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### DRILLING WILL BE RESUMED APRIL 1ST ON THE 24-RANCH

Driller McFann returned the past week and is now making all necessary arrangements to resume drilling operations on the oil test wells on the 24-Ranch in Kent county.

One of the test wells on the 24-Ranch is now at a depth of only a few hundred feet, the drilling having been delayed awaiting the result of a suit for release of former oil leases. The suit has been favorably decided by the recent term of district court, and now the drilling will be resumed and the drill go down rapidly to see what is underneath the soil of Kent county. Everybody is most optimistic concerning these drilling operations, and many are confident that the great oil pool will be encountered.

All geologists who have surveyed this territory make most favorable reports.

### THE TERRACED FARM HOLDS ALL THE WATER WHICH FELL.

W. T. Lovell, of Draper, was in the city the first of this week and told us of the big rains in his section. He is the only farmer in that section who has had his farm terraced, and informed us that hardly any of the three inches of rain which fell ran off his farm, the terraces holding the water on the land until it all soaked in. It is only a question of a few years until all farmers will adopt the terracing method of utilizing the farm resources of this country.

### AFTER SINKING OIL TEST WELL IN DRAPER COUNTRY

W. L. Thannisch, of Draper, was in town Thursday. He said that the people of his section would hold a meeting the latter part of this week for the purpose of securing enough leases on land to sink a test oil well in that section. Geologists have already been over that section and make most favorable reports.

Farms for sale worth the money as farms, now in lease giving four deep tests of 4,000 feet. Price \$25 to \$45 per acre. Lands adjoining is selling 1-4 of 1-8 royalty for from \$3.50 to as high as \$6.25 per acre. Our acreage from 160 to 640 and up. Write us what you want. We can place your dimes where it will make you dollars.—Twaddell & Williams. 19 2t

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### SAM W. THOMAS KILLED AT ASPERMONT LAST TUESDAY

Sam W. Thomas, postmaster at Aspermont, was shot and instantly killed Tuesday afternoon in the post-office building at Aspermont. Stonewall Jackson, an old-time citizen of twelve or fifteen miles southwest of Aspermont, is charged with the killing. It is said that Jackson walked up to the general mail delivery window where Thomas was working, and with an automatic pistol fired five shots at Thomas.

Family affairs is alleged to have been the cause of the killing.

S. W. Thomas, during the past several years has been postmaster of Aspermont, having before that time been editor and publisher of the Aspermont Star. During the past years he was also cotton statistical reporter for a number of counties in this section. He has a wife and several children.

### ENTRE NOUS CLUB.

The Entre Nous Club and a number of guests were most delightfully entertained with a St. Patrick's party on Saturday afternoon by Mrs. W. Neilon. The house was lovely in its decorations of baskets of shamrock, palms and ferns. After enjoying several interesting games of forty two, much merriment was created by the telling of an Irish joke by each guest, Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Jr., being the best story teller, was awarded first prize, a corsage bouquet of Palmer violets. The second prize, green and pink ribbon table marker, fell to Mrs. C. E. Senning.

Delicious refreshments of cream chicken, hot biscuits, butter, pickles, coffee and mints were served to the following: Mesdames W. D. Wilson, S. T. Clemmons, M. H. Lee, B. J. Brothers, C. Earyl Senning, Kate Senning, F. W. Jennings, A. L. Brasher, M. E. Manning, Chas. Whitener, T. A. Tunnell, E. C. Edmonds, W. T. Andrews, T. E. Standifer, Lilburn Standifer, N. A. Baker, Carl Patton, O. C. McCrary and Miss Velma Putman and Edith Walker.

### MANUFACTURING BROOMS IN TAP COUNTRY WEST OF SPUR

Recently W. C. Garrett, of Tap, brought in a wagon load of brooms which he readily disposed of to townspeople. Mr. Garrett manufactured the brooms himself from broom corn grown on his farm the past year.

The brooms were as good as any shipped in here from other parts of the country, were sold as cheap and cheaper, and we have the satisfaction of keeping our houses clean with home grown, home manufactured brooms.

### ALFRED RASBERRY CARRIED TO PENITENTIARY RECENTLY

Alfred Rasberry, who was recently convicted of the murder of J. F. Bostick near Rotan in Fisher county three years ago, was turned over to penitentiary transfer agents and carried to state prison to serve a ten year sentence.

J. W. Baker left the first of the week for the Eastern part of the state on business and to visit relatives.

Mayor T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was a visitor to Spur one day this week.

### A THREE INCH RAIN WETS THE WHOLE COUNTRY TO BOTTOM

Rain commenced falling Friday night, continuing until Monday, the total amount registering between two and a half and three inches. The rain fell slowly, every bit soaking into the ground, giving this whole Western country the best season since 1914.

The fact that this rain was not only local but covered the entire state and New Mexico, is conclusive evidence that the long "drouth" is now broken. With the present underground season we are assured of bountiful crop yields this year, and 1919 now promises to even surpass the very best years of the past in bumper crop production—and West Texas has made some record breakers. In 1914 many farmers here made more than they could gather, and one farmer in particular whom we know, made a bale and a half of cotton to the acre, leaving twenty five or thirty bales in the field to go to waste for lack of help to gather.

West Texas is the greatest country in the world, and it is now putting on its Sunday clothes and coming into the limelight of the world.

### McADOO PEOPLE WANT TO POOL LAND FOR OIL TEST WELL.

A. J. Huckabee, a prominent citizen and successful farmer of the McAdoo country, was a recent business visitor in Spur, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Huckabee stated that a meeting or two of the citizens of McAdoo had been held recently for the purpose of pooling their lands and thereby securing sufficient acreage to induce drilling operations for oil. For a number of years McAdoo has been considered an inviting field for oil development work, and before long you will see that part of the county punctured for oil. There is no question but that both oil and gas are under the McAdoo soil, but of course whether or not it is there in paying quantities will have to be determined by test wells and a thorough development of the country.

### RECITAL AT GEM THEATRE.

In our rush of last week we inadvertently omitted mentioning the musical recital given Thursday night by Misses Renelle Adams and Zada Stafford and Mr. E. C. Edmonds. The number of selections of music consisting of violin and piano solos were rendered in a manner to denote real artists in the musical world, while the readings by Miss Stafford were highly appreciated. The program was one of the best we have had in Spur, and the large audience appreciated every number.

The recital will be given Friday night at Jayton, and the people of that town and country are assured of the very highest class entertainment.

### EUROPEAN ALLIES OWE THE UNITED STATES \$7,912,976,666

Washington.—A credit of \$100,000,000 for Italy was announced by the treasury. This will be used largely to pay for foodstuffs and war supplies already ordered by the Italian government in this country. Italy's aggregate loans from the United States now amount to \$1,160,000,000 and those of all the allies \$7,912,976,666.

### CONTRACT LET FOR A NEW SCHOOL BUILDING IN SPUR

Monday the Spur school board let the contract for the construction of a new school building, J. E. Sanders being the successful bidder for a consideration of \$19,000.

Work will be commenced immediately and the new building will be of brick on the site of the old building recently destroyed by fire. Two of the walls of the old building will be used in the new structure which will practically duplicate the former building. The building is to be completed in plenty time for the opening of the next school term.

In replacing the Spur school building it will not be necessary to vote any additional bonds, since the insurance collected and other funds now on hand will meet the contract price and leave a balance of approximately fifteen hundred dollars in the school treasury with which to make at least a good payment on desks and other necessary equipments.

We commend the school board in thus handling the complicated school situation in the very best and most economical, substantial and permanent manner.

### MRS. ERVIN JOPLING DEAD.

A telegram was received Tuesday by G. B. Jopling, announcing the death of Mrs. Irven Jopling in Arizona, the cause of death being pneumonia. The remains will be shipped to Spur for interment.

It was just one week ago that Irven Jopling's body was returned to Spur. The death of these two young people is mourned by the whole community. They leave one small child. Death in any instance is sad, but both a young husband and wife within a week, when they are just in the prime of life, is doubly sad. We extend our heart felt sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

### MARRIED.

T. D. Pirkle and Miss Mattie Pearl Zinn were married Monday of this week in Spur, the marriage ceremony being performed by Rev. McCarroll at the Adams Studio.

Mr. and Mrs. Pirkle are both prominent young people of the Afton country, and have the best wishes of many friends. They will make their home in Elgin, Oklahoma.

### DINNER WILL BE SERVED EX-CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS

A 12-o'clock dinner will be given Thursday, March 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dickson, Experiment Station, in honor of ex-Confederate veterans and their wives. All members of Jno. A. Green Camp especially invited.

### THREE BUILDING CONTRACTS RECENTLY MADE IN SPUR

In conjunction with an era of building improvement progress throughout the state unparalleled in its history, Spur is keeping in the progressive procession with other towns and cities. During the past two weeks Contractor J. E. Sanders has made contracts for the construction of three substantial structures—a new school building of two stories and basement to be of brick and cement; a new brick store building with specially designed front for Spot Cash Grocery; and a two-story, twelve room, modern residence now under construction for Mrs. Kelsey. Other buildings are now being planned and will soon be ready for construction bidders.

With the finest crop prospects, oil development now under way and people in general most optimistic, the year 1919 promises wonderful progress and prosperity all along the line.

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The church needs you! God is calling for the best in the land, and the best there is in every one of us. Every young person (under ninety) who does not attend church elsewhere is invited to the Methodist church next Sunday. The subject for the 11 o'clock hour will be "Your Life; Whose Is It?" Evening service at 7:45. Subject: "God's 'Class One A' Man." Soldiers are especially invited. There will be special music at each service. Come to Sunday School.—J. O. Haymes.

### 500 PARTY.

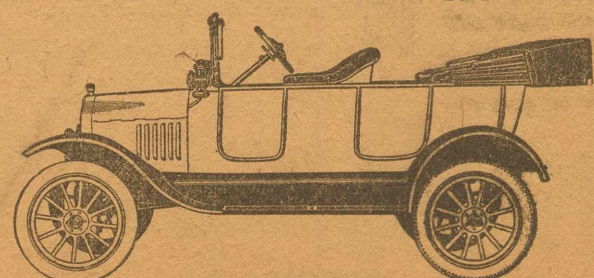
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neilon delightfully entertained at 500 on Saturday night, March 22nd. The four tables of players included Messrs and Mesdames M. H. Lee, W. D. Wilson, Lilburn Standifer, C. Earyl Senning, F. W. Jennings, Mrs. C. L. Love, Mrs. Kate Senning, Misses Donnalita Standifer and Edith Walker. High score was made by Mrs. W. D. Wilson and Mr. Lilburn Standifer. Lovely refreshments of Angel Food cake, salad, hot coffee and mints were served.

### ROYALTIES, REAL ESTATE AND LEASES.

We have parties wanting to buy Farms, Royalties and Leases in or out of big test acreage lying to northwest and to the east of Spur. We will find buyers for your holdings and offer you our services on basis of commission to handle your acreage, as we expect to give this line our careful study and our entire time. We wish to thank you in advance for any business.—Twaddell & Williams.

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SPUR, TEXAS

GILPIN.

Rev. Mr. Fair, of Spur, who should have preached at the Duck Creek school house Sunday, was prevented from doing so on account of the rain. We are sorry to miss hearing this most excellent man of God preach, but glad to get the rain, which has proven to be the best one we have had since 1914. Rev. W. B. Bennett says that while digging his cellar before the rain, that he went five and one-half feet before finding dry dirt. With such a fine rain on top of a season of this kind, what is to hinder us from making back this year a goodly share of our losses?

Duck Creek and Antelope schools matched a base ball game last Friday evening. Duck Creek won: 45 to 21. Will match another game next Friday.

Hon. A. J. Hagins, of near Jayton, was shaking hands with friends and relatives here last week.

Mrs. Smelser, who recently underwent an operation at the Standifer Hospital, is now doing nicely. We rejoice with her husband and children in the hope that she will soon be at home again, for what is home without mother?

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hagins made a trip to Spur Saturday and came home through the rain. But they did not seem to mind it.

Mr. M. E. Tatum made a trip to Girard Tuesday.

Mrs. Parnell and son, Aubrey went shopping in Spur one day last week.

A letter from Willie Hagins states that their little son, Davis, is seriously ill. Bring the baby back home, Willie, where the little fellow will not be exposed to so many malignant fevers.

We are disappointed that Messrs. Hugh Hagins and Pat Jones and L. Parnell have not yet returned from overseas. It is reported that they are still in Germany, hoping every day to be allowed to sail for home. Hurry up Uncle Sam, and send them back to their loved ones again.

Mrs. P. E. Hagins set her incubator again this week.

We are glad to say that Mrs. W. B. Bennett, who has been quite sick, is now convalescent.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Arnold are now telling their friends how bright and knowing little Miss Lily Francis can look around. They say, and their friends confirm the report, that she is extra smart for a two-weeks old baby. All right Lily Frances, you just keep right on being smart. There is many a little tow head growing up whose hearts will flutter because of you, by and by. Keep an eye on her, mother.

Well, Mr. Editor, bring your Spur friends to Gilpin and show them what the wheat and oats and grass and wild flowers and last, but not least, our splendid crop of weeds, and get them to help you boost the country. Even the weeds are welcome to our drouth-stricken folk. They are far more prettier and more encouraging than bare ground.

You should hear W. H. Taylor blow about the oil prospects of Dickens county. His intimate friends say his hair is actually becoming streaked with oil, but we imagine it is sweat and sand, for he certainly does work at his job.

Well, we are sorry to say that we brought up a poor report again last month and they have kept us at home

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*Every time you are approached to sell your Liberty Bonds or to trade them for stock in some unknown and unestablished project, remember it is the voice of the Hun speaking.*

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*Every true American is proud to own and keep his Liberty Bonds.*

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SPUR, TEXAS

pretty close on the strength of it. Therefore, we do not know of much news and rarely if ever can give much information over the telephone.

We thought we would try Tricky Sal's way and write up the news in rhyme, but every time we began some one would put us to doing something else. However, we lay awake one night and like "Uncle Hary" in "Hellen's Babies," composed and committed to memory the following verses in reply to Tricky Sal's proposal: O Tricky Sal, I know you well, And you are tricky, too, I'll vow. Your name and calling I could tell But I'll not do it now.

Yes, you're too tricky, Sal, for me— We never, never could agree. All kinds of trickery I hate; The man I'll vow must honest be If he lifts the latch at father's gate And comes a courting me. No, Tricky Sal, no, no—I'll vow I never will become your frau. Besides I am too young you know To think of men and boys at all; Papa and mama both say so; They say I'm far too small. So Tricky Sal put on a smile And seek a girl who likes your style.

SCHOOL GIRL.

We clean 'em right in Dickens.— Henry Clay, Tailor.

Diek Sampson and wife, of the Paddle Ranch in Kent county, were in Spur Tuesday and spent the day in the city shopping and visiting with friends. Mr. Sampson reported that fine rains had fallen over Kent county and as a result crop and range conditions were never more promising.

The Huns are beaten, the war is won and the Allied Bakery and Restaurant will continue to make Victory Bread. Try a loaf. It tastes like hot cakes.

H. P. Cole returned the latter part of the past week from a trip down to the oil belt where he spent several days looking after his property interests in that section.

WOOD FOR SALE.

Cord wood at \$2.50 per cord on my place 10 miles southwest of Spur.— J. B. Morrison.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given for an election to be held in the city of Spur, on Tuesday, April 1st, 1919, for the purpose of electing a mayor and two commissioners. E. F. Springer is appointed presiding judge of said election.

W. D. WILSON, Mayor.  
Attest: E. J. COWAN, Secretary.

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Save your car, save your time and your temper by having your car repaired at

## Citizen's Garage & Machine Shop

J. S. Worsham, of four or five miles west of Spur, was a recent business visitor in the city, reporting everything looming up now in his section of the country. Just a little rain makes a big difference in the appearance of everything.

My Red Hens are Winter Layers, mated with cocks from 200 egg strain. Eggs, \$1.00 for 18.—Mrs. Nannie Fletcher, 1 mile east of Spur. 4t

W. H. Taylor was here Tuesday. He had to come in to work off some high spirits as a result of the big rain.

### OIL ROYALTIES FOR SALE.

One-half royalty on Sunshine Ranch property to sell. Well now drilling. See me at once.—Frank Hale. 18tf

Al Sullivan was here one day this week from his farm home on Duck Creek. He is preparing to make one of the biggest crops of his life this year, and we expect him to do it, too.

Send down and get a loaf of that Victory Bread at the Allied Bakery and Restaurant. They have the best of everything at all hours of the day.

Mrs. J. W. Davis, of Soldier Mound community, was a shopper in the city the first of the week.

We have bran, shorts, barley chops in transit. See us for special prices.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 1t

W. H. Cartwright, of the Soldier Mound community, was here Tuesday afternoon on business.

## For Sale— Beautiful, Fresh Cut Carnations

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W. C. Mitchell, of Tap, was here Tuesday. He says it sure did rain out in that part of the country, the ground being wet now to the very bottom.

FOR SALE—Row drill, only planted about 20 acres. \$20.00.—W. H. Birdwell, Spur. 19tf

A. B. George and wife, of the Highway community, were visitors in Spur one day last week.

Come over to Egypt to get seed maize.—W. L. McAteer. 1tp

S. R. Bowman and wife, of two or three miles north of Spur, were in the city Saturday shopping and visiting with friends.

We are glad to have you call on us when you are in the market for feed and hay.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 1t

J. J. Albin was in town Saturday of the past week from his home in the Highway community.

### PEANUT SEED FOR SALE.

Spanish peanuts at \$1.50 per bushel.—Ed Hulse, Spur, Texas. 19-2tp

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### CROTON NEWS.

A good rain fell over our community Saturday and Sunday. The grass and weeds are growing rapidly.

When passing through call at the Wayside Inn—old Net.

Floyd Terry and Larry Edwards left on a business trip to Ranger last week.

Mrs. Legg returned home last week from Abilene where she had been visiting her son.

Mr. A. B. Winkler has been on Wichita the past three weeks, building a mile of fence.

'Twas on the night of March the 21 that Highland visited the Wichita school for the purpose of having a spelling match.

The crowd had gathered when Highland arrived, to welcome their coming with heavy hearts.

The party consisted of ten, I think, to spell ten others of equal choice.

Walter Jackson was leader of the visiting party, who led his spellers against those of Brummett.

On rules of spelling they couldn't agree, then Brummett swelled up, and so did others.

The reasons he gave with no courtesy at all, caused Messrs. Jackson, Porter and Rodgers to get a little bit on their "ear."

Then a wise old head, as wise as the owl, thought of a plan to avoid a "fuss."

So she gathered the spellers she had and immediately proceeded to leave.

A rumor was heard, I do believe, that all the lads and lassies who kept the tally, were dishonest.

Now, Rambling Bill, the advice you gave to Trickey Sal was good, I'll admit, but take a hunch, dear Bill, and don't let your advice ramble quite so far, and advise your instructor, whose head is bald, how to receive a visiting team.

Our spellers are good—no doubt are yours, but we wont spell where tyranny dwells.—Sky Lark.

Tom Dodson, of north of Dickens, was in Spur Saturday. He is just recuperating from an illness of several weeks which kinder "got him down." However, we are glad to note that he is now improving and regaining his former good health. He told us that they were now making arrangements to develop the "old mine" which was recently uncovered in that portion of the county. With oil and mineral developments in progress Dickens county promises to come to the front in the financial world.

The war is over, the Huns are whipped and our soldiers will soon return to peaceful pursuits—but the Allied Bakery and Restaurant will continue to serve the best "eats" the market affords and will bake the best Victory Bread to be had any where. Call and see when you get hungry.

W. A. Craddock was a pleasant caller at this office one day last week. Mr. Craddock is one of our most up-to-date citizens as well as farmers.

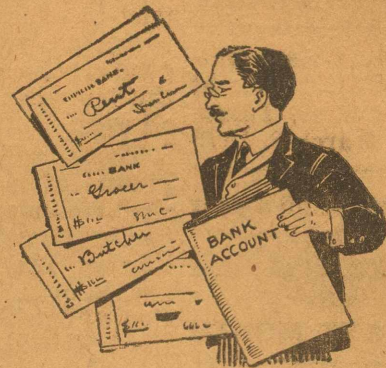
We have home raised, new crop of cane and maize seed, 6 cents per lb. Buy now before these seed are all gone.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 1t

Mr. Boykin, of north of Spur three or four miles, was a business visitor in town Tuesday. He reports everything looking good since the rain.

W. S. Hunter, who is farming on Duck Creek, came to Spur Tuesday, spending a short time here on business.

### EGGS FOR SALE.

Thoroughbred White Leghorn Eggs at \$6.00 per 100, or \$1.00 per setting.—The White Poultry Farm, Afton, Texas. 1t



### WHEN YOU PAY BY CHECKS.

You get a Receipt in Every Case through the Endorsement of the party to whom the check is made. It is a pretty good thing to have, and saves any question as to whether an account is paid or not. This is only one of the advantages of a bank account; there are many others. If you have no checking account, we would like to have you open one with us. Wont you drop in and talk the matter over.

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SPUR, TEXAS

M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was in Spur recently and while here called in at the Texas Spur office. When shown a sample of the "oil blossoms" which are being picked up near Spur, he stated that he had plenty of them on his place. Who knows but that on the Faver farm will be uncovered the big pool of oil which geologists are now trying to locate in this section?

W. H. Crouse, of Stephenville, was in Spur last week looking after his property interests here, spending a day or two here.

J. I. Greer, of the Lone Oak Farm and ranch ten miles west of Spur, was in town Tuesday. He received a letter informing him that his son had been transferred to the base hospital at Camp Travis. Young Mr. Greer recently received a gun shot wound in the foot while fighting the Huns over in Europe.

Mr. Gilbert, of the Double Wells community, was among the number in Spur Saturday. While here he purchased a fine rooster of W. D. Blair, taking it out to his farm.

### Edison Mazda Lamps

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M. Gay came over Tuesday of this week from Dickens, spending the day in Spur on official and other business. While here Martin was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office and informed us that everything was in tip-top shape now in and around the county capitol.

Tom Greer was in town Tuesday of this week, spending the afternoon on business.

White Leghorn eggs for sale, \$1.00 per setting. Phone 9003F21. 19-3tp

W. L. McAteer came in Tuesday of this week from his farm over in "Egypt" and had us place an ad in the paper for the sale of maize seed. Mr. McAteer always has something to sell from his place, therefore the name, "Egypt."

M. L. Blakley, of Afton, was in the city one day this week and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

WANTED—To buy heifer calf.—D. D. Dunwoody, Spur, Texas. 1tp

### Cyclone Season Is Here

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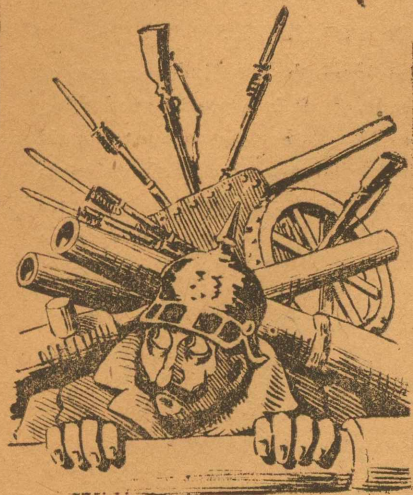
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And Uncle Sam in making it possible assumed a debt that is great beyond the average comprehension. A debt that runs into many thousands of millions of dollars. A debt that was unavoidable, yet the taking over of which put a quick end to the war.

Uncle Sam prepared beyond all precedent for this year's fighting. A tank for every seventy-five feet of the firing line. Gas shells at the rate of ten thousand for every one Germany had produced. Airplanes in droves. Guns, by thousands. Munitions of all kinds upon a scale heretofore unheard of.

He had obligated himself in advance of the collection of the money to pay for all this.

AND ONCE THE GERMANS KNEW WHAT HE HAD IN STORE THEY QUIT COLD.

IT'S TO PAY THESE DEBTS THAT THE VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN IS TO BE OFFERED.

TO PAY THE PRICE OF THE UNSHED BLOOD OF 500,000 AMERICAN BOYS.

**AFTER THE FIRE**

When your neighbor yells "fire!" in the middle of the night you dash out of bed and without regard to your powers of endurance work to put out the blaze. You offer everything you have in the way of assistance while the flames eat their way through your neighbor's property. You act on a natural impulse to give all that is in you while the excitement is at its height.

But when the fire is out and there remain only smoking embers; when the crowd has gone, how many of those helpful neighbors will offer shelter, protection and the opportunity to get another home to the unfor-

tunate family?

It doesn't take much of a patriot to offer help when the fire is raging, but it takes a pretty good sport to stand by and finish the job when the excitement is all over.

There will be little background of bloodshed, shot and shell, wounded soldiers and heroism in the appeal of the Victory Liberty Loan. That, like the fire, is over. It is now a question of finishing the job, paying the bills and putting things on even a better basis than when the alarm was sounded.

What kind of a neighbor are you?

**Victory Loan Reasons**

Every crippled American soldier will have a chance to fit himself for some line of work. When he leaves the hospital he can enter a school established by the Government for disabled soldiers.

That's how Uncle Sam will show his gratitude to the men who fought for him.

Just another reason for the Victory Liberty Loan.

**Why the Victory Loan is Necessary**

The Government spent all of the Fourth Liberty Loan money about two months ago and has been borrowing from the banks ever since. This money must be paid back. That's why!



**HELLO, BOYS!**

Like every other American you are glad to see the young fellow who is just back from France. You are just as glad to see the disappointed youngster who got no farther than the training camp. Both represent our fighting force to you.

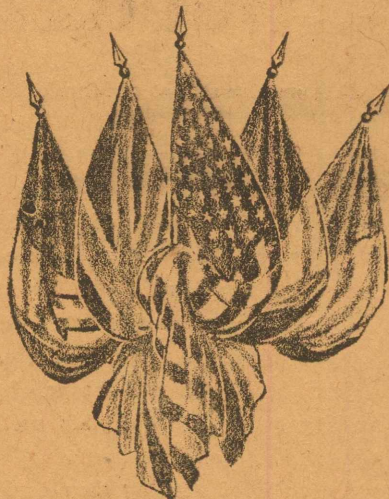
That one failed to reach France doesn't lessen the warmth of your handclasp one whit. Nor the sincerity of your welcome. That was the willingness to fight that counts.

And you are just as proud of what the army did over there. You like to think of Chateau Thierry, Verdun, Bel-

leau wood, the Argonne forest and all other places where the Yanks clashed with the Hun as samples of American pluck.

Nor has it all lessened your conviction that America is the greatest land under the sun. Breeds the gamest fighters; the most loyal citizens; the truest lovers and real appreciators of liberty.

Live up to your boast. Lend like a man to the Victory Liberty Loan.



**DON'T TIE HIS HANDS**

If any foreigner was to step up to you and declare that Uncle Sam wasn't sincere, didn't live up to his obligations, failed to make good his promises, you would probably try to knock his block off.

Uncle Sam is sincere, is honorable, tries always to make good, backs up to the letter his ideals and endeavors to attain his ambitions.

And when he fails anywhere along the line it's the folks at home who do not toe the line of duty. Who tie his hands.

Right now Uncle Sam is asking you to help him meet the greatest obligation he has ever faced.

B. P. Woody of Floydada and proprietor of the Woody Drug Co. at that place, was in Spur the latter part of last week to meet Mrs. Woody, who was returning to her home after a visit to her sister, Mrs. E. H. Wade, of Jayton.

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**BENEFIT PROGRAM BY BAPTIST LADIES AID.**  
MONDAY, MARCH 31, AT THE GEM THEATRE, SPUR.

- I. Opening Chorus.
- II. Violin Solo—Mr. Edmonds.
- III. Reading—"As the Moon Rose,"—Miss Alta Fite.
- IV. Quartette—Mesdames Andrews, Dickson; Messrs. Edmonds, Brannen.
- V. Living Pictures:
  1. America—Mrs. Carl Hail.
  2. Baby's Prayer—Eugenia Jackson.
  3. Annie Laurie—Artie Mae Fite.
  4. Mother Macree—Mrs. Johnson.
  5. Red Cross Nurse—Mrs. Andrews.
  6. In the Long Ago—Mrs. Edmonds.
- VI. Reading—Shadow of A Song—Miss Alta Fite.
- VII. Piano Duet—Mesdames Edmonds and Andrews.
- VIII. Short Sketch—Two Old Ladies—Misses Fite and Aline Clay.

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The information and education service of the United States Department of Labor at Washington announces through its division of investigation that land values the country over have by no means shared in the general rise of prices since 1913.

The Census Bureau reports that the assessed value of real estate in cities of over 30,000 population increased from \$24,900,000,000 in 1913 to \$30,200,000,000 in 1918.

If this valuation had increased as rapidly as the general index of commodity prices, the assessed valuation of real estate in all cities of the country of 3,000 or over would have been at least \$46,000,000,000 in 1918 instead of \$31,000,000,000.

In other words, real estate valuations from 1913 to 1918 increased \$15,000,000,000 less than the rate of advance of prices in general. It is, of course, to be noted that the figures here are given for real estate valua-

tions determined by tax assessors. It is, however, likely that the increase in real estate valuations is at least as great as the increase in real estate values. Most of the revenues of each of our cities arise from real estate taxation.

The search for larger revenues during the period since 1912 has in many cases driven tax assessors to increase the valuation of real estate, for this valuation is the basis of the tax.

Therefore, it is entirely possible that this increase in real estate valuation is more rapid than the increase in values.

In other words, the total value of real estate in 1918 compared with 1913, if we could ascertain it, would probably show an even smaller increase compared with commodity prices than the increase in real estate valuation.

Dr. McLauray, of Jayton, made a

**Charter No. 9611 Reserve District No. 11**  
**REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK AT SPUR**  
**IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON**  
**MARCH 4, 1919.**  
**RESOURCES.**

1. a Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, ..	\$463,919.21	
Total loans, ..	463,919.21	
Deduct:		
d Notes and bills rediscounted, ..	\$114,692.17	349,227.04
2. Overdrafts unsecured, ..	\$9,441.07	9,441.07
3. U. S. bonds (other than Liberty bonds, but including U. S. Cer. of Ind.):		
a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation, ..	\$25,000.00	
b U. S. bonds & cer. of ind. plgd to sec. U. S. dep. ..	\$10,000.00	35,000.00
6. Liberty Loan Bonds:		
a Liberty Loan bonds, 3½, 4, 4½ per cent. unpledged \$650.00		
d Liberty loan bonds, 3½, 4, 4½ per cent. pledged, 12,500.00		13,150.00
9. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank ..		3,750.00
10. Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered, ..		25,000.00
11. Furniture and fixtures, ..		5,000.00
12. Real estate owned other than banking house, ..		500.00
13. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank ..		17,989.88
14. Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection, ..		26,152.35
15. Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks ..		24,099.59
16. Net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies, ..		380.14
18. Checks on banks in same city as reporting bank, \$53,282.47		
19. Checks on banks outside of city of reporting bank, ..		2,605.56
20. Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. and due from U. S. Treas. ..		1,206.16
21. Int. earned but not collected on notes and bills receivable, ..		82.23
22. War Savings Cert. and Thrift Stamps actually owned, ..		1,093.26
23. Other assets, other interest earned but not collected, ..		
Total, ..		\$518,577.67

24. Capital stock paid in, ..	\$100,000.00	
25. Surplus fund, ..		25,000.00
26. a Undivided profits, ..	\$14,734.00	
b Less current expenses, int. and tax paid, ..	6,566.92	8,167.08
27. Int. and dis. col. in advance of mat. and not earned, ..		8,296.15
30. Circulating notes outstanding, ..		25,000.00
32. Net amounts due to national banks, ..		86,964.92
35. Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding ..		1,221.53
Total of items 32, 33, 34 and 35 ..	\$88,186.45	
36. Individual deposits subject to check ..		149,427.99
37. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days ..		8,000.00
Total of demand deposits, subject to Reserve, \$157,427.99		
42. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) ..		10,000.00
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, ..		\$10,000.00
46. United States deposits (other than postal savings):		
a War loan deposit account ..	9,000.00	9,000.00
50. Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank, including all obligations representing money borrowed, other than rediscounts, ..		75,000.00
51. Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank ..		12,500.00
Total, ..		\$518,577.67
57. a Liabilities for rediscounts, inc. those with Federal Res. Bk. ..	114,692.17	
Total contingent liabilities (57a, b, and c) ..		114,692.17

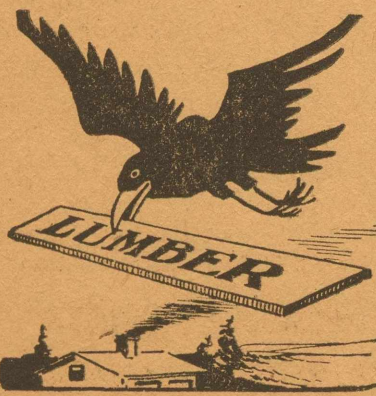
State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss:  
I, M. H. Lee, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
M. H. LEE, Cashier.  
Correct Attest: CLIFFORD B. JONES, GEO. S. LINK, T. E. STANDIFER.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of March, 1919.  
S. T. CLEMMONS, Notary Public.

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# ANNOUNCING OPENING

## GEM THEATRE UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT APRIL 1

Beginning this date the Gem will be operated and run under the management of---

### Neilon & Williams

Who have been fortunate in booking the famous  
**Paramount-Artcraft Photo Plays**

Featuring such well known Stars as Ethel Clayton, Mary Pickford, Billie Burke, Marguerite Clark, Lillian Gish, Dorothy Dalton, Shirely Mason, Lina Cavilera, Douglas Fairbanks, Wm. S. Hart, Fred Stone, Chas. Ray, Enrico Caruso, Wallace Reid and others. We will have special comedy on each Tuesday night, featuring such stars as Fatty Arbuckle, Mack Sennett, Flagg and others. These are the very best pictures that can be had, the kind that are advertised in the Saturday Evening Post. Nothing but new pictures will be shown. With your cooperation we will have perfect order and make the evening an enjoyable one. The program for the month is as follows:

- April 1. Opening Night, "The Great Love," D. W. Griffith's Master Piece, featuring Eight Stars. This is an Extra Special Attraction.
- April 4. "Private Pettigrew's Girl," featuring Ethel Clayton.
- April 5. "The Hun Within," Special, featuring Dorothy Gish.
- April 8. "Under The Top," featuring Fred Stone and his Smothered Love. Mack-Sennett Comedy.
- April 11. "Branding Broadway," featuring Wm. S. Hart.
- April 12. "String Beans," featuring Charles Ray.
- April 15. "The Fire Fly of France," Wallace Reid "Good Night Nurse," Fatty Arbuckle Comedy.
- April 18. "Out of a Clear Sky," featuring Marguerite Clark.
- April 19. "The Mystery Girl," featuring Ethel Clayton.
- April 22. "The Source," featuring Wallace Reid. "Love Loops the Loop," Arbuckle Comedy.
- April 25. "The Kaiser's Shadow," featuring Dorothy Dalton.
- April 26. "The Great," featuring Fred Stone.
- April 29. "Viva la France," featuring Dorothy Dalton. "The Country Here," Arbuckle Comedy.
- May 2. "Come On In," featuring Shirley Mason.
- May 3. "He Comes Up Smiling," featuring Douglas Fairbanks.

**Save This Program. Admission 15c. and 30c.**

Earnestly soliciting your patronage, we are yours for better shows,

## NEILON & WILLIAMS

LOST LAKE NEWS

While Bad Boy and Bad Girl are disputing over territorial rights with the Sweet Girl trying to look sweeter, I'll give the news of this community.

All of our farmers are wearing big smile over the good rains we are getting. The writer is of the opinion that crop prospects are good for a bumper production this year.

Road Overseer Tobe Westfall and Robert James are to be congratulated for the first-class condition they are having the roads put in in this community. The main Lost Lake and Girard road has been graded up in all the bad places, and is now a pretty good road. The Gilmore Highway is now passable for cars. The three canyons have been filled up so that hills cut down and graded up so that now it is a good road. We are told that the road leading north and south of the school house has been ordered established as a public road and we expect to soon see it graded and placed in first-class condition.

Our school is still doing splendid work, we are pleased to report. We have one among the best teachers in West Texas, and judging from the report cards the children are making a good record in their work.

Last week F. M. Hahn, one of the school trustees, took the scholastic census of this district. We have not been informed as to what the enrollment was but feel confident it exceeds the enrollment of a year ago.

Quite a number of our neighbors have contracted the oil fever and it appears that their fever is running high. The Reed-Dooley Oil & Gas Company are taking several leases in this community and we expect that within the very near future this section will be tested thoroughly for oil, as well as for other valuable minerals. We are certain that under this section of West Texas oil is to be encountered.

Some of our farmers have begun re-listing their land, making a first-class seed bed for planting. Most of them will plant large feed crops this year, they having learned from costly experience what it means to buy feed.

There is quite a lot of sickness in our community at present. Many of the children have chicken pox. The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Magaha, who was very sick for some time, is now improving, we are glad to report.

Grandma Harris has been on the sick list, but is now reported better.

We are informed that Mrs. Arthur Boland, who has been in poor health for some time, is reported to have pellegra. She is taking treatment under Drs. Alexander and Wray of Jayton. It is to be hoped that she will soon recover.

Mrs. Miriam Hahn is making an extended visit to relatives and friends in Stonewall county.

Uncle George Gilmore made a trip to Spur last week after feed.

Mr. Peck and son, of the Jay ranch, have been hauling feed for several days past.

We have been informed that Mr. Jay is having two hundred head of cattle fattened for the spring market.

Messrs. John Boland, Kelts Williams and Morris Yandell have contracted to grub out a tract of land for Mr. F. M. Hahn.

Mr. Cowser and family, of this community, but now of somewhere in

# READY-TO-WEAR WEEK

## SALE

### Love Dry Goods Co., Spur

This week we shall devote our special attention to Ladies' Ready-to-Wear. A most complete showing now offered you, embracing New York's very latest things in Tailor Made Suits, Georgette Crepe de Chine or Silk Dresses. Our Ladies' Waists are the attraction of every lady who visits our store. All the new high colors as well as the modest threads, embracing the new things in combination. We have just received by express Silk Hosiery to match all dresses or shoes. Remember you should buy your Hosiery now as there will be a special tax of 10 per cent placed on all fine hosiery May 1. Our line of new Maxium Lace Oxford shirts that are so popular right now can be found in black on colors, also Pumps, any style heels. We have some very special values that we warrant the price. You can't lose trading here. You get just what your dollars are worth, 100 cents on the dollar. We will also be prepared to look after your wants in all Staple Merchandise. Only goods of proven merit sold here. We don't experiment. Let us demonstrate to you this week that our Spring Showing of Ready-to-Wear would be a credit to any town of 10,000 people.

Where Cash  
Proves  
Buying Values

## Love Dry Goods Co.

Where Cash  
Proves  
Our Claims.

DRY LAKE ITEMS

Rain, rain, how thankful we all are. There is much prosperity in view, both in crops and oil.

Bro. C. Jones failed to fill his appointment at the High May on account of the rain.

Clifford Braley made a trip to Haskell last tweek to get horses he had on a wheat field. He reports the wheat fine in that country.

George E. Denson, better known as "Jack Denson," returned from overseas last week.

Lon Bass is in Albany this week. His brother, John Bass, has moved to a place near Albany.

Mrs. W. A. Harris has a fine lot of little chickens, a hundred or more, and has the incubator setting again.

Mrs. Allen, also, has her incubator setting. Of course everybody is aware of the fact that Dry Lake is the place for fried chicken.

Our school closed last Friday with a picnic. Mrs. Crenshaw, the teacher, left Saturday for her home in Bosque county.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Dopson and Dewey Johnson visited in Lubbock last week.

Mr. Kidd and family returned last week from a visit at Buffalo Gap and other places.

W. C. Barley has been having the toothache and neuralgia but since a visit to the dentist his teeth does not bother him.

Well as news is scarce I'll be going.

LOVELY GIRL

The City Drug Store has just installed new tables for both the little folks and older people and is now prepared to serve refreshments in the most up-to-date and acceptable manner to all patrons. A new victrola has also been added to the equipments, and everybody is invited to call in and spend your time here and receive courteous treatment and the very best service.

N. B. Fuqua, a substantial farmer of the Red Mud country, came to Spur the latter part of last week and while in the city was a caller at this office. Mr. Fuqua reported that rain was needed by some of the farmers of his section at that time, but since the big rains have now come everybody is in optimistic spirits.

J. H. Jones, of west of Spur, was one among the number of business visitors in Spur this week.

Max Maples came in Monday from the ranch after supplies to be used in his well drilling operations.

Mrs. Oran McClore returned Thursday from Cross Plains, DeLeon and Hamlin where she has been visiting relatives.

M. C. West, of near Spur, came in Saturday.

J. Arlisle, of Gilpin, was in town Thursday.

When you are in town put up at the Farmers Wagon Yard.

NOTICE

The first annual flower show given under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the first Christian church is announced for this fall. The date and full information will be announced later.

Arizona, recently sold his three quarter sections of land to some Girard citizens. We are very anxious to see all the open lands in this community put in cultivation and occupied by people who want to see our community build up.

Some time back we were having a series of sandstorms, and lots of our neighbors had begun to talk and look blue, but we are now confident that the nice spring showers we are getting will change the aspect of things in general.

Lost Lake has come back to its own now. We are having preaching the first and third Sundays, singing every Sunday evening and prayer meeting every Sunday night when there is not preaching.

The Hatcher brothers, of the Peak ranch, are regular attendants at our singings every Sunday, and they are to be congratulated for the soul-stirring songs that they render for us at each visitation. We are indeed glad to have them with us, and we also extend a heart-felt invitation for every person who so desires to come and be with us at all of our gatherings and help us bring Lost Lake to the front.

We hope ere long to be able to report a good Sunday school which will help to build up our community morally and spiritually. We are anxious to see the whole of this part of the West come into its own. We well know that for the past three years it has only been a "get by" game with lots of us, but experience has taught us that the longest of roads always have a turn, and we feel now that a great turn is just ahead of us all—not only here in this section but every where. And as the writer sees it, our opportunities are greater now than ev-

er before, and there is only one way for us to claim the future: we must utilize every passing moment and by so doing that in the right way we will not have future regrets that always come to the unconcerned. The time is now upon us for us to rise up and do our bit in the spiritual and moral reconstruction of the world. We are a strong believer in the doctrine that "charity begins at home," and our slogan should be this: "begin to construct the home and soon the surrounding country will take up the work and on and on it goes from fireside to government, and from government to the world-wide influence. History, modern and ancient, religious and profane has taught us from time to time in all ages that all great movements in all ages had its beginning around the hearthstone. We don't claim to be a prophet, or endowed with any special wisdom, but experience has taught us many things in the past years of our memory, and this we affirm and declare to all who may chance to read this: We have too much at stake to lose sight of what our real duties are, spiritually and morally. The future of our country now rests upon us, and let us bear this well in mind: "us" don't mean just a few leading men and women of the community, but every one that has reached the age of moral accountability. Too many of us are prone to sit still and watch the other fellow struggle with might and main trying to accomplish results, and when we see him successful we then jump up and place ourselves in a conspicuous place and acclaim with a loud voice "look what we have done." Now to be plain and get down to plain, concrete facts: We want and sorely need men and women who are not looking for the plaudits of the world, who are willing to get under the real burdens of the age and help to carry the great burden that has fallen upon us as a Christian nation. We go under the great name of United States. Let us be a real united people, laboring for one great purpose—the reclaiming of the world. To do that will mean labor, tears, sacrifice and earnest prayer. Are we willing to do

our part? If so, parents go to work in your home, church and community in general, and do the work of an honest laborer who wants to see good results of his labor.

Mr. Editor, I am getting into pretty deep water, so I had better stop. Hoping that Rambling Bill and Tricky Sal will make up and be friends again. I have been smelling mice lately and am on the lookout for Bad Boy, Bad Girl, also the little Sweet Girlie. Hoping to see several good pieces in the paper this week, I am,

—Just A Common Thinker.

C. W. Barrett, who recently moved to the Afton country where he will farm this year, was in Spur last week greeting his many friends. He said that he had his land all prepared for planting and now had an ideal season. There is no question but that bigger crops and better crops will be produced this year than ever before in our history.

Roscoe McCombs, of Clairemont and who recently obtained discharge from the army, was in Spur one day of the past week on his return home. He was met in Spur by Mrs. McCombs who for some time has made her home near Spur.

W. L. Grubbs, of Red Mud, was a very pleasant caller Thursday at the Texas Spur office, spending a few minutes here watching our linotype and printing presses in operation.

Miss Vear Hall has been suffering this week of an attack of tonsillitis.

T. J. Love, a prominent citizen of Tap, was a recent visitor to town.

## NOTICE

### THE SECOND HAND STORE

IS READY TO DO REPAIRS OF ALL KINDS OR TRADE NEW FOR OLD

**J. P. WILKES, Proprietor**

The Place to Buy      The Place to Sell

## NEW JEWELRY SHOP

I am now located at the Wilkes Racket and Second Hand Store with a Jewelry Repair Shop and will fix your clock, watch, gun, sewing machine, etc., at a minimum price. All work guaranteed.

**LEON LOVE**

# 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 may be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must 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

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

John McKeever, of near Spur, was among the number here Saturday, smiling with the crowds on account of the big rain.

We will buy your fat stock and hogs if you have anything to offer see us.—Eb and Elmer Johnson, Spur. 17-tf

Found on the streets a fountain pen. Owner pay for this notice and get the pen.

W. T. Wilson, of five or six miles east of Spur, was in town Tuesday. He was smiling with the balance of the people about the fine rain.

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

W. D. Blair, was in town Saturday with some fine young roosters which he was selling to those who wanted to have better chickens.

W. H. Birdwell and wife, of several miles south of Spur, were in the city Saturday afternoon, and while here were very pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Birdwell stated that in coming to town he saw one of his neighbors out in the field very industriously engaged in gathering "oil blossoms" which were in profusion in different parts of the field. The "oil blossoms" which have only recently been observed here, are to be found in that part of the county as well as in the north part of the county, indicating that somewhere within Dickens county is the big pool of oil which geologists say is here.

**NOTICE.**

I will complete all unfinished work of Dr. Pierce's.—A. L. Brasher, in offices formerly occupied by Dr. Pierce.

T. G. Bass, of Dry Lake, was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Saturday afternoon. Mr. Bass is an inventor as well as farmer, one of his late inventions being a wireless telephone mechanism, and which will be pushed just as soon as patent papers can be secured.

N. A. Baker returned last week from the oil fields where he spent a week or two. He will move soon to Gorman where the Spur Hardware Company will put in a branch business by the first of the next month.

John Randall, of the Steel Hill section of country, was in the city Saturday.

Go to Henry Clay for first-class work.—Dickens, Texas.

J. J. Cloud came in one day this week from his farm home near Soldier Mound.

A. Lollar was among the number here Saturday of the past week. He reports everything all o. k. in his part of the country at this time, plenty of rain, fine crop prospects and everybody feeling good concerning the oil prospects.

Frank Hale, of the Sunshine Ranch was in town Saturday. He reported that gas had been encountered in the deep test well now going down on his place.

John Aston was in town Saturday for the first time in several weeks. He too, was smiling and happy in the prospects for bumper crops now prevailing.

Let me do your tailor work.—Henry Clay, Dickens, Texas.

J. Anderson Davis, of northeast of Spur, was here Tuesday shaking hands with his friends and smiling as if he was now satisfied with the prospects for crops this year.

Johnson Hunter, of four or five miles east of town, came in Saturday to replenish his store of provisions and also to meet friends here that day.

W. S. Dismuke, of the Afton country, was a recent visitor in Spur.

Sell your poultry and cow hides at Farmers Wagon Yard. tf

Fred Hisey and family moved back to Spur this week from Amarillo where they have been making their home the past several months. Fred had a job with the government, firing a locomotive on trains running out of Amarillo. The oil excitement here caused him to throw up his job and return home immediately before things got too brisk to get in on "the ground floor."

A. W. Jordan was here one day this week from Steel Hill, spending an hour or two here on business and conversing with friends. The people of the Steel Hill country are making headway in securing leases for an oil well test to be made in that section, and it is very probable that before many months a test well will be going down in that section.

G. H. Slaton, of Red River county, was in Spur Tuesday. He is here to look over the country with a view of locating permanently. He informed us that he liked the country fine, and that he would probably remain with us.

Roy Johns, who was in Spur to attend the funeral of his father, R. R. Johns, returned the latter part of the past week to Freeport where he has a position with the Swenson interests.

S. C. Reds, eggs \$1.50 per setting or \$5.00 per hundred.—Mrs. A. B. Morgan. 19-4t

Charter No. 10703 Reserve District No. 11  
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK AT SPUR,  
IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON  
MARCH 4, 1919.  
RESOURCES.

1. a Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, .....	\$283,233.27
Total loans .....	283,233.27
Deduct:	
d Notes and bills rediscounted, .....	\$31,677.00— 31,677.00—\$251,556.27
2. Overdrafts, unsecured, \$1,648.04, .....	1,648.04
5. U. S. bonds (other than Liberty bonds, but including U. S. Cer. of Ind.):	
a U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation .....	\$10,000.00
f U. S. bonds & cert. of indebt. owned & unpledged, 1,000.00—	11,000.00
6. Liberty Loan Bonds:	
a Liberty Loan Bonds, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2 per cent. unpledged, .....	6,000.00
9. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of sub.) .....	1,500.00
10 a Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered, .....	7,750.00
11. Furniture and fixtures .....	2,500.00
13. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank .....	19,372.36
15. Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks .....	26,291.72
18. Checks on other banks in same city as reporting bank .....	3,060.52
Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, .....	\$29,352.24
19. Checks on banks located outside of city of reporting bank .....	3,867.22
20. Redemption fund with U. S. Treas. and due from U. S. Treas. .....	500.00
21. Interest earned, not collected on notes and bills not past due, .....	1,483.90
22. War Sav. Cert. and Thrift Stamps actually owned .....	346.88
23. Other assets, Pmts made for customers 4th Lib. Loan .....	433.87
Total, .....	\$337,310.78

**LIABILITIES.**

24. Capital Stock paid in .....	\$40,000.00
25. Surplus fund, .....	10,000.00
26. Undivided profits .....	\$19,332.24
b Less current expenses, int. and tax paid .....	2322.74— 17,009.50
27. Int. and disc. col. or credited, in advance, not earned .....	5,415.72
30. Circulating notes outstanding .....	10,000.00
35. Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding .....	25.35
Total of Items 32, 33, 34 and 35, .....	25.35
36. Individual deposits subject to check .....	229,314.69
37. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days .....	5,000.00
40. Dividends unpaid, .....	24.00
Total of demand deposits subject to reserve, .....	\$234,338.69
42. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) .....	5,329.80
Total of time deposits subject to reserve, .....	\$5,329.80
50. Bills payable, other than with Fed. Bank or rediscounts .....	15,000.00
56. Liabilities other than those above stated .....	191.72
Total, .....	\$337,310.78
57. a Liabilities for rediscounts, inc. those with Fed. Res. Bk. .....	31,677.00
Total contingent liabilities (57 a, b and c) .....	\$368,987.78

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss:  
I, E. C. Edmonds, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
E. C. EDMONDS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of March, 1919.  
JENNIE SHIELDS, Notary Public.  
Correct Attest: C. HOGAN, J. D. HARKEY, P. H. MILLER, Directors.

### SPUR BLACKSMITH SHOP

I now have charge of the Spur Blacksmith Shop and am in position to give you first class service. Will appreciate your business

MAT BINGHAM, Proprietor

# OUR SPRING STOCKS ARE NOW COMPLETE

Now Is The Time For Spring Cleaning And We Have The New Furniture That You Will Need. Come And Look Our Stock Over

**SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE CO., "The Satisfactory Store"**

### AN ATTEMPT MADE TO WEAKEN THE TEXAS FEED LAW

Some Texas cotton mills, particularly a portion of those located in the southern part of the state, have made an attempt to weaken the Texas feed law through an act of the legislature, according to Ed E. Talmage, inspector for the feed control service of Texas, who was in Spur Friday last.

"Texas has a higher standard for cottonseed cake and meal than any other state, or that adopted by the United States. The reason for this lies in the fact that Texas seed are just as naturally richer in protein than are those of other states. The United States government, in order to do justice to all, fixed the standard on the basis of the lowest, North Carolina, the seed of which yields only 36 per cent protein. In 1907, when the Texas feed law was enacted, the Feed Control Service fixed the standards and cake and meal are now designated as ordinary, which carries not less than 43 per cent protein, prime, which is 45 or better and choice which is 48 or better. Designations for cottonseed products below these grades are cottonseed feed Nos. 4, 5 and 6, respectively, containing 41.20, 38.5 and 36 per cent protein. Anything below these is designated as meal and hulls.

"Oil mills have objected to these designations for the lower grades, contending that they should all be designated as cake or meal, and that to call them cottonseed feeds is harmful to their interests. Hence they have long sought a new designation, of the Southwest suffered from the drouth and feed and pasture were short, leading to much reliance on the products of the oil mills. The response to this effort at boycott appear to have been nothing, so they went to the legislature and sought to amend the feed law by inserting a clause that would have lowered the Texas standard to that of the United States, or North Carolina. The bills, at last reports, had not passed.

"As a matter of fact the mills have been reducing the quality of cake and meal steadily ever since the feed law was passed, the average for the present season being but a little over 43 per cent, whereas in 1907 it was 47.6 and last fall, at a meeting at which the prices and regulations governing the 1918-19 crush were made, they sought to have new designations fixed, but the representatives of the Cattle Raisers Association, who were present, objected, as did the Feed Control Service. Not content to let the matter rest, these mills which are leading in the campaign for lower standards, sent out by circular letters to the mills urging that no cake or meal be sold to Texas buyers, notwithstanding we were at war and the United States was urging cattlemen to produce all the meat possible, to do which they must have feed, and also in the face of the fact that large areas per cent. The seeming purpose is to include in the cake and meal all the hulls possible and yet come within the law. Feeders as a rule prefer to do their own mixing. They want the highest grade of cake and meal it is possible to produce. It is therefore to the interest of the feeders to see

that this bill does not only pass, but that the standards fixed by the Feed Control Service be enacted into a statute. This can be accomplished by communicating with representatives and senators in the legislature. The law is a great protection to the feed consumers, but if the mills begin tampering with it in this manner it will be only a question of time until it will be wholly nullified."

Bulletins explaining the matter in detail may be had by addressing the Feed Control Service, College Station, Texas.

J. P. Middleton returned last week from the Eastern part of the state where he had gone to accompany his parents to his home near Dickens and where they will hereafter make their home. His parents are both near eighty years of age, and as the shadows of the evening of life enclose round them the days will be peaceful and happy with a good son and family.

W. P. Sampson, of north of Dickens, was among the visitors here the first of the week.

W. M. Randall was in the city Saturday afternoon from Steel Hill.

### ICE WAGON STARTS APRIL 1ST.

I will put on an ice wagon the 1st of April and will be prepared and glad to serve you with ice. We thank you for your past patronage and earnestly solicited a liberal share of your business during the coming season.—E. F. Springer.

### CLAIREMONT NEWS NOTES

A dance and supper was given at the hall Friday night.

Dudley Ellis spent several hours in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Jay are visiting relatives at Mineral Wells this week.

Miss Ides Glenn entertained the young people with a 42 party Saturday night.

Miss Georgie Morgan visited in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Sam Johnson, of the E. K. Taylor ranch, spent several hours in the city Saturday.

Bud Underwood visited friends in Clairemont last week.

Harry and Jesse Tatom and Waren Hopson are visiting in the city.

Miss Faye Hart is visiting with friends in Peacock this week.

Miss Jennie Adams visited her sister, Miss Olive Adams, Saturday.

C. O. Thompson, of the Sneed Ranch, spent Monday in the city.

Mrs. Vera Gibson, of the Sneed Ranch, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. McCombs.

Byron Polk spent several hours in Clairemont Monday.

Allen Scogin, of several miles to the north, is visiting in town at this writing.

Auntie White, who was reported as being quite sick, is doing well now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Scogin, of Girard, spent several days of this week with relatives at Clairemont.

Clairemont enjoyed a fine rain Saturday and farmers of this entire section are expecting to harvest a big yield this fall. The ranges will also

be in excellent condition very soon and ranch conditions never promised more.

Mrs. B. L. Glenn, the popular county treasurer, who was quite sick at last report, is improving nicely.

Mrs. Edd Taylor came in from the ranch and spent a short visit with her friends in the city.

T. F. Hunter made a flying trip to Girard a few days ago.

John Jones, of Jayton, attended the dance at the hall Friday night.

Mrs. W.S. Cooper is moving to Spur this week.

### BROWN EYES.

W. W. Waldrup came over Saturday from Dickens. He was here to go out in the Red Mud country to see about his cattle, but on account of the rain and roads, he could not get out. This is another demonstration of the value of hard surfaced roadways. Mr. Waldrup was able to come to Spur over the graveled road, but the rains prohibit traveling over other roadways. Graveled roads are the cheapest and best roads that can be built in this country. We want to see every road in the county graveled before many years.

Such kindness will always be remembered by us and am sure will be rewarded in that Great Beyond.—G. B. Jopling and family.

Grundy Crego, of Croton, was here Saturday.

Let us do your printing work.

### SPUR CITIZEN BUYS OIL ROYALTY FROM T. A. HARVEY

County Clerk Martin Gay reports having recorded an instrument conveying to C. F. Cates by T. A. Harvey a 1-16 oil royalty in forty acres of land near Spur, the consideration being \$125.00.

This is the first record of oil royalty made here, and it is said that this is the highest price "wild-cat" oil field in the country. The people here appreciate the value of oil, and they all believe we have it.

### McADOO CITIZENS HOLD MEETINGS TO POOL LANDS TO LEASE

Last week on two different occasions the citizens of McAdoo met for the purpose of pooling their lands in order to secure leases sufficient to induce the drilling of an oil test well in

### CARD OF THANKS

Through the columns of the Texas Spur we wish to express our thanks to our friends for the many deeds of kindness and words of sympathy extended us in the death of our son and brother, Irven.

C. J. Smith was in town Tuesday from his farm home nine miles west. He says the finest rain fell in his section this week and that now a fine season is in the ground and bumper crops assured for this year. With bumper crops, flowing oil wells and rich ore being developed Dickens county folks will be "somebody come to town."

Judge A. J. McClain and wife, of Cat Fish, were in the city Thursday. The Judge says that the other night Porter McClain and other young people of that section were out driving when the wheels of the vehicle began to sparkle and show signs of fire. It was attributed to the rich, alluvial soil of that territory—letting its light shine abroad.

All leading varieties tomatoes and cabbage plants for sale. 100, 50c; 500 \$1.50; 1000, \$2.50. Tobacco and pepper plants, 100, 75c; 500, \$3.50; 1000, \$5.00; prepaid, satisfaction is guaranteed.—Robinson's Plant Farm, Milano, Texas. 1tp

A. C. George, of the Highway community, was in Spur Thursday and was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

C. H. Floyd, manager of the Panhandle Telephone Company of Jayton, was a business visitor Wednesday to Girard, and Spur.

Spend a pleasant hour at the Gem Theatre Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

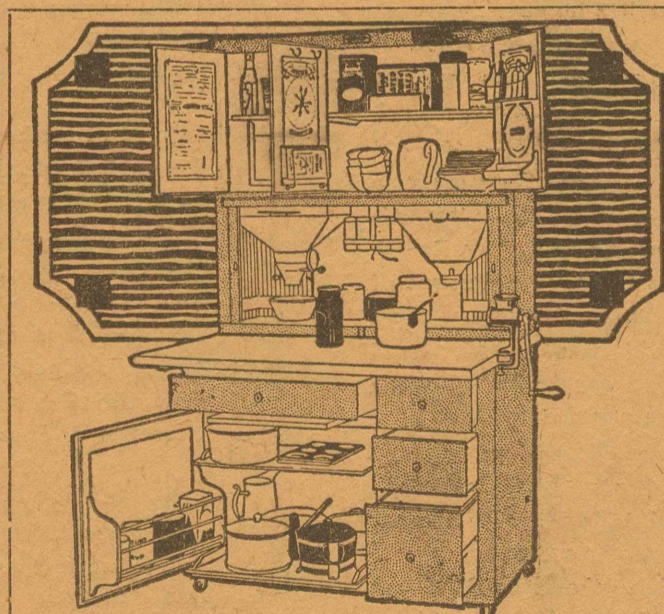
LOST—New casing and rim, 34x4, between Spur and Crosbyton.—R. C. Forbis, Spur, Texas.

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was among those on the streets of Spur Thursday.

Buff Orpington Eggs for sale, \$1.50 per setting. Phone No. 9002F4. 2t

# NEW FURNITURE

## 2 BIG CARS



A HOOZIER CABINET  
See This Modern Kitchen Helper

We hear much these days of the "tired business man," but who gives thought to the tired housewife, the woman who works under conditions no man would tolerate in his business? Come and see the HOOZIER, the most scientific device yet produced for reducing woman's work

Don't forget the Profit-Sharing Certificate  
We give with each cash purchase. Save them for premiums.

**CAMPBELL & CAMPBELL**

We have received the past week two cars of furniture.

After the fine rains you are going to do the spring house cleaning and will want a few pieces of --

NEW FURNITURE  
ART SQUARE, RUGS  
CONGOLIUM SQUARE  
L'NOLIUM For The Kitchen  
A HOOZIER CABINET

Prices are moderate



### Buy New Shades for your front windows

To keep your window shades fresh and neat, turn the old ones end for end, wash them with a damp rag and hang them at the back windows.

Buy new Victor Hand-made Window Shades for your front windows.

Instead of buying all new shades at one time, buy just a few each year and your shades always will look new.