must put your confidence in those who have made real estate a life study. We as such students think that we really merit your confidence.

BRAZELTON-PRYOR & CO.

BACK TO THE CONSTITUTION

By J. S. Cullinan.

As I see it, the courts have civilization by the throat today just as the churches had it a few centuries ago, which reached its climax with the Spanish Inquisition. Fortunately for the civilization of that day many religious leaders looked with alarm upon the clergy clad in robes of State, legally censoring divine rights of men, and who were authorized by law to deprive any person of their life, liberty or honor. The capable element of the clergy more than any other influence assisted in removing their high priests from the bench to the pulpit, and stopped the legal holocaust of human life that shames the pages of history.

Happily for our welfare today there are many good citizens who seriously doubt the wisdom of government making honest and necessary business transactions a crime, and many capable members of the legal profession who look with alarm upon a lawyer clothed with power of State having authority to legally lynch honest property or illegally protect criminal property. Such concentration of power was never contemplated under our form of government, and it is un-American, unwise and destructive to organized society. To force honest property to confess guilt, and permit criminal property to escape punishment, reverses the genius of American government.

It is not the mission of the League to legally fix responsibility between the law and the Administration of the law, but the citizen has a contract with government for life, liberty and justice, and it is the right and the duty of the citizen to say when government crosses the border line and trespasses upon his Constitutional rights as they are—not as public officials interpret them. The citizen—not the office holder—is the one to say when government violates its pledge to the people. In the name of the Texas Economic League I this day charge that government is guilty of tyranny, injustice, favoritism and incompetency in its relation to productive industry. We shall not at the moment undertake to separate responsibility as between the Legislative, Administrative and Judicial branches of government, but the man who leads a legal mob is a worse criminal than he who leads an illegal one, and deserves more severe punishment, no matter to what department of government he belongs. 37c

"ONLY TWO REAL LAWS IN TEXAS STATUTES"

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY AND PERMANENT WAREHOUSE ACTS."

By J. S. Cullinan.

"We have upon the statute books of Texas at this time only two pieces of constructive legislation capable of maximum efficiency in administration. They are the Employers' Liability Act and the Permanent Warehouse Law. Both of these laws represent a type of co-operative legislation, in which the citizen has a part in the administration of law. They call upon the business genius of the day to solve business problems, and appeal to the citizenship for co-operation in instituting collective economies and encouraging fair dealings between man and man, and between any one line of business and that of associated industries. Having had some experience in dealing with large business problems, and having made observations from points that admit of a wide horizon of vision, I have formed very definite conclusions as to the difficulties and remedies that confront our Government in the development of industry.

Law Seeks Common Result.

"The result which both these laws seek is identical with that of the anti-trust law; to-wit, to prevent unfair transactions.

"I have witnessed the anti-trust law 'gut' the credit of strong business concerns, and leave their securities in blackened ruin; have seen it reek vengeance upon honest, courageous and capable business men, and leave them dazed, frightened and faltering. I have observed it clutch what the State claimed to be the most vicious criminals in the business annals of America, and then suddenly release them with a paltry compromise. In almost every case industry, Government and the people lost, and no one profited but the lawyers. I believe that strong laws are necessary to prevent criminal acts of strong corporations, and while the anti-trust law may be subject to improvement, it should not be repealed.

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TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM BEING DISCUSSED

The greatest transportation problem ever confronting the American nation is now under consideration in New York. A committee of seventeen represents the American railroads and something like one thousand men are present on behalf of the train service employees. The conference opened June 1st. The sessions are strictly executive and the public will know nothing until the parties to the conference either reach an agreement or fail to agree. Similar conferences in the past have lasted three months without results.

The matter under consideration is the demand of all American train service employees for an eight hour day at ten hours pay and time and one-half for all overtime, computed on the minute basis. The men claim they can do the same amount of work being done now in ten hours in an eight hour day, and there will be no increase in operating cost. The railroads on the other hand estimate that the change to an eight hour day will increase the operating cost one hundred million dollars a year.

In case the demand is not granted there may result a nation-wide strike that will paralyze business and quickly result in actual famine in the inland cities. The world has become so used to rapid movement of supplies that few can realize what a tie-up for a week of all the railroads would mean.

On the other hand should the demand be granted, whatever increase in operating cost would result will in the end be met by somebody and that somebody is the American public.

P. H. Miller is spending several days of this week in Jayton, Girard, and Peacock looking after his lumber interests.

W. D. Blair, of two or three miles east of Spur, called in one day last week and had the Texas Spur continued to his father in Mississippi. Some time ago Mr. Blair came in and requested that we discontinue sending the paper to his father since reading its columns made him somewhat discontented. We would be very glad for his father to come out and become a resident citizen of this section. We know that Mississippi is a fine country, but we believe Western Texas is a better country and offers more inducements to a poor man who desires to make advancement in this worldly possessions.

WORST SAND STORM OF MANY YEARS

J. Carlisle, of the Gilpin section of country, was in Spur the latter part of this week and was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reported that the sand storm Monday did not injure his crops materially, but that it did considerable damage to his neighbor, Al Sullivan and others of that section. The storm of Monday was one among the worst ones we have seen in many days, and from the reports it did much damage in many sections of this country.

W. J. Clark, of several miles

L. N. Riter made a business trip this week to Plainview and other plains towns.

W. M. Randall, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week trading with the merchants.

Luther Jones was in Spur Thursday morning of this week and spent some time here on business and greeting his many friends.

Mrs. E. C. Edmonds and children left Spur Wednesday for Fort Worth where they will spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Connell.

W. H. Lain, of the New Hope community, passed through Spur Thursday on his way to Sanger in response to a telegram stating that his father, S. R. Lain of that place was very sick and not expected to survive.

C. R. Edwards and wife left Thursday of this week for a two week's visit with relatives in Mississippi. While in Mississippi Mr. Edwards will also make a trip to points in Alabama. The Texas Spur wishes Mr. and Mrs. Edwards a very pleasant trip.

Dr. Montgomery, of Stamford, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Spur at the office of Dr. Morris, treating cases of eye, ear and nose and throat troubles. Dr. Montgomery is an expert in his line of practice and is one of the most conscientious physicians and surgeons within the state.

Little James Wedekind celebrated his birthday Wednesday of this week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wedekind. Quite a number of his little friends were his guests from four to six o'clock. Various games were played and refreshments were served to the pleasure of each one present.

SPUR NOW HAS FINEST GARAGE WEST OF DALLAS

Recently the Highway Garage moved into their new double brick building on Burlington Avenue and where they are now doing business under the management of Mr. H. J. Luck. The Highway Garage is one of the finest and best equipped garages west of Dallas and Ft. Worth. The building covers two twenty foot lots, about 80 feet long. The floor is solid concrete, and railings separate the mechanical department from the front department. The equipments are the best in any garage of the whole country, and under the able management of Mr. H. J. Luck the Highway Garage will no doubt make Spur a recognized center for the care and repair of automobiles.

Earn Clay left this week for the plains country where he is employed repairing windmills.

Money to loan on land, and to take up your notes.—E. J. Cowan. 35 tf

Walter Jordan, of the Steel Hill country, was in Spur this week on business.

J. A. Murchison, of the Draper country, was among the many business visitors to Spur this week. He reports things looming up in the Draper section at this time.

Will Marshall and family and Mrs. Exil Austin, of the Afton country, made a trip to Knox City last week to visit relatives and friends. They made the trip through the country in an automobile.

J. F. Ragsdale and wife, of the Afton country, were in Spur Thursday of this week. Mr. Ragsdale is now driving a new Ford car which places him in closer communication with the city and friends.

Mrs. W. Neilon returned last Monday from Abilene where she has been on an extended visit with relatives and friends. Her sister, Mrs. Petefish of Abilene, returned with Mrs. Neilon to Spur and will remain in the city on an extended visit.

T. H. Tallant and son, John, returned Saturday from Dallas where John underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Baptist Sanitarium of that city. They spent ten or fifteen days in Dallas. Mr. Tallant said that the crops of this section looked much better than the crops further east.

Misses Ruby and Dorathy Love entertained their little friends Thursday evening of last week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love. Refreshments were served to quite a number of guests and each one enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent.

S. Power and family, of near Breckenridge in Stephens county, spent several days of last week in Spur with W. E. Fletcher and family and H. N. Patton. Mr. Power and family formerly lived in Spur, he being in the baggage and transfer business here for some time. His many friends here are glad to know that he is doing well and prospering in Stephens county. Before leaving Mr. Power had his name enrolled on the Texas Spur list of subscribers.

NOTICE!

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Ned Bowers was a recent business visitor in Spur.

A. W. Jordan, of the Steel Hill country, was in the city one day this week.

Good residence for sale; will take span of good mules as part pay.—E. J. Cowan. 35 tf

Miss Flora Love is spending the week visiting friends in the town of Matador.

W. M. Childress was in the city one day this week shaking hands with his friends and trading with the merchants.

S. B. Scott, of several miles west of Spur, was among the large number of visitors in the city Saturday of last week.

Robt. T. Dopson, of the Dry Lake country, was among the business visitors in Spur this week.

J. A. Caple, of several miles west of Spur, was among the many visitors in the city Saturday.

Sebe Lambert and family, of the Tap country, past through Spur Thursday on their way to Midway to attend the Baptist Rally.

Dan Hogan, of Ralls, was in Spur recently and spent a few days here painting and greeting his many friends of the city and surrounding country.

Mrs. White and daughter, of Fort Worth, are in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Williams.

NOTICE W. O. W.

I, Consul Commander of the Spur Camp, have called a special meeting to be held Saturday night, July 1st, 1916, at 8:30 o'clock p. m. 30 candidates are to be initiated.

EMMETT LEE, C. C.

MARRIED.

Ray Sanders of Hillsboro and Miss Eula Bowman were married Thursday at 12:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bowman, J. V. Bilber performing the ceremony.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Sanders left for Hillsboro where they will make their home in the future.

NOTICE.

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

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Geo. W. Dodson, of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week buying supplies of the Spur merchants. He reports everything in fine shape in his section of the country at this time.

B. D. Glasgow made a business trip this week to Clairemont where he spent two or three days on professional business. Mr. Glasgow is now employed as one of the attorneys in the settlement of the Berry Pursley estate, and which will probably require several years in the settlement.

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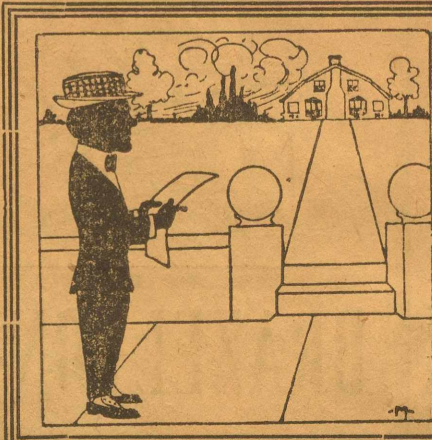
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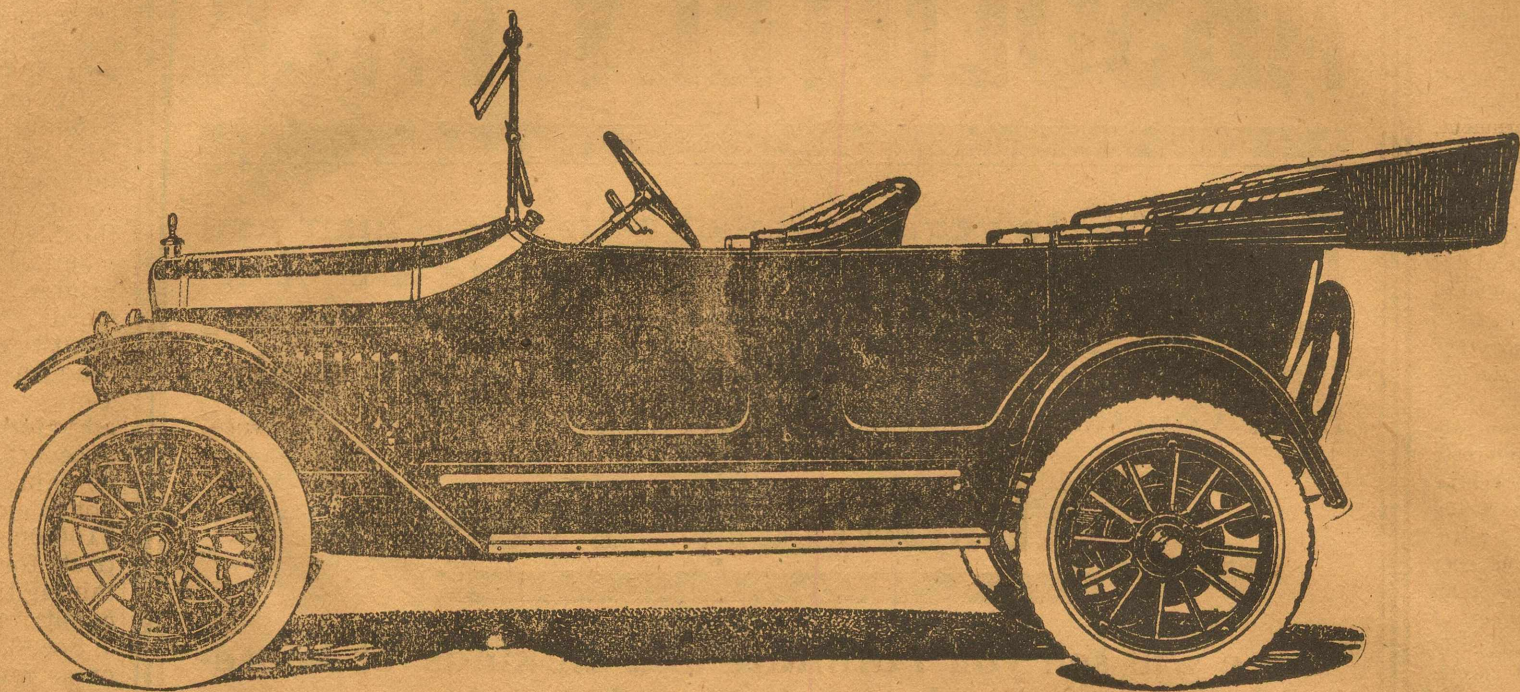
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PEACOCK EDITOR MARRIES

Last week we received an announcement of the marriage of Miss Ella Octavia Townsend to Mr. Ray Bartlett McCorkle on Sunday, June 25th, at Peacock, Texas. Mr. McCorkle is editor of the Stonewall County News, published at Peacock. The Texas Spur extends congratulations and very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. McCorkle, and may they live long and always prosper.

Mrs. J. C. McNeill was in the city Tuesday from the Alamo Stock Farm twenty miles west of Spur.

Lilburn Standifer returned last week from the A. & M. College where he has been the past term.

Don't seem possible, but it's true—27 inch Swiss Embroidery for 50c—now only 25c a yard.—Love Dry Goods Co.

C. I. Cannon, of the Dry Lake country, was in Spur Tuesday and spent some time here on business.

Misses Bettie, Lula and Nellie Goff returned Monday from Midland where they have been spending several weeks with their aunt, Mrs. Wolcott.

Tom McArthur came in Tuesday of this week from his farm home in the Tap country, spending several hours in Spur on business and greeting his friends.

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Geo. W. Dodson, of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week buying supplies of the Spur merchants. He reports everything in fine shape in his section of the country at this time.

J. N. Zumwalt, of fifteen or twenty miles west of Spur, was here recently on business.

J. R. McArthur, of the Tap country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week and spent a few hours here on business and also greeting his friends.

B. D. Glasgow made a business trip this week to Clairemont where he spent two or three days on professional business. Mr. Glasgow is now employed as one of the attorneys in the settlement of the Berry Pursley estate, and which will probably require several years in the settlement.

TWO CASES AFFIRMED.

The two cases of Mr. Whitaker which were carried to the court of civil appeals at Amarillo, were affirmed this week. These were cases of trespass to try title to land in the Afton or Croton country in Dickens county. There were three similar cases appealed, one of the number being reversed and remanded for lack of evidence.

J. E. Sparks, of the Tap section of the country, was in the city the first of this week and while here reported everything progressing nicely in his section at this time.

CORPORATIONS THE VICTIMS

By J. S. Cullinan

Many fearless and capable jurists throughout this nation are thundering their disapproval of the judiciary branch of government censoring the will of the legislative and administrative departments of government, and there is no doubt much cause for alarm and dissatisfaction when those who exercise this power rebel against it. But the people of Texas have a much more important problem before them than curbing the judiciary or reforming court procedure. It is preserving the judiciary and all other branches of government from the destructive influence of invisible government. Elihu Root in a recent address said: "The special interests are the invisible government behind the visible government, which is the real danger to American institutions." No more truthful words ever fell from more capable lips than those. Judge R. M. Wanamaker of the Supreme Court of Ohio, recently stated that the surprising interpretations of the Supreme Court of the United States of the fourteenth amendment which was intended as a Magna Carta to the colored race had destroyed the Magna Carta of both the white and colored races, and substituted a city of refuge for the corporations.

Invisible Court Holds Sessions.

In Texas the legal trust is the invisible government. Here the invisible government has gone all other States one better by setting up a court of its own to handle important cases of the corporations. But the corporations are not the beneficiaries. They are the victims of the system which has fastened itself upon the jugular vein of industry with a death defying grip, which no influence can release except that of public condemnation. The chief justice of this invisible court is the head of the legal trust; its sessions are held in a dark room, and its verdicts are whispered across the table. It makes criminals out of its clients; laughs at the jury, makes a mockery of the courts, and discredits industry. The legal trust now gripping this State is the most insidious, most subtle and most dangerous influence that ever fought for the control of government.

The supremacy of the judiciary over other branches of government has its defenders, but invisible government has none. It is worse than anarchy; more terrible than treason, and more hideous than rebellion. It teaches investors to fear the law; incites good citizens to mistrust government, and counsels honest men to flee from justice. This invisible court has recently enforced jurisdiction over what is claimed to be the largest suits of their kind in the world's history, and it was largely through the instrumentality of these anti-trust suits that the legal trust has seized power no man or combination of men should be permitted to hold in a free country. The enormous fees which the legal trust plunders from the accused corporations and the bugaboo "Beware of the people that us" that unscrupulous corporation lawyers always bring out to frighten their clients, and get a part of their property, has enabled the legal trust to so firmly entrench itself in government and in industry that nothing short of a complete change in policy of administering the law on the part of State government can break their hold upon the people. Whenever State government becomes a stalking horse to run the corporations into the clutches of the legal trust, it is time all good citizens were coming to the aid of government.

Investors Fear the Legal Trust.

I have spent the best part of my life inviting foreign capital to invest in Texas corporations, and have perhaps brought more outside capital into Texas than any other citizen. The investors do not fear the people, and there is no reason why they should, neither do they fear the laws honestly administered, but the legal trust stands like a bandit at the State line levying tribute upon whomsoever shall enter, and frightening with ghost-like threats of bad luck all those who resist its rule. When our laws are administered and interpreted in such a manner as to execute the verdict of an invisible court organized by a legal trust to fleece capital, all investors will and should fear Texas.

No self-respecting man at the head of a business enterprise is going to kneel at the feet of a political lawyer in government or in industry and plead for the right to live. Rome was the mother of laws, and it was the pride of her people to stand before their government and claim the rights of a Roman citizen. What are the rights of a Texas citizen?

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

To the State Constitution Relating to Levying Tax For School Purposes.

H. J. R. No. 30.

House Joint Resolution.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:

Section 3. School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit

of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and

control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have

written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

Sec. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00 or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

(Note.—H. J. R. No. 30 was adopted by the House March 6, yeas 104, nays 12. Was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, yeas 25, nays 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, yeas 78, nays 19, present and not voting 1.)

Approved April 1, 1915.

(A true copy.)

JOHN G. MCKAY,
Secretary of State.

Miss Gussie Love is spending the week in Jayton visiting her young lady friends.

Mack Hopper, of several miles south of Spur, was among the visitors in the city this week and the latter part of the last week.

J. H. Sparks, of the Tap section of country, was among the number of business visitors in the city Thursday of this week, spending a few hours here on business and greeting his numerous friends.

L. S. Scott, of eight or nine miles west of Spur, was here Saturday of last week and spent an hour or two in the city on business and shaking hands with his friends of the town and surrounding country.

Tom Greer came in Wednesday of this week from the Lone Oak Farm and Ranch Home ten miles west of Spur. He reports that every thing is progressing satisfactorily in his part of the country at this time.

C. J. Smith, of eight or nine miles west of Spur, came in the latter part of this week and spent an hour or two here on business and greeting his numerous friends of the city and the surrounding country.

J. M. Jones, of the Afton section of country, was in Spur Thursday of this week trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends. He reports every thing in good shape in his section of the country at this time.

Mat Howell came in Thursday from his farm home in the Cat Fish country. He reports that while the sand storm of last Monday did considerable damage throughout the country, that his place escaped with very little damage.

G. L. Gaddis, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Thursday of this week and spent some time here on business and trading with the merchants. He carried out a water barrel in which to haul water to his farm since he has not yet had a well drilled on his place.

G. C. Pass and wife, of near Ralls, were in Spur Sunday and spent the day here with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Pass formerly lived in Spur and have many friends here who will be glad to know that they are prospering in their new home at the new town of Ralls.



THAT FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC

will need all the good things to eat that are shown in the picture, and many more besides. They can all be found at our store, and we will pack them right into your basket, all ready for the frolic. Place your order early, for we'll be busy, for people know what good things can be purchased from us.

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J. A. KOON
M. GAY
CRAWFORD COBB
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
R. L. COLLIER
J. H. LATHAM
J. B. CONNER
BUD MILLER
T. W. MORGAN
G. L. BARBER
G. T. SNODGRASS
- For Tax Assessor:
G. B. JOPLING
- For District Attorney, 50th Judicial Dist.
BERT KING
J. ROSS BELL
- For County Treasurer:
J. B. YANTIS
- For County Judge:
BLAINE SPEER
WALTER L. POWELL
- For District Judge, 50th Judicial District
J. H. MILAM
JO A. P. DICKSON
- For Representative, 105th District:
FRITZ R. SMITH
A. J. HAGINS
- For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
W. A. JOHNSON

WORKING TO END DIFFERENCES IN LAND LINES

B. F. Whitaker returned recently from Austin where he had been in the interest of securing a survey of the land lines in the north part of Dickens county which would be recognized as permanent by the people of that section. As we understand it, there have been several surveys made in that part of the county, and some want to recognize one survey and some another survey. Mr. Whitaker reported that he was well received by the chief clerk in the land department of the state, and was given encouragement that another survey would possibly be made to settle permanently the disputes in the Dickens county land lines. Mr. Whitaker stated that the Governor of the state gave him little consideration in the matter and refused to either look at or consider a petition which he had from numerous citizens of the county.

Mrs. J. C. McNeill was in the city Tuesday from the Alamo Stock Farm twenty miles west of Spur.



Bell Connection

It was a blustery March evening, but inside the cozy sitting-room of the Browns' all was cheery and bright. Mrs. Brown stepped to the telephone. Her husband smiled—for he knew the pleasant custom for years had been to call the daughter, in the distant village, each week. Have you a Telephone connected to the Bell System?

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BUSINESS HOUSES WILL CLOSE FOR 4TH OF JULY

Spur, Texas, June 29.—We the undersigned merchants of Spur, Texas, agree to close our places of business on July the 4th, 1916, in keeping with the time-honored custom:
Bryant-Link Co.
Campbell & Campbell
A. A. Fry
P. H. Miller
Spot Cash Grocery
W. P. Sampson
Z. B. Morgan
Hogan & Patton
A. C. Lewis
Brazelton-Pryor & Co.
Spur Grain & Coal Co.
W. H. Black
Sol Davis
Spur Harness Co.
Jno. McCulloch
Tidwell & Reeves
E. F. Springer
Love Dry Goods Co.
Riter Hardware Co.
Magnolia Petroleum Co.
W. C. Gruben
Brannen Bros. Co.
Luke Attebury
W. R. Glasgow
W. C. Bowman Lbr. Co.
We, the following, will close on the 4th the same as on Sundays:
James R. Stafford, P. H. D.
Spur Drug Co.
Central Meat Market
Red Front Drug Store.

DUMONT

Last Thursday Bud Shields, J. H. Shelby and J. C. Sinclair are off to Paducah. Mrs. A. L. Davidson and Grandma Bohner were here last Monday. W. A. McDuff and family and J. A. Hollar returned from Quay, N. M., last Sunday. C. C. Bailey has bought the Luck Lasater Ranch and will take charge January 1, 1917. J. H. Shelby has moved the old Union Corner School House down here last Friday and Saturday. R. P. Criswell, Andrew Parker and M. M. Parker were here last Sunday evening on a visit to old friends. Col. T. H. Hughes, Capt. A. S. Bass, Chas. Simpson and Gen. R. B. White are off on a big fishing trip. and Miss Ola Norris were married by Rev. J. W. Martin. May their life be as one all along through the journey of time. Y. C. Carpenter and family are back at Dumont again after roaming some two or three years hunting for the Flitter tree. The Methodist Church people have changed the time to have the Childrens Day from the first Sunday to the third Sunday in June. The Dumont people gathered by appointment and elected R. E. Lasater as chairman and declaring that they wanted a picnic, and selected all committees for various work. It will come off on July the 14th, 1916. I am just played out. Can not write any more, been hunting the eggs, churning and rocking the baby. Oh, my, so tired.—Old Bill in Paducah Post.

FOR SALE

About 120 good native yearlings, heifers and steers, at \$38. Will sell either.—Joe Jay, Jayton, Texas. 35 4t.

WOMAN'S LOVE

It takes a hundred men to make an encampment, but it takes only the influence of one woman to make a home. I not only admire women as the most beautiful object created, but I reverence her as the redeemed glory of humanity, the sanctuary of all virtues, the pledge of all perfect qualities of heart and head. It is because women are so much better than men that their faults are considered greater. The one thing in this world that is considered constant, the only peak that rises above the clouds, the window in which light burns forever, the one star that darkness can not quench, is woman's love. It rises to the greatest height; it sinks to the lowest depths; it forgives the most cruel injuries. A woman's love is the perfume of the heart. This is the real love that subdues the earth; the love that has wrought miracles of art; that gives us music all the way from cradle song to the grand symphony that bears the soul away on wings of fire—a love that is greater than power, sweeter than life and stronger than death.—Robert G. Ingersoll.

J. B. Sneed was in Spur the latter part of this week on business. Mr. Sneed has a part of the O—O Ranch leased and is now pasturing a large number of cattle on the property.

PROTRACTED MEETING AT NEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH



Nathaniel Jacks, of Dallas, will begin a meeting at the new Christian Church in Spur on July 2nd, and run three weeks. Nathaniel Jacks is considered one of the leading evangelists of the South, and has spent most of his time in the great cities, but an arrangement has been made to secure his services for this length of time in Spur.



Ezra Jacks, a son of Nathaniel Jacks, will conduct the music and is considered splendid in his line and is a wonderful whistler. These men have just closed a series of meetings in Fort Worth at which many thousands of people gathered each night to hear Nathaniel Jacks preach the gospel and Ezra do his marvelous whistling. All persons are cordially invited to attend and special invitation from Ezra Jacks is extended to all persons who will assist in singing.

THEN SHALL BE BREAKING FULLNESS OF DAY

When every farmer in the South shall eat bread from his own field and meat from his own pasture, disturbed by no creditor, and enslaved by no debt, shall sit among his teeming gardens and orchards and vineyards and dairies and barnyards pitching his crop in his own wisdom and growing them in independence, making cotton his own surplus and selling it in his own time and in his chosen market and not bidding, getting his pay in cash and not in receipted mortgages that discharge his debt, but does not restore his freedom, then shall be breaking the fullness of our day.—Henry W. Grady.

Mrs. G. E. Nicholson and children returned this week from Hamlin where they have been on an extended visit to her parents and other relatives and friends.

W. T. Lovell, of the Draper country, was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports everything in the very best shape at this time with respect to crop conditions and prospects.

W. J. Young, of several miles north of Afton, was in Spur Thursday of this week and reported everything in fine shape on his place and throughout his section of the country. He says that he has had good rains, no hot winds and no sand storm up to the present time. He is fortunate.

Hugh Squires and wife, formerly of Spur, but now of Motley county, were in Spur Thursday of this week and spent the day in the city visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clay. Mr. Squires reports everything in fine shape in his part of the country with respect to crop prospects and conditions in general.

B. F. Bural returned last week from Marlin where he had been several days taking the baths in hopes of benefiting his condition. However, the treatment did him no good and he returned home. He was carried Friday night to Mrs. McCarty, of the Afton country, who has a reputation for the treatment of such cases. Mr. Bural will remain in the Afton country some time taking the treatment, and it is hoped by his many friends that he will return soon a well man.

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S. W. Rather, of the Cat Fish country, was in Spur last week trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends and acquaintances.

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RUSTIC-FERTILE-HISTORIC

Judge Walter L. Powell, R. L. Collier and ye scribe made a spin last Friday through the Alps of Dickens county to the northeast corner of the county and Dumont, in King county. Ah, dear readers, it was a grand trip, our first into that beautiful, picturesque and fertile domain. Like old Elijah, we were "picked up" by Collier in his car and we passed through valley, peak and plain like shadows fleeting by.

Beyond Dickens we struck the Croton "Alps" of lovely peaks and fertile valleys; granite spires robed in verdant wreaths of sunny, mellow June Hills, whose marble brows stood as sentiments of Jehovah defying the ages, while cozily nestling between were happy homes with fertile fields of nature's bounty.

Soon we pulled up at the "Pitchfork Ranch" headquarters, a little Paradise, lost as it were amid the luxury and glories of nature. Here we received the cow-boy stunt of hospitality through the kindly offerings of one Mr. Springer, who said he sometimes came to Spur, and we caught from the twinkle of his eye and smile on his face that the flower of his heart lived in Spur; that he looked this way o'er the vine-clad hills with each rising sun and heard the music of her voice and saw her gentle form in the enchanting mirage of memory and space.

"Pitchfork Ranch" is historic with relics of times long gone. A veritable museum of species of animal, bird and reptile

long since extinct. A pretty feature of the place was many wild turkeys which had become tame by reason of their protection.

Next we pulled up at the beautiful home of "Uncle" Dick McDuff, in the northeast corner of Dickens county where he and wife and family have lived for twenty five years. Here they have a lovely home and farm of 320 acres, with fields of waving corn waist high and cotton loaded with squares. Here, around the cottage is a bower of trees and evergreens of every kind—walnut trees bearing and every kind of flower set out by their own hands.

We had known "Dick" McDuff and wife for many years in Denton county and officiated at their marriage 34 years ago. None possess bigger hearts than they and the world is better and the waste places made beautiful because they passed this way.

Altogether the two days outing was full of real joy and we appreciate our home in picturesque and fertile Dickens county, the banner county of West Texas in staple productions of field and garden. Returning to Spur which like some magic cliff lifts its rustic form, rears from the vale and midway leaves the storm, while 'round its towering brow rainbows flit and shed, as though eternal sun shine settles on its head.—F. N. Oliver.

W. M. Moore and family attended the big picnic Wednesday and Thursday at Guthrie.

W. L. Huddleston came in Saturday from Dickens and spent a day or two of this week in Spur.

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H. K. Parks, of Girard, was in Spur one day last week and spent some time in the city on business and greeting his many friends here.

W. H. Smith, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week and while in the city was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He reports that he has fine crop prospects, and especially with reference to watermelons. He planted an extra large crop of water melons and expects to have enough melons to supply the demand in this part of the country.

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T. A. Smith, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Wednesday of this week.

Jim Thompson came over Monday from Dickens and was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

W. M. Stovall, of Dickens, was in Spur Monday and spent several hours here on business and greeting his friends.

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Red Sampson was in Spur the latter part of last week on business and greeting his many friends.

Doc Ellis, of several miles west of Spur, was in the city the first of this week on business and shaking hands with his friends.

The store building in which Brannen Brothers have been doing business has been moved from its former location and the construction of a new brick business house has been started on the lot.

The Mollie Bailey Show was in Spur Saturday. However, on account of the threatening rain the night performance was not well attended. The Mollie Bailey Show was one of the first shows we ever remember attending, and during the past twenty five or thirty years the show has been traveling over Texas. It has been one of the best shows of its kind in the state.

Newt Cravy, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Newt reported that he had numberless chickens on his place and from which he secured more eggs than he could dispose of to his neighbors, therefore he is very desirous to secure some nice housekeeper or help-mate to care for his home, and to this end he is of the opinion that he is making some progress. At any rate this is an opportunity for some young lady to secure a "well provided" home.

A PIONEER OF THE WEST.

The Review editor had the pleasure of meeting aunt Hank Smith at the carnival recently. She is one of the most noted characters now living on the plains and is one of the few remaining witnesses of this country when it was nothing more than a vast buffalo range. Her husband, the late Uncle Hank Smith, came to this country in 1887 where she now lives. This was the only house within a radius of a hundred miles, and it stood as a lone sentinel for a few traders and travelers for several years. She came out in 1878, and in September 1879 the Mt. Blanco postoffice was established and she was made postmistress and during all the years since that time she has held this office.—Crosbyton Review.

J. C. Weir, of near Spur, was in the city Monday.

Joe Grace returned last week to Spur from the A. & M. College where he has been the past term.

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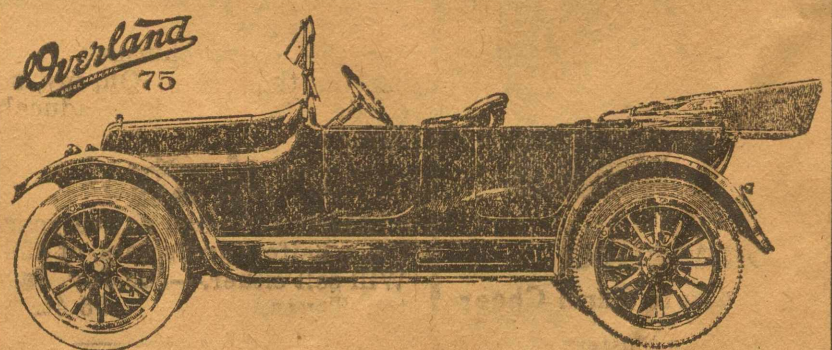
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