

The Texas Spur and Dickens Item

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, APRIL 9, 1920

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DRS. MORRIS AND NICHOLS PURCHASE STANDIFER HOSPITAL

Last week a sale was consummated whereby Drs. J. E. Morris and P. C. Nichols purchased the Standifer Hospital and business, the consideration being private, and Dr. Morris now has charge of the hospital and is giving the business his personal attention, while Dr. Standifer is remaining with them indefinitely at the head of the surgical department. Dr. Nichols who is now at Swenson, will remove to Spur within the next sixty or ninety days to become personally identified with the business. Miss Horne, who has been superintendent of the hospital for some time, will be retained in the same position by the new management.

The Standifer Hospital has gained more than state-wide reputation as a superior and most successful institution for surgery, and in assuming the duties and responsibilities of the business the new management will in every respect maintain and perpetuate the good and enviable record made in the past.

Dr. Morris has been practicing medicine and assisting at the Standifer Hospital since the beginning of Spur ten years ago. He is a graduate of the University of Louisville, Kentucky, and had one year's practical experience in surgery at the City Hospital of Louisville, and later did hospital work in the City Hospital of Dallas.

Dr. P. C. Nichols is also a graduate of the University of Louisville, and has had the advantage of a post graduate course in surgery with Mayo Brothers of Rochester, Minnesota, among the greatest and most noted men of the world in surgery. Aside from his ability in medicines and surgery, Dr. Nichols is a man of honor and integrity of the highest type, and his coming to Spur will be a real addition to the citizenship as well as to the business and professional lines.

ROBBERS OPERATING NOW IN SURROUNDING COUNTRY

Five of the Bryant-Link Company stores at Lueders, Stamford, Post and Caddo have been robbed recently, and the company is now offering \$1,000 reward for the apprehension of the robbers.

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THIRTY VOTES POLLED SATURDAY IN SCHOOL ELECTION

There were a total of thirty votes polled Saturday in Spur in the school trustee election, which resulted as follows:

A. L. Brasher, E. C. Edmonds and Jas. F. Williams were elected to the board membership, the latter two having been members of the board heretofore.

The school board membership is now composed of the above named gentlemen, together with Geo. S. Link, W. D. Wilson, N. Q. Brannen and S. B. Boykin, who were the hold-over members.

At the same time voters also voted on County Trustees and one member at large. W. A. Johnson received the greatest number of votes for precinct trustee, and Walter L. Powell received the largest number of votes for trustee at large.

14,456 BALES COTTON WEIGHED IN SPUR UP TO APRIL THE 5th

Mr. Baker informed us this week that he has closed down his gin for the season, having ginned 3,485 bales of cotton from the 1919 crop. There has been a total of more than 12,000 bales ginned in Spur from the 1919 crop, and probably more than 20,000 bales ginned in Spur from the 1919 Spur cotton yard has weighed up to date a total of 14,456 bales from the 1919 cotton crop, and cotton continues to come in at this time.

MRS. GEORGE DIED OF INFLUENZA AT HOME WEST OF SPUR

Mrs. W. L. George, of west of Spur, died February 28th, after a brief illness of influenza. Mr. George and children left last week with his father for New Mexico where they will make their home in the future. They have our sincere sympathy in this great bereavement and misfortune.

FREEZE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY KILLS FRUIT OF COUNTRY

It is almost certain that the freeze of Saturday night and Sunday killed most if not all the fruit in the country. All day Sunday ice remained in vessels of water standing outside.

Ed Johnson is spending this week in Galveston and other points on business.

Miss Neva Rector, of California, is in Spur for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. V. C. Smart.

Tom Owen and wife, of southwest of Spur, were visitors and shoppers in the city Monday of this week.

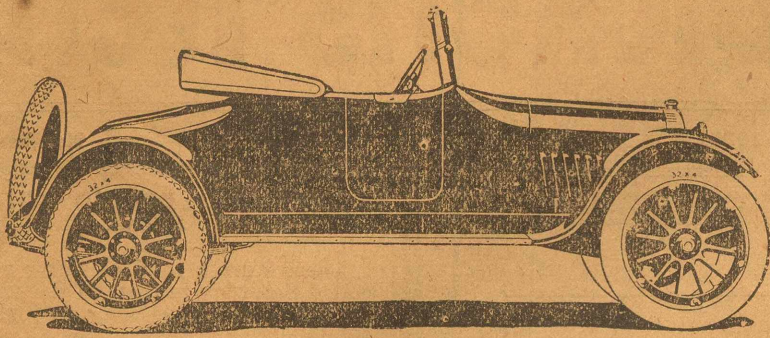
PAY CASH AND SAVE!!

If we cannot make you the price that will save you money, we do not expect your trade.
YOU NEED TO SAVE MONEY AND WE NEED YOUR BUSINESS

Best Smoked Bacon, per lb.	-	-	30c
Dry Salt Bacon, per lb.	-	-	25c
Pinto Beans, per lb.	-	-	10c
Pink Beans, per lb.	-	-	10c
Granulated Sugar, per lb.	-	-	20c
2 Cans No. 2 Corn	-	-	35c
2 Small Cans Tomatoes	-	-	25c
25 Pounds Meal	-	-	\$1.25
8 Pound Bucket White Cloud	-	-	\$2.75
6 Pound Bucket White Beauty	-	-	\$2.00
8 Pounds Cottolene	-	-	\$2.85

Come on to Spot Cash Grocery and buy your groceries. YOU CAN SAVE MONEY BY TRADING WITH US

SPOT CASH GROCERY



**OAKLAND
SENSIBLE SIX**

THOUSANDS of busy men—physicians, salesmen, contractors and others whose work requires the crowding of many miles into a busy day—are beating the clock by driving Oakland Roadsters. Through the use of this efficient and dependable car, they are making more calls in less time. They cover great distances daily without fatigue, for the Oakland is built for riding comfort. And they have found the Oakland Roadster to be as economical as it is efficient.

**CITIZENS GARAGE
SPUR, TEXAS**

WE WILL ABSOLUTELY CLOSE ON SUNDAY

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Dickens.**

By virtue of a pluries execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Jones County, Texas, on the 25th day of March, 1920, by the Clerk thereof in the case of Louise Snodgrass vs. Stamford Gas & Electric Company et al, No. 4037, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I did on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1920, at 1 o'clock p. m. levy upon, and I will proceed to sell for cash within the hours prescribed by law, at Sheriff's sale on the first Tuesday in May, A. D. 1920, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Dickens County, in the town of Dickens, all of the undivided interest of the defendant, Geo. E. White, in the following real estate situated in Dickens County, Texas, and being all of lots, numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 25 and 26, in block No. 5, of the town of Spur, as shown by the original plat of said town now of record in the office of the County Clerk of said Dickens County, Texas, and being the same property conveyed to J. E. Johnson and G. E. White by the Stamford & Northwestern Town Site Company by deed of date the 16th day of November, A. D. 1910, together with the Electric Light Plant, Gin, Mill, Buildings, Engines, Boilers, Gin-stands, Machinery, Scales, Fixtures and together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances unto said above described premises belonging and all electric lines, poles, transformers, meters in service, easements, rights of way and all other rights, property, improvements and fixtures composing the Gin, Mill and Electric Light Plant in the town of Spur, Dickens County, Texas, situated on said above described premises and used in any manner with said Gin Plant, Mill Plant and Electric Light Plant whether situated on said premises or elsewhere in said town of Spur, levied on as the property of Geo. E. White jointly with the said J. E. Johnson on his cross section in said suit against the said defendant Geo. E. White as such partner and individually for Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Eight & No-100 (\$4,628.00) Dollars, with six per cent interest per annum thereon from the 14th day of February, 1919, until paid, and the further sum of Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Four & 27-100 (\$12,984.27) Dollars with ten per cent interest per annum thereon from the 14th day of February, 1919, and the further sum of Forty and 45-100 (\$40.45) Dollars as costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1920.
G. L. BARBER,
Sheriff Dickens County, Texas.
23-4t.

TO OUR CREDIT CUSTOMERS

Friends:—We shall have to discontinue our credit department unless you pay your bills more promptly. Everything we handle is cash to us, so by the end of the month we have quite a lot out that we have paid for, putting us in a tight. Therefore in the future we shall make it strictly thirty days, don't get mad if we say no to you or your children on the third or fourth of the month.—Central Market, C. P. Harris, Prop. 23-2t

Mrs. J. W. Edwards, of Croton Flat country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Some time ago Mrs. Edwards had an advertisement placed in the Texas Spur to rent a place. She rented the place all right, but since other arrangements have been made and she now wants to rent the place to another party. Her ad can be noted in another column of this paper.

Henry Edwards, of Dickens, passed through Spur Monday on his way to Ranger and the Swenson ranch in that country to see his son, Walter, who has been ill from being gassed in the great war.

**NOTICE IN PROBATE.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Dickens County—GREETING:**

You Are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period if not less than one year in said County, a copy of the following notice:
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of M. W. Winkler, deceased, Mrs. W. M. Winkler has filed an application in the County Court of Dickens County, on the 25th day of March, 1920, for Letters of Administration upon the Estate of W. M. Winkler, deceased, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 19th day of April, 1920, at the Court House of said County, in Dickens, at which time all persons who are interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Witness my hand and official seal, at Dickens, Texas, this 25th day of March, 1920.

M. GAY, Clerk
County Court, Dickens County, Texas
22-3t By S. L. DAVIS, Deputy.

**NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS
MEETING OF THE PANHANDLE
SHORT LINE RAILWAY CO.**

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of The Panhandle Short Line Railway Company that a special meeting has been called of said Stockholders, to meet in Dalhart, Texas, on the 27th day of April, 1920, for the purpose of authorizing an amendment to the original charter of the Panhandle Short Line Railway Co., to provide for the locating, constructing, owning and operating a branch line of the road from Lubbock, in Lubbock County, Texas, and extending through the counties of Lubbock, Crosby, Dickens, King, Knox, Baylor, Archer, Wichita and Clay, to a point on Red River in Clay County, the same being on the State Line between Oklahoma and Texas.

Also to authorize an increase of the Capital Stock from Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00) Dollars, to Six Hundred Thousand (\$600,000.00) Dollars, change the location of the principal office from Dalhart, Dallam County, Texas, to Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, and authorize and order a bond issue of Thirty Two Million (\$32,000,000.00) Dollars, and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought before the meeting.
E. G. COOK, President.
W. A. PRITCHARD, Secretary.

**NOTICE OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OF THE PANHANDLE SHORT
LINE RAILWAY COMPANY**

Notice is hereby given to the Directors of The Panhandle Short Line Railway Co. that a special meeting has been called to meet in Dalhart, Texas, on the 27th day of April, 1920, for the purpose of amending the Charter, to build a branch line from Lubbock, Texas, to a point on Red River in Clay County as ordered by the Stockholders, to increase the Capital Stock from Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00) Dollars to Six Hundred Thousand (\$600,000.00) Dollars, to change the location of the principal office from Dalhart, Texas, to Wichita Falls, Texas, and create a bond issue of Thirty Two Million (\$32,000,000.00) Dollars, all as ordered by the Stockholders in a meeting that just adjourned prior to this meeting of the said Directors, and to transact any other business that may come before the board at this time.
E. G. COOK, President.
W. A. PRITCHARD, Secretary.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Dickens County, Greeting:**

You are hereby commanded to summon Fred L. Twichans, Charley Harlow, Martin Harrah and A. L. Harlow and the unknown heirs of Fred L. Twichans, Charley Harlow, Martin Harrah and A. L. Harlow, their heirs and legal representatives, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in Dickens county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, to be begun and holden at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, on the twenty-first Monday after the first Monday in January, 1920, the same being the 31st day of May, 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 18th day of March, 1920 in cause No. 601, on the docket of said Court, wherein R. J. Bateman and W. H. Bateman are plaintiffs, and Fred L. Twichans, Charley Harlow, Martin Harrah and A. L. Harlow their heirs and legal representatives, are defendants; the nature of the plaintiffs' demand being a suit for the title and possession of 48 acres of land out of Survey No. 1, by virtue of Script No. 64, issued to Alexander, Crain, Harris & Brooks, Patent No. 216, Vol. 26, Abstract No. 4, in Dickens county, Texas, and being tract No. 4 out of said survey as described in decree of partition of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, in cause No. 233, styled Glasgow, Green and Davis vs. S. C. Loyd, et al, recorded in Vol. 14, page 160, deed records of Dickens County, Texas; plaintiffs alleging that they are the owners, in fee simple, of said premises, and that they and those under whom they claim have had and held peaceable and adverse possession thereof, and have title thereto under and by virtue of the three, five and ten years statutes of limitation of the State of Texas, and praying for the removal of the claims of defendants as a cloud on plaintiffs' title to said premises, for damages and costs of suit.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on said first day of the next regular term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Witness: M. Gay, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County.
Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Dickens, Texas, this the 18th day of March, 1920.

M. GAY, Clerk
District Court, Dickens Co., Texas.
21-4t By S. L. DAVIS, Deputy.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Dickens County, Greeting:**

**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-
ED** to cause to be published once each week for a period of twenty days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period not less than one year in said Dickens County, a copy of the following notice:
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To all persons in the interest of S. R. (Sol) Davis, Deceased. E. C. Edmonds, Administrator has filed in the County Court of Dickens County an application for an order to sell the following property of said estate, situated in Kent County, Texas, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in and to the Northwest Quarter of H. & G. N. R. R. Co. Survey No. 101, Certificate No. 10-1946, Block No. 1, containing 164.83 acres.

An undivided one-half interest in and to the Southwest Quarter of H. & G. N. R. R. Co. Survey No. 101, Certificate No. 10-1946, Block No. 1, containing 164.83 acres.

An undivided one-half interest in and to the Southwest Quarter of H. & G. N. R. R. Co. Survey No. 108, Certificate No. 10-1949, Block No. 1, containing 165.14 acres.

Which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in April, A. D. 1920, the same being the 19th day of April, A. D. 1920, at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and show cause why such sale should not be made, should they choose to do so.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you before said Court on the first day of the next term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at office in Dickens, Texas, this the 19th day of March, A. D. 1920.

M. GAY,
Clerk County Court, Dickens Co.
21-4t By S. L. DAVIS, Deputy.

LOST—Sorrel saddle pony, 14 1-2 hands high, no brand, scar on inside left hock, streak in forehead, frogs on left feet worn off.—G. D. Sikes, Spur, Texas. 21-3t pd.

EGGS! Guaranteed clear strain, thoroughbred Silver-laced Wyandot Eggs at \$1.50 per setting of 15, at my place 9 miles southeast of Spur.—W. C. Bennett. 20-4t

Millions of Dollars

LOSS HAS JUST BEEN CAUSED BY WIND STORMS
ARE YOU PROTECTED?

C. Earyl Senning

LOANS INSURANCE

SPRING IS HERE

THE RACKET STORE IS READY TO TRADE THE NEW
FOR OLD!

We Do Repairing, Also Varnishing or Enameling!!!

COME TO THE RACKET STORE FOR EVERYTHING!!

YOU WILL GET IT! PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT!

J. P. WILKES, Prop.

PHONE 24 SPUR, TEXAS

The Spur Hotel

GEO. F. FAIR, Proprietor.
One Block West of Theatre.

PHONE 156
ROOMS AND BOARD FARMERS SOLICITED

**H. F. SHEPPARD, DRAYMAN
Hauling of All Kinds**

PHONE 158
SPUR TEXAS

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Mary M. Hand, deceased.

R. O. Butts has filed application in the County Court of Dickens County, on the 24th day of March, 1920, for letters of administration upon the estate of Mary M. Hand, deceased, which said application will be heard by said court on the 19th day of April 1920, at the Court House of said County, in Dickens, at which time all persons who are interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with four return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Dickens, Texas, this 24th day of March, 1920.

M. GAY, Clerk
County Court, Dickens County, Texas
21-4t By S. L. DAVIS, Deputy.

County Agent Crawford dropped in Tuesday and handed us a check renewing his subscription another year to the Texas Spur. G. L. Crawford is one of the busiest men of the country, and has backed up enough business propositions with his personal notes and security to have made himself a considerable sum of money. As it is, any profits go to the community. G. L. Crawford is the best man for the County Agent's place that could be had. He works all the time and takes personal interest in everything he does.

Man Clark, of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week and while here called at the Texas Spur office and registered a kick for not getting his paper. He reports everything in good shape in the Afton country and informed us that he already has his land all prepared for planting.

J. W. Baker dropped in at the Texas Spur office the first of the week and added another name to our growing subscription list, having the paper sent to L. R. Stubblefield of Oklahoma City. Thanks. 21-3t pd.

See us for Blacksmith Coal.—Spur Grain & Coal Co. 23-2t

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To All Persons Interested in the welfare of Clyde Ake, Bert Ake, Nancy Ake, Earl Harris, and John L. Hand, all minors, and children of Mary M. Hand, deceased.

R. O. Butts has filed an application in the County Court of Dickens County, on the 24th day of March, 1920, for letters of guardianship of the persons and estate of Clyde Ake, Bert Ake, Nancy Ake, Earl Harris, and John L. Hand, all minors, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 19th day of April, 1920, at the Court House of said County, in Dickens, at which time all persons who are interested in said minors are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Witness my hand and official seal, at Dickens, Texas, this 24th day of March, 1920.

M. GAY, Clerk
County Court, Dickens County, Texas
21-4t By S. L. DAVIS, Deputy.

WE BUY, raise and sell fur-bearing rabbits and other fur-bearing animals. Place your order with us, and list what ever stock you have with us stating lowest flat prices on large shipments. Address 515-517 N. P. Ave., Fargo, N. D. 22-4t

PLACE TO RENT

100 acres good farming land, one room and half dugout, two underground cisterns. See Mrs. Doc Edwards, Croton Flats. 23-2t p

Miss Elizabeth Crosthwaite, of Weatherford, is again at Duck Creek, teaching out an unexpired term in the school there.

S. L. Gill, of Alvarado, Texas, was here last week visiting his sister, Mrs. R. R. Johns and family.

If you want the best flour, use Sweet and Pure. For sale by Otho L. Hale. 22tf

Toilet paper 5 cents at the Racket Store.

BEST SERVICE

Lumber

SHINGLES, WINDOWS, DOORS,
BRICK, LIME, CEMENT, PAINTS

POSTS COAL

P. H. Miller

Spur, Girard, Jayton, Peacock, and Swenson.

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MRS. F. M. SULLIVAN, Proprietor.

NICE, CLEAN ROOMS AND THE VERY BEST ACCOMMODATIONS.

RATES BY THE WEEK. PATRONAGE SOLICITED

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
B. G. WORSWICK

For Tax Assessor:
G. B. JOPLING
R. L. CARLETON

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
G. L. BARBER (Re-election)
B. G. FORD
H. J. PARKS

For County Treasurer:
C. H. PERRY

For County Commissioner:
Precinct No. 3:
P. E. HAGINS
Precinct No. 4:
W. D. THACKER

For Commissioner and Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1:
E. L. HARKEY

Hulon K. Finley, M. D.
Consultation-Diagnosis
Muton T. Council, D. C.,
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Electrical, Mechanical, Chiropractic,
Osteopathic-Massage, Light and Heat
Therapeutics a Specialty in the Pre-
vention and treatment of sub-acute
and chronic diseases.
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Phone 540, Lubbock, Texas

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.

**HEMSTITCHING
and
PICOTING**
I have a special machine
for this work, installed in
my home.
MRS. P. A. RAMSEY
Telephone 157 Spur, Texas

CARS AND STORAGE BATTERIES
Have full line of new Exide Storage
Batteries, and can fit any car. Also
have several used cars in good con-
dition mechanically to sell at bargains.
—Highway Garage, E. L. Caraway.

W. C. Bennett, of Gilpin, was in
Spur Tuesday. He wants to sell out
his farming business in order that he
may accept a position with an engi-
neering corps. He will go to Cooper
and be with C.E. Cock.

83 Model Overland for sale, brand
new casings all around, car in first-
class shape, will take good cow or
horse as part pay. Also have pigs to
sell at \$8.00 at six weeks old. See
Ed Duncan, 2 miles north of Spur. 2p

L. B. Boling, of Girard, wrote us
a letter this week enclosing a check
for us to send the paper to D. H.
Bowen at Girard, and which we are
doing with pleasure and thanks to
him for the enclosure.

D. J. Balch came in one day this
week and had his name placed on our
subscription list. Still the number of
Texas Spur readers increases. Come
on with the crowds.

Mrs. D. H. Dunn, of the Croton
country, has our thanks for having
her subscription marked up to 1921.

Singer Sewing Machines for sale at
the Racket Store. 22 4t p

FRANCE FACES 10 YEAR TASK

Lorraine Plants May Quicken Resto-
ration of Steel Industry of
the Country.

Valenciennes, France. — France's
steel and iron industry, virtually cut
in half by war's ravages, is faced by
what engineers estimate to be an
eight to ten year task of reconstruction.
Details of the problem were re-
lated to the correspondent of the As-
sociated Press, who is visiting the de-
vastated regions of France by special
government dispensation.

Engineering experts, however, say
the country's steel and iron production
may be quickened by the mineral
mining and metal-treating plants of
Lorraine, returned to France under
the terms of the Versailles treaty. The
seriousness of the loss to the industry
by war, nevertheless, is heightened by
the great necessity for metal construction
throughout liberated districts and
the dependence of nearly 100,000 in-
habitants of these regions on the blast
furnaces and metal mills for a liveli-
hood.

Model Spouse Dies at 101;
Stayed Home Every Night

Bancroft Abbott Bailey of Chi-
cago who died at South New-
bury, Vt., a few days ago, was
more than one hundred and one
years old. He never spent a
penny on tobacco or liquor,
never was inside of a theater
and never spent an evening
away from his family. He went
to Chicago when it was a little
settlement and built a cabin
near what is now Palatine, Ill.,
where he reared a family of 11.
Chicago had a population of
about 500 when he first moved
there, and Indians were plenti-
ful on all sides.

Team Brings Only \$20.

Cottonwood Falls, Kan.—The big
slump in live stock prices during
the past few months is being strongly
reflected in public sales which have
been held by farmers of this part of
the state. At nearly all sales held
recently all kinds of live stock have
brought surprisingly low prices, with
horses probably the lowest. William
Duckett, a farmer living southwest
of here, sold a team for only \$20 at his
sale a few days ago. Last spring he
had paid \$140 for one of the horses.
At another sale near this city recently
a farmer sold a horse for \$25 after re-
fusing \$95 for the same animal a few
days before.

Generations of Heroes.

Seabrook, N. H.—Mrs. Sally Walton,
who numbers among her 122 descend-
ants 27 grandsons who fought in the
world war and eight who are veter-
ans of the Spanish-American war, cele-
brated her one hundredth birthday at
her home here. Three generations of
soldiers met at the reunion, as several
of her sons-in-law are veterans of the
Civil war.

PEANUT SEED—70 bushels prime
Spanish Peanuts on Crabtree farm
at \$2.00 per bushel. Get yours.—L.
G. Crabtree. 22-4t

EXPRESS LOVE
FOR TRICOLOR

French Inhabitants of Mauritius
Ask That Island Be Re-
turned to France.

IS NOW UNDER BRITISH RULE

Possibility That Their Request Will
Be Granted as a Matter of Senti-
ment—Spot Made Famous by
"Paul and Virginia."

Washington.—News from the peace
conference has told nothing of the
nationalistic movement in the little
half-forgotten island in the Indian
ocean known as Mauritius. But the
movement there is something new in
the realm of international complica-
tions. The inhabitants have asked to
be restored by the British empire to
France and the French are anxious
to have the island back because it is
the scene of "Paul et Virginie," pub-
lished in 1787, by Jacques Henri Ber-
nardin de Saint-Pierre. The islanders
have a new claim in that they say they
belong to the "domaine sentimental"
of France.

Mauritius since 1810 has been a British
colony. Before that for a century
it had been French and known as Ile
de France. The name it now bears
is in honor of the Dutch Maurice, given
to it by his faithful subjects in the
seventeenth century. It was, however,
discovered by the Portuguese. It has
thus passed through the cycle of col-
onization and exploitation. And now
a committee of delegates in Paris has
addressed a double memorial to Cle-
menceau and Lloyd George saying that
they wish to return to the French fam-
ily.

Tribute to British Rule.

And here again is a new note. For
the Mauritians have not drawn up a
bill of complaints against England nor
organized a Mauritian Sinn Fein. On
the contrary, they say that they have
only gratitude and respect for Great
Britain for her generous treatment of
them and their island.

Objections to this transfer there
would certainly be. The government
of a century is not easily switched.
And under the English, who under-
stand better than any other nation how
to govern colonies (since the lesson
of 1776), the island has prospered
steadily. The most striking feature
of the development has been the great
influx of East Indians where there
were formerly only French settlers
and their black slaves. Now the white
inhabitants, descendants mostly of the
French colonists, number between 70-
000 and 80,000, while the Indians are
four times their number and have got
into control of most of the business of
the capital, Port-Louis. But the old
French families, who have gone on
with their own language, laws and cus-
toms, thanks to the kindly British rule,
still consider the island as theirs, and
not the Hindus'.

All Very Much in Earnest.

At once, after the signing of the
armistice, a demonstration was held
before the French consulate in the
capital, where the chief speakers de-
manded that the island be turned back
to France, and in January of last year
a banquet was held in the city hall in
honor of France, where the chief ob-
ject of interest was a statue of the
immortal lovers, Paul and Virginia, the
work of the Mauritian sculptor, Prosper
d'Epinay, draped in the tricolor
of France. The guests at the banquet
sang the "Marseillaise," which was
taken up by the crowds outside. After
the banquet a delegation was
named to take up the matter of the
transfer with the British and French
governments, and this commission,
headed by Dr. Joseph Riviere, has
been active in propaganda at home and
in France.

The French writer, Alberic Cahuet,
in L'illustration puts the case for the
French Mauritians as follows:
"The elite of the population of the
Island of Mauritius is made up of the
descendants of the former French col-
onists, having piously preserved the
integrity of their souls and their na-
tional culture and who, in spite of all
the immigration, have remained the
exclusive possessors of the soil and
the agricultural riches. In vain has
been the influx of indigenous races—
negroes, Hindus, Mongols and Arabs
—which has swelled the figure of the
general population. The little primi-
tive kernel, 70,000 to 80,000 inhabi-
tants in 375,000, has kept its prepon-
derance."

EGGS FOR HATCHING

Thorough bred White Leghorns,
\$1.50 per setting; \$7.00 per 100.—
White Poultry Farm, Afton, Texas. 4

Mebane cotton seed for planting to
sell at \$1.50 per bushel.—Mace Hunt-
er, 5 miles east of Spur. 22 3t p

SAVED FOR JOYFUL REUNION

Idaho Miner, Two Weeks Buried, Is
Brought to the Surface to Wel-
come New-Born Baby.

Mullan, Idaho.—While Emil Sayko,
miner, was buried 60 feet in the Gold
Hunter mine, near Coeur d'Alene, he
became the father of a baby girl.
Sayko was released alive from his un-
derground prison after more than two
weeks' confinement, along with a fel-
low worker, Pete Grant.

Hope for the rescue of the two men
was given up on the fourth day after
the cave-in at the mine, the belief be-
ing that both men were dead. It could
not be conceived that the men were
alive and well.

It so chanced that the cave-in did
not catch the men during the slide of
the earth, but merely filled the aper-
ture to the surface. A spacious under-
ground cave, to which air found its
way from a small crevice in another
part of the mine, served to save the
men's lives.

A four-inch diamond drill aperture
was bored into the 60-foot-deep cave
and gave the men better air. Food
was let down to them as well as blan-
kets.

Mrs. Emil Sayko, on the day of the
cave-in, was confined to the Coeur
d'Alene hospital and there became the
mother of a little girl. She believed at
the time of the child's birth that its
father was dead.

The joyful reunion of husband and
wife and the meeting of father and
baby girl, as one from the world of
the dead, brought tears to the eyes of
the hardy miners who gathered about
the mine's mouth when the sturdy dig-
gers were brought safely to the sur-
face.

BUCK CUTS DOWN HIS HAREM

For Some Reason, Animal in Bronx
Zoo Has Taken a Dislike to
Former Companion.

New York.—The sultan of Turkey
has nothing on Stanley the Third.
Stanley is a big buck in the deer pad-
dock up in Bronx zoo. Whether it's
the high cost of living or whether
Stanley is swearing off Mohammedan
customs is not quite apparent. But
Stanley has cut down his harem.

He has reduced his household and,
as Keeper Bill Snyder says, "given the
air" to all but a dozen of the prancing
does that once formed his happy fam-
ily. Where Stanley will stop in his
effort to emulate the ruler of Turkey
is problematical, but they say up at
the zoo that he has made a good start.

Stanley is having a glorious time of
it on the hay and grain piles in the
paddock. He takes his fill and per-
mits only an even dozen* of his pet
wives to partake of the leavings.
Others who seek to approach the
"chow" beat a hasty retreat from his
wicked antlers.

There's nothing the keepers can do,
either, except smuggle a little food to
the exiled does. But Stanley will get
his when he's "in the velvet." That's
in the springtime, when he sheds his
antlers. That's the time of the year
when the stork visits the paddock and
nature softens up the antlers to give
the fawn a living chance. Stanley's
day will come in the spring.

TOO STRONG ON SYMPATHY

Elvira Parkins Had a Fault From
Which Too Many of Us Are
Not Quite Free.

"Is she gone?" Aunt Harriet in-
quired breathlessly.

Aunt Harriet's niece, Eileen, turned
from the flowers she was arranging—
flowers left by the departing guest.
"She's just going down the path," she
replied. "Shall I call her back? Do
you want to see her again? Did she
leave anything?"

"If you call her back, I'll disown
you, even if you are my favorite
niece," Aunt Harriet retorted. "Tell
me the minute the gate clicks."

Eileen's eyes began to dance.
Months of illness had not broken
Aunt Harriet's spirit. "She left the
flowers and devoted herself to the
window."

"Now!" she announced.

Aunt Harriet drew a long breath,
"I wish," she declared, "that Elvira
Parkins never had had a mother!
There, I've said it, and I feel better!"

"Aunt Harriet!" Eileen cried, with
a laugh that broke bounds in spite
of her.

"I know, I suppose I ought to be
ashamed, and maybe I shall be some
day, but just this minute that seems
to me the most relieving thing I ever
said in my life. Elvira Parkins is a
good woman. She wouldn't hurt the
feelings of a fly, and she'd run her
feet off doing kind things for people.
I could stand the kindness, but what
I can't stand is her sympathy."

"If I so much as mention a twinge
in my little finger, she will draw down
her face and lower her voice and say,
'I know—you can't tell me anything
about it. My mother suffered that
way for years.' I have discovered that
Elvira's mother had an accident like
mine and was hard of hearing like
me and had a heart just like mine.
Elvira saw me dodging a streak of sun-
light for a minute, and she jumped
for the shade and pulled it clear down
and came back and patted my shoul-
der, murmuring, 'My mother had just
such sensitive eyes. You must be
very, very careful. Mother suffered
so with hers the last of her life.'"

Aunt Harriet's mimicry was delight-
ful. Eileen was enjoying herself
greatly. "Do tell me some more of
Elvira's conversation!" she pleaded.

"I'm ready to vow never to be sym-
pathetic again as long as I live."

Aunt Harriet sank back on her pil-
lows, but her eyes were twinkling.
"I'm not saying that I'd advise you
to go quite as far as that, Eileen,"
she retorted. "I'd only call your at-
tention to the fact that there's sym-
pathy and sympathy, and advise you
to exercise a little care in choosing
the kind you use."—Youth's Com-
panion.

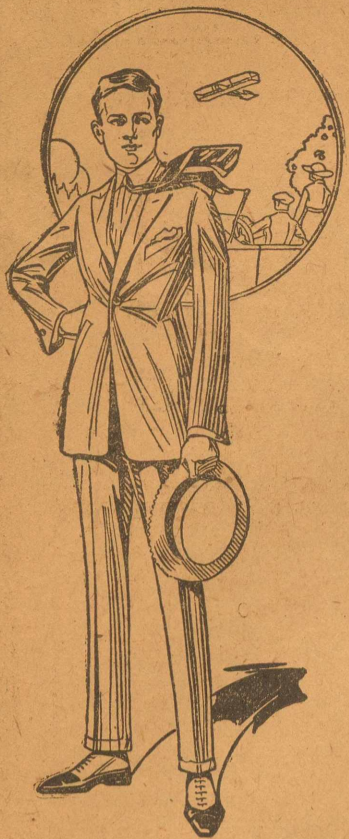
Goes Navy.

Vincennes, Ind.—George Dewey Rod-
man, after spending four years in the
army, arrived home recently. While
here he heard of a navy recruiting
officer being in the city on a recruit-
ing mission, and, although he had
only been out of the army a few days,
enlisted in the navy. He is one of four
brothers in his family who were in
the army during the world war. Rear
Admiral Rodman of the United States
navy is a cousin of the youth.

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DICKENS ITEMS

Easter has been quite lengthily the children begun hunting easter eggs Friday and were still at it Monday p. m.

Bryon Perry and Royce Hawk made a flying trip to Spur Saturday.

Some young people were "took in" Friday evening for speeding. We learned that their fines were \$24; small fines for the risk of life. Several came near being run over.

Farmers are getting ready for the rain that is due, but so far it is only sand storms.

There is great talk again of a rail road for Dickens. Here's hoping we will get it for we need something to live up things.

The young folks had a big Easter hunt at Mr. Waldrup's Sunday evening.

Neighbors were called to the bedside of Aunt Martha Legg Monday night. It was thought she was dying, but she rallied and Tuesday morning she was better.

Mrs. C. H. Perry and children spent several days in Spur visiting friends and attending the revival.

The commencement exercises were well attended Friday night. The graduating class, while small, acquitted themselves with honor.

Mr. Fred Arrington, who taught the fourth and fifth grades, took his pupils picnicing to the famous Dickens springs Wednesday p. m. All enjoyed themselves kodaking, climbing hills eating bountiful lunches and drinking spring water. We can say a good word for Fred, here's hoping he will teach in our school again next year.

Miss Edell Harkey, who was brought home from the Standifer Hospital Monday is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, of Spur, attended the commencement exercises Friday night.

Mrs. Maud Johnson was shopping Tuesday.—Dickens Girls.

Wall paper at the Racket Store.

MIDWAY HAPPENINGS.

Midway is just about the same old six and seven—no news much to speak of.

I. M. Ellis and R. L. Overstreet, who have been real sick, are now doing nicely.

Most everybody has begun farming in this part of the country. A good rain would be appreciated instead of sand storms.

Jonas Overstreet looked real sad Sunday, for Zelma has gone to Stamford to visit Miss Lettie Carter. But I am afraid Zelma has done the wrong thing by going away—for Altha may beat her time.

I. M. Ellis, M. L. Blakley, C. L. Gladdish, Emmett Gladdish, Mr. Dodson and Bill Dodson are all planning a fishing trip the first of next week. Dock Dobbs is going too if his bosses will let him, but they are undecided yet.

Mr. J. F. Speer and wife, Joe Speer and wife were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Noland Sunday.

There was an Easter hunt at Midway Sunday. Quite a crowd was present, and everybody seemed to have a good time. But the rabbits played a trick on them, for there were but few eggs.

Mrs. Reece Formby was carried to the Spur Sanitarium Tuesday to have an operation for appendicitis. We hope she will do nicely and soon be back at Midway.

Jim Noland has put his farm on the market. We think Jim is thinking of New Mexico also, but I think I would not like Mexico, considering the class that is going—Jim Noland, Roy Brannen, Tonic Holly. This sounds like Mexico will never amount to much.

Ernest Noland and Ira Dobbs went to First Monday at Spur, and I hear the boys traded their horses for a car and couldn't drive it home—had to phone Duck Dobbs to come after it.

Misses Ella and Della Dobbs looked real lonesome Sunday, for Ira and Claud Clark had gone fishing.

Messrs. Evert and Leland were back at Midway again Sunday.

Misses Winnie Arthur and Emmett Dobbs spent Saturday night at Dickens with Mr. and Mrs. Duck Dobbs.

Mrs. Edna Arthur and son, Ernest, spent Saturday night at Geo. Dobbs'. Clyde Sartor has bought a jitney. I am sure Clyde will go through life a flying.

Misses Leora and Levada Gimore, Roy Gimore, L. D. and Henry Bilberry and Miss Lela Bilberry attended the commencement exercises at Dickens Friday night.

Pete Austin says he can never give up his East Texas girl, and if he cant persuade her to come to Dickens he is going down there. But Pete is wise in wanting her to come out here.

Misses Allie Gladdish and Lela Bilberry ran away from school April Fool Day—Poor girls.

Mrs. Joe, Gardie and little daughter of Knox county are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gladdish.

We are real sorry to say that the freeze Saturday night killed all the fruit, but unless we can get more sugar in the future than in the past, the loss will be of little difference.

—SHINNERYT WIG.

J. H. Busby, cashier of the Lueders bank, has been spending the week in Spur on business and meeting his many friends and acquaintances of the town and surrounding country. Mr. Busby was greatly pleased and enthused concerning the oil prospects of the Spur country at this time, and no doubt he had an eye to securing a few acres of leases. Everything is now looking very bright with reference to oil prospects, and the test wells are going down with as little delay as could be expected in a wild-cat territory.

W. W. Sample made a business trip this week to Jacksboro and other places, returning the latter part of the week.

DOG FED TRAPPED FRIEND

Massachusetts Farm Agent Tells Remarkable and Touching Story of Canine Affection.

In the Telegram, Worcester, Mass., John E. Dearth, field agent of Worcester county farm bureau, tells this story of the intelligence, sympathy, affection and clever understanding on the part of a dog, which came under his observation in a recent visit to Princeton:

A Princeton man who is fond of horses and dogs owns a finely bred hunting dog and he missed it for several days. He made inquiries all around, but no one had seen anything of the animal, and after a week the owner gave it up as lost. One of the farm hands was rambling through a chopped off wood lot a few days later and came upon the dog caught in a steel trap set for a skunk. Both forepaws were held in the jaws of the trap and the dog could not escape.

But in spite of its terrible predicament it was not emaciated, and although in pain had not gnawed its forelegs as many animals will do when they are in the torture of a steel trap. Strangest of all, scattered all around were bones and scraps of meat. Several hen bones and beef bones, with shreds of meat still clinging, were under the captive's nose, and it was chewing a bone when the farmer discovered its plight.

The trapped dog was carried home in the arms of the man who found it, and then, a little later, the owner went to the trap to see who or what brought those bones and scraps of dog food to the suffering captive. While he stood silently regarding the little heap of bones and scraps, another dog from his own kennels came through the brush with its jaws filled with chicken bones, meat trimmings and other gleanings from the kitchen garbage pail. The dog dropped its load close to the trap and sniffed around as if it were worried.

Calling the dog after him, the owner went back to where the injured dog was licking its wounds. When the other dog saw the rescued animal it barked, capered around, wagged its tail almost off, and then lent its own moist tongue to the healing process on its friend's sorely bruised paws.

War Activities of Geological Survey.

The special training of the geological survey engineers made them available for effective war service both overseas and in this country. The large amount of technical data collected through the years by the geological survey was found to possess a value not anticipated, and the official machinery organized for scientific investigation of the subjects within the geological survey's province was also utilized in the more intensive inquiries required as each industrial or military need arose. The increase in the geological survey's representation in the army from 61 men at the beginning of the fiscal year 1918 to 322 at the end of the year (462 on November 11, 1918) necessarily involved a serious reduction in the man power available for other contributions to war work. Yet it is believed that both in variety of scope and in volume of results the war activities under direction of the geological survey, department of the interior, were more important during the closing months of the year than ever before.

One of Twain's Heroes.

One of Mark Twain's famous "bad men" wasn't bad at all, according to those who were well acquainted with the character. In the book "Tom Sawyer" "Injun Joe" is a half-breed renegade who murdered Doc Robinson while helping to rob a grave to get a body for the dissecting table.

But the old people of Hannibal declared "Injun Joe" was a kind-hearted negro who had been a slave, and that he had never done a real mean thing in his life except to aid and abet Mark Twain and his pals when they played hookey from school and went to the river, says an exchange. Then "Injun Joe" would row the boat for them and take them to some good "fishing holes." But bad he was not.

When someone told him Sam Clemens had "put you in a book," and showed him the ferocious picture labeled "Injun Joe," the real character "grinned from ear to ear" and was proud of it.

Remarkable Gipsy Funeral.

Jazz funeral music and three mourners signaled the funeral procession of a gipsy at Adelaide, Australia, recently. In front of a photographer's the cortege halted while the body was snapped in its coffin. Then the march was resumed with a crowd supplementing the three tearful ones. The high cost of wines prevented the sprinkling of champagne and wines into the grave, but perfume was substituted to conform, as nearly as possible, with the gipsy custom. Fingers of the body were literally covered with diamond rings, and several hundred dollars in coins and bills was tossed into the coffin.

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CONVENTION LAWS OF TEXAS EXPLAINED

Austin, Texas—Information relative to precinct, county and state conventions to select delegates to the national convention is contained in an opinion given by the Attorney General's Department and prepared by Assistant Attorney General L. C. Sutton to John W. Hornsby, County Attorney of Travis County. The information contained in the opinion follows:

The State Convention.—The State Democratic convention to elect delegates to the national Democratic convention will be held at such place as may be designated by the State Executive Committee of the party on the fourth Tuesday of May, 1920, which is May 25, 1920.

Selection of Delegates.—Said State convention shall be composed of delegates duly elected by the voters of said political party in the several counties of the State in the following manner:

Precinct Convention.—On the first Saturday in May, 1920, that is, May 1, 1920, a primary convention shall be held in each voting precinct of the county, which precinct primary convention shall elect delegates to the county convention.

Hours of Holding Precinct Convention.—The precinct convention shall be held between the hours of 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. on May 1, 1920.

Qualifications of Members.—Only qualified voters of each voting precinct are entitled to assemble and participate in the precinct convention.

Presiding officer. Appointment and Qualifications.—The precinct convention shall be presided over by a chairman who shall have been previously appointed by the county executive committee of the party, and said chairman shall be a qualified voter in said election precinct.

Officers of Precinct Convention.—Said precinct convention may elect from among its members a secretary and such other officers as may be necessary to conduct the business of the convention.

Powers of Chairman.—The chairman of said precinct convention shall possess all the powers and authority that is given to election judges under the provisions of the election laws of this State. This means, among other things, that he may swear members and interrogate them relative to their qualifications and require them to establish their right to participate in the convention.

List of Voters.—Before transacting any business, the chairman of the precinct convention shall make, or cause to be made, a list of all qualified voters present; and the name of no person shall be entered upon said list, nor shall he be permitted to vote

or to participate in the business of such convention, until it is made to appear that he is a qualified voter in said precinct from a certain list of qualified voters, the same as is required in conducting a general election.

Election of Delegates to County Convention.—After the precinct convention is organized, as above provided, it shall elect its delegates to the county convention and transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Record Proceedings.—The officers of said precinct convention shall keep a written record of its proceedings, including a list of the delegates elected to the county convention, which record shall constitute the returns from said convention.

The same shall be signed officially, sealed up and safely transmitted by the officers thereof to the chairman of the County Executive Committee of the party and to be used by the executive committee in making up a roll of the delegates to the county convention.

The County Convention.—The county convention shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Saturday in May, 1920, which is May 4, 1920, and shall elect delegates to the state convention aforesaid.

Qualifications of Voters.—These conventions are affairs of the Democratic party, and hence only those who are Democrats can participate in same.

In the foregoing, wherever it is explained that only qualified voters can vote or participate in the conventions or be chairman thereof, it means those qualified to vote in primary elections; that is, for instance, persons who, in addition to being qualified voters generally under the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, are also full-fledged citizens of the United States; they must be either natural-born citizens or those fully naturalized; persons who have simply declared their intention to become citizens are not qualified voters within the meaning of the law governing the holding of these conventions.

Women are qualified voters within the meaning of the law governing the holding of conventions of this kind & may vote and participate in such conventions if they are otherwise qualified voters.

Presidential Primary Law.—It will be remembered that the statute passed in 1913 attempting to provide for the holding of primary elections on May 1, to elect delegates to the national convention, etc., was held unconstitutional by our State Supreme Court. Thus we must resort to the convention system as above outlined, and which is provided for by a previous statute to the one held invalid.

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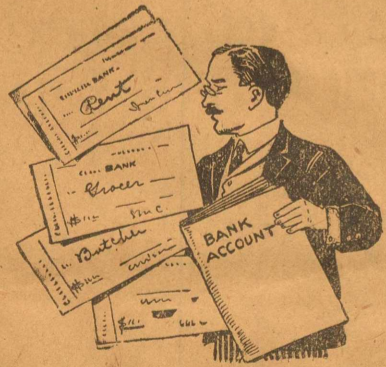
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Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut, saw, grub, break down or gather wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespassers hereafter without favor.

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A number of years ago in the early history of Spur when Dr. Standifer was constructing his home and making extensive and lasting improvements and beautifying the place, we requested that he "will" the place to us should he ever decide to leave Spur. Dr. Standifer has sold his hospital and business to Drs. Morris and Nichols, is preparing now to leave Spur, and in compliance with our request his beautiful, comfortable home is our own. It is a home to be proud of, and one on which has been expended much thought, labor, care and effort as well as cash, and although we may be deprived of much of the pleasure there is in the planning and creation of such a home, we hope at least to realize and enjoy to some extent our years of anticipation and longing for a home. For ten long years in Spur we have labored unremittingly and longed incessantly for a place worthy to be called home, and notwithstanding the fact that during this time we have abided in tents, shacks, store-buildings and in the back of our shop, never for a moment did we lose sight of the one end now in view—the possession of a desirable place in which to live and make our real home—and regardless of the necessity of mortgaging a few years of our peace of mind in order to realize our aspiration at this time, we are none the less proud of the possession, and in the days to come it may be possible that living amid the bowers and budding trees, blossoming flowers and fragrant beauties surrounding, will to some degree influence the lives of those who dwell therein.

Democratic precinct conventions will be held in every voting precinct in Dickens county on Saturday the 1st day of May, for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the county convention to be held in Dickens the following Tuesday, which will be May 4th. If you are interested in the political welfare of the country, and every man should be, you should attend the precinct convention.

Misses Adelaide and Carroll Senning, after spending the Easter season in Spur with their mother, Mrs. Kate Senning, returned the latter part of this week to St. Mary's College.

Mrs. Perry Fite, of Albany, is in Spur this week to be with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Hail, who is in the Spur Sanitarium for an operation performed Sunday. Mrs. Hail, we are glad to note, is doing nicely.

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

Highway is going to have a hand in this community reports again.

Everyone has been working right on thru the sandstorms and most all the farmers have about got their land all ready to go to planting.

There has been quite a bit of flu in our community the last month but most everyone is able to be up and going again.

George Sloan and wife are now visiting relatives and friends in Haskell county.

Several of the Highway people met at Mr. Walker's Sunday afternoon and hunted Easter eggs. Every one seemed to have a real nice time.

Some more of the people hunted Easter eggs at Mr. Howzes'. Hope they were successful and found all the eggs they could eat.

Every one reports a nice time at singing Sunday night at Mr. Lewis'.

Mr. Horace Denson is going to make a crop with Mr. Luther Denson this year.

Highway is still coming to the front since J. D. Hufsteler is building a new house at this time. Mr. Sam Vernon has also completed a new bungalow.

Mr. George Sloan and Mr. Wesley Lewis are driving new jitneys.

Mrs. A. C. George is visiting her daughter at Girard this week.

Mr. Luther Denson and family motored over to Haskell last week, returning Friday.

Ewell George has Vernon Powell's place rented for this year and is looking forward to the time when Vernon will get the shack built. We wonder why he is so anxious.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Denson and little daughter were at the singing Sunday night.

They are drilling right along on the Albin well now. We understand that a doctor was called last week to treat Mr. Albin for swelling of the head. We hope him a speedy recovery.

Come on Tricky Sal with some more items from Steel Hill. I believe you are a real nice little girl, so let us all hear from you again.—Bachelor Button.

J. C. Davis left Thursday for Ft. Worth to see his son, L. W. Davis who has been under treatment in a sanitarium for several months. Luke, we understand is now very much improved in health and will probably return to Spur with his father.

All farmers who have cotton shipped out of Spur, are requested to meet in Spur Saturday.—J. M. Howse

BAPTIST CAMPAIGN WILL EMPHASIZE EVANGELISM

The new campaign which the Baptists of the state are to conduct during the next sixty days will emphasize the winning of souls, according to a statement issued by Dr. F. S. Groner, of Dallas, the general secretary of the Baptist Executive Board. Though an effort will be made during the latter part of April to increase the subscriptions to the 75 million campaign to the sum of 100 millions, the effort will largely be confined to churches that were not reached in the other campaign, and the evangelistic feature of the campaign will be stressed.

Simultaneous revival campaigns in the larger cities in which all the churches will conduct their meetings at the same time, are planned during the next two months. "The campaign for the 75 million was a glorious success," continued Dr. Groner in his interview. "More than ninety millions was subscribed, and with this encouragement it was decided to attempt to reach \$100,000,000. However, this effort to reach this huge sum will not in any way interfere with the main object of the campaign to reach the unevangelized of the state. It is planned that in the period of March and April, every church of the cities and larger towns will hold special revival meetings. The smaller churches of the country will probably prefer to hold their evangelistic services in the summer and early fall. To meet this preference, the summer months of 1920 were designated for the evangelistic period for the smaller churches."

Churches Into Movies.

Conversion of several churches in various parts of England into moving picture theaters has resulted from decreasing church attendance and the consequent disorganization or amalgamation of congregations. At Torquay one former place of worship has been turned into a laundry.

Safe Now.

This little bit of conversation was overheard at the Essex Country club in Manchester, Mass.:

"How is your husband getting on with his golf?"
"Very well, indeed. The children are allowed to watch him now."—Boston Post.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland were visitors in Spur Wednesday.

A. C. George, of Highway, was in town Saturday.

M. L. Whitten, of Paris, and a nephew of E. Luce, was in Spur this week.

Jim Ed Hall and wife are in Spur visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Loye.

J. F. Speer met us on the streets Saturday and handed us another dollar and a half to mark up his subscription, and which we are doing with pleasure.

J. P. Morrison and wife recently returned from an extended visit to relatives in New Mexico and Missouri, and are now making their home in Spur.

Mr. Goeth, representing E. C. Palmer & Co., Limited, of New Orleans, was in Spur Thursday to give the Texas Spur a special call.

Mrs. W. P. Simpson underwent an operation Monday at the Spur Sanitarium and is now reported recovering and doing well.

J. H. Meadors, a leading merchant and business man of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday of this week transacting business affairs and meeting his friends and acquaintances.

Mesdames Grundy Crego and W. W. Wadrup, of Croton and Dickens, were in Spur Monday to be with their sister, Mrs. W. P. Simpson through an operation performed Monday at the Spur Sanitarium.

H. C. Murray, of southwest of the city, was in town one day this week. Mr. Murray is this year farming, but incidentally figures on concrete jobs. He is now figuring on the construction of a reinforced concrete structure to cover two lots one hundred twenty five feet deep for the Citizens garage. This building will probably be under construction within a few weeks time.

AT METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday morning subject, "Unwearied Service." Evening, "A Special Call to Service." This will be a special message to young people.

The public is cordially invited to all our services.
Come to Sunday School.—J. O. Haymes.

Will Young, of east of Spur, was in the city Wednesday.

Bill McArthur, of Tap, was here one day this week.

N. Q. Brannen is at home from the oil belt.

Ted Brannen returned this week from a trip up into Oklahoma.

M. E. Tree, of Highway, was in town Thursday.

W. F. Foreman, of Espuela, was in the city one day this week.

L. N. Riter left Thursday for a business trip to Dallas.

Frank Speer, of Dickens, was in Spur Wednesday.

Mr. Norris, of Afton, underwent a successful operation Monday at the Spur Sanitarium, and is now reported doing well.

J. T. Bryant, of Stamford, was in Spur Wednesday and Thursday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Link and looking after business interests.

Grandpa Douglass is here this week visiting his son, C. Douglass. From here he will go out to Lamb county to visit his son, Neal Douglass.

Messrs. Martin and Davis, of Snyder, were in Spur this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson and also looking after business matters.

Mrs. Formby, of north of Dickens, was brought to the Spur Sanitarium and underwent an operation Wednesday. Friends of the family will be glad to know that Mrs. Formby is now doing nicely.

T. J. Harrison, of north of Afton, was in Spur Tuesday. He just recently returned from a trip up in Kansas and Oklahoma where he spent several weeks with relatives and friends.

Lilburn Standifer, who has been making his home in Cisco the past several months, returned this week to Spur and will probably again make his home here, being associated with W. Neilon in the picture show business and at the depot.

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We still have a few cases of Pure East Texas Sugar Cane Syrup at a price that will surprise you.—Soldiers Cash Grocery, in Spur Hardware Co. building.

Robt. Nickels, of the plains country near McAdoo, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday. Mr. Nickels is now threshing maize in this section of the county and says he is getting much of this work to do.

Fresh shipment of fine Jelly and Preserves just arrived. All kinds of canned fruits at low prices. Try us.—Soldiers Cash Grocery, in Spur Hardware Co. bldg.

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GREAT TREE IS UPROOTED

Gale of Wind Tears Large Sequoia From Its Place in Big Tree Grove.

Stockton, Cal.—One of "The Sentinels," the two giant sequoias guarding the entrance to the Calaveras big tree grove, was blown down by a terrific wind storm, according to word telephoned to Stockton from Angels Camp the other day by Mrs. Job White-side, who conducts the Big Trees Hotel.

The massive tree was 225 feet in height and 27 feet in diameter at the base. Its age was estimated at between 4,000 and 5,000 years.

The two sentinels stood just outside the grounds near the tree upon the stump of which a dance platform was constructed. The highway approaching the hotel runs between them. Some years ago the erosion of creek waters nearby undermined the roots of the East Sentinel and it toppled against its brother, forming an archway over the road. The limbs of the West Sentinel were not strong enough to support the monster against the gale and it fell with a crash. Its trunk now obstructs the roadway and extends out into the meadow.

Man Wills \$65,000 to Girl He Robbed of \$2

Osage, Ia.—A strange legacy has just come to an Iowa girl, who has received a fortune of \$65,000 from a stranger who robbed her of \$2 in 1912 by entering the home of her uncle, where she was visiting. When a man, evidently a tramp, jerked open the door of her uncle's home, she made haste to hand over the \$2, which the man took and then left the house.

Recently the young woman was notified of a bequest of \$65,000 left her by a tramp, John Brunsvik, who died a year ago in Minnesota.

'FLU' MICROBES ON SCHEDULE

Germs Recur Every Thirty-Three Weeks, According to London Investigators.

London, England.—Influenza microbes have a regular schedule by which they recur in cycles of 33 weeks, according to the medical research committee. The next call is expected in January and February, it is said.

Contraband Under Hen.

Macon, Ga.—Three gallons of contraband whisky was found in a hollow stump, under a nest in which a hen was sitting on eggs in a box when Deputies E. C. Pierce, Ed Newberry and F. C. Tindal raided the house of R. F. Hayes, in Laurens county, recently. The camouflage failed to take into account the odor of the liquor.

HOT COFFEE FOR MINERS

Home Demonstration Agent in Arizona Solves Problem.

"Can you suggest some feasible way of supplying the men who are working in our mines with hot coffee at least once during their working hours?" the head of the welfare department of a large mining company, located in Cochise county, Arizona, asked the home demonstration agent of that county.

He desired an arrangement whereby the men could be supplied at the shafts of the mines with a hot drink to supplement their cold lunches. The home demonstration agent visited eight shafts with the foreman of the mines to observe conditions. Before making suggestions she also made an investigation of the character of lunch which was carried by the miners. She found that many take none at all. Of the 1,020 men who carried their lunches, only 61 had bottles which keep liquids hot. The rest ate an entirely cold meal at noon. This seemed to be one of the reasons for the lessened efficiency of the men in the afternoons. As a result of the investigation huge containers of coffee have been placed recently in strategic points at the shaft mouths so that the men have a hot drink with their noon-day meal.

To VOTERS OF DICKENS COUNTY

I beg to say owing to official duties I may not be able to make a house to house campaign to meet the people, but later, when the busy season is over I will publish some dates to address the people at certain places, on the law and duties of the very important office of County Judge; dividing time with other candidates who wish to participate.—Very truly, F. N. Oliver. 1t3

CHURCH NOTICE.

Rev. J. E. McLean will preach at the Presbyterian church Sunday, April 11th. The public is invited.

ALL THOUGHTS ON "CHOW"

Matter of All-Absorbing Importance Among Members of the American Expeditionary Force.

"One who observed the United States army during the late fracas, both in this country and in the A. E. F., frequently reached the conclusion that chow was king," writes James E. Darst in the American Legion Weekly. "A complete history of the war could be indited in the terms of tin willy, submarine turkey, slum, pommes de terre Francais and potage," continues the Weekly.

"When do we eat?"

"Remember that cry as the homes-40-chevaux-8 boxcar stood patiently for hours on a siding while hungry men longed to get to the billeting area and hot coffee? Remember that query in the trenches when Jerry had shelled the communication trench and held up the chow detail; or in the fox hole area when the kitchens hadn't been able to keep up?"

"Even way back in the wooden gun days of the war chow was a main objective in the day's plan. I believe it is safe to say that every man in the army or navy commented at some time in his letters home on the food. It was either, 'The grub is fierce,' or 'They sure give a guy plenty to eat.'"

"Those were the days early in the fall of 1917, when mess sergeants were new to their art—and mess officers, too, for that matter. The 'bird' who managed to hold his strategic position in the front end of the line was sure to get a monumental helping; whereas the unlucky individuals at the other end were apt to be told, 'No more prunes; move on!' or 'Coffee all out; quit showing!'"

"That was the fiercest battle for existence. You were on time or went hungry. Dear Clarence, who must always be called three times for supper at home, learned to be right there when the chow line fell in.

"Some of the canny even learned to pack their mess kits with them to play it safe; on much the same theory that some men carry their tooth-brushes with them, not knowing where they will spend the night.

"A tale is told of a company in the depot brigade at a certain camp that was caught standing retreat holding their mess kits. Which held the prize until a rooky in another company of the same battalion was observed standing retreat, wearing a dip hat and smoking a stogie."

Cannabis a New Menace.

In Brazil cannabis smoking is becoming a national menace, according to Dr. T. S. Blair of Harrisburg, Pa., who adds the warning that the vice can readily be imported to this country unless we guard carefully against it. He says the cannabis smoker nearly always becomes an imbecile in time.

In an article on the "Relation of Drug Addiction to Industry" in the Journal of Industrial Hygiene, Dr. Blair says that business, industry and industrial physicians must make it their care to see that the "jokers" are taken out of the narcotic laws and that then those laws are effectively enforced. The few debased physicians "who infest almost every community and who deliberately keep up addiction through ignorance or cupidity," he says, must be taken in hand.

In many ways heroin is the worst habit-forming drug known, he declares, and adds that its legitimate application in medicine can be filled by other drugs.

Plant Secrets.

The use of X-ray photographs for revealing the inner secrets of the structure of the bodies of men and animals has long been familiar but their application to the plant world is more recent.

The numerous mineral constituents of plants all appear clearly in the X-ray picture, and the fact that even the most delicate structure of plants can be thus photographed bears witness that even those bodies which are apparently transparent to X-rays do absorb them to a certain degree, which is governed by their consistence and thickness, then content of air and of sap, and their chemical constitution.

Like other objects, plants appear upon the photographic plate not as mere shadow pictures, but in so-called "plastic" representations—i. e., giving an effect of three dimensions.

A BELL.

Had I the power
To cast a bell that should from some
grand tower,
At the first Christmas hour,
Outring,
And fling
A jubilant message wide,
The forged metals should be thus allied:
Not iron of pride,
But soft humility, and rich-veined hope
Cleft from a sunny slope;
And there should be
White charity,
And silvery love, that knows not doubt
nor fear,
To make the peal more clear;
And then to firmly fix the fine alloy,
There should be joy.
—Clinton Scottard.

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DIED.

Mr. R. L. Moody, father of Mrs. T. H. Hammonds of ten miles west of Spur, died at his home in Franklin, Texas, March 7, 1920.

He was born in 1865, being at the age of 65 when he had to depart from this earth to a better home prepared for him.

He was a true Christian in every respect, living near his Lord each day of his life, and nothing pleasing him more than to help some one and make them happy. He was a faithful father and husband. He leaves scores of friends, a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

WARNING TO THE PUBLIC

The mines have notified me that the people who put in their coal early are those who will have it next winter as the situation is very discouraging at the mines as the miners are not satisfied with the advance in wages that the government has allowed and they are now talking strike. In fact some of them are already out and refuse to go back to work. I can only promise coal and prices from month to month. The present price for storage coal is \$12.00 delivered to your house for the month of April for Niggerhead Coal—THE BEST. Can't tell the price for May. Get your coal early. Also feed delivered free of charge. Meal and hulls, bran and shorts.—D. H. Sullivan, Phone Number 3, Spur.

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State of Texas, County of Dickens. Before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared Oran McClure, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor and published of the Texas Spur, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on reverse side of this form, to-wit:

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- Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of April, 1920.
E. J. Cowan, Notary Public.

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"Cognac Al" Has Been an Expensive Visitor

New York.—Ellis island's most protracted visitor, Migl' Cogie, detained there since August 3, 1914, is on his way home to Austria. Cogie, who received the sobriquet of "Cognac Al" arrived here upon the outbreak of the war, was found to have defective vision and ordered deported. War caused a suspension of sailings to Austria. His board cost the government \$2,046 and he took away \$495 he earned barbering for immigrants.

BALKED AT HUNS' COMMAND

Missouri Mules Tock Orders Only in Language Spoken in the Good Old United States.

Coblentz, Germany.—Now, you take Maud, for instance—simon-pure, 100 per cent American that she is—she just won't stand for any German concerts, either. She balks at being ordered around in a language that's strange to her, and dozens of German laborers in the employ of the American army of occupation have been "Gott strafing Missouri" lately.

These laborers were engaged in improving the roads hereabouts with the aid of a hundred or more American mules and were having a terrible time of it until an officer of our new democratic army humanely taught them three magic English words: "Whoa!" "Gee!" and "Giddap!"

Then, and only then, did Missouri agree to an armistice.

Asked for Basket as Coffin.

Worthing, England.—Samuel Tristram, a barrister here, who died leaving an estate of \$100,000, directed that he should be buried in a wicker basket not more than two feet below the ground in an unbricked grave in a country churchyard. Also he directed that his body should not be removed for burial until a medical attendant had given a written certificate that a surgeon had severed the jugular vein.

Further, the testator directed that no solicitor, stock broker, stock jobber or any future husband of his wife should be appointed a trustee of his will.

H. C. Cheely, of Route One out of Spur, was in town one day this week and meeting us on the streets handed us a check for five dollars to be credited to subscriptions to the Texas Spur, and which we duly appreciate. Mr. Cheely made good crops the past year and expects to make even better crops this year. Everything now indicates that 1920 will be one of the biggest crop years ever known to this country, and we are all hoping that the price of farm produce will stay up in comparison with other prices.

Brothers Side by Side in Gloomy Sing Sing

Ossining, N. Y.—Charles and Matthew Miller, the first two brothers to enter Sing Sing together for the same crime, have been granted the first request they made to the prison authorities, which was that they be given the same kind of work. They were made knitters and placed side by side.

The boys, who are eighteen and nineteen years old, respectively, were sentenced in Orange county for robbery. They said they had witnessed a robbery in a movie and on their way home decided to try their hand at being highwaymen.

100 ABOVE; DON OVERCOATS

United States Marines in America's New Virgin Islands Puzzled at Style.

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.—United States marines garrisoning at these new possessions of Uncle Sam can not understand the fashions affected by the natives.

Why a negro, or Cha-Cha Indian, should wear an overcoat when the thermometer stands at 100 in the shade mystifies them.

For some strange reason, the native Virgin Islander, believes in wearing every article of clothing he can lay hands on. All American holidays are now celebrated by the natives, who spend the day parading about the streets, some of them wearing overcoats, capes, two or more pairs of trousers and a red bandanna handkerchief about the neck. Also they frequently adorn themselves with the horns of cows or oxen attached to the head just in front of the ears.

Aviators Roosted in Trees.

New York.—After they had been up in the air in a testing balloon from the Rockaway naval aviation station a night and a day Ensigns Kloor, Blackwell and Fleidner landed in the top of a tree on the Rogers brothers' farm in Wheeler Farms district, Milford, Conn. They were picked off the tree by men from the Askam Rubber company plant, who had followed them for a mile in their descent.

\$10.00 REWARD.

A light brown Jersey cow, 6 or 7 years old, horns 5 or 6 inches long, strayed from my lot March 14. Will pay \$10 for her delivery in lot.—Geo. F. Fair, Spur, Texas. 20-4t

There is no flour better than Sweet and Pure.—Otho L. Hale. 22tf

Buy Sweet and Pure Flour and eat good bread.—Otho L. Hale. 22tf

HAD SURE THING AT STUD POKER

Wealthy New Yorker Said to Have Cleaned Up an Immense Sum.

PLAYED WITH MARKED CARDS

Victims Finally "Got Wise," and Evened Things Up Slightly by Administering a Beating After Exposing His Game.

New York.—A group of screen magnates and music publishers along Broadway has been fleeced out of \$350,000 by a wealthy manufacturer with a deck of marked cards, whom they admitted to their private games. He was finally detected and thrown out of the house of the man who caught him. The World prints the story, calling the flector Mr. Trimmer and the other man Mr. Screen. It asserts it has their real names.

For a considerable time a group of twelve or fourteen men, all of ample means, have been playing stud poker. The Wealthy Victims.

There were Mr. Screen, a big picture promoter and the husband of one of the prettiest and most talented stars; Mr. Flickers, of equal rank in celluloid productions; Mr. Circuit, who owns a flock of theaters; Mr. Ragg, who receives immense royalties from his song compositions, and others quite as well known in their respective fields.

Last summer, at Far Rockaway and Arverne, their ranks were augmented by Mr. Trimmer. He is a manufacturer on an immense scale of a certain article of women's wear, and is generally known as a millionaire.

They Thought It Was Luck.

Mr. Trimmer's "uncanny luck," as the other players called it, was noticeable from the very start. In one session, for instance, which began on a Saturday night and continued into Sunday, he cleaned up more than \$40,000.

The daring of Mr. Trimmer's play was what interested the others more than anything else. He would make bets against seemingly impossible odds—and win them.

Mr. Trimmer always knew what the other fellow's secret card was, when he was the dealer, and he always won. Also he always knew, when he held the deck, what card his opponent would get next, and what card he (Trimmer) was going to get next, for his cards were what is known to gamblers as "readers."

A Transparent Mystery.

The design on the back of them—which meant nothing to others—told him exactly what denomination each pasteboard was.

At last, suspicion intruded, and one of the other men at a party which Trimmer had arranged pocketed a deck of Trimmer's cards and took them to a professional gambler for examination.

"They're readers," said the professional. At the corner of each card, on the back, was a design composed of four fleur-de-lis—the three leafed flower of France.

If the right hand petal of the flower at the upper right hand of the group was heavily shaded the card was an ace. If the center petal of that particular flower was accentuated, it was a king; if the shading was on the left hand petal it was a queen.

Even Deuce Is Protected.

There were four flowers, each with three petals. The shadings, therefore, stood for 12 different cards, according to where they were placed, these cards ranging down from the ace to the deuce. If no petal was shaded the card was the deuce.

An exposure was planned at Screen's house. There were eight players. Trimmer, on a few hands off square cards, lost \$650. Then he produced a deck of his sort. As soon as Screen saw the marked cards he exposed the cheat to his guests and proceeded to beat Trimmer up, winding up by throwing him out of the house.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS ONCE!

I want a real live-wire for a sub-agent in Dickens county, for the Texas Automobile—the best car on the market for the money. If you want something easy and good money, phone or write—D. E. PITTS, Floydada, Texas. 22-2t

NO TRESPASSING.

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White Leghorn eggs for sale at \$1.50 per setting.—Mrs. J. B. Richbourg, Spur, Texas. 20tf

Better get your coal now! Only a few more cars coming before storage season.—P. H. Miller.

WELL-CALLED 'DEATH TRAINS'

Red Cross Commissioner in Siberia Describes Horrors Common on Russian Railroads.

Tokyo.—The death trains constitute a fearful feature of the Siberian railroad, says Col. R. B. Teusler, American Red Cross commissioner to Siberia.

Into these trains are packed at the front, say, 500 refugees, most of them suffering from typhus or some other disease and infested with vermin.

The trains are sent eastward to Vladivostok. None of the towns along the way wants the refugees added to its own troubles, so the trains are passed along, the refugees dying on the way.

By the time the train reaches Vladivostok frequently more than half the sufferers have died. As the bodies are removed from the cars every morning fresh passengers are likely to be thrust in in their places.

Another feature of the suffering of the inhabitants, according to Col. Teusler, is the towns composed of dugouts which are to be found in many places. They consist of hundreds of holes dug in the ground, in which the inhabitants are herded. Smallpox is frequently among them.

Colonel Teusler said that underwear is one of the greatest needs of the Siberian people.

Many girls of people formerly well to do are now clothed in rags. If they could have ribbons and simple laces, he said, it would help to support the morale of the people.

FIND IT CHEAPER TO LIVE

Despite High Cost of Food, Germans Hesitate Before "Shuffling Off This Mortal Coil."

Berlin.—The natural difficulties in the way of dying have been aggravated by the coal shortage; that is, if you will be cremated. In the town of Esslingen, South Germany, candidates for earthly cremation have been forewarned that they can have their wish only when the local crematory has coke on hand. The progressive city of Ulm, Wurttemberg, requires the interested surviving relatives to furnish the necessary fuel along with the dead, if cremation is desired.

Incidentally, the cost of cremation has gone up considerably. The cremation fees average around 70 marks, a niche for the memorial urn costs from 250 to 600 marks, according to location, while the urn itself lets you in for 250 marks up.

Even without cremation, dying is expensive in Germany today. The cheapest pine-board coffin is priced at 125 marks and the cost of coffins runs up to 5,000 and 6,000 marks for ornate metal caskets. The cheapest short distance ride in a hearse costs 50 marks, while professional pallbearers get a minimum wage of 7.50 marks per capita. The cheapest funeral wreaths cost 50 marks, but you cannot get anything grand and showy under 500 marks.

Living would seem to be the lesser evil, and as a matter of fact, the death rate is going down in Germany.

PROGRAM

A Rally of the Sunday Schools and the Workers of the Churches of the New Hope Baptist Association to be held with the Wise Chapel Baptist Church on Saturday and Sunday, April 10 and 11, 1920.

J. J. F. Lockhart, Chairman. SATURDAY, A. M.

10:00—Devotional—J. T. Johnson
10:20—Sunday Schools and our young people as denominational factors—J. M. Pope
10:45—Little children in Sunday School—E. B. Featherston
11:15—How to build up a Sunday School—General Discussion
11:30—S. S. Standard of Excellence—H. F. Aulick

NOON

1:30—Devotional—Thomas Brascomb
1:50—State Mission and the Million Dollar Campaign—J. J. F. Lockhart
2:30—Jesus as a teacher—J. S. Hubbard
3:00—Woman's work—Mrs. M. S. Fitchugh
3:30—Music in the Sunday School—Brother Swiney

NIGHT

7:30—Devotional—J. L. Jennings
8:00—Enlargement is the law of life—Sermon—J. M. Pope

SUNDAY, A. M.

10:00—Devotional—J. L. Jennings
10:20—Grading the Sunday School—General Discussion
11:00—The Sunday School Teacher—H. F. Aulick

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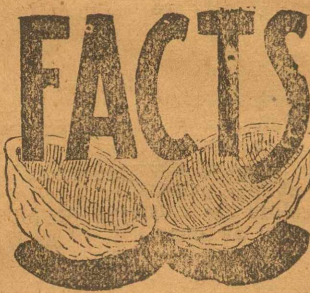
1:30—Devotional—Harry Rogers
1:45—The necessity for developing our young people—E. B. Featherston
2:15—How can we save our young people to our denomination—J. S. Hubbard
2:45—Our young peoples work—H. F. Aulick

Committee

Wm. A. Smith, of the Dry Lake community, was among the number in Spur the first of this week, and was also one of the number who remembered the Texas Spur office, paying us the sum of four dollars on subscription and extending his time up ahead. Of the great number of subscriptions taken for the Texas Spur during the ten years of its existence, we have lost comparatively few dollars by trusting the people here. When prosperous times come, those who get behind never fail to pay up. The people of this country are honest, liberal, big hearted and broad minded. We are glad to live among such people.

R. E. Thomas and family, who recently moved from the Espueia community to Brownsfield, were in Spur and surrounding country the latter part of the past week on business and visiting with friends. Mr. Thomas informed us that he purchased a section of land near Brownsfield, and that he is well satisfied with his new home, now having fine prospects for crops. He is now building and improving on the place with the intention and expectation of having a comfortable as well as prosperous home further west. We join his many friends here in wishing Mr. Thomas much prosperity and a contented and happy home in the land further west.

Willie Hagins and wife, who have been so-journing in Oklahoma, returned recently to the Spur country and will make their home in the Soldier Mound community this year.



FACTS IN A NUT SHELL

THESE ARE DAYS OF CO-OPERATION, ORGANIZATION, TEAM-WORK.

MAN CAN NO LONGER SUCCEED ALL ALONE, UNHELPED AND UNHELPING—NORD OES HE WISH TO.

REAL SUCCESS OW MEANS INCREASED USEFULNESS. A BANK ACCOUNT WILL MAKE YOU MORE USEFUL.

The Spur National Bank

Easter Sunday



With Easter Sunday Just Past; The Spring Season is Regarded as Opened

WE WILL HAVE A NUMBER OF DAYS YET; IN FACT IN THIS COUNTRY NOTHING IS MORE USEFUL TO A WOMAN THAN A COAT SUIT. WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL LINE IN ALL THE SIZES AT THIS TIME, AND THE PRICE IS BEING MADE VERY LOW. CONSIDERING GRADE THEY ARE CHEAP. ALSO ANEW SHIPMENT OF SILK VOILE DRESSES, PRICE RANGE IN REACH OF ANY CONSERVATIVE BUYER. THIS WEEK BROUGHT TO US MANY NEW EFFECTS IN BOTH SHORT AND LONG SLEEVE GEORGETTE BLOUSES, PRICE RANGE \$8.50 AND UP. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL COLLECTION OF THESE MUCH WANTED AND USEFUL GARMENTS. WE ARE NOW SHOWING IN MENS LINES NEW STYLES IN (CROSSETT) SHOES AND OXFORDS. YOU WILL APPRECIATE THIS WONDERFUL SHOE FOR WEAR AND COMFORT. WE ARE ALSO SHOWING OUR SPRING LINES OF FELT AND STRAW HATS FOR MEN AS WELL AS CHILDREN. NEW GOODS ARE HERE IN ALL WANTED ITEMS OF THE SPRING DEMAND. MAY WE HAVE THE PLEASURE OF SHOWING YOU NOW WHILE STOCKS ARE AT THE BEST. TO THE WOMAN THAT BUYS THE MORE STAPLE GOODS, GINGHAM LAWNS, PERCALES, CHEVIOTS, AND DOMESTICS, WE WANT YOU TO COME IN AND GET OUR PRICES. WE WILL APPRECIATE THE PRIVILEGE OF SHOWING YOU.

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THE POPULAR STORE.

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\$1000 REWARD

We will pay \$1000 reward for the arrest and conviction of anyone who has burglarized any of our stores in the past or may do so in the future. We have been losing too much from burglars and feel that officers are not paid enough in a regular way to enable them to hunt down these rascals, and if \$1000 doesn't get results we will make it more for we have decided to spend \$5000 if necessary to assist the officers in this work.

Now Ladies we are making some special prices on Ladies Suits. Every one in our stock is new, every one full of style, every one made of the best material possible at the prices offered. Styles and colors to suit old and young. Come in at once. Our Mrs. Simpson is now in the hospital and is recovering from an operation, but Miss Richbourg will have charge of the Ready-to-Wear during Mrs. Simpson's illness, and will be glad to meet you in her department, and show you the wonderful bargains in Suits. Also the beautiful new creations of shear spring materials in dresses for street and party wear. Also we want to call your attention to our line of Gingham Dresses made by real tailors, made to fit, designed by real artists, the best in America. A wonderful line. Don't send away for your nice Gingham Dresses for we have them just what the women who care have been wanting.

Georgia Sunday School.

Old folks, young folks, everybody come, Join the darkies Sunday school and make yourself at home. Leave a chunk of chewing gum and razor at the door, And we'll tell you Bible stories that you never heard before.

Adam was the first man and Eve she was his spouse; They lost their job of swiping fruit and went to keeping house. All was very quiet and peaceful on the main

Until a little baby came and they started raising Cain.

Noah was the keeper of the Asiatic zoo, He built an ocean liner when he had not much to do. One day he got excited when the sky was getting dark, So he gathered all his animals and put them in the ark.

It rained for forty days and it rained for forty nights, The water washed the land completely out of sight! But when Noah was wondering as to what he better do The ark hit Mount Arrarat and stuck as tight as glue!

Daniel was a brave man who wouldn't mind the king; The king he said he never heard of such a thing. Thrust him down a manhole with lions all beneath, But Daniel was a dentist—and pulled the lions' teeth!

Jonah was an emigrant, so runs the Bible tale. He took an ocean voyage in a transatlantic whale: Jonah in the whale made the whale feel distressed, So Jonah pushed the button and the whale did the rest.

David was a shepherd's boy, and his mother's pride and joy. His father gave him a sling-shot, a harmless little toy. Along came Goliath a-looking for a fuss. David heaved a cobblestone and caved in his crust.

Sampson was a strong man of the John L. Sullivan school; He killed a thousand Phillistines with the jaw bone of a mule. Along came a woman who filled him up with gin

And shaved off his whiskers, and the coppers roped him in.

MEN, MEN, MEN, MEN, MEN Clothes don't make the man but they certainly do improve his looks. You know God made man first and naturally saw his mistakes for He made a wonderful improvement when He made woman. So we men have little to be thankful for in the way of looks, and lots to cover up in the way of ugliness, and there is no better way to improve the looks of a man than to put a real Tailored Suit on him, and we have them. Hart, Shaffner and Marx need no boosting—all that is necessary to know is where you can find a stock. We have the stock and can fit you: Every thread wool and guaranteed to satisfy. Come on, some of you old Bachelors that the girls haven't even winked at for twenty years if you will let us fit you up with a Hart, Shaffner & Marx suit we guarantee you will get one of those longed for smiles from the first pretty girl you meet.

SHOES, SHOES, SHOES, SHOES, Everybody is wearing them now. We have a big stock of work shoes we are offering cheaper than the market prices now. They must go. Ladies Pumps and Oxfords, the newest lasts and leathers. Summer is coming, spring is here, low shoes are good.

GROCERIES, GROCERIES! Everybody is eating them now and you want the best "Light Crust" and other groceries to go with this wonderful Flour. All groceries cost, and at prices as low as they can be bought in this part of the country. We don't count on making much money selling groceries. We can sell them cheap for we have other lines that are profitable.

Come on with the crowds who spend their cash with us. Business so far has been good. We look for a good crop and a good price. Of course we don't know what the future will bring but we had almost as soon

be a dead optimist as a live pessimist. Kick and there's trouble brewing, Whistle and life is gay; And the world's in tune Like a day in June And the clouds all melt away. BRYANT-LINK COMPANY.

DR. STANDIFER MADE SPUR A CENTER FOR SURGERY

In the ten years since the beginning of Spur Dr. Standifer has been a leading factor in the development progress of the town, professionally and commercially, and has made it a surgery center of an extended territory, and regardless of the fact that the Spur Sanitarium is being left in capable, competent hands, his departure from Spur will be a loss to the town, and the country. As a surgeon Dr. Standifer is recognized as one of the best and most successful, and at the head of the hospital in Spur he has not only made Spur a center for surgery and established an enviable record but has relieved hundreds and hundreds of sufferers by expert surgery. His going will be sincerely regretted by many in every part of the country. He has not definitely decided where he will locate, but will probably go to El Paso.

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET APRIL 10TH

County Chairman Williams has called a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee to be held in Spur Saturday, April 10th for the purpose of filling vacancies now existing in the various precincts and other business which may come before the committee. The committee is now composed of the following members: R. R. Wooten at Prairie View; C. Hogan at Spur; C. D. Neeley, Dumont; W. B. Bennett, Duck Creek; and W. J. Elliott at Red Mud. Vacancies exist at Dickens, Liberty, Afton, Wichita, Croton and Dry Lake.

A VERITABLE NIGHT-MARE OR MIDNIGHT DREAM

Chalk Brown was in Spur Thursday from the 24 Ranch. Last week the Texas Spur stated that Chalk had sold three hundred head of stock cows and leased twelve sections of ranch lands for five years to W. W. Waldrup. Chalk stated that he could not remember having made such a deal and that probably Billy Waldrup had traded for a few half-Jerseys some where over on the river and just imagined that he had bought the 24 stock cows. Since the country has gone dry, nightmares may become the order of the day.

MRS. STANDIFER ENTERTAINED TUESDAY AT HER HOME

Mrs. T. E. Standifer most pleasantly entertained a large number of guests Tuesday afternoon at her home on Hill Street. Eight or nine tables were arranged for forty two and after a number of interesting games refreshments of ice cream and nut cake were served. Mrs. Standifer is a most gracious hostess, and it is with regret on the part of many sincere friends that the family is soon to leave Spur.

Mrs. W. H. Putman returned Saturday from Marlin where she has been taking treatment for some time. Her daughter, Mrs. John Hardin, of Desdemona, returned home with Mrs. Putman and will be her guest for some time.

Mrs. Carl Hail underwent a successful operation Sunday at the Spur Sanitarium, and we are glad to note that Dr. Morris reports her doing nicely at this time.

Singer Sewing Machines for sale at the Racket Store. 22 4t p

D. D. Dunwoody came in Saturday from the Ousey farm west of Spur.