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DICKENS COUNTY'S FIRST WAR BABY WAS BORN THURSDAY

Dickens county's first "War Baby" was born Thursday afternoon, June 27th, 1918, when a daughter made her appearance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Witt Springer, in Spur.

Within twenty four hours after her birth, young Miss Springer had become a member of the Red Cross organization, the possessor of a five dollar War Savings Stamp, and no doubt if the war continues long enough she will become a Red Cross nurse and enlist for service in rendering personal and efficient aid to the wounded, while her father battles against further encroachment of the Huns.

Witt Springer is now somewhere in France, doing his part in holding back the German hordes. He has not had the pleasure of seeing his first and only child, but we assure him that she will fully meet his fondest hopes and expectations in every instance, and we of Dickens county are proud and pardonably boastful of our first "War Baby."

Although coming into the world in unsettled times and during the most troubles period of its history, may little Miss Springer soon have the pleasure of greeting her father on his return home, bearing the arms of complete victory and with the assurance of a lasting and more perfect peace than the world has ever known.

WANTS TO HELP THOSE WHO "BLOWED OUT" LAST FRIDAY

We received a telephone message Wednesday morning from M. L. Blakley, of the Afton country, stating that since he heard a number of farmers of this and other sections of the county were "blowed out" Friday night by the wind and sand storm he wanted to help them out by furnishing fine dwarf cane and maize seed to those who wanted a plant. He also has mebane cotton seed, and said he would sell these seed at reduced prices to those who needed it.

The sand and wind storm did damage a number of farmers throughout this part of the county, but it is hoped that the damage will not prove so serious as some now think it is. In the Espeula community, we are informed several crops were very seriously damaged, and some may have to re-plant or put the ground in feed



You will be pleased with the Assortment of Shirts we are Showing.

Shirts of Silk, Madras, Percale and Soisette from plain colors to Novelty Patterns in single twin and multi-colored stripes on white and colored grounds.

Silk Shirts, \$6.50 to \$9.50.
Other Shirts, \$1.50 to \$5.00

Neckwear, Socks, Pajamas, soft Collars and Underwear.

HOGAN & PATTON
"The Mans Store"

staff. In talking with G. W. Dodson the other day, he informed us that by actual past experience he was convinced that the damage to crops by this wind and sand storm would not be very serious. Several years ago he said that a hail storm just riddled his cotton crop, and that he and others who saw the crop thought it would be a complete loss. However, he left it, the stalks sprouted out and he gathered fifty eight bales of cotton on less than a hundred acres. Mr. Dodson has been farming here a good many years, is a successful farmer, and his experience may be worth something to those who think now that they have suffered a complete loss. This country has the reputation of "promising less and producing more" than any country in the world—and this may again be demonstrated in this instance. Should a rain come any time soon, this "blowed out" cotton may come out and make a bale to the acre.

CALLED FOR MILITARY SERVICE JULY 5 AND 15 BY LOCAL BOARD

The following registrants of Dickens county will be called for service and will entrain at Spur July 5th: Clarence Dudley, Roaring Springs Wm. Mills Allen, Vineyard, Texas Henry Reese Cantrell, McAdoo Arthur Campbell, Manitou, Oklahoma Hugh Oliver Tinney, Spur Stephen H. Holly, of Dickens, has been called as alternate for this increment.

The following men have been called and will entrain at Spur July 15: Fonzo Gardner Shaw, Dickens Albert Blair, Spur George Danul Miller, Oklahoma City Wm. Nathan Thacker, Dickens John Harrison Blakley, Dickens

Wm. Overton Rucker, of Dickens, has been selected as alternate for this increment.

These men will go to Fort Sam Houston, near San Antonio.

A call has also been made for July 22nd, but the names and number of men to be called for this time are not yet available.

KENT COUNTY FAILED TO SUBSCRIBE WAR SAVINGS QUOTA

Chalk Brown, of the 24-Ranch in Kent county, was in Spur Monday, spending several hours here on business and greeting his friends. He informed us that Kent county had up to that date failed to subscribe for its allotted quota of War Savings Stamps, but that the amount would be subscribed before the expiration of the time limit, December 31st. It is every man's duty to support his government, and especially so in a crisis, and those who fail to recognize their individual responsibilities in connection with the government, become disloyal citizens. There are many loyal citizens who have not yet awakened to the seriousness of the warring situation, and of course their neglect to lend the government their aid is not really disloyal until they do realize the situation and then fail to respond. The daily expense of this war is incomprehensible to us, in that mounts up to such great proportions. The people are the government—they must meet these expenses, and every individual must bear his just proportion of the burden. We are glad to be able to loan our little mite to the government, and all we expect to keep during this war is merely enough to buy corn bread and molasses to live on. The time is here when no man can live to himself alone without regard for our community interests.

DICKENS COUNTY BOY LEFT WEDNESDAY FOR TRAINING

Ira Greenleaf Clark, of Dickens, left Spur Wednesday for the University of Texas Training School for Mechanics.

DICKENS COUNTY "GOES OVER THE TOP" IN W. S. S. DRIVE

Every school district in Dickens county, with but a single exception "went over the top" with the allotted quotas for War Savings Stamps subscription and pledges. The exact figures have not yet been compiled by County Chairman M. E. Manning at this time, but by next week we may be able to give the exact amount pledged by each district.

The exception was the Spring Creek school district with a quota of two thousand dollars, less than three hundred dollars being reported as pledged. Every other district is reported "away over the top" with their quotas.

In Spur the meeting was held at the Christian church, and within a comparatively short time \$41,110 was pledged, our quota being \$30,000. A limit club of eleven members was first formed, this amount being followed by a number of \$500 pledges; \$300, \$250, \$200 and on down to \$5. Some eight or ten thousand dollars in War Stamps had already been sold in Spur, more will be sold than was pledged, and by December 31st the Spur school district will have purchased more than fifty thousand dollars in War Stamps.

In every school district there were numbers of individuals and families of our own personal knowledge who made real sacrifices in their pledges to buy stamps. Such acts are due the highest honor and commendation. The man or woman who gives his or her all and even pledges more than they have, has performed more than a duty—while the man who is worth fifty to an hundred thousand dollars and buys only the limit, one thousand dollars, for himself, leaving other members of his family stampless, has not only failed in his duty but has imposed a real burden upon his less fortunate neighbor of more limited means.

On the whole the people of this country are "clean", loyal and patriotic, are meeting the warring situation, willing, ready and anxious to bear their just portion of the burdens of war times.

SPUR WINS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTEST WITH STAMFORD

The Spur vs. Stamford Sunday school contest closed the three months contest Sunday, June 30th, final results giving Spur the victory by a large majority of points, winning on every point of merit. The first month Stamford gave us a close race but from then on Spur lead the way. Stamford had 17 that were present every Sunday. Spur had 40 that never missed, and 57 that only failed one Sunday. The total points give Spur 13,161; total points for Stamford, 6,864; Spur having a winning lead of 5,297 points.

Sunday was a good day with Spur, having Ezra Jacks, the singer and whistler, with us, 115 being in attendance, with record collections of \$140.61 at the close.

The Sunday school held its annual election of officers, with the following results: Chas. A. Love, Supt.; Sol Davis, Asst. Supt.; Miss Lula Goff, Sec.; Miss Gladys Stafford, Treas.;

This Sunday school has grown from 28 members in two years to over 150.

SHERIFF GREEN HERE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY TO REGISTER

Sheriff T. M. Green will be in Spur Friday and Saturday for the accommodation of women who wish to register in order to vote in the coming primary election. The law does not require the tax collector to go outside of the court house for this registration, he merely doing this for the convenience of the women throughout the county. He will visit every voting box in the county next week in accord with the schedule publish-

ed elsewhere in this paper.

All women are required to register before the 12th of July in order to vote.

We are informed that forty odd women have already registered from the Draper and other boxes of that part of the county. The indications are that there will be a large number of women votes in the primary election, and for this reason we can not predict the outcome of the election.

WILL LUMAN CASE TRANSFERRED AND CONTINUED

The case of Will Luman, charged with the murder of J. F. Bostick, which was set for the regular June term of District court at Anson, in Jones county, has been continued and transferred to Haskell county, and set for hearing in November.

Luman's bond was forfeited on account of his absence, he being in a hospital at Post, having undergone an operation. Another bond was made and he was released.

TEN VOLUNTEERS LEAVE MONDAY FOR TRAINING CAMP

Monday there were ten volunteer recruits for army service entrained in Spur for Fort Bliss, near El Paso.

The recruits were divided into two squads of five men each as follows:

Robert M. Allen, captain
Robert R. Rogers, Dickens
Frank F. Wright, Croton
John Wilson, Dickens
Harvey Adams, McAdoo.

The second squad was as follows:

Carlos Medlin, captain, Dickens
Willie Payne, Dickens
Albert Green, Dickens
Roy W. Davis, Spur
Edwin Woody, Spur.

These boys were all under twenty one years of age, and freely volunteered their services to the country in this crisis, and they have the respect and honor of every citizen of Dickens county for their sacrifice to the needs of the country.

In honor of their departure the stores of Spur closed from one to two o'clock, and the townspeople and country people were at the depot to bid the boys a successful mission and a speedy return to their homes.

All honor to the volunteer boys of Dickens county, and may each earn honors and distinction in their service to our country.

57 COUNTIES PASS QUOTAS ON WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

State director of the national committee, Louis Lipsitz, has announced that fifty seven counties of Texas have over-subscribed their quotas in War Savings Stamps. The counties reporting "over the top" are as follows: Anderson, Aransas, Bailey, Brazoria, Brazos, Caldwell, Calhoun, Carson, Cherokee, Colorado, Crockett, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Delta, Dickens, Donley, Edwards, El Paso, Fayette, Floyd, Fort Bend, Garza, Gonzales, Gray, Gregg, Hall, Henderson, Hill, Jackson, Jasper, Karnes, Kaufman, Kimble, Kleberg, Leon, Lynn, Madison, Maverick, Nacagdoches, Oldham, Panola, Randall, Red River, Refugio, Roberts, Rusk, Smith, Stephens, Sutton, Swisher, Tyler, Upton, Van Zandt, Victoria, Wharton, Wichita and Wood.

REV. E. E. WHITE ENLISTED AS CHAPLAIN FOR WAR DUTY

Rev. E. White and wife returned Wednesday from Georgetown, Luling and San Antonio where they have been spending some time. Rev. White was called home at this time on account of a notification that he would soon be called for training as Army Chaplain. Upon his arrival in Spur he received notice to attend Chaplains Training School at Louisville, Kentucky, beginning July 12th, and he will leave next week. The training school will be of five weeks duration and will have eighty pupils for training. If Rev. White passes this training examination he will be commissioned 1st Lieutenant, and probably be sent at once to Europe for service. He will fill his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday and Sunday night. Hereafter the pulpit will be filled each Sunday by some other preacher until Rev. White knows definitely if he will be called for foreign service.

Rev. White said that while he was in San Antonio on the 28th, National War Savings Day, he witnessed an airplane display over the city, the planes being formed in the regulation V-shape for both offensive and defensive operation, and as they maneuvered over the city baskets of War Savings literature was thrown over the city, the whole making a most impressive spectacle. In that part of the country war activities are much more in evidence than in this more remote section.

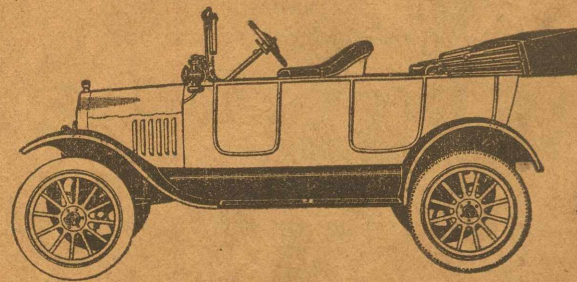
A DISTINGUISHED LADY OF MOTLEY COUNTY VISITS HERE

Mrs. L. B. Campbell, of Matador, returned last week to her home after spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moore at their ranch home west of Spur. Mrs. Campbell is a distinguished lady of Motley county, being one of the first two women to settle in the county, the first to marry in the county and her son was the first white child ever born in the county. Though reared in this country in the early days, Mrs. Campbell is an accomplished lady, highly educated and deserves credit and commendation for having contributed much to the development of this great country to its present state of civilization and in educational advantages, social, religious and commercial progress.

RETURNS FROM OVERLAND TRIP THROUGH STATE OF ARKANSAS

J. C. Miller and family returned last week from a trip through the eastern part of Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The trip was made thru the country in a car. Mr. Miller reports a very interesting and enjoyable trip and said that while in Arkansas he met a number of Dickens county people, spending one night with Rev. J. V. Bilberry and family. He said he had no car troubles, coming back to Spur with some of the air he left with in his tubes. Over in Arkansas, he said, he used five gallons of gasoline in traveling forty two miles, the distance being up one continuous mountain. The apple and fruit crop in Arkansas will be short this year.

Genuine Ford Parts For Sale



FORDS—F. O. B. Detroit:
Touring Car, \$450; Roadster, \$435.

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Spur, Texas.



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It's from an actual photograph of Frieda Hempel of the Metropolitan Opera singing in direct comparison with her own voice on the New Edison.

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It proves that the instrument does *Re-create*, not merely *imitate*. Hundreds of these tone tests have been conducted. More than 2,000,000 people have attended them. And not one could say when it was the artist he heard and when the instrument. With the lights lowered to hide the singer's lips the audience was completely baffled.

Visit our store and receive a demonstration of the marvelous New Edison

THE RED FRONT DRUG STORE

Get your Kodaks and Films at the Red Front Drug Store. tf

Mrs. R. G. Rogers returned this week from an extended visit to relatives in California.

Jake Scott, of the Afton country, was among the business visitors to Spur the first of this week.

Did you know you must buy your Winter Coal Now?—Spur Grain & Coal Co., Spur, Texas 26tf

C. E. Senning made a trip this week to Fort Worth, Dallas and other Eastern cities.

Last week Judge E. J. Cowan and wife moved into their new home just completed in the west part of the city.

We can sell you a second-hand suit of clothes, good as new, at a great saving to you.—Jopling Bros. 31-tf

T. G. Bass, of Dry Lake, was one of the number of business visitors here Saturday. He reports his crops doing nicely with prospects of good yields this fall.

Use wine down to the Allied Bakery and Restaurant to get something to eat. They keep the best of everything.

See Jopling Brothers for the best cleaning and pressing. 31-tf

E. B. McLaughlin, of McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week.

Grover Overstreet, of the Afton country, was among the business visitors to Spur the first of this week.

Mrs. W. R. Stafford and children returned the latter part of last week from Mineral Wells where they spent two or three weeks.

Mesdames L. N. Riter and V. C. Smart returned last week from Mineral Wells where they have been several weeks taking treatment.

We carry the best coal that can be bought. Give us your order.—Spur Grain & Coal Co., Spur, Texas. 26tf

Robt. Nickels, of the plains section of country near McAdoo, was in town the first of this week trading and on other business.

Mr. Brannen, postmaster and general merchant of McAdoo, was in Spur this week hauling out supplies for his store.

Mrs. O. B. Bragg returned the latter part of the past week from Amarillo where she spent a vacation of two weeks with Mrs. W. J. Attebury and family.

Tom McArthur, of Tap, was in the city Monday, spending several hours here on business and greeting his numerous friends.

We have Alfalfa and Prairie Hay, No. 2 Red Oats to sell. We buy cow hides and sacks.—Farmers Wagon Yard, Spur, Texas. 30-tf

Clifford B. Jones returned the first of the week from Fort Worth where he had been several days serving on the District Exemption Board.

J. Z. Smith, of Red Mud, was in town Saturday. J. Z. is one of the old timers here and never gets uneasy about sand storms, winds and rains—he knows we get them and is always ready for "any eventuality"

We carry a complete line of Nunnally's Candies. Always Fresh and Fine.—Red Front Drug Store. 15-tf

B. M. Blackmon, of the Highway community, was in town Tuesday and told us that he brought in a big lot of "snap-eyed peas" grown in his garden, and which he disposed of to the townspeople very readily. He also stated that he had a fine garden, but we advised him that we "had to be shown" concerning these things.

Jesse Rogers and wife, nee Miss Doris Attebury, were in Spur this week spending the time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rogers, and other friends of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were married last week in Amarillo. Their many friends in Spur join the Texas Spur in extending congratulations and very best wishes.

C. D. Pullin, of near McAdoo, was in town Tuesday after some posts and wire with which inclose grass for his stock. Feed is so high these days that any grass on the side is worth money. He was also damaged to a certain extent by the wind and sand storm Friday night of the past week. However, with a good rain soon the damage will not be felt this fall at the time of marketing thirty cent cotton and forty or fifty dollar maize.

Let us take your measure for a new Spring Suit. We guarantee to fit you and to please you in every particular.—Jopling Brothers. 31-tf

W. T. Lovell, of Draper, was in the city Tuesday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. We are always glad to see Lovell and talk with him—and especially were we glad to meet him this time and have him "cheer us" along the way immediately following the first of the month. Lovell may never have much money himself, but he can make a fellow forget his troubles. Come see us oftener, Lovell.

BLACKSMITHING

I have bought the G. A. Howsley Blacksmith shop, and we are Equipped with experienced men and materials to turn out the very best work of any character. We want your blacksmithing business and will do it right and at the right prices. Horse Shoeing is our Specialty. Call and See us.

D. R. SELMON, Spur, Texas

C. M. Buchanan, of north of Dickens, was in Spur the first of this week trading and on other business.

FOR SALE—Fort Worth Well Machine, 6-horse engine, good shape. Will sell or trade.—Geo. Renfro. 26f

S. W. Rather, of Cat Fish, was in the city Saturday buying supplies and meeting his friends.

War bread, Pies, Cakes, etc. at the Allied Bakery & Restaurant.

Attorney B. G. Worswick, of the city of Dickens, came over Tuesday and spent several hours in Spur on business and greeting his friends.

We can sell you a new suit of clothes, or we can clean and press your old clothes and make them look new. Call and see us when you want to dress up.—Jopling Bros. 31-tf

W. L. Grubbs, of Red Mud, was in the city Saturday, spending an hour or two here trading and conversing with friends.

N. B. Fuqua, of Red Mud, was in Spur Saturday trading and on other business. He reports everything looking good in his part of the country, with prospects of bumper crops.

A. A. Allen and family, of the Croton country, were in Spur Monday to bid the volunteer boys good bye. Mr. Allen had a son in this volunteer intrainment, as well as in nearly every call that has been made up to date.

J. W. Davis and family, of the Soldier Mound community, were among the many in Spur Monday to see the volunteer soldier boys leave on the afternoon train. Among the number of volunteers to leave was that of Roy W. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis.

Blacksmith Wanted.—See or write to D. R. Selmon, Spur, Texas. 32tf

W. D. Eldrege, of the plains country near McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday of this week. He said that the wind and sand storm of Friday night did him very little damage since his cotton and feed stuff were more advanced than other crops of the country. The only damage to him as a result of the wind and sand will be the probability of "setting back" the growth of his crops a few days.

Ask the fuel administrator—S. R. Davis—when you will have to buy coal!—Spur Grain & Coal Co. 26tf

D. S. Cargile, of the Red Mud section, left Spur Monday for Abilene where he goes to have his eye treated. Recently Mr. Cargile had the small pox and he supposed that the disease settled in one of his eyes. The eye is now in a very critical condition, and it is feared that he may lose the sight completely.

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Judge Walter L. Powell, of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday of this week on business and greeting his friends of Spur.

Mrs. J. M. Jones returned Tuesday from Oklahoma where she spent several days with her daughters, one of whom has been very ill.

Mrs. L. A. Hindman and sons, Jack and Doll, were in the city Tuesday afternoon visiting friends and shopping with the merchants.

T. B. Sullenberger, of the Steel Hill country, was in the city Monday. He is making preparations to leave soon for Oklahoma where he will engage in the dry goods business.

Flash Lights and Batteries, a fresh stock always on hand.—Red Front Drug Store. 15-tf

Lee Payne, of Dickens, was in the city Monday. He had a son to go with the ten volunteers Monday to Fort Bliss near El Paso.

New Hardware and Furniture Store in Dickens

I have opened a hardware and furniture business in Dickens and carry a complete line of shelf hardware, furniture and undertakers supplies.

J. H. Reynolds, Dickens, Texas

WHAT YOU WASTE WILL BUY A

LIBERTY BOND

We all spend too much money on "unnecessaries"

The country needs some of the money you spend on pleasures, which though harmless, you CAN manage without.

For your own sake save this money, and put it into a Liberty Bond.

The Bond is as good as a bank account... It is yours to borrow on, to sell, to do as youlike with.

Do your duty to yourself and your country by buying a

LIBERTY BOND

Call in let us answer your questions, and fix up an application for you.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK
SPUR, TEXAS

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Vendor's Lien Notes Bought or Taken up....

E. J. COWAN, SPUR, TEXAS
Office in the Cowan Building

Is Your Money Supporting the Government?

At this critical period in our history our manufacturers are offering their mills, and our young men are offering their services to the United States Government.

Would you like to do your share and help by putting your money where it will support the new Federal Reserve Banking System, which the Government has established to stand back of our commerce, industry and agriculture.

You can do this by opening an account with us, as part of every nollar so deposited goes directly into the new system, where it will always be ready for you when wanted.

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
SPUR, TEXAS

750 TEXAS SALOONS ARE TO BE AFFECTED BY STATE-WIDE

Austin, Texas, June 25.—The statutory state-wide prohibition act of the 35th legislature which becomes effective at mid-night Tuesday night, will affect 750 saloons in Texas, that number representing all that remains in operation since the ten-mile zone law went into effect April 15 last.

At the time the zone law became effective there were 2,250 saloons in operation in the state, and of this number 1,800 were closed by this law. By the closing of 750 saloons Tuesday night as a result of the state wide law, the state will lose revenue from liquor licenses amounting to \$45,000, and county and city revenue from the same source totaling a similar amount. When the zone law went into effect it eliminated a revenue of \$216,000 of which \$108,000 was collected by the state and a similar amount went to cities and counties.

SOLDIER MOUND.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Childress went to Spur Friday to attend the W. S. S. meeting.

Dr. Nichols made a professional call here Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Hobson is very ill of typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Bowman went to Spur this morning.

Mrs. R. Johnson, of Houston, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Twaddell.

Friends have heard from W. H. Harvey who has arrived safe "somewhere" in France, in the best of spirits and sends good wishes to all here.

W. E. Abernathy, of Amarillo, is visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hindman and Miss Beulah Hindman went to Spur Monday to see the boys off.

Dr. Standifer was in our midst Thursday.

Mr. Dan Pritchett informed us his mother is better.

Mr. W. W. Murphy's daughter and child, little Miss Joy, arrived from Palestine Monday for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Cathey and Essie Cathey motored to Spur Monday.

Roy W. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hagins and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Davis visited home folks Sunday.

Mrs. B. G. Worswick, of Dickens, Mrs. Qualls, of New Mexico, and Mrs. Ward, of Stamford, were honor guests of the Red Cross meeting held with Mrs. S. R. Bowman as hostess. 26 were present and are now armed with knitting needles for future work.

The relatives and friends of the boys who have left our county, appreciate and treasure the fact that the merchants and people of Dickens county remembered the hour they were leaving.—Patriot.

Louis Medlin, who has been visiting his family in Dickens, returned last week to Tampico.

FROM DICKENS COUNTY BOY AT CAMP BOWIE

Hello friends and relatives.

I will start my letter this time by telling you about a little story: There was two negroes talking about the war and what great inventions we have. So one said to the other; Joe, have you heard about that big gun, that Mars Ederson has invented? Nope, George, I haven't heard of it. Well, they say that when they shoot it that the bullet goes in a German quarter, and that bullet has got something in it and then still shoots, that them German wear just draw it right to them, and it kills every German in that quarter, and comes right back to the American lines. Now, Joe, what I want to know is, how it keeps from killing the Americans when it comes back? Well, George, you can just bet your life if that man Ederson invented that gun, he fixed it so it wouldn't hurt the American boys. So boys, that is the way we are, we are leaving our homes and loved ones to go across the danger trail, and teach the Kaiser a lesson, that he will not forget in a while. Boys it is a rough road the first month you are here, but soon get hardened to it, and it will not bother you near so much. I got a little homesick once in a while, but I don't let that bother me no more than I can help, for I think it won't be long until we can return to our homes and live in peace, and not have a dread on our minds. It makes my blood boil to hear the way the Kaiser and his bunch are doing the poor helpless women and little children over there. I'm glad Uncle Sam has protected our mothers and sisters, although it may be a little hard on us boys for a while but we have the grit to stand it, for we could never let a bunch like the Kaiser's rule the world. Well, it is about hiking time, so had better close and get in the road.

I am well and hope the people of Dickens county are enjoying good health, so good bye for this time.

Your friend,

Homer C. Pierce,
Camp Bowie, Texas, Detention Camp Div. 36, Co. 4, Tent 221.

P. S. I am proud to receive letters from my cousins and friends.

TO WATER USERS.

To the water users of the City of Spur: Your bill for water is due on the 10th of each month. This means you! And if your water is cut off on the 11th, you haven't any one to blame but yourself.—City Water Works.

Hansel Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson, of the Highland community, underwent a successful operation the later part of last week at the Standifer Hospital, and is now reported doing nicely. Hansel has been suffering some time of appendicitis.

THINGS ABOUT THE NEW REGULATIONS OF IDLERS

Under date of May 23, 1918, Provost Marshall General has sent to the Exemption boards instructions in the recent regulations that is effective July 1, 1918, regarding the idlers, that reads as follows in part of substance:

Whenever, after July 1, 1918, any registrant in Class I, II, III, or IV, wherever he may be located, is reported to or observed by any local board whether it be his local board or origin (that is the local board having jurisdiction of his registration and questionnaire) or a local board having jurisdiction over the territorial area in which he may be found, whether having original jurisdiction on him or not, be to an idler, or to be engaged in any occupation or employment defined and described in these Regulations or any amendments thereof as a non-productive occupation or employment such Local Board shall, by notice as hereinafter described, notify him and set a day and hour when the registrant may appear and present such evidence, by affidavit or otherwise bearing upon the reasons for his status, as he may care to submit. The day set shall not be less than three or more than seven days after the date of such notice unless the Local Board on account of distance or other good and sufficient cause extend the time.

Definition of Non-productive Occupation or Employment.

In the present emergency it is not possible to extend the protection of deferred classification to those registrants engaged in certain occupations or employments which are non-productive.

There is demand for labor in all productive occupations and employments, and especially in agriculture and other necessary industries. Therefore, registrants who have been given deferred classifications and who can engage in some productive occupation or employment without substantial financial loss or hardship to themselves or others should be willing to seek some productive occupation or employment or enter the military service rather than remain in an occupation or employment in which they are rendering no effective assistance to the nation.

If a registrant is idle, he of course, is not occupied or employed at all, and his status of idleness furnishes ground for the withdrawal of his deferred classification or late order number; and the Regulations applicable to idle registrants shall be deemed applicable to gamblers of all descriptions and employees of race tracks and bucket shops, and to fortune tellers, clairvoyants, palmists, and the like, who, for the purpose of these Regulations, shall be considered as idlers.

The employment or engagement of any able-bodied registrant of military age in any of the following occupations or employments is not sufficiently effective in the present emergency, to justify the postponement of his call into military service, notwithstanding he may have a late order number and notwithstanding he may have been placed in Class II, III, or IV, on the ground of dependency; and all registrants engaged as follows are to be considered by Local and District Board as engaged in nonproductive occupations or employments:

- Persons engaged in the serving of food and drinks, or either, in public places, including hotels and social clubs;
- Passenger-elevator operators and attendants; and door men, foot men, carriage openers and other attendants in clubs, hotels, stores apartment houses, office buildings, and bathhouses;
- Persons, including ushers and other attendants, engaged and occupied in and in connection with games, sports, and amusements, excepting actual performers in legitimate concert, operas, or theatrical performances;
- Persons employed in domestic service;
- Sales clerks and other employed in stores and other mercantile establishments.

Reasonable Excuse for Idleness or Nonproductive Employment

Local and District Board must consider cases of withdrawal of deferred classification and late order numbers with sympathy and common sense.

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Chas. Whitener

The designation and definition of nonproductive occupation or employment contained in the foregoing Section, may be extended by Regulation from time to time as necessary may require so as to include persons in other occupations or employments; but for the present and until such extension by regulation, no occupation or employment not included in the list or description of foregoing section may be held by any Local or District Board to be a nonproductive occupation or employment unless as to whether or not a doubtful occupation or employment is to be considered as nonproductive is first obtained from the Provost Marshall General in the manner prescribed in Section 25.

The following grounds shall be accepted by Local and District Boards as reasonable excuse for temporary idleness or for being engaged in a nonproductive occupation or employment:

- Sickness
- Reasonable vacation
- Lack of reasonable opportunity for employment in any occupation outside of those described in the foregoing Section or those hereafter specified by Regulation or Ruling as provided in this Section.
- Temporary absence (not regular vacation) from regular employment, not to exceed one week, unless such temporary absence is habitual and frequent, shall not be considered as idleness.
- Where there are compelling domestic circumstances that would not permit change of employment by the registrant without disproportionate hardship to his dependents; or where a change from a nonproductive to a productive employment or occupation would necessitate the removal of registrant from his place of residence, and removal would, in the judgement of the board, cause unusual hardship to the registrant or his family; or when such change of employment would necessitate the night employment of women under circumstances deemed by the Boards unsuitable for such employment of women, boards are authorized to consider any and all circumstances as reasonable excuse for nonproductive employment.

NEW DRAFT CALL MADE BY CROWDER

Washington, June 25.—As further steps toward carrying out the war department's plan to have three million men under arms August first, Provost Marshall General Crowder today called on the Governors of all the states except Arizona and Illinois for the mobilization between July 22 and 25, of 220,000 white draft registrants for general military service.

The call is expected to exhaust the men in Class One and when added to the school requisitions of 23,436 men, brings the total calls so far announced for July 24, 436. To complete its program the department will have to depend on the four hundred thousand class one registrants from the June fifth enrollment and the 250,000 or 300,000 to be obtained through the reclassification now in progress.

In the call announced tonight New York leads the list with 22,241 men, Iowa is second with 17,849 and Wisconsin third with 13,200.

Some of the states quotas and camp assignments follow:

California 4,000; Camp Lewis Wash. Colorado 1,100; Camp Travis, Tex. Kansas 3,700; Camp Funston, Kan-

sas; 900 Fort Riley, Kansas.

New Mexico 740; Camp Travis, Texas.

Texas 8,700; Camp Travis, Texas.

FIRST YEAR OF WAR COSTS U. S. TWELVE BILLION DOLLARS

Washington, June 28.—The government today closed the books of the first fiscal year of war expenditures, which reach a total amount undreamed of a decade ago.

The actual outlay was more than twelve billion six hundred million dollars. In peace time the government spends less than a billion annually.

War activity is now draining the treasury at the rate of about \$50,000,000 a day.

Washington, June 29.—In disposing of amendments to the \$12,000,000,000 army bill the senate today rejected the amendment proposing to direct President Wilson to raise an army of 5,000,000 as soon as equipment and transportation could be provided.

VOTE TO KEEP TEXAS DRY.

Texas is dry! On Tuesday night at ten-thirty o'clock, June 25th, the saloons quit business in Texas. Texas is dry! These saloons, harborers of shame and wantonness, breeding place of vice, poverty and woe, is closed. We women should celebrate the day with flying colors, for it is we and our helpless children who suffer most when he whom we love has learned to frequent the saloon. Thank God, Texas is dry! But we are going to keep Texas dry. Do you think madam, that the issue is settled? Nay, verily, they are at work right now to get whiskey back, and will neither spare time nor money to bring it to pass. Do not think for a moment, dear mother, that the saloon gang and "booze-fighters" will quietly step down and out, and it is up to the good women of Texas to get busy and register so they can cast their vote against the pestilential saloons in time to keep them out for good. We say it is up to the "good" women to keep Texas dry, for it need less to say that the "bad" women will all vote, and vote for "booze," so do not be a slacker in this great hour, but go immediately and register, so you can throw the preponderance of your vote on the right side. Do not allow sentiment, or any thing else detain you, for it is your solemn duty before God, if you are opposed to the saloon and all its attendant evils, to vote, for there is no other way to keep Texas dry but through the ballot. And when you go to cast your vote, remember Mrs. Voter, that Mr. Ferguson stands pat for "booze" while Mr. Hobby, our present governor, believes that the people should rule. He says by word and deed, "let the people rule" and he is the one to vote for, because he has been tried and found faithful. Vote to keep Texas dry.—A Patriotic Mother

CAMP TRAVIS BOY HOME ON FURLOUGH

Private 1st Class Omer N. Nix of the Camp Travis Fire Department has been granted a ten days furlough for the purpose of visiting his home folks and attending to business matters that needed his attention.

Mrs. John Hackworth and two children, of Alabama, niece of Mrs. H. T. Garner, are here for an extended visit to Mrs. Garner and Mrs. W. L. Hyatt.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DICKENS COUNTY OFFICES

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements for offices, subject to the Democratic Primary election to be held in July:

For Representative 105th District:
M. E. ROSSER, of Scurry.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

G. L. BARBER

B. G. FORD

W. P. SAMPSON

J. O. YOPP

S. THOMP. JOHNSON

F. R. HARRINGTON

T. M. GREEN

LUTHER C. STARK

For County and District Clerk:

MARTIN GAY

(Re-election)

For Tax Assessor:

G. B. JOPLING

(Re-election)

FRANK SPEER

For County Judge:

WALTER L. POWELL

(Re-election)

For County Treasurer:

D. A. YOUNG

STEPHEN R. AUSTIN

C. H. PERRY

FRED HISEY

For County Commissioner, Precinct 3

J. J. ALBIN

W. A. JOHNSON

(Re-election)

G. W. RASH

D. J. GILBERT

J. H. BOOTHE

For County Commissioner, Precinct 1

RUSH McLAUGHLIN

For County Commissioner, Precinct 4

W. L. THANISCH

L. G. CRABTREE

For County Commissioner, Precinct 2

W. F. McCARTY

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3:

J. E. TAYLOR

PROFITEERING EXISTS IN THE AMERICAN INDUSTRIES NOW

Washington, June 29.—Careful investigations by the Federal Trade Commission leads to the conclusion that profiteering exists in American industries at the present time. It is due in part by the war pressure for heavy production, in part to inordinate greed and barefaced fraud, the report says. The report finds "heavy profit by low cost concerns under government-fixed price for the whole country; second, heavy profit by the meat packers and allied industries and the flour millers; third, a trade tendency to increase and maintain prices against cost competition." It says the average profit under the government fixed price in one flour mill for six months shows two dollars a barrel. The report names five big meat packers and says they have preyed upon the people unconscionably during the last three years. It said that enormous profits were made in the oil and gasoline industry. The steel concerns also made unusual profits.

INSPECTION OF NEW NATIONAL GUARD HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED

Austin, July 2.—Inspection of the two brigades of cavalry of the new Texas National Guard to begin at once was authorized in a telegram from Chief Carter of the Militia bureau at Washington, to Adjutant Gen. James A. Harley. The inspection General Harley said, will be made by officers now stationed at Fort Sam Houston. He said the inspection will be made to entitle the new unit to Federal recognition. Neither time nor place for federalization of the new cavalry units has been announced.



W. S. BELL, OF FOARD COUNTY, Candidate for State Senator.

W. S. Bell, of Crowell, Foard County, candidate for State Senator of this the 29th Senatorial District, was in Spur recently in the interest of his campaign. Mr. Bell is now serving his third term without opposition from the 103rd district, in the Legislature. He is thirty three years of age, and is now and has been for thirty three years living on a farm east of Crowell, raising fine hogs, sheep and cattle. He was chairman of the Agricultural Committee during the last session of the Legislature, and in every instance is fully identified with the Panhandle interests. W. S. Bell solicits the support and influence of voters in his campaign for State Senator, and should he be favored with the nomination will give conservative, constructive and efficient service to the public. Voters are asked to give his candidacy due consideration at the polls in the July Primary election. Adv.

FEDERAL CONTROL OF TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH LINES

Washington, July 2.—The house today took the Aswell resolution providing for federal control of telephone and telegraph lines from the commerce committee and gave it to the military committee. It is now thought that the military committee will report favorably the bill.

Secretary Baker told the committee that it was not at the present minute a military necessity to take over the lines, but that it might be the "next minute." Baker opposed any time limit being fixed for surrender of the lines to the owners.

Secretaries Daniels and Baker and Postmaster General Burleson appeared before the house commerce committee concerning the taking over of the telegraph and telephone lines. Daniels advocated permanent government ownership and operation. Burleson said the system, if conducted efficiently as the postoffices, never would go back to private ownership.

SCHEDULE FOR DRAFT CALLS RECEIVED BY CONGRESS

Washington, June 27.—Senator Chamberlain announced late yesterday that it is proposed to call in August 300,000 draft men, in September 150,000, and in December, 125,000. These 875,000 men, he said, are expected to exhaust class 1.

New and enlarged plans for the army were promised congress by Secretary of War Baker. Within two or three months, he told the senate, the enlarged program will be ready for presentation to the legislative body.

Abigger army than heretofore conceived, with greater provision for the shipping necessary for its transportation to Europe is believed to be involved.

Pending the submission of the new plans, Secretary Baker persuaded the committee to withdraw its support from the Fall amendment to the army appropriation bill, changing the draft age limits to 20 to 40 years. As a result of the response of the committee to Mr. Baker's request, prospects of a change in the draft ages at this session at least dwindled.

HOTEL DESTROYED BY FIRE WEDNESDAY AT LOCKNEY

The Brewster Hotel at Lockney was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday, the loss being estimated at six thousand dollars, being partially covered by insurance.

For United States Senator:
R. E. HELLER
MORRIS SHEPPARD

For Governor:
HENRY CLARK
V. W. GRUBBS
JAS. E. FERGUSON
W. P. HOBBY

For Lieutenant Governor:
W. E. DAVIDSON
S. B. COWELL
JOHN R. MOORE
L. H. BAILEY
JOHN M. HENDERSON
W. A. JOHNSON

For Chief Justice of Supreme Court:
F. M. SPANN
NELSON PHILLIPS

For Associate Justice Supreme Court:
J. D. HARVEY
THOMAS B. GREENWOOD

For Associate Justice Court of Criminal Appeals:
R. H. WARD
C. A. PIPPIN
WILLIAM PIERSON
F. B. MARTIN
O. S. LATTIMORE

For Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals:
S. P. HUFF

For State Treasurer:
J. M. EDWARDS
J. W. BAKER

For Attorney General:
C. M. CURETON
JOHN W. WOODS
MARSHALL SPOONTS

For Comptroller of Public Accounts:
H. B. TERRELL
SAM H. GOODLET
C. C. MAYFIELD

For Commissioner General Land Office:
J. T. ROBISON

For Commissioner of Agriculture:
FRED DAVIS
H. A. HALBERT

For Superintendent of Public Instruction:
BRANDON TRUSSELL
W. F. DOUGHTY
ANNIE WEBB BLANTON

For Congress, 18th District:
MARVIN JONES
J. W. CRUDGINGTON
J. L. LACKEY

For State Senator, 29th District:
W. S. BELL
R. L. TEMPLETON

For Representative, 105th District:
M. E. ROSSER

For District Attorney, 50th Judicial District:
J. ROSS BELL

For County Judge:
WALTER L. POWELL

For County Attorney:
B. G. WORSWICK

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M. GAY

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D. A. YOUNG
C. H. PERRY

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For County Commissioner, Precinct 4
L. G. CRABTREE
W. L. THANISCH

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3

COTTON CROP ESTIMATED TO BE 15,325,000 BALES IN 1918

Washington, July 2.—The cotton production this year is forecast to be 15,325,000 bales by the department of agriculture. The condition on June 25, was 85.8. The acreage is 37,073,000. The Texas acreage is 11,900,000, and the condition of the Texas crop is given at 84.

The estimated crop would be the third largest ever grown. The condition was 3.5 per cent better than on May 25, and six per cent higher than the ten year average.

ABILENE NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS ARE DISBANDED

Abilene, July 2.—The troop of cavalry organized here for the new National Guard has been disbanded on orders from the brigadier general's office. The reason given was that there was not a large enough percentage of men outside of the draft age. About twenty of the boys enlisted in the navy here Monday.

PETITIONING APPOINTMENT OF JO A. P. DICKSON U. S. MARSHAL

Petitions are being circulated in Dickens county and throughout this district, asking that Judge Jo A. P. Dickson, of Seymour, be appointed U. S. Marshal. George W. Parker, a stenographer for the U. S. court, of Dallas, has been appointed acting U. S. Marshal, to serve until a new marshal is appointed.

Judge Jo A. P. Dickson will fill the place ably and satisfactorily and we hope that the petitioners of West Texas in this appointment will be recognized. No better man than Judge Dickson can be found for the place.

MORE THAN MILLION SOLDIERS HAVE GONE TO FRANCE

Washington, July 2.—More than a million American soldiers have gone to France. The exact number—1,019,115—was disclosed in correspondence between President Wilson and Secretary Baker, made public Tuesday. Of this number, approximately 700,000 are fighting troops.

General Wood, acting quartermaster general of the army, disclosed the fact that by Jan. 1st, the United States will have in uniform an army of 4,000,000 men.

The first ship carrying military personnel sailed May 8, 1917, having on board base hospital No. 4 and members of the reserve nurses corps. "General Pershing and his staff sailed on May 30, 1917."

CALLS MADE FOR 220,000 MEN FOR MILITARY SERVICE IN JULY

Washington, June 25.—Provost Marshal General Crowder tonight called on the governors of all states for the mobilization between July 22 and 25 of 220,000 white draft registrants qualified for general military service. Texas' quota of this number will be 8,700 men.

This call is expected virtually to exhaust the number of men now in class one available for active military service.

The registrants of June 5th will be subject to call in August of this year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR KENT COUNTY OFFICES

The following announcements for offices in Kent County are made subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

For County Commissioner, Pre. No. 2
J. W. MORSE
J. S. JONES

CHURCH SERVICE SUNDAY AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be preaching at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and at night. Everybody is invited.—T. M. Cunningham, Pastor.

W. L. LAW DIED SATURDAY AT HOME OF HIS SON, J. L. LAW

J. L. Law, one of the oldest citizens of this Western country, answered the summons to the Great Beyond Saturday, June 22nd, and his body was laid to rest Sunday in the Dickens Cemetery.

W. L. Law was seventy three years of age at the time of his death, having settled in this country in its very earliest days. During the past ten months he has been helpless. He leaves a wife and six children in his home, his death occurring at the home of his son, John Law, of eight miles northwest of Afton.

W. L. Law was a good citizen and contributed much to the upbuilding of this Western country.

EVERY INDIVIDUAL AT HIGHWAY BOUGHT WAR STAMPS

Every man, woman and child of the Highway community, is reported to have not only attended the meeting on War Savings Day but every one purchased stamps, the school district going away over the top with their allotted quota. It is reported that only two men of the community failed to attend the meeting—one of the two had small pox, and a committee went to see the other one who stated that he did not know of the meeting or had forgotten it. However, he came and subscribed for stamps. They oversubscribed about one thousand dollars.

Mrs. Eagan Clemmons and children returned this week to their home in Marshall, Texas, after spending some time in the city with Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Clemmons. Mesdames E. H. and S. T. Clemmons accompanied her home for an extended visit in Marshall and other points.

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DRY LAKE ITEMS.

Plowing, planting and gathering plums is about the order of the day out here.

The sand storm of Thursday night did quite a lot of damage to cotton and young stuff.

W. C. Barley and wife, Mrs. Denson, Mr. Henry Smith and Miss Eva Harris, Mr. G. S. Jones and family, H. H. Hill and Mrs. Lilly attended the Fifth Sunday meeting at Midway Saturday and report a nice time and a sumptuous dinner, and plenty of sand. The next time G. S. Jones goes to Midway he's going straight through for he don't mind wire fences.

W. P. T. Smith is on the sick list this week.

Miss Eunice Denson returned from Aspermont Saturday. Her sister returned home with her.

C. N. Kidd and family visited in Jayton Sunday.

Mr. Jeff Smith and family and his mother, Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, visited friends and relatives near Roaring Springs Saturday and Sunday.

A large crowd attended singing Sunday night at W. C. Barley's, and report a nice time.

Turner Harris and wife and Elmer Jones and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Barton at Jayton Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ott Denson left Wednesday to visit her mother at Rochester.

Mrs. R. F. Rogers spent Sunday with Mrs. Haase.

Well, last Friday a large crowd of both men and women and children gathered at Dry Lake to do their bit in the W. S. S. fund, and she went "over the top" if she was heavy quotaed—but even the ladies and children did their part to.

Mrs. G. S. Jones and Mrs. Lilly are the first ladies of Dry Lake to register.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hill have relatives visiting them, but we failed to learn who they are and where they are from.

Mr. and Mrs. Kidd's baby is reported sick, but we hope not dangerous.

ously.

Earl Terrell returned home last week from his trip to New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Brummett were the guests of R. T. Dopson Sunday.

Jim Smith and wife and W. P. T. Smith and wife went to Mountain River fishing Wednesday.

LONELY GIRL.

A HUMAN SCREECH OWL

Were you ever aggravated day in and day out by a human screech owl? Well, we have one out our way. We do not know who she or he is, neither do we know how she or he looks, but we do know their screech well, for we hear it often enough when we are trying to talk over the telephone. There is so much to do in these sorrowful times, that it is strange that there is anybody, even a child, got time to spend most of their valuable time screeching at the telephone, yet, we are sorry to say we have one of that caliber in our midst, a most pernicious nuisance that ought to be severely dealt with. Are there no laws to protect us from such as that? The telephone was not made for pleasure, but it is an indispensable necessity, and should be regarded as something almost sacred. Surely this nuisance has no loved ones in the war else he or she would be thinking of something else besides aggravating honest, hard working folks who are trying to talk business over the telephone. Now if there were an idiot or a half wit in our community, we would certainly think it was them, but our folks are sensible enough, so there is no excuse for such conduct. We presume it is just thoughtlessness, some one having fun at some one else's expense, so we beg ye, dear screech owl, not to treat us that way any more. Remember, the stork is waiting ready to make a rade on us now at any time, so we beg you to go to work, and try to help win the war, or if you are disabled so you cannot work, please quit screeching, with the accent on the screeching.—Screech Owl's Friend.

GILPIN.

Mrs. Dallas Bennett and children, of Shawnee, Oklahoma, are the guests of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Bennett. Mrs. Bennett says that the crops in and around Shawnee are fine as can be desired when she left there.

Mr. Buster Bural of the Duck Creek settlement, is suffering of an ulcerated sore throat.

Duck Creek scored another success when we oversubscribed our prorata of War Savings Stamps Friday evening. The whole district was present except a few women who could not come, and our quota, which was \$3,500, was quickly oversubscribed. Of course everybody knows that this section of country did not make any thing last year, and is at present suffering greatly for rain, but we have got to win the war if it takes the bread out of our mouths, so we must save more, do without more, and work harder than ever, for it is going to take that and more to win the war.

"Mamma," asked little sister the other day, "how long can the Americans hold out to fight the Huns?" "Till the judgment day" replied the mother, "and then some" replied the father. "How could they fight after the judgment" asked big brother. "They would knock them into the hottest place down there and keep them there all through eternity" said father. But of course it will not come to that. We'll flog them long before the judgment. Oh, how we wish we were an able bodied man so we could go over and help swat them. Wouldn't it be grand to follow old glory right into Berlin and take possession?

Three cheers for the people at home; Three cheers for the red, white and blue;

Three cheers for Uncle Sam And his battering ram

And the boys who are seeing it thru. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Carlisle, of Girard, spent Sunday with his father and mother, Grandpa and Grandma Carlisle.

Messrs. John Carlisle and Uncle "Mac" McDaniel, of near Girard, passed through Gilpin Saturday.

Miss Mattie Hagins and Mrs. Reuben Lee were both on the sick list last week.

The Highway, near here, is full of men hauling gravel, and judging by the way they work the road will soon be built.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins made a trip to Spur one day last week.

June 25th, Mrs. Willie Hagins was the happy recipient of a number of beautiful birthday gifts. Her mother and brothers and little sister came from their several homes and enjoyed "sister's" sumptuous birthday together. It is just like the folks at home to remember the married sister or brother's birthday substantially.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark McCurry, of Jayton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Thomas last week.

Mrs. Lilly Lee and her sister, Miss Mattie Hagins, made a trip to Girard Tuesday.

Mr. J. T. iBiberry, of McAdoo, was in our midst one day last week.

Messrs. Jesse Hagins and Dewy Lee attended a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis at Soldier Mound Saturday night. The party was given in honor of her son, Roy W., who left for the training camp at Fort Bliss Monday.

GILPIN

(Delayed from last week) Crops are still growing nicely, but a good rain would be appreciated by the farmers.

A. T. Hagins and family visited re-

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latives here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Hagins and family visited at the home of his brother, J. T. Carlisle, near Girard, Sunday.

Miss Mattie Hagins and Mr. Walter Drigger attended church at Steel Hill Sunday.

Adrien Bennett was quite sick Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lucy Lee Hagins was on the sick list Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bennett of Spur and his sister, Mrs. Buster Bural, took dinner with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett Sunday.

Grandpa Carlisle went visiting Sunday.

What has become of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lollar? Haven't seen them in a coon's age. Guess they are busy "Hooverizing" to go visiting even on Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Jones, who has spent the past year in east Texas, has returned to her home. She is Grandma Carlisle's sister and lives with Grandpa and Grandma. Welcome home Aunt Mary.

Sure enough, that new buggy does belong to Mr. Perry Lee. Remember, Dewy, you promised to take us girls out driving pretty soon.

Mrs. Jessie Willis had good luck with her incubator. Hatched over 200 thrifty chicks.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hagins stayed at home all day Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Taylor set her incubator again last week—hope she will have good luck.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bennett met the train Monday, expecting her sister, Mrs. Dallas Bennett and children of Shawnee, Oklahoma, but their expected guest did not arrive.

Rev. W. B. Bennett preached at the Duck Creek schoolhouse.

Messrs. Clifford B. Jones and J. J. Smelser of Spur, met with our trustees Monday and five acres of land was secured for the Duck Creek school, and preparations will soon begin to erect a new high school building where the old Duck Creek schoolhouse now stands. Our trustees are trying to build up a better school here and we feel sure that they will succeed.

A letter to P. E. Hagins Monday informed him that there would be a meeting at the Duck Creek schoolhouse Friday afternoon at two o'clock for the purpose of raising our prorata of War Saving Stamps which is three thousand and five hundred dollars. The trustees are the ones appointed to look after the War Saving campaign in our school district. Father says we are up against the real thing this time. Duck Creek must go over the top again, for there is no such thing as falling down now. We have got to win this war. Uncle Sam says that everybody in this district must help and he must be obeyed.

SCHOOL GIRL.

VACATION

A million Texas boys and girls For three months again are free, To revel in the mystic joys Of out doors and liberty. Sweet vision crown the coming hours; Blue skies and birds and bees and flowers. This is the children's dearest rhyme, Vacation time—vacation time.

A million pair of hands to do The million tasks awaiting for The million Texas children who Are anxious to help win the war. God's out of doors to work and play. Busy as bees the livelong day. Waste not an hour—savee vry dime. Big brother's gone—vacation time.

Big brother gone across the sea, Over the fathomless expanse, And faces death for you and me Behind the guns "Somewhere in France."

Now is the time to help your mother, For ever hour she misses brother, Fighting in blood, gore and grime, This sad but sweet vacation time.

—Mrs. W. B. Bennett.

..Farm Loans..

Buy Vendor's Lien Note

We are anxious to place \$500,000.00 in Dickens County in buying Vendor's Liens Notes Also \$500,000.00 in Farm Loans.

We inspect land same day we take application—thus avoiding the long delay in sending for an inspector. We also do our own paying out, thus enabling us to give Quick Service. We employ prompt methods and guarantee

QUICK ACTION

....If You Want The Cash, Try Us....

We are also buying notes and making loans in Counties surrounding Dickens.

Browder & Love, Roaring Springs

We Are Doing Our

Best

TO GIVE OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS THE VERY BEST OF EVERYTHING IN OUR LINE AND FOR THE LEAST MONEY THAT GOOD MERCHANDISE CAN BE BOUGHT FOR. WE HAVE A COMPLETE LINE OF GOODYEAR, FEDERAL AND LEE CASINGS AND INNER TUBES. ALSO A STOCK OF FORD PARTS, GENERATORS AND IGNITION PARTS FOR ANY CAR. WE CAN FILL YOUR WANTS IN THE AUTOMOBILE LINE. BUY YOUR CAR SUPPLIES FROM US. WE NEED YOUR CO-OPERATION IN HELPING US MAKE OUR GARAGE THE BEST IN TEXAS.

Best Gas and Oil.—Free Air
We Are Open Day and Night.

THE HIGHWAY GARAGE

J. A. KOON, Manager.
Phone No. 146.

Your attention is called to our announcement column when you go to select a man to vote for in the coming primary election. We believe a candidate who is too "short" to place his name in the announcement columns of the county newspaper is too "short" to hold a public office, and we would feel greatly disappointed to see an "unannounced" candidate defeat one of our announced candidates. There is some truth in this statement and we want voters to think of it when they go to vote.

J. R. Rogers and family, of the Draper country, were in Spur Monday. While here Mr. Rogers requested us to hereafter send his Texas Spur to him at Lucille, New Mexico, where he will move his family at an early date. Mr. Rogers recently purchased and leased ranch property in New Mexico, and has moved his cattle to that country. However, he will retain his farming property and home in the Draper country, and continue to recognize Dickens county as "home."

W. L. Hyatt last week received a letter from his son, Lawson, who is now in the army service, being stationed now in West Virginia. There are a number of Spur and Dickens county boys now over in France, and we expect Lawson and others to soon join those who have already crossed over to whip the Huns—and we know they are going to do it.

Mr. Watson, of Mart, arrived in Spur last week, spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland at their home east of Spur. Mrs. Watson, who has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Copeland, for some time, returned home with her husband.

Mrs. F. R. Harrington, we are informed, retired from the management of the New Western Hotel on the first of the month, returning to her home in the west part of the city. We understand that Mrs. Lem Lewis now has charge of the New Western.

A girl baby was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan at their home in the north part of the city.

Mrs. Geo. S. Link and George S., Jr., returned this week from an extended visit to relatives in Arkansas.

We are informed that Luther Rucker has secured a position as traveling representative of a hardware concern of Amarillo, and that he will soon move his family to that city.

Mrs. E. C. Edmonds and children returned last week from Fort Worth where they have been on an extended visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Connell.

Stephen R. Austin, of the Afton country, and candidate for County Treasurer, was in Spur Wednesday looking after his corners in the campaign.

County Treasurer J. B. Yantis, of Dickens, was in Spur Thursday of this week on business and incidentally looking after his campaign for reelection.

Mrs. S. E. Marney, of Jayton, is in the city the guest of Mrs. Hudman House at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Ousley.

R. W. Dismuke, of the Afton section of country, was among the number of business visitors here the first of the week.

Dr. Wm. E. Howard, of Dallas, vice chairman, and M. F. Barnett, of Ft. Worth, secretary of the District Board for the Northern District, will arrive in Spur Sunday for a visit to Clifford B. Jones who is also a member of the District Board. Dr. Howard is Surgeon General of the Spanish-American War Veterans, and is well known in medical circles throughout the state. Mr. Barnett, through his connections with the T. & P. Railroad Company, has been frequently mentioned in dispatches from Washington as assisting in the settlement of railroad labor troubles.

We have several second hand Chevrolets and Ford cars for sale at bargains, or will trade them. See Sol Davis or E. C. Edmonds before they are gone. Cars in good shape and ready for service.—Davis & Edmonds. 36tf

L. E. Oler, of Oklahoma, has accepted a position with the Spur Farm Lands management, taking the place of Miss Due who has gone to California for a course in the Red Cross training school.

W. C. Gruben handed us a check for three dollars this week, having us to mark up his subscription ahead of time, and for which he has our sincere thanks. "Go thou and do likewise."

J. E. Wright and family, of the Croton country, were in the city on Monday to see the volunteer boys off on the train for Fort Bliss. One of Mr. and Mrs. Wright's boys was one of the volunteers.

Luther Powell and Lonnie Thomas left Monday with the volunteer boys for Fort Bliss where they will spend some time looking over the situation with a view of volunteering at a later date.

Mrs. Henry Dodge returned last week from Liberty Hill where she underwent an operation. We are glad to note that Mrs. Dodge is reported very much improved in health as the result of the operation.

Mrs. Luther Rucker and children returned this week from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Holman, of Southland.

Jim Sample, who is attending college at Abilene, is in Spur this week spending a vacation with his father, W. W. Sample.

E. J. Cairnes, of the Paddle Ranch in Kent county, was among the business visitors to Spur Saturday of the past week.

Miss Ruth Love returned the first of the week from an extended visit to E. H. Hall and family of Roaring Springs.

STRAYED OR STOLEN
One black mare, 4 years old, branded DX on left thigh. \$5.00 Reward.—Mrs. Mary Hand, Spur, Texas. tf

SCHEDULE OF SEWER RATES.
Beginning July 1st, 1918, charges will be made by the city of Spur for sewer connections as follows: Business houses and hotels, \$2.00 per month for each connection; residences, \$1.25 per month. Payments to be made by 10th of each month, or connection will be cut off. This order was passed by the Board of Commissioners in regular session, July 3, 1918.—E. J. COWAN, City Secretary. 1t

OUR FIRST FISHING PARTY AND OUR LAST "DUTCH LUNCH"

The first of last week Dr. Standifer honored a small but very "select" party with an outing, fishing expedition and Americanized "Dutch Lunch" on his ranch four or five miles west of Spur, and to say that the occasion was enjoyed but mildly expresses the real fact.

Early in the evening of the appointed day, having dispensed all necessary drugs and medicines, dressed the wounds and made hospital patients comfortable and at ease for the night, Dr. Standifer loaded his "Caddillac" with everything conducive to the welfare, pleasure and enjoyment of an occasion of this character, and drove down the street, "picking up" Bankers Manning and Lee, the editor of Dickens county's greatest moral weekly publication, and last but not least, W. Neilon, head of all railway traffic and business of this territory, making a most congenial, August, select and experienced party for such an expedition. As we glided over hill and dale, fanned by the waning summer day's cooling breezes, and drinking in only the purity and fullness of Western ozone, our spirits naturally and irresistibly awakened to the occasion, and upon reaching the designated place each one of the party was in the highest state of elation and cherished the greatest expectations.

Immediately poles were provided, lines attached and corks arranged, and the sport commenced. The smaller fish were at once attracted by the bait, a number, four to six inches being hooked and thrown back as fast as they were landed—we being out only for real fish. After a time our "bait" was changed for bigger game, poles secured to the bank and the "lunch" spread, and in this instance Dr. Standifer firmly established in our minds the fact that he does nothing by "halves", demonstrating his superior Epicurean ability, and as host stands second to none in the land. In the spread was every thing to be thought of on such an occasion—not a single item being overlooked. As the luncheon progressed we were interrupted frequently in landing and unhooking the biggest, finest Cat fish which inhabit any waters of Western Texas, not one of the number being less than a foot in length, a single dozen being landed before the conclusion of the feast.

In the wee small hours of the morning we were returned to our homes, happier, more contented to resume our daily tasks, and secure in the knowledge that Dr. Standifer is a royal host and entertainer as well as a surgeon of unsurpassed ability and recognized success. May he "live long and always prosper."

CANDIDATES FOR SHERIFF NOT CANVASS HOUSE-TO-HOUSE

We, the undersigned candidates for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector, do hereby enter into an agreement not to make a house-to-house canvass, or send out literature to the voters in this campaign, considering that it would neither be patriotic nor beneficial to any one.

- G. L. BARBER
- F. K. HARRINGTON
- T. M. GREEN
- S. T. JOHNSON
- B. G. FORD

G. W. and Tom Dodson, of the Afton country, were in the city the first of this week. Tom stated that the wind and sand storm damaged his cotton crop, while G. W. stated that while it appeared to be damaged he was confident that it would come out and make good yields—and he has had some experience along this line in the past. He said that he considered his cotton crop worth five thousand dollars before the wind and sand storm, and although it was now bent and twisted, he would not take five dollars less than its estimated worth the day before.

We have a business house and lot located in the heart of Spur to sell or trade for a good farm near Spur, paying the difference. Call at The Texas Spur office.

Omer Lee Smith left Monday for Fort Worth and Dallas where he will spend a few days on business.

NOTICE TO THE WOMEN OF DICKENS COUNTY

The Tax Collector of Dickens County will be in Spur July 5th and 6th, 1918, at the Spur National Bank, to register women voters in Commissioners' Precinct Number 3, consisting of voting boxes 4, 5, 6, and 10.

Monday, July 8th, will be in Commissioners' Precinct Number 2, at Afton, Texas.

Tuesday, July 9th, will be in Commissioners' Precinct Number 1, at McAdoo, Texas.

Wednesday, July 10th, will be at Precinct 4, Croton. Dumont and Wichita boxes, in this same precinct, will be expected to meet me at Croton voting box between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. on that day.

Women may register at Dickens at any time between June 27th and July 12th.

The registering place in each Precinct will be open between the hours of 9 a. m. and 6 p. m. each day.

T. M. GREEN,
Sheriff & Tax Collector.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

- O. L. Allen
 - H. Allen
 - Edna Allen
 - Emmett Brown
 - Ethel Ballard
 - Lorena Catton
 - Mrs. Bird Clay
 - Mrs. L. B. Comer
 - W. B. Collett
 - Ernest Freeman
 - G. W. Gilbert
 - Mrs. Hasell Gatlen
 - Mrs. Maggie Hamilton
 - Dan Hogan
 - Sallie Jones
 - Marene Johnson
 - E. L. Jernigan
 - Floyd King
 - George King
 - Guy Kimble
 - Herman McDonald
 - Pearl McDonald
 - Mon Odell
 - Roby Peak
 - Dood Smith
 - J. T. Stoker
 - Mrs. Belle Thomason, (3)
- When calling for above letters, say "advertised."—Mrs. Evans, P. M.

Miss Bettie Holman, of Southland, is in Spur visiting her sister, Mrs. Luther Rucker.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Christian.

Bible School at 10 a. m. Preaching and Communion at 11 a. m. Evening service at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30. Preaching every Lord's day, morning and evening, except the 4th Sunday.—W. M. LeMay, pastor.

Methodist.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.—E. E. White, pastor.

Baptist

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.—Geo. W. Thomas, pastor.

Presbyterian.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 4th Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.—No regular pastor.

DICKENS CO. LODGE DIRECTORY

Spur Lodges.
Spur Chapter, No. 34, R. A. M., meets Monday night after full moon; R. C. Forbis, H. P.; S. T. Clemmons, Secretary.

Spur Lodge No. 1023, A. F. & A. M. meets Thursday night on or before full moon; Jno. B. Hardin, W. M.; Oscar Jackson, Secretary.

Spur Chapter No. 164, O. E. S., meets Thursday night before and after regular communication of Spur Lodge No. 1023, A. F. & A. M.; Mrs. Lula K. Manning, W. M.; J. C. McNeill, W. P.; Mrs. Elizabeth Beck, Sec. Spur I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 771, meets every Monday night; W. H. Putman, N. G.; G. A. Howsley, V. G.; J. W. Carlisle, Secretary.

Spur Rebekah Lodge No. 178 meets every Friday night; Mrs. W. H. Putman, N. G.; Mrs. R. F. Self, Sec.

Spur K. of P. Lodge No. 419 meets every Tuesday night; W. T. Andrews, C. C.; J. F. Vernon, K. of R. & S.

Spur Homestead Lodge No. 3144, meets 1st and 3rd Thursday night; Chas. Whitener, Foreman; Miss Tot Waldron, Corresponding Sec.

Spur Triangle Camp W. O. W. No. 2621, meets 2nd and 4th Saturday nights; J. Mont Taylor, C. C.; F. W. Jennings, Clerk.

Dickens Lodges.
I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 652, meets every Friday night; visiting members cordially invited; B. G. Worswick, N. G.; M. E. Cleveland, Secretary.

W. O. W. Camp No. 582, meets 2nd and 4th Monday nights; L. R. Harkey C. C.; M. Gay, Clerk.

McAdoo Lodges.
Rumfield Camp, W. O. W. No. 3171 meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday nights; R. I. Wallace, C. C.; J. E. Brannen, Clerk.

Red Mud Lodges.
Red Mud Camp No. 2355, meets every Friday night before each first and 3rd Sunday; W. A. Valentine, C. C.; J. E. Sparks, Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

District Court.
Convenes 1st Monday in June and December; J. H. Milam, Judge; J. Ross Bell, Prosecuting Attorney.

County Court.
Convenes 3rd Mondays in April, July, October and January; Walter L. Powell, Judge; M. Gay Clerk; B. G. Worswick, Prosecuting Attorney.
County Officials—R. L. Collier, Sheriff; J. B. Yantis, Treasurer; G. B. Jopling, Tax Assessor; J. A. Murchison, W. A. Johnson, Rush McLaughlin and W. McCarty, Commissioners.

Precinct Courts.
E. L. Harkey, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Dickens. Court meets third Monday in each month.
J. W. Thompson, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Afton. Court meets first Monday in each month.
F. N. Oliver Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 3, Spur. Court meets 1st Monday in each month.

COMMUNITY MEETS.
Dry Lake, first Friday night each month; R. T. Dopson, President; and Miss Duncan, Secretary.
Afton, 2nd Friday night in each month; L. B. Haile, Pres.; Leonard Middleton, Secretary.
Croton, 3rd Friday night in each month; Bryan Speer, Pres.; and Miss Shelton, Secretary.
Duck Creek, 2nd and 4th Friday nights each month; Miss Hicks, Pres.; Miss Hagins, Secretary.

N. N. ROGERS HAS RIBS BROKEN IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

N. N. Rogers, a prominent citizen, farmer and ranchman of Garza county was injured Sunday when his car ran off a small bridge on the road near Post. Several of his ribs were broken.

S. L. Porter, of the Croton country, was in Spur Thursday of this week trading and on other business.

To My Friends and Customers:

I WILL NOT BE ENGAGED IN U. S. MAIL SERVICE AFTER JUNE 30TH, BUT WILL OPERATE A REGULAR LINE-CAR ON PRACTICALLY THE SAME SCHEDULE, GIVING YOU BETTER AND PROMPTER SERVICE. YOUR PATRONAGE AND INFLUENCE IS SOLICITED TO HELP MAKE THIS ONE OF THE MOST COMFORTABLE AND BEST SERVICE LINES IN WEST TEXAS.

V. C. SMART

Hats! Hats!
Yes, Summer Hats
Panama Silk Crash or Straws

We are cleaning them up. Most any price goes. We do not want a Straw Hat left in 10 days. No matter your wants in the hat line, don't fail to come here--we have it and at the right price.

LOVE DRY GOODS COMPANY
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 whom it belongs, this must be wherever it be found, no matter to disposition to appropriate wood 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

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

Mrs. Patton, who has been on an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Ned Hogan, left Tuesday for her home in the Eastern part of the state, Mr. Hogan accompanying her as far as Abilene.

Lovett Jordan and family, of the Duck Creek country, left Wednesday for Childress where they will spend several days visiting his brother, M. A. Jordan and family.

H. A. Boothe took charge of the Spur-Roaring Springs mail route Monday morning, making his first trip with the mail over this line. G. W. Snodgrass will be the driver on the line. V. C. Smart, who has heretofore had charge of the mail line, will continue to operate an independent car service over the route.

Good vulcanizing and Gate's half sole shop for sale in Floydada, Texas. If interested write J. J. Day, Box 44.

J. T. Kinkade, who has been book-keeper for Purvis & DeBorde, road contractors, left last week for the Eastern part of the state. Mr. Kinkade is a gentleman in every respect, and we regret his departure from the Spur country. However, we wish him success in his new field of labor.

W. W. Garner, who is this year farming on the Prairie View Stock Farm northeast of Spur, was in the city Monday on business.

H. T. Garner came in the first of this week from his Prairie View Stock Farm northeast of Spur, spending a short time here greeting friends and on business.

If you want Coal for Winter, give us your order now!—Spur Grain & Coal Company, Spur, Texas. 26tf

R. R. Wooten, of the McAdoo section of country, was in Spur one day this week. He reports everything all o. k. in the plains country at this time.

Beat the Huns by buying your bread at the Allied Bakery & Restaurant.

G. W. Jackson, of the Highland community east of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday of this week, coming in to see his son who was operated upon the latter part of the past week at the Standifer Hospital. We are glad to note that his son is reported doing nicely at this time and will soon be sufficiently recovered to be removed to his home.

W. M. Moore and wife were in the city Saturday from their ranch home six miles west of Spur.

J. L. Moore and wife were in the city Monday from their ranch home west of the city.

Howard Campbell was in the city Saturday from his farm home southwest of Spur.

R. L. Overstreet, of north of the city of Dickens, was in Spur the first of this week, spending some time here buying supplies and on other business.

J. R. McArthur, of Tap, was here Saturday trading and on other business. He reports everything in good shape in his part of the country at this time.

J. C. McNeill and family, of the Alamo Stock Farm west of Spur, were in the city the first of the week visiting friends.

J. A. Legg, of the Croton country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week trading with the merchants and on other business. He reports everything progressing nicely in his section at this time, but stated that a good rain would be appreciated by farmers.

H. C. Eldredge, of the plains section of country near McAdoo, was in Spur Saturday. He reports that the sand and wind storm of Friday night did some damage in that part of the country, but not nearly so much as in other sections. The plains country has been favored up to date in the matter of crop prospects, and with rains at the proper time from now on, that country will make big crops this year.

Joe Gaines, of west of Spur a few miles, called in last week and gave us a check to mark up his subscription another year. Joe is this year improving a new farm, has the very finest prospects for bumper crops at this time and has a few cattle on the side which are doing fine.

D. I. McCombs and wife, of the city of Clairemont, Kent county, were in Spur Tuesday of this week.

Bill McArthur, of Tap, had business in the city the latter part of the past week, spending several hours here trading with the merchants and meeting his friends.

W. J. Elliot came in Saturday afternoon from his Spring Creek farm and ranch, spending several hours here on business and meeting his many friends.

N. N. Morris, of near Ralls, was in Spur Monday to accompany his father, Editor Morris of the Jayton Herald who was returning home after spending several days basking in the sunshine and eating "garden truck"—plentiful products of the plains country. N. N. Morris is a reformed newspaper man, he now being a successful and prosperous farmer, rides in a big fine automobile, enjoys life, has plenty home products to eat, and says he wouldn't get back into the newspaper game under any consideration—in fact we couldn't get him to come over to our shop. Every time we see Farmer Morris we become envious, and some day we expect to get in the farming business.

W. S. Campbell and little son, W. S. Jr., left Wednesday for Munday where they will spend a few days with his parents.

W. A. Smith, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of the Red Mud country, was in town one day the first of this week. He told us that crops were doing nicely in his part of the country at this time.

E. S. McArthur, of west of Spur, was here last week and handed us a dollar and fifty cents to extend his subscription up another year and for which he has our sincere thanks. Mr. McArthur reported that crops in his section were good and promised bumper yields this fall. With one or two good rains at the proper time this country will make more feed and cotton than can be gathered under the prevailing circumstances.

WARNING TO AUTO OWNERS!
To the owners of automobiles: You are violating the law when you run on any public street or highway without the proper lights, and for the safety of the public I will have to insist that you fix your lights and use them or stay off the streets of Spur at night.—L. N. STEVENS, City Marshall, Spur, Texas.



FAIR AND ABOVE BOARDING DEALINGS

If you are the same we'll serve you as you were never served before. Builders, carpenters, manufacturers, etc. will profit by getting our estimates before ordering elsewhere. We have the most up-to-date plant in Spur and think so much of our reputation that we'd rather not sell you, than give you anything but a square deal. Let's hear from you.

BRAZELTON LUMBER COMPANY

Coal Coal Coal

I will have lots of both lump and nut coal on hand about July 1st.

The Best Colorado Coal

Please put in your order now for coal, as this will be the last at this price.

P. H. MILLER, SPUR, TEXAS

CASH BUYERS

TRADE WITH CASH STORES

As Long as You Can Get People to Think and Figure, There is Hope of Improving Conditions

The dry weather and war combined forces people to think as they have never thought before. The time is here when it is the duty of every person to spend money to the very best advantage.

It Is Very Evident We are Merging Into A New Era

In the past extravagance was almost universal and looked upon as a virtue, but today the unnecessary spending of money is little short of a crime. If you desire to reduce the cost of living, the Spot Cash Grocery offers you that opportunity by making prices that conform to the strenuous times and which cannot be duplicated elsewhere. By buying for cash and selling for cash we are in a position to make better prices on the necessities of life. We recommend that you adopt the Cash Plan of buying groceries and to encourage you to do so we quote you the following prices on standard brands of highest grade groceries needed every day:

5 LBS. PEABERRY COFFEE	\$1.00	1 1-GALLON JAR PICKELS	\$1.00
5 CANS PINK SALMON	1.00	8 PACKAGES SODA	1.00
8 " GOOD HOMINY	1.00	1 CAN NO. 10 APRICOTS	80c
10 " BABBIT LYE	1.00	1 No. 10 CAN PEACHES	65c
20 BOXES MATCHES	1.00	1 " " " APPLES	50c
8 CANS SMALL TOMATOES	1.00	1 " " " CATSUP	\$1.15
10 LBS. DRIED PRUNES	1.25	7 BOXES GRAPE NUT	\$1
4 BOTTLES TOMATO CATSUP	1.00	6 BX WASHINGTON FLAKE	\$1
		20 PKS. BULL DURHAM	\$1

We Have Just Received A Car Load of Stock Salt at 90c Per Hundred

We urge you to save money by adopting the Spot Cash System of buying. We have everything in stock you need, make quick sales and small profits and by this means have many satisfied customers. WE WANT YOU TO BECOME ONE OF THEM.

SPOT CASH GROCERY

SPUR, TEXAS