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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED BY SPUR NATIONAL BANK

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Spur National Bank held Tuesday, January 9th, in the directors room of the Spur National Bank building the following officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year:

Directors: Chas. A. Jones, W. G. Sherrod, Geo. S. Link, R. C. Forbis, Clifford B. Jones, of Spur, and F. S. Hastings and A. J. Swenson, of Stamford. **Officers:** Chas. A. Jones, president, succeeding R. V. Colbert who is retiring; W. G. Sherrod, active vice-president; M. E. Manning, cashier, Jno. B. Hardin and W. T. Andrews Jr., assistant cashiers.

The business of the Spur National Bank, as well as the City National Bank, has grown to such proportions that an active vice-president is necessary to conduct its affairs. The fact W. G. Sherrod has been selected for this place will be received with pleasure by his numerous friends of Spur and the Spur country as well as every patron of the Spur National Bank. Mr. Sherrod was formerly cashier of the Spur National Bank, and he with each of the officers and directors are men who are interested in the development progress of the town and country. No better men could have been selected for their respective places.

GIRARD FIRM PUTS ON BIG "DOOMED" SALE

W. G. Mayfield and Company, of Girard, assisted by W. L. Griffith of the American Sales Company of Dallas, Texas, will open their "Doomed" Sale on Saturday, January 13, and will continue it for thirteen days, closing Saturday, January 27.

This firm has a double-page ad in this issue of the Texas Spur, in addition to the they had printed a large number of circulars to distribute throughout the trade territory.

This sale is calculated to be beneficial both to the public and to the firm putting on the sale, as they have some special bargains in seasonable merchandise to offer which will be a great saving to purchasers, and thus it affords a means of raising some ready cash, and also makes room for the Spring merchandise which will soon begin to arrive for this popular firm.

J. P. Morrison, father of Bud Morrison, went down to Swenson this week and spent several days there with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Owen came in Saturday from their ranch home twelve miles southwest of Spur and spent several hours in the city visiting their friends.

NOTICE!

Dr. Daly is coming prepared to treat diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat and fit glasses. Don't forget the dates—in Spur February 9th and 10th. Office with Dr. Morris.

DICKENS CO. SECURES DEMONSTRATION AGENT

At a meeting of the County Commissioners on last Tuesday a government demonstration agent was secured for Dickens county. In view of the fact that a wider and more thorough dissemination of agricultural knowledge is needed among the farmers and especially as there are so many new farms being put into cultivation for the first time this year a demonstration agent will be of untold value to the county.

The County Agent, or as he is sometimes called, the Agricultural Advisor, will spend all of his time in visiting farmers and giving them information on the many phases of agriculture that has accumulated for years.

Farmers can not do better than to form the acquaintance of the new demonstration agent, who will take up his work in the county probably within the next two or three weeks.

Announcements will be made in this paper from time to time relative to this new work after the agent has located in the county.

ROSWELL CITY COUNCIL CHASES CARNIVAL CO.

By action of the city council yesterday afternoon an application of a carnival company to operate here was refused. The company asked the city to lower their license for their benefit. The city fathers are of the opinion that carnival companies as a rule are of no material benefit to any community and as a result are not willing to extend any special invitation for them to take money out of the city and give nothing in return.—Roswell Record.

The city fathers of Roswell sure displayed wisdom and civic sense in refusing to allow these itinerant grafters to encumber their streets and prey upon her citizens, with their questionable exhibitions.

The ordinary carnival is a nuisance which the municipal authorities of all the towns in the state should join hands in abating. Their exhibits are usually immoral and debasing and pander to the baser instincts of their patrons. They gather in the coin of the gullible and carry it out of town and none of it ever returns. All well regulated towns and cities have tabooed the street carnival and they only find a welcome in the more isolated communities where they are hard pressed for amusement.—Lubbock Avalanche.

PIONEERING IN A NEW FEED INDUSTRY

To Dilley, in Frio county, belongs the distinction of pioneering in a new feed industry. There has been shipped from this place this season 110 tons of mesquite beans. These beans sold readily at \$14 per ton to feeders of horses and mules and the demand has been greater than the supply. They carry well, one car having remained loaded for nine days without showing any indication of heating. The beans may be fed whole or can be crushed on a common feed crusher into an excellent meal or chop, and an analysis and feeding test shows them to possess a feeding value approximation, if not superior to corn. Owing to the fondness of weevils for beans they do not keep long unless treated with bisulphide or carbon in a similar manner to treating ear corn.—Ex.

WAR THE AWFUL WORD

War is a searchlight flashing into the souls of men and nation—revealing their unknown strength and weakness, and there is one fact in all wars that stands out brilliantly—that is the loyalty, inthiasm, and determination of a people.

All political differences are thrown aside and forgotten and millions of men are ready and willing to answer the call. It was the same when the destruction of the Maine in the Havana harbor stilled the world with the echo of its sullen roar. There was a moment's pause, and the Nation lifted its great silk battle-flags from the capitol at Washington and called for volunteers to wipe the empire of Spain from the map of the Western world. It lasted but a hundred days, but in those hundred days was packed the harvest of centuries. The President called for one hundred and twenty-five thousand men to die for the flag and next morning eight hundred thousand fought for a place in the line. We are told that "the first soldier who fell at Santiago" was a millionaire's son from New York, and by his side a cow boy from the West, and a plow boy from the South. So we hope for real peace, and believe it's coming, but when it comes it may to some extent smother out the spirit of patriotism—that the call to arms kindles up to a living fire in every loyal breast.

But forgetting war, we come to you again telling you we want a liberal share of your cash trade, and telling you that our stocks of merchandise in all lines are in good shape. We have protected ourselves and customers as far as we could by buying before some of the heavy advances, and we know we can sell you your goods. Our cash business for 1916 was the best it has ever been, and we are gaining new friends and customers every day. We only have one method of doing business, and that is just to deal with you as we would expect you to deal with us. Our Mr. Link born in Old Tennessee, but at the age of four was transplanted in the cotton fields of central Texas and at the age of thirteen came to West Texas where he has since battled with the drouths both on the farm and in the store, and he feels that he knows something of this country, its people and their needs. He is here to live and die with you, and while with the help of his faithful force, he is trying to build one of West Texas' greatest businesses. He wants also to help build country and town. One of these days we are going to tell you something of the history of every employe.

Big car of Light Crust Flour this week, big car of Jno. Deere Implements should reach us this week; new goods coming in the Dry Goods line all the time. Yes, we are going to do our part and believe the rain will come. We want your cash and will sell you goods as cheap as they are sold in Spur, and when your cash is all gone, if you are deserving of credit, we will help you over the rough places as best we can. Come on with the crowds who trade with us, and lets all pull together as friends with one common interest to make 1917 a great year. BRYANT-LINK CO.

DIED.

Claude Laffoon died Sunday at Jayton. Mr. Laffoon has been in ill health for some time and his death was not unexpected. The Texas Spur extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

BOUGHT FARM HOME IN DRAPER COUNTRY

W. T. Lovell, of the Draper country, was in Spur this week. Mr. Lovell recently bought a one hundred and sixty acre farm in the Draper country from Chas. Perrin, the consideration being thirty dollars an acre. Mr. Lovell is a good farmer, has secured a fine farm and we expect to see him continue to prosper, and possibly in the years to come he may become rich and develop into one of the "money lords" of the country.

ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. W. T. Andrews entertained the members of the Merry Wives Club Friday afternoon at her home in the north part of Spur. After several games of forty-two delightful refreshments were served to the guests, after which a business session of the Club was held. At this meeting new officers were elected to serve throughout the ensuing year as follows: Mrs. J. E. Morris, president; Mrs. M. L. Pierce, vice-president; Mrs. W. F. Godfrey, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. W. T. Andrews, press reporter.

FINDS COUNTRY IN FINE CONDITION

L. H. Perry, of Stephenville, was in Spur this week looking after his business interests in connection with the Spur Hardware Company. Mr. Perry also spent several days of the week in Roaring Springs where he is also connected with the Satterwhite Hardware Company of that place. Mr. Perry expressed himself as being very optimistic concerning the commercial interests of this section of the country. In fact, Mr. Perry stated that he never saw conditions better or more promising and encouraging for even further building and developing progress.

MOORE-PUTMAN.

Dr. W. R. Moore and Miss Clemmie Ruth Putman, two of the most prominent young people of Spur, were married Wednesday night at the First Christian Church, Rev. E. E. Douthit, pastor of the church, officiating.

Dr. Moore is a leading young physician in the city, and has many friends here who extend congratulations to this couple for a long and happy married life. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Putman, and was among Spur's most favorite young ladies.

W. S. Campbell left Saturday for Munday to see his mother, who is reported to be real sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sampson came in Saturday from their home southwest of Spur and spent some time in the city visiting friends and shopping with the merchants.

MRS. W. P. SAMPLE DIED THURSDAY NIGHT IN SPUR

A gloom was cast over the city this, Friday morning, when it was learned that Mrs. W. P. Sample had died during the night before.

Mrs. Sample underwent a slight operation a couple of months ago and also was operated upon just a few days ago, but it was not known that she was dangerously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sample came to Spur a little over a year ago, and their friends are numbered by their acquaintances, and many who were not acquainted with Mrs. Sample feel deeply grieved.

Deceased was a member of the Methodist Church at this place, a true noble character, and one who was loved by all her acquaintances, and in her death a kind, loving mother and a good wife has passed to her reward, where she will await the coming of son and husband.

Surviving Mrs. Sample in Spur are W. P. Sample, husband; Jim, her only child, and Mrs. Busby, a sister.

At the time of going to press the body was being prepared for shipment to Stamford, her former home, where funeral services will be held, after which interment will be made in the Stamford cemetery.

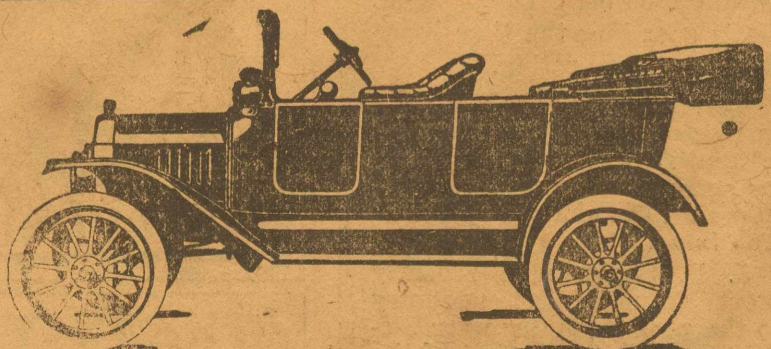
The Texas Spur joins friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones in this great loss.

ENTERTAINED MERRY WIVES AND HUSBANDS

Friday evening, December 28th, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Edmonds entertained the members of the Merry Wives Club and their husbands at their home in the west part of the city. After a number of games of progressive forty-two delightful refreshments were served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Cephus Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Higginbotham, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Standifer, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grace, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Richbourg, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Mr. and H. P. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nicholson, Mesdames C. A. Love, C. L. Love, M. L. Pierce and Miss Jennie Shields, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey, and Mr. and Mrs. Oran McClure.

WILL COME BACK

Bill Simpson, of Jayton, was in Spur the first of this week. He is making arrangements to move back to Spur in the near future, he having purchased an interest in the Westside Barber shop with Many Verner. Bill Simpson and Many Verner have been barbering in this country for a number of years. They are not only good barbers but good citizens and we are glad to see them come back to Spur.



FORDS—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.

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FOUR ISSUES ONE MONTH

Wanted—Cash register in good condition. Must be cheap.—Apply at Texas Spur office.

Clarence McClaren, of Hamlin, is now in Spur employed at the Riter Hardware Company.

Witt Springer made a business trip this week to Stamford and Wichita Falls where he spent two or three days.

S. R. Bowman, of three miles north of Spur, was in the city the first of this week and spent some time here on business.

J. O. Yopp and family and G. W. Finch went down to Jayton Sunday to be with Claud Laffoon, who was sick and died that afternoon.

Conductor Keith, of the Wichita Valley Railway, is now on two-weeks vacation. He is spending the time hunting and recuperating.

Childrens fine Wash Dresses in Madras or Gingham, very best grade materials used, nobby stylts, fine colorings, great bargains, 59c.—Love Dry Goods Co., Spur.

J. E. Shaw, who recently moved from the Croton country to the plains country near McAdoo, was here the first of the week and reports everything moving along nicely in that section of the country.

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

Mrs. R. M. Hamby has been quite sick the past week at her home in the north part of the city.

G. S. White returned last week from Weatherford where he spent several days on business.

Sam White came in Monday from the ranch headquarters and spent some time here on business.

The greatest Suit value you have seen for years will be found in our Special Clearance Sale at \$13.95.—Love Dry Goods Co., Spur.

A. B. Morgan, of ten miles west of Spur, was in the city Saturday greeting his friends and looking after business matters.

Get busy, buy some of this heavy Underwear while it lasts, sold everywhere at 65c, our Clearance Sale price 45c.—Love Dry Goods Co., Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mont Taylor returned Friday from Dublin where Mrs. Taylor and children spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

REPAIR WORK

Furniture and Stoves repaired. Wagons, Hacks and Buggies fixed to run like new ones.

SMALL JOBS

done at shop or I will go out and do your work.

WILL BUY OR SELL

all kinds of Second Hand Goods and do repairing at Reasonable Prices. See me at Grubb's Blacksmith Shop.

G. W. BILLS

Spur, Texas

Read The Texas Spur—\$1.00

We pay the highest prices for Poultry, Eggs, Hides and Furs.—Spur Produce Co. 10tf

Jesse Fletcher came in Saturday from his home a mile east of the city and spent some time here greeting friends.

G. S. Jones, of near Spur, was in the city Saturday of last week trading with the merchants and shaking hands with his friends.

R. E. Thomas, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city the latter part of the past week after wire with which to build hog pastures, gardens and other important fencings and improvements on his farm.

J. A. Murphy, of Hubbard, arrived in Spur the latter part of last week and he and family will make their home here in the future. Mr. Murphy has purchased the G. S. Jones has already bought another place, therefore we are assured of having another good family located in the great Spur section of country. There is no country in America which is settling more rapidly and developing more substantially at this time than the Spur country.

Burl Harrington was in the city Saturday.

W. E. Fletcher, of one mile east of Spur, was in the city Saturday on business.

W. A. Holloway, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city the latter part of last week.

A girl was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Tunnell at their home in the city.

J. L. Karr, one of the most prominent citizens of the Spur country, came in Saturday from his farm home five or six miles northeast of the city and spent some time here on business and greeting friends.

W. A. King was in Spur the first of this week buying lumber and building material in the improvement of a new place which he recently purchased a few miles south of Spur.

S. B. Scott was around the city the first of the week smiling and as jovial as any man in the whole country. Asked as to why he was so happy, he informed us that he had a fine boy at his home. We extend our congratulations and we are confident that S. B., Jr., will make a man of whom his father will be proud.

Mrs. E. H. Wendell, of New York, is in the city and is now having her property in the city repaired, repainted and placed in the best of shape. Mrs. Wendell is one of the best business women we have ever met, and is most progressive in her ideas of city building and improvement.

Elmo Sleight made a trip the latter part of last week to Abilene after a "Country Club" Overland for Hogan & Patton. He carried us out in this new car and we can testify that it is one of the neatest, smoothest running and most up-to-date cars we have seen. In fact, when we get rich we intend to get a "Country Club."



THE EXAMPLE

Of the Successful Business Man is a good one to follow; you can't go far wrong if you walk in his footsteps. No man of affairs today is without a commercial bank account; no business however small, can afford to be without one. If you have not an account, get in line for success by opening one with us today.

CAPITAL STOCK \$40,000

SURPLUS FUND \$10,000

THE CITY NAT'L BANK OF SPUR, TEXAS

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