

During the week the highest Price paid for cotton was .50

COME TO SPUR MARKET

The Texas Spur

AND DICKENS ITEM

HAVE YOU BOUGHT
YOUR THRIFT STAMP TODAY?
SAVE AND SUCCEED!

Volume Ten

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 19, 1919

Number 7

Electric Lamps

OF THE FOLLOWING SIZES AND PRICES ARE CARRIED IN OUR STOCK AT THE PLANT AND WE WILL BE GLAD TO DELIVER ANY NUMBER THAT YOU MAY NEED. WE HANDLE ONLY THE EDISON MAZDA LAMPS AND KNOW THAT THEY WILL DELIVER THE KIND OF SERVICE YOU WANT.

- 15 Watt Edison Mazda Lamps, 36c.
- 25 " 22 " Mazda Lamps, 35c
- 40 Watt Edison Mazda Lamps, 35c.
- 50 Watt Edison Mazda Lamps, 45c.
- 60 Watt Edison Mazda Lamps, 45c.
- 75 Watt Edison Mazda C Lamps, 75c.
- 100 Watt Edison Mazda C Lamp, 1.10

SEND OR TELEPHONE YOUR ORDER TODAY, TO

SPUR LIGHT & POWER COM'Y.

The Home of The Edison
Mazda Lamps in
Spur.

CLAY SMART BUYS INTEREST IN FORD SERVICE STATION

Recently Clay Smart purchased a half interest in the Ford Service Station of W. F. Godfrey, becoming personally identified with the business on the 15th of the month.

Mr. Godfrey informed us that he intended to turn the whole business over to Mr. Smart for a time and take life easy.

We are very glad to welcome Clay Smart back to Spur and wish him all kinds of success.

WOMEN MUST PAY POLL TAX TO VOTE IN COMING ELECTIONS

To vote in the coming elections the women will be required to pay a poll tax of one dollar and six bits, the same as men voters. Tax Collector Barber requested us to announce that blanks could be had at either bank in Spur for both men and women, in order that they may be filled out and the tax paid by an agent without going to Dickens for that purpose.

Up to this time not a single woman has paid the tax.

THE LIGHT PLANT AGAIN IN OPERATION AFTER SHORT FUEL

The Spur light plant is again operating regularly after securing relief from the shortage of fuel. While the fuel shortage here is not yet completely relieved, it is hoped that soon plenty of fuel will be had for every body.

Ginning Cotton Is Our Business

WE ARE NOW READY TO GIN
AND WILL APPRECIATE A PART
OF YOUR BUSINESS. WHEN
YOU COME TO SPUR WITH COT-
TON, REMEMBER

Farmers Gin Co.,

SPUR, TEXAS

CASING ARRIVED AND DRILLING RESUMED ON J. C. DAVIS WELL

The long-looked for casing arrived this week and drilling work on the J. C. Davis test well for oil will be resumed Friday by the Spur Oil Company.

Casing for this well has been on the road for many weeks, W. H. McGee having to go down the road and locate it before it would be moved this way. The drillers now have fuel and everything necessary for uninterrupted drilling, and the work is expected to progress rapidly from now on. The well is now three or four hundred feet deep, being in a quick sand with a strong stream of water at the bottom.

Drilling on the second test well on the J. J. Albin place west of Spur will be commenced just as soon as the machinery arrives, this machinery also having been shipped some time ago.

AMARILLO BRINGS IN THE BIGGEST GAS WELL IN WORLD

Amarillo, Dec. 6.—According to an official report made to the railroad commission of Texas, the largest gas well in the world blew in last week in Potter county, in the Texas Panhandle about 25 miles north of Amarillo. M. C. Nobles president of the Amarillo Oil Co. advises the commission that the well came in at 1,665 feet and is estimated at between 100,000,000 and 120,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily.

It is a 12 inch hole and difficulty has been experienced in capping the well, which was accomplished today. Notification recited the claim of the Amarillo Oil Co. that this is the largest gas well in the world. The test referred to was made by experts and was after the well had been flowing without restraint from a twelve inch hole for more than six days. This is the fourth gas well brought in in this immediate locality and brings the total production up to 150,000,000 feet.

DISTRICT COURT WAS IN SES- SION MONDAY AT DICKENS

Judge Milam returned Monday to Dickens and reconvened court, calling in the grand jury to investigate the negro killing recently out near Espuela. However the grand jury found the negro was justified in the killing and returned no indictment. The negro is being held in jail on charge of carrying a pistol.

The court was reconvened to hear the Spur Light & Power Co. case, but since the injunction filed in Fort Worth had not been dissolved, the case did not come up.

ZERO WEATHER REGISTERED HERE LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

The latter part of last week was the coldest weather we have had in years, the thermometer registering two degrees below zero, it is reported.

During this week we have had several pretty, cotton-picking days, until the latter part of the week it has been cloudy and damp with some rain.

Good seasons prevail and the indications are for another seasonable crop year.

DRILLING CONTINUES UNIN- TERRUPTED ON 24 RANCH

The work of drilling on the 24 Ranch test well for oil continues uninterrupted, the drill now being approximately fifteen hundred feet deep.

The drilling continues in blue or black shale underneath of which it is expected to strike oil bearing sand.

The gas pressure in the well has increased somewhat and indications are most favorable for a gusher.

The many who have been closely watching the progress of this well anticipated definite results by Christmas and it may be that a gushing well will yet be a Christmas gift to the country.

BUSINESS NEWS FOR READERS THIS WEEK IN TEXAS SPUR

The Texas Spur this week has lots of news for readers from the business men of Spur, and we want every reader of this paper to look every advertisement in the paper. These advertisements are paid for by business men for your benefit. Advertising is for the purpose of informing newspaper readers of merchandise in order that they may trade with better ideas of merchandise and where it may be had, as well as to encourage your trading with them. And we know that if readers will trade exclusively with advertisers they will get better goods and better prices. The business firm which is afraid to make public the kind of goods handled and the prices being made will do to watch, while the advertiser is out in the open and must treat the trade right or quit the business. It is to your interest to keep posted on business affairs and there is no better way than to read each week to store news from the business men.

A HUNDRED HEAD OF CALVES DIED OF VACCINATION ONE DAY

It is reported that a hundred or more head of calves on the Rocking Chair Ranch in Kent county, owned by W. W. Ellis, died one day last week from vaccination for black leg.

This was a considerable loss to Mr. Ellis, especially in following several hard years for livestock interests.

ANOTHER NEGRO KILLED NEAR GIRARD SATURDAY NIGHT

Another negro killing occurred Saturday night near Girard, in Kent county, one negro shooting another. The dead negro was brought to Spur and buried here. Sheriff Bob Goodall has charge of the negro doing the killing.

ANOTHER FINE SHOWING OF OIL IN 24 RANCH WELL

Just as we go to press T. M. Maples brought in some of the slush from the 24 Ranch well. In this slush is oil in good quantity. The bit has gone through the shale and is now in a fine oil sand at 1335 feet. This oil is expected to show up bigger as the bit goes on down.

Oil may not be found in this well by Christmas, but the chances are most favorable.

Better Tailors Better Service

CLEANING,
PRESSING,
ALTERING,

Phone 13

THE SPUR TAILOR SHOP
IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

DICKENS COUNTY BOY WAS ON SHIP SUNK IN CROSSING SEA

Chas. McLaughlin, of the McAdoo country, and also candidate for County Judge, was in Spur Wednesday and while here paid the Texas Spur office a very pleasant call. Mr. McLaughlin was among the number who volunteered his services to Uncle Sam during the war days, and although the armistice prevented his bringing back "Hun scalps on his belt" yet he had interesting experiences and narrow escape from a watery grave in crossing over the ocean. He was on the Cashmir when it collided with the Toronto, the 6th of October, 1918. In the collision the Cashmir had a hole knocked in her as large as house, and sank soon after the tugboats pulled her out of the sea and up Clyde River to Glasgow, Scotland. The Toronto was cut almost in two, sinking within thirty minutes after the collision, only about half the men being saved. A submarine chaser, acting as one of the convoy, ran by the sinking ship three times in an effort to save men, many of whom jumped on to it as it passed. About five hundred men were drowned. The men on the Cashmir were transported by rail to England and then across the Channel into the fighting zone for training. Mr. McLaughlin had just completed his training and was ready to be sent to the front when the armistice was signed. He was a range-finder in the 126th Headquarters.

J. I. Greer was here Monday from his Lone Oak Farm and Ranch ten miles west. He, too, is feeling the effects of the stringent times and high prices, notwithstanding the fact that he 'makes his living at home.' He had occasion recently to hire some help on the farm, but nobody would talk about it for less than six or seven dollars per day. Who would have thought two or three years ago that farm hands would want over a dollar or two a day? Nevertheless men are making from five to fifteen dollars per day working on farms. Laboring men of all lines now demand big wages, and this is the time for all to lay up some of this easy money for the day when prices will drop.

A boy baby, Jesse Fletcher, Jr., was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fletcher. We congratulate them on having a son and heir, and we are confident that he will develop into one of the leading men of the great West.

SINGER SEWING
MACHINES!
For Sale at
SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY
SPUR, TEXAS

A Little Story of A Little Store.

FOUR MONTHS AGO WE OPENED A SMALL STOCK OF STAPLE GROCERIES IN RESPONSE TO NUMEROUS REQUESTS FROM FARMERS THAT KNEW THEY WERE PAYING TOO MUCH FOR WHAT THEY ATE. WE HAD VERY LITTLE CAPITAL AND ONLY A LIMITED ACQUAINTANCE IN THIS TRADE TERRITORY, AS WE HAD BEEN IN SPUR LESS THAN TWO MONTHS. HAVING CUT THE PRICE OF FLOUR FROM \$7.50 TO \$6.25, AND OTHER THINGS IN PROPORTION, WE HAVE SAVED THE PEOPLE OF THIS TERRITORY THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. BY VERY HARD WORK AND CLOSE APPLICATION TO BUSINESS, WE HAVE GOT TOGETHER A FINE LINE OF STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES, AND FEEL THAT WE HAVE BEEN MORE THAN REPAID FOR OUR EFFORTS. DURING THE PAST FOUR DAYS WE SOLD MORE THAN TWICE AS MUCH MERCHANDISE AS WE OPENED WITH. OUR SALES EACH MONTH HAVE MORE THAN DOUBLED THE SALES OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT SOME TOLD US WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO RUN OUR BUSINESS TWO MONTHS.

Christmas is Almost Here

AND YOU SHOULD GET YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDY, NUTS, APPLES, ORANGES, GRAPES ETC., EARLY TO AVOID MISSING WHAT YOU WANT, AS ALL KINDS OF MERCHANDISE IS HARD TO GET.

Look Over This Line For Christmas Needs

FINE CANDY, ALL KINDS OF NUTS, APPLES, ORANGES, GRAPES, FRUIT CAKES, CAKES AND SNAPS OF ALL KIND AND CIGARS AND TOBACCOS.

We are selling nearly two thousand pounds of Smiths Best Flour a day. If you haven't tried this flour you are missing a treat. Flour is going sky-high, and it will pay you to get your winter's supply now. We have an experienced Groceryman, Mr. Roy Davis, in charge, and will be glad to have an opportunity to demonstrate our ability to save you money. Now is a good time to get lined up with a house that will save you money during the coming year. Give us a trial. We do everything in our power to merit your trade.

Soldiers Cash Grocery

H. G. PERRY, Manager
Spur Hardware & Furniture Company Building, Spur.

GOOD WORK IN CANAL ZONE

Archdeacon Carson Tells of Religious Activities Among Those Employed on the Big Ditch.

Few men perhaps have so intimate a knowledge of the spiritual progress made in the canal zone as the Rev. Henry Roberts Carson, archdeacon of the Protestant Episcopal church there.

From those days when the canal was yet a great doubt until the present, Mr. Carson has been laboring among the employees of the canal that they might have comfort of body and welfare of soul.

Those early days Archdeacon Carson recalled in the missions house of the Protestant Episcopal church at New York the other day before returning to the canal zone.

"We were few in number then and the work was more than enough for many," he said. "The employees, most of them natives of the British West Indies, were housed in labor camps here and there, for the purpose was not cut through from one end to the other; but activities were everywhere along its path."

"And in these camps, we started churches and the church moved when the camp moved, for when the work in that immediate vicinity was completed the camp went elsewhere. When the water was turned into the canal it submerged these places where we had held divine service."

While the work stretches from one ocean to the other, with churches at a dozen places, some of the most unselfish labor is among lepers in the mission of the Holy Comfort on the west coast.

There are to be found some 80 patients, including about a dozen children, and not a week passes without services being held for them.

Lovely Women to Be Lovelier.

American women are growing more beautiful and their loveliness is increasing with every passing year, said Howard Chandler Christy, famous artist, on the twenty-second anniversary of the beginning of his study of the American woman.

"The American woman, already the fairest on earth, are destined to continue their progress in beauty until they attain a degree of loveliness little dreamed of by the average male of today," he said.

Christy added that whether this feminine progress will prove a boon to the other side of the house all depends on the viewpoint.

"The reason America's girls are becoming more bewitching," he explained, "is because being beautiful is an art—and the American women are keeping ahead of their foreign sisters in the arts, like the American brethren are in business."

Al Sullivan came in Wednesday of this week from his place on Duck creek, reporting everything all o. k.

Tom Owen was in town Tuesday from his farm and ranch, twelve miles southwest of Spur.

The Allied Bakery

Airplane Quality. Submarine Prices. Christmas is Almost Here. AND YOU SHOULD GET YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDY, NUTS.

MISSING WHAT YOU WANT AS ALL KINDS OF MERCHANTS ARE HARD TO GET.

Look Over This Line for Christmas

for that lumber you contemplate. FINE CANDY, ALL KINDS OF APPLES, PEARS, Cakes, Breads, and CIGARS AND TOBACCO.

BRAZELTON LUMBER COMPANY. H. G. BERRY, Manager. Spur Hardware & Furniture Company, Building, Spur.

Greetings to Patrons and The Public

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 19, 1919

AT THIS YULETIDE WE GREET FRIENDS, PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL WITH SINCERE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON. WISHING EACH AND EVERY ONE AN EVERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY THROUGHOUT THE COMING NEW YEAR.

DURING THE YEAR JUST CLOSING WE HAVE ENJOYED A LIBERAL PATRONAGE FOR WHICH WE ARE THANKFUL. WE SOLICIT A CONTINUANCE OF THIS PATRONAGE THROUGHOUT THE COMING NEW YEAR, AND WILL ENDEAVOR AT ALL TIMES TO SUPPLY THE TRADE WITH EVERY REQUIREMENT IN THE MARKET BUSINESS, AND TO SERVE PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC TO THE VERY BEST ADVANTAGE, ACCORDING EACH AND EVERY ONE DUE COURTESY, THE BEST SERVICE AND THE LOWEST PRICES CONSISTENT WITH EFFICIENT BUSINESS METHODS.

The Central Market SPUR, TEXAS

THE LIGHT PLANT AGAIN IN OPERATION AFTER SHORT FUEL

The Spur light plant is again operating normally after securing fuel from the Edison power company.

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HAVE YOUR GLASSES PROPERLY FITTED



In order that your glasses may be properly fitted and render maximum service, it is important that the work be executed by one who is expert in adjusting. In this connection the style of your glasses should be given due consideration.

Call at the Red Front Drug Store T. A. COOK, DRUGGIST, CLELAND Of Dallas, Located at Spur, Texas.

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New Battery Machine

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND INSTALLED OUR NEW BATTERY MACHINERY ALSO A COLLECTION OF SPECIAL TOOLS, INSTRUMENTS AND ACCESSORIES. WE HAVE AN EXPERIENCED AND CAPABLE MAN AT THE HEAD OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

CITIZENS GARAGE

SPUR, TEXAS

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DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the Democratic Primaries to be held in July, 1920:

For District and County Clerk:
O. C. ARTHUR
S. L. DAVIS

For County Judge:
CHAS. McLAUGHLIN
F. N. OLIVER

CARD OF THANKS.

I have sold the French Ruby Cafe and wish to thank the public for the liberal patronage given me in the restaurant business. The rooms were not disposed of and I will continue to operate the rooming house where the local citizenship and transient trade will be furnished clean and inviting rooms at all times. When you spend the night in Spur let us furnish you a nice room and bed.—Mrs. F. M. Sullivan.

MARRIED.

Walter Duncan and Mrs. Annie Chism were married Monday of this week at Dickens. Mr. Duncan has been down in the oil fields the past several months, and he and bride will soon return to Caddo where they will make their home in the future. The Texas Spur extends congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Duncan and wishes them much prosperity and happiness.

H. O. Albin recently moved from his place to the former Cates residence on a twenty acre block west of town. Mr. Chapman is loving on the Albin place, gathering the crop, the place having recently been sold to Dr. Earnest of Eastland county.

George Greenwade was in Spur one day this week. He had just recently returned from his ranch near Snowflake, Arizona, reporting conditions good in that country.

Mr. and Mrs. McFann left Spur Thursday for Tulsa, Oklahoma in response to a telegram that Mrs. McFann's sister had died in that city.

Could you afford to lose your home by fire? Then—C. Earyl Senning, 72

W. W. Murphy, of near Spur, had business in the city Monday.

Economy..

IN THESE EXTRAORDINARY TIMES WE OWE A DUTY TO OURSELVES AND FAMILIES TO ECONOMIZE.

AND ONE OF THE VERY BEST WAYS TO ECONOMIZE IS TO BUY YOUR GROCERIES WHERE YOUR MONEY WILL GO THE FARTHER—BEST.

WE WOULD ALSO SUGGEST THAT YOU BUY YOUR GROCERIES IN LARGE QUANTITIES, AS ALL GROCERIES IS ADVANCING AND WE WILL SURELY SEE HIGHER PRICES IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

LET US FIGURE YOUR BILLS—AND BE SURE TO CARRY OUT A SUPPLY OF "BEWLEY'S BEST FLOUR."

OTHO L. HALE
Phone 28
Spur

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

The State of Texas, County of Dickens: To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased. The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased, late of Dickens county, Texas, by Walter L. Powell, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 23rd day of October, A. D. 1919, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and all those having claims against said estate to present them to him at his residence at McAdoo, Dickens county, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 14th day of November A. D. 1919

J. E. BRANNEN,
Administrator of the Estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased.

PREMIUM FOR GOOD COTTON.

Most of Texas cotton is exported. Liverpool is our great foreign market and hence Liverpool quotations control to a great extent here.

A glance at the quotations on Dec. 1, at Liverpool, Houston and Ft. Worth reveals the great fact that the farmers are not getting a fair deal in the matter of district court and premiums.

The following are the quotations at For lowmidding, middling and good middling showing the discounts and premiums per ball of 500 pounds:

LIVERPOOL
Low middling-44.46 Dis.-\$22.50
Middling-49.96.
Good mid.- 52.56 Premium- \$18.00
Excess of discounts over premiums \$4.50.

HOUSTON
Low Mid.- 35.25 Dis- \$30.00.
Mid.- 41.25.
Good Mid.- 43.25 Pre.- \$10.00.
Excess of discount over pre. \$20.00

FT. WORTH
Low Mid.- 35.50 Dis.-\$30.00.
Mid.- 41.50.
Good Mid.- 43.25 Pre.- \$8.75.
Excess of discount over Pre. \$21.25

We thus see that the discounts over the premiums in these two Texas cotton markets exceeds that of Liverpool \$15.50 and \$16.75 per ball.

This is very unjust to the cotton farmers and should be stopped.
H. P. Davis field agent.
Dept. of Agriculture.

NOTICE.

Wood cutting, hunting, trapping, and trespassing in any manner upon the ranch of Frank Corn is prohibited under penalty of law.—I. R. Powell.

TAKE NOTICE.

Please do not ask us to charge feed and coal, as we pay cash for what we buy.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 50tf

FOR SALE—Span mules, 4 and 6 years old, weigh 1100 pounds, well broke. Also good Jersey milk cow, worth the money.—J. J. Albin. 6tf

Tom Greer was in town Monday.

Bald Eagles Photographed.

A. S. Dockham, photographer of the Lafayette National park, has succeeded in making a photograph of two young bald eagles in their nest near Eagle lake, Maine, in the top of a high maple, 50 feet from the ground. Mr. Dockham erected a platform on which a ladder was raised. The ladder top was 60 feet above the ground and commanded a fine view of the nest. He clamped his camera on the ladder and led a string from the shutter to the crotch of the tree about 20 feet lower. Here he remained and watched the nest. In order to obtain the photographs he was forced to remain in the tree for five hours.

Milwaukee's "Medicinal" Water.

The city of Milwaukee has been greatly bothered with a peculiar taste in its drinking water. The water is obtained from the lake and is chlorinated before distribution. At first it was thought that the chlorine produced the taste, but a series of tests proved that this was not the source of contamination. There seems to be some connection between the intensity of the taste and the direction of the wind, and finally the source of trouble was located in a couple of plants, one three miles away and the other eight miles away, which were producing coal tar products.

Circulating News.

Yeast—I see the pro rata share of the money in circulation in this country in \$-1.56—nearly \$5 more than it was a year ago.

Crimsonbeak—Well, I can account for that extra five circulating, I think. "Well?" "I had \$5 a year ago."—Yonkers autosman.

Stork Losing Popularity.

The stork has suffered another loss of popularity in St. Louis—his average for the period of 1919, ending July 1, having slumped approximately 12 per cent, below his record for the same period of 1918. According to Max Kauffman, secretary of the city health department, there were 6,421 births up to July 1 of the current year, as compared with 7,293 births for the like period of 1918—a loss of 872.

Farmers Plan Stores to Reduce Prices.

The farmers of Broome county, New York, believe they have solved the problem of reducing the cost of living by the establishment of farmers' cooperative stores, where goods will be handled at cost. A company is being organized in the town of Lisle, N. Y., with a capital stock of \$20,000 to finance such a store.

When You Invite Ladies to Lunch



A Dinner or After-Theatre Supper, you want to take them to a Restaurant that is attractive, as well as to a place where the eating is good.

Our Restaurant can not be beaten in either line, and the many compliments we have about our place leads us to believe that our customers appreciate our efforts for their comfort. TRY US FOR DINNER TO-NIGHT!

THE BON TON CAFE, Spur
WRIGHT & RAYMER, Proprietors.

YOU ARE READING THE BEST NEWS IN THIS PAPER



When You Glance at This Ad. All we say is for you to use no time in getting acquainted with our restaurant, with its excellent meals and moderate prices. Once a customer, always a customer.

NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

THE BON TON CAFE, Spur

Bargain Days Are Here!

THE ABILENE MORNING REPORTER

The Biggest Daily Paper in West Texas and the Best and Cheapest for the West Texas People is now offering "Excursion Rates." A few features of the Reporter are Associated Press and Special Leased Wire News, Market Reports, Baseball Results, and

THE LATEST OIL NEWS

Copyrighted articles, "Bringing Up Father," a Big Sunday Paper containing a four-page colored "Funny Paper" and various other features.

As a Special Clubbing Offer We Can Send You The

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and
THE TEXAS SPUR

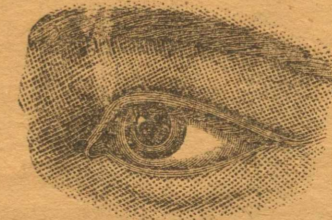
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On 6th Block West of Theatre.

ROOMS AND BOARD FARMERS SOLICITED
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RED FRONT DRUG STORE.



Twenty years experience. Four years in Dallas in one parlor. All Work Guaranteed. All Classes of Frames and Lenses, Invisible, Bi-Focal and Toric. Eyes Scientifically Corrected, such as Hypermetropia, Myopia, Astigmatism, etc. Have your glasses straightened Free of Any Charges Today. GIVE ME A TRIAL—EVERYTHING FULLY GUARANTEED

STRAYED—One black horse and black mule, horse shod in front. Notify G. W. Rash, Spur, Texas. p 1t

H. C. and Willie Eldredge, of McAdoo, were in Spur Monday.

J. E. Sparks was in the city one day this week from Tap.

Miss Jennie Shields is spending the week at Girard in the interests of the Miller lumber company.

R. E. Thomas and family, of Espuela, were in the city Thursday.

T. E. Love, of Tap, was in town one day this week.

The Most Welcome Tire

That Ever Came to Market

Men Who Appreciate Superlative Values Prefer The Brunswick

In every great tire factory, the chief question is "How much can we give for the money?" And the product depends on the policy adopted.

Every man who has become acquainted with Brunswick Tires knows that Brunswick standards are again evident. This famous concern—noted as a leader in every line it entered since 1845—has once more proved that its policy is right.

A perfect tire is simply a matter of knowledge and standards and skill. No secrets nor patents prevent making an ideal tire.

But standards come first. For in tire making there is vast room for skimping, for subtle economies, for hidden shortcomings. Makers without the highest standards don't build high-grade tires.

The Brunswick organization of tire makers includes a brilliant staff of technical experts. Not a man

among them has spent less than 20 years in handling rubber.

Each is a master of his craft. And the new ideas they bring to the attention of Brunswick directors receive sincere consideration.

Every proved betterment is adopted unanimously.

The Brunswick Tire is a combination of acknowledged features plus Brunswick standards in every detail.

The result is a superior tire of which you have never known or tried. The kind of a tire you will gladly join in welcoming.

Yet Brunswicks cost no more than like-type tires.

Try ONE Brunswick. We promise a surprise. And we feel certain that you will want ALL Brunswicks.

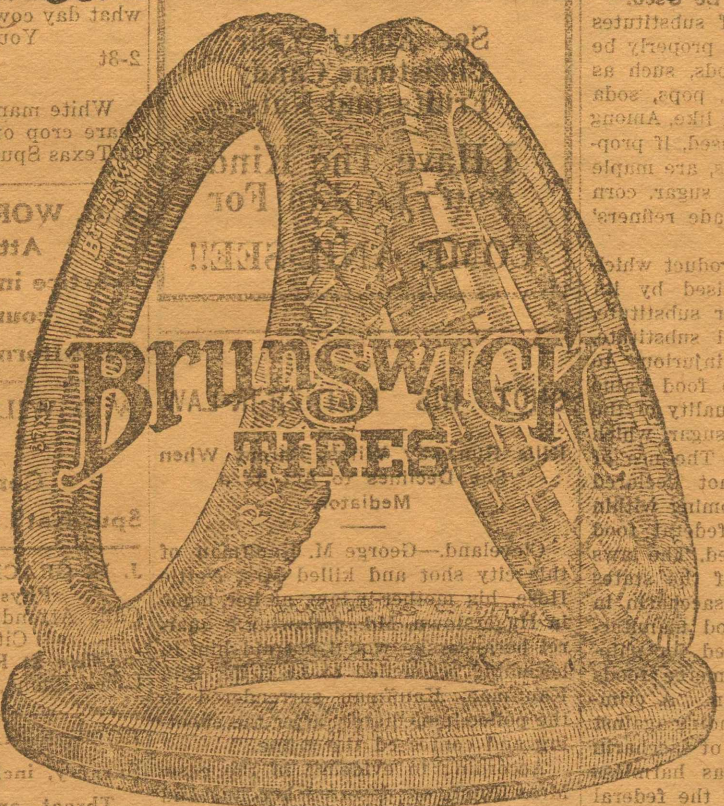
Then good will have new meaning to you.

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There's a Brunswick Tire for Every Car

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Cord Tires with "Driving" and "Swastika" Slat-Not Trends

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Highway Garage, Spur, Texas

NOTICE
A meeting of the shareholders of the Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas, will be held in the Directors Room of the Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas, on the 2nd Tuesday in January, 1920, being the 13th day of said month, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the said meeting.

Poet Hagins, of Gilpin, met us on the street the other day and handed us another dollar and fifty cents to shove his subscription up still further ahead. It is very gratifying to know that mighty near every Texas Spur reader is responding to our request to come in and have their subscription marked up ahead of time. These are indeed strenuous times with newspapers, and many of them will not be able to survive the stringency. With the continued loyal support of our subscribers throughout the country, we hope to be able to publish this paper every week during 1920.

DRESSED HOGS—HEADS OFF
We can arrange with the Packer to sell dressed hogs at 27¢ per pound, heads off, provided we can sell a carload or about 100 head to weigh from 175 to 250 pounds each. These hogs will be nicely dressed, no heads on them, delivered about December 29th or 30th. All parties interested please call and leave your order at the Central Market. We will notify you later as to exact date of delivery. You will note these prices are lower than was paid for hogs live weight sold here within past two months. This is your best chance as we see it.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE
A special Christmas service will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday Dec. 21. Special music and Christmas sermon at 7 P. M. The subject will be: "When will the world come to an end?"

A Christmas tree will be given for the children Wednesday night. Sunday school at ten o'clock. Every body welcome to all these services.

Tom Cross was in Spur Monday of this week with another bale of cotton from his ranch over in Kent county. Tom is now very enthusiastic on this farming business and recognizes that it is a paying business. This is his first year he has ever made a bale of cotton, having always been strictly a "cowman." However, in future he says he always expects to have some cotton on the side.

B. Sulzberger was in town one day this week from the Steel Hill community. He has been looking after his crops this fall and states his crops are now nearly all harvested. During the past year Sulzberger has been very busy in Oklahoma, but he says he don't like the business and wants to get back on the farm.



The Gift to One That All Enjoy!

THE GIFT SUPREME IS THE ONE THAT THE PROUD POSSESSOR CAN LET OTHERS ENJOY. SUCH IS THE NEW BRUNSWICK PHONOGRAPH. AND FOR THAT REASON IT IS PROBABLY THE MOST PRACTICAL OF ALL—ESPECIALLY AT CHRISTMAS.

Or it may serve as a gift to the entire family. No one need debate its appropriateness. It pleases all. As for the quality of its music, none can equal its Method of Reproduction. By its tones are reproduced with greater fidelity—truer, richer, sweeter.

THE METHOD OF REPRODUCTION. The Brunswick Method of Reproduction is exclusive, scientific, simple. It does not require an expert to appreciate the color, charm and exquisiteness it gives to tone. It opens up a heretofore limited world of record music.

PLEASURE TO YOU OUR
THE Brunswick

On the Brunswick any make of record can be played at its best. These marvelous accomplishments are made possible by two patented features that constitute the Method of Reproduction. They are the ULTONA and the TONE AMPLIFIER.

THE ULTONA
The ULTONA—Plays all records truer, finer, sweeter. It is not a makeshift contrivance but involves a genuine principle of sound. A slight turn of the hand presents the right needle, diaphragm and weight for playing any record.

THE TONE AMPLIFIER!!
THE TONE AMPLIFIER is a superbly vibrant tone chamber. Like the sounding board of a piano or violin, it is made entirely of wood and built from the best of materials. It meets all advanced scientific laws.

Shop Early! Shop Here!

WE CARRY IN STOCK PATHE, VICTOR, COLUMBIA AND GENETT RECORDS.

Campbell & Campbell

SPUR, TEXAS



WHEN YOU PAY BY CHECKS.

You get a Receipt in Every Case through endorsement of the party to whom the check is made. It is a pretty good thing to have, and saves a 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. Won't you drop in and talk the matter over.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

SPUR, TEXAS

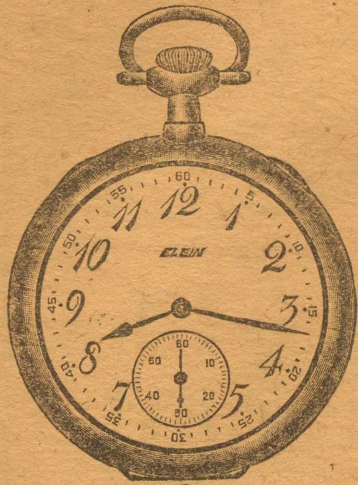
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I now have charge of the Spur Blacksmith Shop, and am in position to give you first class service. Will appreciate your business.

W. B. BINGHAM, Proprietor.

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The Most Remarkable Collection of Xmas Presents Ever Brought to Town



WE WANT MEN AND WOMEN TO COME TO THIS STORE

And See the Great Stock of Useful Presents Now on Display. We Want to Prove Beyond Any Doubt That

THIS IS "THE REAL GIFT STORE" OF SPUR!

We Satisfy You. That's The Reason This is The Busiest Jewelry Store!!

OUR CLOSE MARGINS FORM THE CORNER STONE OF OUR SUCCESS COME IN TOMORROW AND LET US PROVE IT TO YOU. IT IS A PLEASURE TO SHOW YOU OUR MERCHANDISE!

GRUBEN, The Jeweler
SPUR, TEXAS

PIANO RECITAL AND CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
Given by Pupils of
MISS FLORA MAE SCUDDER
December 20th, 1919
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Airy Fairies, -----	Alta Davis	Spaulding
Dolly's Birthday -----	Edith McCulloch	Bugbee
The Paper Chase -----	Nellie Goff	Lawson
The Whistler -----	Mary Elizabeth Hogan	Spaulding
Dance of the Fairies -----	Maud Clemmons	Streabog
Melody in Spring Time -----	Willie Richbourg	Rofe
Snow Bells op. 451 -----	Ella Mae Hogan and Ruby Love	F. Behr
Petite Caprice -----	Bessie Wayne Jackson	Vanasse
Valse -----	Ruby Love	Anthony
Nocturne -----	Lucile Barber	
Historical Pageant -----	Lucile Tunnell and Grace Robertson	Gillis
Elfin Danse op. 15 -----	Annie Mae Hale	Heins
Dance of The Winds -----	Inez Sikes	Peabody
Evening Chimes -----	Willie Stafford	Carl Heines
Valse Brillante a' -----	Audrey Barber and Pauline Ramsey	Moszkowski
Caprice -----	Faye Richbourg	Vanasse
Narcissus -----	Willie Lee Gilbert	Nevin
Faus op. 117 -----	Mary Berta Perry and Norma Jackson	Sydney Smith
Hungarian Rhapsody -----	Helen Grace	Engleman
Mazurka in F Minor op. 8, No. 2 -----	Mary Berta Perry	Leschetizky
Witches' Frolic -----	Helen Grace and Flora Mae Scudder	F. Behr
THE PEOPLE OF THE PAGEANT:		
Mary -----	Lucile Tunnell	
Joseph -----	Willie Lee Gilbert	
Angel Gabriel -----	Bessie Wayne Jackson	
King Herod -----	Mary Berta Perry	
Three Wise Men:		
Floye Richbourg -----	Virginia Forbis	Norma Jackson
Two Angels To Accompany Gabriel:		
Mary Elizabeth Hogan -----	Dorothy Lee Johns	
Shepherdesses:		
Mable Harris -----	Beatrice Wofford	
Audrey Barber -----	Buena Wilhite	
Myrtle Sheppard -----	Ruby Love	
Willie Richbourg -----	Annie Mae Hale	
Lena Snodgrass		
Inkeepers:		
Mildred Williams -----	Bernice Tidwell	
Dick Stafford -----	Pauline Ramsey	
Angel Chorus:		
Maude Clemmons -----	Mary Elizabeth Hogan	
Alta Davis -----	Francis Manning	
Edith McCulloch -----	Mervine Brannen	
Nellie Goff -----	Elice Brothers	
Women And Children of Bethlehem:		
Willie Stafford -----	Lucile Barber	
Grace Robertson -----	Thelma Caraway	
Zelma Lee -----	Essie Cathey	
Ella Mae Hogan -----	Vrna Davis	
Opal Scott -----	Zena Mae Lee	

MUST BE FAIR WITH CONSUMER

Substitutes for Sugar Must Be Declared on Labels of Food Packages.

ALLOW ONLY HARMLESS ONES

Regulations of Food and Drug Act Are Very Strict—Require That Consumer Be Informed as to What He Is Getting.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Washington.—Substitutes for sugar or for other normal ingredients of foods should be declared on the labels of the packages of food in which they are used, if the packages are shipped within the jurisdiction of the federal food and drugs act, say the officials of the bureau of chemistry, United States department of agriculture, who are charged with the enforcement of that act. Only substitutes which are harmless are permitted in foods under the terms of the law, and those that are permitted should be stated clearly on the labels.

The object of the regulation requiring that substitutes be declared on the labels is not to limit in any way the use of wholesome substitutes, the officials state, but to let the consumers know what they are getting. A purchaser of any food product, of which sugar is a normal ingredient, will naturally expect to get sugar in that product unless advised to the contrary. As the substitutes are usually cheaper than the substance for which they are used, it is only fair, both from the standpoint of the purchaser and from that of fair trading, that a clear distinction be made on the labels between foods that contain all the normal ingredients and foods in which one or more of the normal ingredients is replaced by a cheaper substance.

Substitutes That May Be Used.
There are a number of substitutes for sugar which can very properly be used in manufactured foods, such as jams, jellies, marmalades, pops, soda water, confections, and the like. Among substitutes that may be used, if properly declared on the labels, are maple sugar sirup, glucose, corn sugar, corn sirup, honey, and high-grade refiners' sirup.

Saccharin, a coal-tar product which has been widely advertised by its manufacturers as a sugar substitute, is not a proper or legal substitute, since it is held to be injurious to health, and as it has no food value whatever, it lowers the quality of the food in which it replaces sugar, which has a high food value. The use of saccharin, whether or not declared on the labels, in foods coming within the jurisdiction of the federal food and drugs act, is prohibited. The laws or regulations of most of the states also prohibit the use of saccharin in foods. A number of food manufacturers have been convicted for shipping into interstate commerce foods adulterated with saccharin. A criminal prosecution is now pending against one of the manufacturers of saccharin for shipping it labeled as harmless within the jurisdiction of the federal food and drugs act.

Liable to Seizure.
Foods in which harmless substitutes have been used and no mention of the substitutes made on the labels, if shipped within the jurisdiction of the federal food and drugs act, are subject to seizure and the party responsible for the violation of law is liable to prosecution. Manufacturers of foods in which substitutes are used should see that the substitutes are stated on the labels in order to avoid violations of the federal or state laws. Regulation 25, issued under the federal food and drugs act, provides in part as follows:

"When a substitute of a recognized quality commonly used in the preparation of a food or drug product is replaced by another substance not injurious to health, the name of the substituted substance shall appear upon the label."

Insane Man Runs Amuck.
Moncton, N. B.—A telephone message from Rexton, in Kent county, some forty-five miles from here, tells the story of the shooting of four people by a man apparently insane, named Robert Childs, alias Robert McIntosh.

Childs went to his old homestead, about half a mile outside the village, on which he said he had a claim. He set fire to the barn and shot a horse. Mrs. John Childs, his brother's wife, and her son, Harold, started to the barn to try to save the cattle and horses, when he shot both of them. Two neighbors noticed the fire and went over to try to save the cattle and he shot them. Mrs. Childs and one of the neighbors are in a very critical condition.

Feed, Coal, Ice.

SEE US FOR ALL KINDS OF FEED AND COAL. WE DELIVER ALL FEED AND ICE FREE OF CHARGE. COAL DELIVERIES WILL BE CHARGED FOR IN ADDITION TO PRICES WE QUOTE, OR WE WILL MAKE YOU DELIVERED PRICE.

SPUR GRAIN & COAL CO.,

M. E. MANNING, Proprietor.

Phone 51

Look At This!

THE RACKET STORE WILL THIS MONTH ONLY GIVE WITH EVERY \$5.00 PURCHASE OF CHRISTMAS AND RACKET GOODS, A

\$2.50 Fountain Pen

FOLLOW THE CROWD!

The Place to Buy.

The Place to Sell!

J. P. Wilkes

PHONE 24.

Proprietor.

SPUR, TEXAS

Joe Gaines THE CANDY MAN

See About Your Christmas Candy Fruits and Nuts.

I Have The Kind You'r Lookin' For

COME AND SEE!!

MILK COWS FOR SALE.

I will have a car load of pure bred Holstein cows in Spur about December 15th. Interested parties see Mr. M. H. Lee at Spur National Bank and leave name and he will notify you just what day cows will arrive.

Yours for better cattle,
2-3t CHAS. WHITENER.

White man with large family wants share crop of 150 or 200 acres. Call at Texas Spur office. 4-3tp

B. G. WORSWICK

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SHOT HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW

Kills Runaway Wife's Parent When She Declines to Act as a Mediator.

Cleveland.—George M. Kauffman of this city shot and killed Mrs. Nettie Hose, his mother-in-law, at her home in Hagerstown, Md., following a quarrel because she would not aid him in becoming reconciled to his wife, Ella Kauffman. Kauffman surrendered to the police immediately after the shooting and confessed the crime.

According to evidence in the case, Mrs. Kauffman deserted her husband a week before he made the trip to Hagerstown, Md., where he believed she had fled.

Aged Man Wants to Teach.

Enquire, Ore.—Jasper N. Miller, aged 78 years, who crossed the plain to Oregon in 1864, has made application at the office of County Superintendent of Schools E. J. Moore for a certificate to teach school and to take the examination for a certificate. Miller was elected as teacher of the school in district No. 125, on Spencer creek. Miller did not become a teacher until he was 46 years of age. He was a wagonmaker and was working in a shop at McMinnville in 1883, when he entered the McMinnville college and studied for two years.

Farm and Ranch Loans

5, 7 and 10 Years.

LOANS CAN BE PAID OFF ANY YEAR. NOTES TAKEN UP & EXTENDED.

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H. F. SHEPPARD, Drayman.

Heavy and light hauling.

All work guaranteed

The Spur Hardware & Furniture Co'y. Is Just Closing its Tenth Year in Spur!

IN LOOKING BACK OVER THE YEARS PAST WE FIND THAT WE ARE BETTER PREPARED THAN EVER BEFORE TO SUPPLY THE PEOPLE OF THIS TRADE TERRITORY WITH THEIR WANTS. WITH THE COMING OF THE NEW YEAR WE EXPECT TO ADD TO OUR LINE OF HARDWARE, FURNITURE, IMPLEMENTS AND COFFINS, ADDITIONAL LINES OF GROCERIES, NOTIONS AND DRY GOODS.

WE WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN US A SHARE OF THEIR TRADE, AND TO EXTEND TO THEM A CORDIAL INVITATION TO MAKE OUR STORE THEIR HEADQUARTERS WHEN IN TOWN FOR THE HOLIDAYS, WHETHER THEY WANT TO BUY ANYTHING OR NOT. WE WANT TO ASK THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY COME TO THE SPUR COUNTRY TO GIVE US A TRIAL. WE PROMISE YOU FAIR TREATMENT, RIGHT PRICES ON DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE AND EVERY ASSISTANCE OUR EXPERIENCE AND RESOURCES WILL PERMIT.

AT THE CLOSE OF THIS YEAR WE ALL HAVE MUCH IN COMMON TO BE THANKFUL FOR, AND CONDITIONS ARE SUCH THAT THE FUTURE IS VERY PROMISING INDEED.

Make Our Store Your Store During The Coming Years!!

WITH BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ONE AND TO ALL, WE ARE
YOURS FOR A BIG, PROSPEROUS YEAR IN 1920!

Spur Hardware & Furniture Company

SPUR, TEXAS

C. D. Copeland came in the first of the week after supplies for his place. Notwithstanding the fact that grasshoppers "cleaned them up" in that section, Mr. Copeland will get a hundred or two bales of cotton on the place.

Mrs. J. H. Sample was called last week to Temple on account of the death of little Robert Lee Pruitt, son of her sister, Mrs. Pruitt. Mrs. Pruitt and son spent two months in September and October, with Mrs. Sample in Spur.

M. C. Hobson came in today and renewed his subscription to both the Texas Spur and Abilene Reporter. He is leaving this week for Olden in Eastland county where he and family will reside another year.

E. W. Turner came in this morning and renewed his subscription to the Spur and Dallas News in combination. Mr. Turner recently moved to Spur from the Duck Creek settlement.

I can make your farm or ranch loans, give you prompt inspections, and pay you your money at the time of inspection. If you want money—C. Earyl Senning. 7 2t

LOST—Between the Elliot Ranch and postoffice, a ladies pocket-book containing \$12.00, check book and papers. For reward return to Davis' store.—Margaret Elliott.

C. W. Brock, of McAdoo, was here this week and had his subscription to this paper marked up ahead of time.

J. J. Noland, of the Afton country, was in Spur recently, reporting every thing moving along nicely in his section.

Grover Overstreet, of the Afton section, was in Spur one day last week trading and on other business.

Miss Gussie Love, who has been attending college at Milford, is at home for the holidays.

W. R. Rouse, while in town this week, had his subscription marked up another year.

The value of your property has increased, has your insurance?—C. Earyl Senning. 7 2t

Why take a chance on your cotton burning? Insure it with C. Earyl Senning. 7 2t

J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was among the business visitors here the latter part of this week.

The feeling is everywhere that the future looks full of promise, and that the past is well got rid of.

Better Stories to Be Told.

"Let me write the songs of the nation and I care not who makes the laws," was the idea of a luncheon given recently by T. Tokonami, minister of home affairs, at his official residence to story tellers and singers from the cheaper amusement halls of Tokio. Japan has hundreds of story-telling halls, which vie with the cinemas in attracting throngs unable to attend more expensive entertainments. Tokonami said that the songs and stories of the people have a great influence on the character of the Japanese community, and he urged his guests to give the public only that which will elevate the mind and character, as well as prove interesting and artistic.—From the Japan Society Bulletin.

New Zealand's Trade With Japs.

Japan's imports into New Zealand are increasing rapidly, and they consist almost entirely of manufactured goods. During the war period large quantities of Japanese goods flooded this market, some of which were of a fairly good quality, but some were very shoddy. The shoddy goods were imported chiefly during 1916 and 1917, since which time the quality of the Japanese manufactures has greatly improved.

Refined Robbery.

"I don't understand all these daylight robberies," said the police officer.

"The explanation is easy," replied the criminologist. "Robbers now have their own motor cars. Wealth brings refinement and they do not care to come into contact with the rough element one is likely to meet on the streets at night."

Inconsistent.

"Bah, sir!" snorted the irritable member of the club, "It's a waste of time to argue with you!"

"You're an inconsistent fellow!" said the unhappy victim.

"What do you mean?"

"If you consider it a waste of time to argue with me, why don't you leave go of my coat lapels and let me get on with my business?"

Stunned Into Silence.

"Would you say, 'Thank you,' to a man who gave you a seat in a street car?"

"I don't know," answered Miss Cayenne. "Maybe I'd be too surprised to squeak."

Slang Is a Necessity.

"My friend," said the fussy old gentleman, "why do you say you must 'fiddle along'? You are in the prime of life and walk with the easy tread of a banker."

"Sir," said the facetious citizen, "if everybody were as particular about the choice of words as you are, book reviewers would write up baseball games and heckling the umpire would become a lost art."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Prevalence of Deafness.

The last census showed that there are in the United States \$9,257 persons who are totally deaf. Dr. Wendell C. Phillips of New York told the Philadelphia College of Physicians recently that in New York city there are at least 10,000 persons more or less incapacitated as a result of partial deafness, and of these probably 80 per cent are of the working class.

Prices for Canadian Wool.

The average value of unwashed wool a pound in Canada was 62 cents to producers in 1918 and 59 cents in 1917; washed, 80 cents in 1918 and 75 cents in 1917.

Strasbourg to Honor De L'Isle.

It is a pleasant detail in the coming erection of a memorial at Strasbourg to Rouget de L'Isle and his "Chant de guerre de l'armee du Rhin," which became "La Marseillaise," that the chairman of the committee in charge bears the name and is a direct descendant of Mayor Dietrich, in whose house the song was first sung. Little enough when De L'Isle composed it did he foresee either that his song would provide inspiration for a French revolution or that time would bring him a permanent memorial in a Strasbourg that had passed out of French possession and come back again. The author himself suffered both by loss of his commission and by imprisonment, first because the adoption of his song by the Revolution made him suspected of revolutionary beliefs by what power still remained to the older government, and later because his lack of enthusiasm for the revolution made him an object of an attack by the new leaders.

W. D. Thacker, of Draper, was in Spur Monday with cotton. Mr. Thacker also hauls his cotton to gins and the market in a motor truck.

John Self, of Red Mud, was in town one day last week and had us shove up his subscription.

Carpenters Wanted by J. E. Sanders, contractor. 3tf

Porpoise Killed Shark.

How a bottle-nosed dolphin, a porpoise commonly called the seahog, slew a 6-foot shark is described by Galveston (Texas) fishermen, who say they witnessed the killing from the causeway which connects Galveston Island with the mainland.

The seahog, according to the books, is a "most sociable and gregarious fish," but these fishermen declared there was nothing sociable about this dolphin. When the shark was within a few feet of the porpoise the fishermen saw the seahog charge, a gray streak in the water. It struck the shark squarely amidships, they declare, ripped it open and then tore the body into pieces.

The theory of the fishermen is that the porpoise fought to protect its single young one, which the shark was menacing.

Proof Positive.

Twelve-year-old Ted's family recently moved to town and as yet the city's ways are foreign to him. But he is learning. He is devoted to his school teacher and often walks part of the way home with her. The other night she turned to the boys who were accompanying her and told them she was too tired to take her usual walk. "But you can go around this way, boys," she ended. "I want to get my shoes polished."

Ted watched her and after she had left them he told the other boys that she was not fooling them this time about her weariness. "Didn't you hear her say she wasn't able even to black her own shoes?" he asked amazedly.

Invaluable Relics Unearthed.

Invaluable relics were brought to light by excavations made in Greek Macedonia for military reasons by the allied armies in the East. The collection includes neolithic instruments, vases of all forms known in ancient Greece, as well as jewels, bronze, silver and gold of great historical value. Tombs dating from the fifth and sixth centuries before Christ were also discovered. The objects unearthed establish the identity of the ancient civilization of Macedonia with that of the rest of ancient Greece. They have been taken over by the Greek curator of antiquities.

W. A. Craddock was in town Tuesday from poor farm, transacting business.

G. A. Sloan, of Route A, called in and boosted up his subscription to the Texas Spur.

D. G. Simmons, of Duck Creek, was in Spur Saturday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Spur office. Recent box supper was had at the Duck Creek school house, a number of contributions being had from business men of Spur and which the people of that community appreciated very much. Over a hundred dollars was secured from the sale of boxes.

W. A. Valentine, of the Cat Fish country, was here marketing cotton one day this week. The cotton market is now a little slow, but this should not excite cotton growers—it will be in demand some day. The State Agricultural Department advises farmers to not sell cotton for less than forty five cents. We believe it will go to fifty cents.

G. W. Jackson, High Mayor of Highland, was in town Friday, reporting everything in fine shape. He some time ago went out to New Mexico and bought a half interest in a nine or ten section ranch with A. S. Jackson. He intends to move out soon after the first of the year. However, he did not sell his property in Dickens county—keeping something to come back to should he not like further west.

W. C. Barley and family left last week for Pleasanton, way down in South Texas, where he has purchased a farm. Since making the purchase that section has developed into an oil field and Mr. Barley has struck it rich. He can now lease his land for more than he paid for it, there being producing wells near him and drilling immediately surrounding him. Early in the fall he sold his farm here to J. L. Karr.

We had a letter from T. A. O'Reilly who is now in California, enclosing his renewal to the Spur paper. Mr. O'Reilly owns business property here and is interested in the development of the town and country. He is especially interested in the test wells for oil and is hoping to see them bring in gushers. Mr. O'Reilly was here in the beginning of the town.

Buster Bural made life brighter for us this week by shoving his subscription and also that of his mother's up ahead of time. He says he has lots more cotton yet to pick, but that he is getting even with the world again now.

W. P. Sampson called in Thursday and had us mark him up for another year's reading matter.

Span of 3-year old mules for sale at \$200. Also binder almost new, cost \$300, will take \$200. Seed rye for sale at \$2 per bushel. Also have 4 head work horses to sell at bargain prices. One good piano for \$100.—See Mrs. Bert Duncan, 1 mile south of Dickens. 1t

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. Many otherwise honest men have come to think that what others have done without penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it may be found, the 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.

Bill McArthur came in Monday of this week from his farm home in the town of Spur, Sp. Co., where he has been spending a short time in town trading and greeting his many friends. He is in town for the purpose of attending to some business. Mr. McArthur and wife, of the Spur country, were in the city shopping Monday of this week.

A PLACE FOR SALE.
5 miles southeast of Spur, 50 acres on Highway, 30 acres in cultivation, \$40.00 per acre if taken in next ten days. See W. W. Franklin or call at this office.

TURKEYS FOR SALE.
Full Bourbon Red Turkeys, \$5.00 for hens, and \$6.00 for toms. Mrs. R. F. Rogers, Spur, Texas.

VERMIN OLD PEST OF ARMIES
Reference to Them Found in Writings of the Romans, and in English Literature.
The newspapers have had much to say about the "delousing" of the returning troops, Philip Hale writes in the Boston Herald. The word is not a pretty one and it is not to be found in the dictionaries, but the war has brought with it many new words, some of which will disappear, some of which will soon be regarded as orthodox and of good and regular standing. No soldier need be ashamed of necessary submission to the process. It may console him to recall the case of Thomas Olway, an Oxford man, the author of "Venice Preserved" and "The Orphan." As a cornet in a regiment of horse, he joined in 1678 the army under Monmouth in Flanders. It was reported that he came back from Flanders mangy and covered with vermin. Rochester taunted him with this in his "Session of the Poets." It should also be remembered that when the troops were disbanded and recalled, the money voted by the commons for their payment was misappropriated. The soldiers were paid only by debentures, and the credit of these was so low that they were hardly salable.

Ed Hulse, of Cat Fish, was in the city Monday and paid us a short call. He recently found an old cut near his place, bringing it in to see if it was of recent date. Since he lives twelve or fifteen miles from the nearest print shop, we had thought possibly this old cut was the remains of some printery established years ago in what is now the farming belt of the country. However, the find was of recent origin, and was probably carried there by some boy who picked it up in town.

NOTICE.
A meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Jayton, Texas, will be held in the directors room of the First National Bank, Jayton, Texas, on the 2nd Tuesday in January, 1920, being the 13th day of said month, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting. O. B. RICE, Cashier.

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