

The Texas Spur

AND DICKENS ITEM

In society we learn to know others, but in solitude we acquire a knowledge of self.
—Lady Blessington.

SPUR COTTON MARKET
is somewhat depressed. It
sold on the street this week
a high as 16.00.

Volume Twelve

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 23, 1921.

Number 8

D. G. SIMMONS SHOT AND SERIOUSLY WOUNDED SUNDAY

A regrettable affair to friends of both parties occurred Sunday morning in the Duck Creek community, when Lee Peacock shot and seriously wounded D. G. Simmons, as the culmination of a difficulty arising over the pasturing of cattle in a field in which both parties were interested. Mr. Simmons was shot with a large calibre pistol, the ball entering the abdomen on the left side, passing thru the body. He was immediately brought to the Spur Sanitarium and given medical and surgical attention, and at this time is reported doing well although seriously wounded.

Mr. Simmons' two brothers, Dr. Simmons of Fort Worth and Dr. Simmons of Weatherford, were notified of the occurrence, leaving at once through the country in an auto and arriving early Monday morning in Spur, and will remain with him thru the critical stages of the wound.

Mr. Peacock waived an examining trial before Justice Dunning, giving bond for his appearance for trial at a regular term of court.

An occurrence of this kind is to be regretted in any instance, but more so when two good men are involved, and it is sincerely hoped that the wound received by Mr. Simmons will soon heal and permit him to resume his daily duties.

ARNOLD COPELAND SHOOTS LOYD BARBER WEDNESDAY

Wednesday night in a shooting affair Arnold Copeland shot and severely if not seriously wounded Loyd Barber. The shooting occurred on the main street of Spur, a number of shots being fired by both parties. Loyd used an automatic pistol while Arnold used a shot gun. One load of shot struck Loyd on the legs, the shot scattering from the hips down. Another shot from Arnold's gun passed over his head, entering the plate glass window of Love Dry Goods, near where Loyd was standing and fell when shot. Arnold stood in the street, and the several shots fired at him by Loyd went wild.

The shooting came about, we understand, as a result of Marshall Stevens arresting Tince Copeland, a brother of Arnold, for disorderly conduct. Loyd Barber was acting as a special deputy under Stevens in making the arrest, and when Arnold came to the calaboose to take Tince out of town, a difference arose between Arnold and Loyd, the latter drawing his gun, Arnold leaving and soon returning with a shot gun when the shooting took place.

GIRARD RURAL MAIL CARRIER INJURED BY RUN-AWAY TEAM

The rural mail carrier on route one, out of Girard, was recently very severely injured by a run-away team hitched to a wagon running into his mail cart. He was thrown from his vehicle and considerably bruised, while his mail cart was wrecked.

Chas. Gunn, of north of Spur, was on the streets Monday.

BRYANT-LINK COMPANY'S CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We want in these lines to forget business, forget ourselves, and only express the sentiments which at this time rises above money and selfish interests, for we should stop and consider the life of the Saviour of the world. How free of all selfishness He lived and died, and still lives to comfort and console all who will let Him into their lives.

How can we express our appreciation to you all for what you have done for us this year but to tell you we do really feel grateful from the deep of our hearts to every one who has been our customer and also our friend. We have lots of good friends who do not trade with us, and we appreciate you just the same. We don't expect all the business. We would feel very lonely in Spur without our competitors, and we want them to do well, so we know that all in Spur will remain with him and we value your friendship. We also want to say that if any have spoken ill of us we know you misjudged in some way our actions or motives, and we gladly forgive. We could not enjoy the Christmas days if we had fought against any one that we felt unwilling to forgive. The world has been good to us, and we are glad we are living at this time. We believe in the present and look forward with the eye of faith into the future with a firm conviction that all who do their best will be rewarded in this life and in the life to come.

We are not going to worry you about merchandise. We know you will give us a liberal share of your business, for you have always done so. We just want to see everybody happy this Christmas. Let's all be just like little children, believing in Santa Claus, and do all the good we can to show our appreciation for what has been done for us.

May the gates of plenty, honor and happiness be opened to every reader of this message. May the pillow of peace kiss thy cheek, and pleasure of imagination attend thy dreams, and may the incoming year give you renewed ambitions to step one rung higher on the ladder of opportunity, and steady the hand of some yearner climber so that all may be one year nearer the Port o' Heart's Desire.

"It's you may have the gold and fame and all the jewels, too, and all the ships, if they were mine. I'd gladly give to you; I'd give them all right gladly, with their gold and fame entire, if you would get me down within the Port o' Heart's Desire."

Our dreams, our desires, our ambitions differ, but every man alike dreams, plans, hopes, works to reach what ever goal may be to us the Port of Heart's Desire. May the New Year mark another voyage that will bring you near this wonderful Port that we seek in this world but which is made perfect and real in That World we reach through trusting in The One Who's Birth we are now attempting to celebrate.

Your friends,
BRYANT-LINK COMPANY

C. A. JONES, President
W. B. LEE, Active Vice-President

W. T. ANDREWS JR., Cashier
F. G. COLLIER, Asst. Cashier

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$125,000

SPUR, TEXAS

Dear Folks:

To all of you a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Glad New Year!

How refreshing comes this brief period of forgetfulness of self in self in the joy of others. To put away the cares and worries of the closing year, and under the spell of the Yuletide to enter fully into the spirit of the season, for who can resist the Christmas call to happiness.

But greater even than the joy of touching hands with childhood and youth comes the happiness of answering the great human need of those less fortunate than ourselves, to make the season happier for them.

What a wonderful Christmas it would be this year if we could reach the road of right understanding as to Christmas giving, and instead of lavish offerings of superficial worth, to dedicate the day in gifts of service to humanity, in keeping with the true Spirit of Christmas.

Steadfast in our faith in the future, and believing that service is the greatest gift of all, we pledge ourselves anew to strive a little better during the year that is to come.

May your Christmas be a Merry one, and may all your cherished dreams of the Old Year come true in the early morning of the Glad New Day of 1922.

Cordially yours,
SPUR NATIONAL BANK

O. W. WELLS MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARS FROM COUNTRY

The acquaintances and friends of O. W. Wells are becoming very much concerned with reference to his disappearance from Spur Monday night, December 12th.

Monday night Mr. Wells was at the Highway Cafe, and at about ten o'clock stated that he was going home and retire for the night. No one has seen him since leaving the cafe, he having failed to go home.

O. W. Wells has been in Spur several months, having cooked for Bell Brothers some time at the Highway Cafe. About one month ago he purchased the City Meat Market business from Bell Brothers, and at the time of his disappearance was managing and operating the meat market business.

Those who know Mr. Wells say there is no cause whatever for his voluntary disappearance. He owed no one, had money and was doing a good business, and he neither by word nor act indicated that he contemplated leaving. In fact everything indicated that he had no other intention but to be at his place of business the following morning.

It is, of course, feared that he has met with foul play, since nothing whatever has been heard of him since the night of his disappearance.

MAN WORKS SWINDLING GAME IN SPUR AND ON THE PLAINS

Sheriff Barber last week arrested Lem B. Steager on charges of swindling, placing him in the Dickens jail. It is said that Steager posed as a man who had recently sold a large farm further east. He deposited in the Spur bank a draft of considerable proportions, drawing out a little pocket change, and while here was carried by real estate agents over the country to buy a farm. From Spur he went up on the plains, deposited another large draft and purchased a farm and ranch near Littlefield, hired a man and wife to look after it; also bought a wagon, an automobile and other necessary things for his ranch; cashed some more checks with merchants at Ralls. He was sitting in a hotel, peacefully smoking a fine cigar when Sheriff Barber approached him.

Not more than two or three hundred dollars were lost by all transactions, since the purchased goods were returned, deeds to land purchases retransferred, and what money that had not been spent by him was saved to the cashers of checks.

AN AUTO WRECK NEAR DICKENS INJURES OCCUPANTS

Saturday night an automobile party composed of the Misses Gunn, of near Dickens, Miss Birdie Jones of Moran, and Dudley Randolph and Ona Fite, were severely shaken and bruised when their car turned over and was wrecked while driving along the highway one mile this side of Dickens. Miss Alline Gunn suffered a bruise on the head and a sprained ankle, while Miss Jones suffered a broken collar bone. Other members of the party received slight bruises. The car was wrecked. The injured are all reported doing nicely at this time.

SPUR MERCHANTS WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, DEC. 26TH

Every merchant and business man in Spur has signed an agreement to close their places all day Monday, December 26th. The public should arrange their business in accord.

SADDLE STOLEN SATURDAY NIGHT FROM FRANK GOODSON

Frank Goodson had a fine California Saddle, made by D. E. Walker, stolen from his place in Spur last Saturday night, and up to this time nothing has been heard from the saddle or the thief, although extensive advertising has been done and a liberal reward offered.

The time was when a resident of this country never thought of losing valuables by theft, never considered locks and keys necessary to preserve personal property, and the only thing ever heard of pertaining to thievery was possibly an occasional "cow rustler." However, it appears now that these days are passing, and the individual now feels safer with his doors locked and windows barred.

Miss Kirby, milliner for Bryant-Link Company, returned last week to her home in Abilene, her season in Spur having ended December 15th.

Buy A New Ford!

IF YOU WANT A XMAS PRESENT THAT YOU WILL ENJOY FOR MANY YEARS. THEY ARE NO MORE A LUXURY, THEY ARE A NECESSITY. GIVE THE MULE A CHANCE TO REST ON SUNDAY, ENJOY LIFE AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK BY RIDING IN A NEW FORD. WE HAVE A CAR LOAD IN STOCK. PHONE US.

WE CAN ALSO FURNISH TRUCKS WITH STARTERS AND HIGH SPEED GEARS.

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Prosperity



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Christmas Specials

Pecans
15c
2 lbs. 25c

Oranges
Fine Navil
20c doz.

Walnuts
35c lb.

Bananas
Fine
50c doz.

Apples
Delicious
35c doz.

Headquarters
For
Candy

THE FAIR GROCERY
C. A. Love

Carl Lowery, for a number of years a resident of Spur and manager of the Red Front Drug Store, but now in the drug business at Cisco, spent Monday and Tuesday in Spur on business and again meeting many of his friends here. When America entered the war against Germany, and men were being called into service, Carl Lowery, being within the age limit and called for service, sacrificed one of the best businesses of the town and country, and one which he had been years in building. When discharged from war service Mr. Lowery went into the drug business at Cisco, and soon thereafter the "oil boom" came, and it is hoped by his many friends here that Carl Lowery was among those who reaped some of the riches harvested in the oil belt.

Trade in Spur—
Thos. E. Baggs, who has been pastor of the First Christian Church of Spur the past several months, left Monday to accept a place with Belle Vernon Church of Belle Vernon, Pa. He expresses deep appreciation for the kindnesses shown him while in Spur, and hopes to see many of his Spur friends again.

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The Jewelry You Buy Here

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UPON FOR

STYLE AND SERVICE

South Bend



JUST NOW, EVERY MAN'S OR WOMAN'S THOUGHTS ARE TURNED TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPING & BUYING. IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY PURCHASED, THE THOUGHT OF WHERE HIS OR HER MONEY WILL BE BEST SPENT, IS A CONSTANTLY TROUBLSOME QUESTION.

IT IS A DIFFICULT PROBLEM FOR YOU, IN THE MIDST OF SUCH SHREIKING CHRISTMAS PUBLICITY TO DETERMINE WHERE BEST JEWELRY IS SOLD!

WE WANT YOU TO SEE OUR DISPLAY OF GOLD PENDANTS WITH CUT STONE DIAMONDS, LA VALIERS OF ALL KINDS FROM \$3.50 UP; SOUTH BEND, ELGIN, WALTHAM AND SWISS WATCHES; THEN YOU WILL BE PROMPTED BY YOUR OWN BEST AND MOST CONSERVATIVE JUDGMENT WHAT TO DO.

20 PER CENT DISCOUNT ON ALL RECONSTRUCTED RUBY RINGS!

10 Per Cent on Clocks and Jewelry!

Gruben Brothers
Spur Texas

Big John Southworth, of the Matador ranch, was circulating among the crowds in Spur Saturday.

W. G. Mayfield of Girard, was a recent business visitor in Spur. He reports a big business at Girard.

J. F. Speer was over from Dickens the other day.

Miss Gussie Love, who is attending the Presbyterian College at Milford, is in Spur spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love.

Mrs. P. H. Miller and Miss Jennie Shields are leaving this week to spend the holidays in DeLeon and other points in that section.

Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

Notice is Hereby Given That Any Person Who Cuts Wood of Any Kind Whatever From Any of Our Lands Any Where Now or Hereafter will Be Prosecuted to the Fullest Extent of the Law Without Favor or Consideration

Prairie Dogs

FREQUENTLY PRAIRIE DOGS COME TO OUR PROPERTIES FROM ADJOINING LAND AND BEFORE WE CAN LOCATE THEM HAVE STARTED COLONIES.

IT WILL BE OF CONSIDERABLE MUTUAL SERVICE IF NEIGHBORING OWNERS AND THE PUBLIC WILL KINDLY NOTIFY US BY TELEPHONE (NO. 4) OR BY LETTER OF THE LOCATION OF THE DOGS ON OUR LAND, WHICH WE SHALL PROMPTLY KILL.

WE SHALL DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION AND WE ESPECIALLY URGE OUR NEIGHBORS TO JOIN US IN THE EXTERMINATION OF THESE PESTS WHICH SO MUCH DAMAGE THE CROPS AND RANGES. IF OUR NEIGHBORS WILL COINCIDENTLY KILL THEIR DOGS WE CAN ALL MAKE A COMPLETE RID-DANCE.

Swenson And Sons

SPUR, TEXAS.

By
R. E. DICKSON

The past year has probably shown a greater unrest among cotton farmers in North-West Texas than any other year since the staple has been grown in this section. The demand on the Station for information relative to the merits of the leading varieties has been heavy and has come from many in the cotton producing counties served by the Spur Substation, which shows the condition of dissatisfaction with popular varieties to be general. Realizing the necessity of keeping ahead of the times and of securing advanced information on all crops that might be introduced to the farmers and that the Station could be of inestimable value in finding and distributing better varieties of field crops, we have tested several hundred varieties of cotton. We have grown these cottons side by side in field plots for ten years, taking all due precautions to secure the best seed, having obtained them direct from the originator when possible. The land on which the cotton was planted was uniform and was prepared alike. The different varieties were planted on the same day, thinned to the same number of plants to the acre, cultivated alike and harvested promptly after opening. We have conducted the work carefully and by the only internationally approved methods of field crop testing. Before going into a detail discussion of several varieties that have a possibility of being of value to this section, I will call your attention with out discussion to a great many cottons that we have tested and found not suited to our conditions. If farmer's will discontinue the planting of these varieties a great step will have been made in improving the crop. They are:— Sea Island, Webber, Hendricks, Columbia, Black rattler, Sunflower, Unknown, Florodora, Burns, Bolivia, Bank Account, Cowan's World Skinner, Bohler's Triple Joint, Bradwell's Double Joint, Peniscott, Crowder, Red Leaf, Toole, Mortgage Lifter, Texas Oak, Peterkin, Dongalo, Roberts, Culpepper, Cook's Improved Big Boll, King, Hawkins, Bostwick, Hartsville, Vergatis, Cleveland Cook, Simpkins Huffman, Layton, Goodson, Cook 729, Rublee, Bates, Russell, Money Maker King and Triumph, Hicks, Ferguson's Long Staple, Wooten's Allens' Express, Surecrop, Ideal, Hasting's Upright, Yuma, Rowden lad, Texas Progress, Improved Champion, Hevy Fruiter, Vandiver, Wannamaker, Matchless, Extra Early Big Boll, Earley King, Hite's Prolific, Toole, Trice, Cook, Boykin, Triumph, Chisholm, Round nose, Jackson, Buckalew, Big Boll, Holton, Willis, Webb, Half and Half, Keckie, Gilstrap, Harvell and Foster.

In the following table the yield of five cottons are shown from the year 1914 to 1921. In 1916 and again in 1920 our cotton was totally destroyed by hail in June. In 1917 and 1918 the yields were very light due to drought.

Name	Yield	Pounds	Lint	Cotton	To	Acre			
Percent lint	Length	Stp.	1914	1915	1917	1918	1919	1921	avg.
Mebane	37.28	3-4	538	336	168	97	422	244	301
Acala	36.8	1	492	305	162	65	370	276	278
Lone Star	38.8	1	473	195	177	157	357	284	273
Rowden	35.3	1	453	294	121	67	353	259	258
Durango	34.1	1-1-16	413	353	189	75	199	230	243

In the five cottons shown it will be noted that as an average for six years mebane has considerable the better yield but has the shortest staple of any of the varieties. In 1915 Durango made a high yield, in 1917 durango and lone star ma more cotton to the acre than mebane, in 1918 Lone Star beat in 1921 Acala, Lone Star and Rowden beat Mebane, but as a consistent high yielding, quick maturing cotton, Mebane has not been excelled. Taking the above figures and for comparison we will figure Mebane and Acala. Acala has a much better staple and produces 92.35 per cent as much cotton as Mebane. Figuring Mebane cotton as a standard at 15 cents a pound and cotton picking at \$1.00 per hundred Acala would have to bring 16 24-100 a pound to break even, or when a 500 pound bale of mebane cotton sells for \$75.00 the weight a bale of Acala must bring \$81.56 to make as much money on the acre of land. Lone Star is an excellent cotton and the best in storm resistance of any variety of any tested, however, it has a tendency to produce a large crop of "Bollies" and requires a longer growing season than either Mebane or Acala. Rowden is a good cotton but will hardly compare with some of the other varieties. Durango is the most promising of the long staple cottons. It is a very high yielder for a cotton of its class has an extra long and strong staple with a soft silky fiber. It has a small boll and is poor in storm resistance. This cotton often brings from 33 to 50 per cent more than Mebane on good cotton markets. Bennett Truet Kasch, Belton, and Snowflake are cottons with considerable promise and we are considering further experiments with them. At present we cannot recommend them as better cottons for this section than Mebane or Acala. North-West Texas needs to produce its own seed. Every locality needs several up-to-date well organized cotton breeding associations. Nothing will do more toward developing the cotton industry. Parties engaging in business with a good grade of cotton to start with and by taking due precautions to keep the cotton from mixing in the field and at the gins should receive a good price for their seed. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, The Extension Service of the A and M College through its splendid organized system of County Agents, and Agricultural News-papers are always glad to assist in the organization and functioning of such associations. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station has secured the services of Dr. Geo. F. Freeman, one of the most noted cotton experts in the world. Dr. Freeman has recently returned from Egypt where he spent three years in breeding long staple cottons for that country. A large part of the cotton breeding work being done in Texas by Dr. Freeman is at the Spur Substation, his work is to develop a cotton superior in staple, grade and yield to any cotton now being grown.



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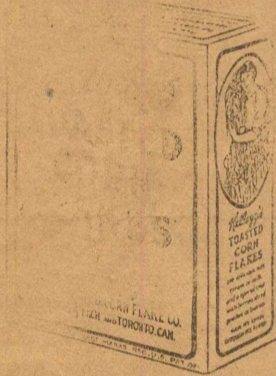
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Thousands of Jungleland Moving Pictures have been put away for Christmas gifts! They'd cost you 50c in book stores! If you have no children, give Jungleland to a little friend you love.

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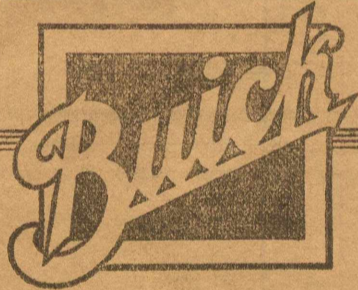


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WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT, BUICK
WILL BUILD THEM!!

Spur Buick Co.

Uncle Eb Shaw, of the Croton section of country, was greeting friends on the streets the first of this week.

—Trade in Spur—

L. W. Bilberry, of the plains country, was a recent business visitor in Spur, spending some time here meeting with friends and acquaintances.

—Trade in Spur—

E. J. Cowan and C. D. Copeland attended the funeral of Jud Haley Thursday of last week on the plains, he having died Wednesday at his farm home several miles west of Crosbyton. Jud Haley was an old citizen of Mart, Texas, and there Judge Cowan and Mr. Copeland knew him and were associated with him.

—Trade in Spur—

Willie Eldredge, of the plains section, was here trading one day this week.

—Trade in Spur—

What a congressman learns during his first term he doesn't always tell when seeking a second.

—Trade in Spur—

M. E. Tree is a man after the editor's own heart. He came in this week, had the paper sent to J. P. Tree, and C. W. Tree at Whitewright Andrey Giles of Anna, J. E. Yates of Anna, and both the Texas Spar and Daily Star-Telegram to himself, paying us the total sum of fourteen dollars and twenty five cents for the year's reading. One thing sure M. E. Tree appreciates a country editor's efforts, likes to be well informed of the happenings of the day and also likes to see others keep up with what the great Spur country is doing.

—Trade in Spur—

Ambition has been defined as "an eager and some times inordinate desire for preferment, honor, superiority or attainment of something deemed desirable."

Mr. Nichols, of four miles north-west of Dickens, was trading in Spur Tuesday, and while here called in and had his name placed on our subscription list. This is Mr. Nichols' first year in the Spur country, stating that but for the hail he would have made bumper crops the past year. However, he made good corn (and feed and likes the country.

—Trade in Spur—

Virgil Ledford and wife, of Santa Anna, are here spending the holidays with his parents, W. M. Ledford and wife. Mr. Ledford is an oil well driller and would like to do some drilling here, and believes that he can remove the tools from the Davis well.

—Trade in Spur—

Attorney Chas. Combes, of Cisco, had business in Spur Monday.

W. F. Godfrey left Tuesday to answer to a summons from Dallas to discuss Ford business in Dallas.

S. H. Twaddell left last week for Mexia to visit relatives and on business. While there he will make an effort to interest some of the big oil developers in this territory, and as a result of his visit we may soon see oil test work resumed here.

—Trade in Spur—

R. L. English, of the Dockum valley community, was in the city Saturday trading and meeting with his friends.

—Trade in Spur—

J. P. Simmons has our thanks and appreciation for the renewal of three yearly subscriptions to the Texas Spar, renewing for himself, E. F. Simmons of Tulia and Lee Simmons of Greenville.

—Trade in Spur—

Rev. A. M. Afton, was in Spur Monday.

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DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DICKENS COUNTY OFFICES

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements for offices in Dickens county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Elections to be held in July, 1922.

- For Tax Assessor: W. L. McATEER, G. B. JOPLING (Reelection), For Sheriff and Tax Collector: G. L. BARBER (Reelection), H. P. COLE, H. J. PARKS, For County Treasurer: H. C. PERRY (Reelection), H. T. GARNER, For County Commissioner, Prec. 3: G. A. SIOAN, Trade in Spur

I will keep Fish and Oysters in the old French Ruby Building. Oysters, 15c to 25c per dozen; Fish, 20c per pound. Copeland & Bostick, Trade in Spur

LOST 3 year old heifer, bald face, branded J L F. One brown bald face steer, branded A (cross). Reward - Fred Danforth, Trade in Spur

When in town try a red hot chilli at the Highway Cafe, Bal Bros. Proprietors, Trade in Spur

J. B. Morrison has cord wood to sell at \$3.50 per cord on the ground. Will also deliver wood in town with the price of hauling added. Better prepare now for the cold days sure to come. Trade in Spur

The Central Market will not be open on Sunday during the winter months. Please do your buying in Trade in Spur

FEEDING LIVESTOCK COMING INDUSTRY IN THIS COUNTRY

Through various avenues there has come to us during the past few months stories of the success that is being achieved in the South Plains country in producing fat livestock by the feeding of milo maize and kaffir.

According to the best information different feeds, the chief portion of which is ground maize or kaffir, have been shown to be equal to almost any other in fattening power, and inasmuch as they are a great deal cheaper than any other fattening feed, and as the country has heretofore produced more of the sorghum grains than it could very well dispose of profitably, the importance of this fact to that section, and to West Texas as a whole, cannot be exaggerated. From Memphis, for example, comes a story of eighty-eight head of 2-year-old Hereford steers that are

being fed on chopped maize heads, with cottonseed meal and one bundle of sorghum a day, and that are at present putting on an average of three and a quarter pounds a day each. In this instance the ration consists of ten parts of chopped maize heads to two of cottonseed meal. From the neighborhood of Post City comes authentic accounts of about 5,000 head of high-grade Angus and Herefords that are making astonishing records on a feed consisting of ground maize heads and kaffir with one pound of cottonseed per animal a day. Moreover, a like experience is being had in the feeding of fine hogs. In both instances it is being found that animals are putting on weight at a cost below any other kind of feed, and on a ration that is produced in abundance throughout the section. Any one familiar with elementary economics and having any notion of economic history, must recognize immediately that the success of these experiments is of surpassing importance. If the facts are as have been related, and there is the best of authority for them, it means that we are witnessing the beginning of a great industry. For with the amount of maize and kaffir that is possible to produce in that section and the amount of room such an industry had to develop in out there, it is not an exaggeration to say that it is easily possible for the industry to grow to such proportions as to multiply the annual production of wealth in that section many times. Such events as this are what make real economic progress and real history, and we are always glad to hear of any new evidence of such progress. Moreover it is important when such things occur that we shall be prepared to make the most of them and insure that they contribute a maximum to the development of the country and the welfare of the people. The people of that section are thoroughly alive to the importance of these feeding experiments, and judging by their past record for progress, we can rest assured that the most will be made of them in due time.

To us in Fort Worth the new source of wealth and development in the Plains country ought to come as a new stimulus in the matter of building a railroad between this city and the Plains. There is no similar railroad project in the United States that would mean such rapid development and the creation of so much of new wealth as this one would mean. The possibilities of this new industry on the Plains will be determined by the availability of profitable markets. Fort Worth ought to provide the leading market for those products and this benefit both the people of that section and ourselves. But an essential factor in providing such a market will be better and more direct transportation facilities. This railroad is an absolute necessity to the fullest development of this section, and the possibilities of development are so great that there cannot be the slightest doubt of its success financially. It is in times like these that the foundations of great development are laid. We must not let this opportunity pass. Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, Trade in Spur

FARMERS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

All gins in Spur will be closed on Saturday, December 24th and Monday, December 26th, that ourselves and employees may take Christmas. THE FARMERS GIN, J. W. BAKER GIN, SWIFT GIN CO., CITIZENS GIN & P. CO., Trade in Spur

J. V. Powell purchased a pig from the same herd for his boy for club work. This pig cost \$50 at six weeks old.

Homes For The Homless! In Bailey County, Texas

LOCATED IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL CENTER OF BAILEY COUNTY, 26 MILES WEST OF LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS, 14 MILES SOUTHWEST FROM SUDAN AND 14 SOUTH FROM MULESHOE.

I AM SELLING THIS FINE BODY OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS TO ACTUAL SETTLERS, SELLING IT ON 10 YEARS TIME AT 6 PER CENT INTEREST WITH \$2.00 PER ACRE CASH. THIS MAY BE YOUR LAST CHANCE TO OWN GOOD AGRICULTURAL LANDS AT ANYTHING NEAR THIS PRICE. ALL THE FREE LANDS ARE GONE. ALL THE SCHOOL LANDS HAVE PASSED INTO THE HANDS OF PRIVATE OWNERS. FROM THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA DOWN TO THIS GOOD HOUR THESE LANDS HAVE KEPT DOWN THE PRICE OF LANDS—BUT THEY HAVE ALL GONE AND THE PEOPLE NEED HOMES. BE AMONG THE FIRST TO GET CHOICE OUT OF THIS FINE LAND!

EXPLANATION OF THE PLOT ON THE SIDE OF THIS CIRCULAR

Labor No. 1 has 178 acres in it. This multiplied by \$22.50 per acre in round numbers would be \$3,905.00. Take from this the amount of cash payment, \$356.00, leaving a balance of \$3,549.00. Take from this the amount due Motley Co. which you will notice in the cut is \$1,157.00, leaves a balance of \$2,392.00. This divided into ten different notes would make \$239.20 per year.

Labor No. 10 also has 178 acres in it, and has a school debt of \$1,495.20. Any one of these Labors can be bought and 100 acres placed in cultivation, 50 acres planted to cotton, and in ten years the rents will pay the place out.

I am prepared to take in as cash payment good Vendor's lien notes, where lands are not too heavily incumbered.

In this fine body of land there is about 20 per cent grazing land which I am not trying to sell as agricultural land.

LANDS ARE STEADILY ADVANCING IN THE EAST

And have long since passed their interest bearing capacity. They have absorbed their unearned community value. This particular land has not reached its interest bearing capacity. Its value will constantly be increased as the population increases. Why not buy now and reap some of the profits from the rapid advance which this land is sure to make. This land is absolutely clear of blue weeds; water from 38 to 100 feet deep and of the very best variety. There is a well on this place that the water rises to within 18 feet of the top of the ground, and it is inexhaustible. This land will be easily put in cultivation. It is cat-claw black sand and gray sand mixed. A man can get either kind he prefers.

MY REASON FOR SELLING This land is that I am unable to keep it. I owe the school debt on it and am compelled to sell some of it off. I saw as fine feed grog on this land as I ever saw in my life—and the way it was worked! It was planted as it was listed, and plowed one time. Not a weed or bunch of grass was seen growing in the field. The country has not yet become poisoned with obnoxious weed or grass seed. A man can cultivate as much land as he can plant.

LEAGUES 178 and 179 MOTLEY COUNTY SCHOOL LAND BAILEY COUNTY TEXAS.

Table with 5 columns and 10 rows of land sale data, including acreage and price per acre.

FOR SALE BY J. E. BRANNEN McADOO, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS

MARRIED.

Sunday at Dickens Judge McLaughlin performed the ceremony which united Mr. Edgar McClellan and Miss Maurine Jordan in bonds of matrimony.

Edgar McClellan is the son of Rev. Lauglin enlisted together for war service, were transported overseas and together served on the battle fields of Europe, returned home and discharged together, therefore in winning a life partner Mr. McClellan desired the Judge to tie the knot that binds.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jordan, of the Duck Creek community, and is recognized by her acquaintances and friends as a young lady of the highest character and one who will do her part in building and maintaining a happy home.

Edgar McClellan is the son of Rev. A. L. McClellan, of Spur, one of the best families in West Texas. He is a young man of the highest honor and integrity, demonstrating a high conception of manhood both in the service of his country and in every day life.

The Texas Spur wishes Mr. and Mrs. McClellan a full measure of life's blessings and true happiness together.

Trade in Spur A. B. Morgan has just purchased three Poland China gilts from Smith & Dupree of Crosbyton. These hogs are second to none in breeding, being the best that could be obtained in from the entire herd. Mr. Morgan recently purchased the

Merry Christmas

MAKE IT ONE FOR YOUR FAMILY BY BUYING THEM FURNITURE, A BRUNSWICK, PHONOGRAPH, HOOSIER, CABINET, ART SQUARES OR SMALL RUGS, CHIFFONIERE—SOMETHING THAT WILL BE APPRECIATED AND WILL LAST FOR YEARS TO COME.

TO THOSE OLD FRIENDS WHO HAVE KNOWN US FOR SO MANY YEARS; TO THOSE OF A SHORTER ACQUAINTANCE BUT AS STRONG IN FELLOWSHIP; AND TO THOSE WHO HAVE MORE RECENTLY BEEN NUMBERED AMONG OUR CUSTOMERS—MAY THIS BE A

Merry Christmas For You All

CAMPBELL & CAMPBELL

Advertisement for Bal Bros. Market from Highway Cafe, featuring a large illustration of a pig.

We Will Continue Our Mammoth RED TAG SALE!

One More Week Up To December, 31st.

We still have a surplus stock of goods that must be disposed of **Before January 1st., FOR CASH**

If you fail to get some of our many bargains It is your fault, the prices are right

Why not buy NOW

You cannot buy the goods at the prices we are selling them at now, after Jan. 1st.

Spur Hardware & Furniture Co.

Spur's Oldest Store

Agents for Singer sewing machines, they are here now.

Next Week's PROGRAMME

At The Gem Theatre

TUESDAY:
BRYANT WASHBURN
in
"AN AMATEUR DEVIL"
A Rollicking Comedy. Come and Laugh till you Ache.

THURSDAY:
WILLIAM S. HART
"O'MALLEY OF THE MOUNTED"
A Tale of the Law of the Great Northwest and the Red Coated Riders Who Guarded its Wild Frontiers.

FRIDAY:
"TWINKLE, TWINKLE LITTLE STAR"
A beautiful Fairy Story for the Children, and one that will interest the Grown Ups as Well.
Also the 8th Episode of
"WINNER OF THE WEST"
The Parent-Teachers' Association share in the proceeds of this night's program.)

SATURDAY:
"THE WHITE RIDERS"
Starring
JOE MOORE AND EILEEN SEDWICK
This is a Western Picture Full of Thrills, Suspense and a Knock-Out Finish.

WE HAVE AN EXTRA GOOD PROGRAM FOR THE WEEK!

Admission Prices for the entire week will be 40c and 20c including war tax.
Pictures go on Screen at 7:15

SATURDAY MATINEE AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.
Miss Johnnie Mae Lanier entertained her friends with a Christmas party Saturday afternoon, there being thirty five present. Every one had a perfectly wonderful time, and all present recognized Miss Johnnie Mae's ability as an ideal hostess.

ATTENTION!
We have recently found out that to carry on our Phonograph contest plan would be a violation of the law. Not wishing to be a violator, the plan was stopped, and the phonograph will be returned to the donor.

Trade in Spur

MUSICAL RECITALS BY PUPILS ENJOYED BY LARGE AUDIENCES

The musical recitals given by the pupils of Miss Higgins Friday and Saturday nights of last week, and by pupils of Miss Scudder and Henry Elkins Monday and Tuesday nights, were enjoyed and appreciated by large audiences. Elaborate programs were prepared for each night, and the renditions by pupils was evidence of accomplished teachers.

Miss Goodger also gave a recital by her pupils at Dickens Wednesday night of last week, and which was largely attended and appreciated because of excellent renditions from an elaborate program.

O. C. ARTHUR FOR SECOND TERM AS COUNTY CLERK

We are authorized to announce O. C. Arthur as a candidate for reelection to the office of district and county clerk of Dickens county, for the second term, subject of course, to the action of the nominating election to be held in July, 1922.

Olen Arthur is now serving his first term in the office of district and county clerk, and the efficient service rendered warrants him in asking for reelection and expecting to be given a second term in office.

As clerk for the district, county, and commissioners' courts, Olen Arthur has rendered the very best service, and in keeping the records of the county and his work has been accurate, systematic and prompt. In meeting and serving the public in an official capacity he has on every occasion been most accommodating, congenial and ready and willing to give his best service. He has been faithful and efficient in the performance of official duties, and in carrying out the democratic custom, Olen Arthur is entitled to and deserves the favorable consideration of voters in his candidacy for the second term as district and county clerk.

Trade in Spur
Mrs. C. D. Copeland will

E. F. HALL SELLS HOME IN SPUR AND BUYS 320 ACRE FARM

A sale was recently consummated whereby E. F. Hall sold his residence in the north part of Spur to H. C. Cheely for a consideration of \$8,000.00. Mr. Cheely at the same time selling his 320 acre farm in the Duck Creek community to Mr. Hall for a consideration of \$50.00 per acre.

Mr. Cheely, we understand, will move to Spur after the first of the year. He also recently purchased the Spur Cream & Bottling Works, and is presumably moving to town to look after this business as well as to be accessible to a high school affiliated with the State University and colleges.

DICKENS COUNTY LINING UP TO RAISE THE FINEST HOGS

County Agent Johnston accompanied J. V. Powell and Arthur Stearnes to Childress last week to select the finest brood sows on the market.

Arthur Stearnes bought two Duro Jersey gilts from the herd of Alexander Mitchie and Jones. These gilts

were in the show-ring last fall and won a place near the top every time. They are sired by the Grand Champion of Oklahoma and Texas State Fairs, and their dam is a prize winner. These gilts cost \$150 each.

CHRISTMAS CHEER HAS BEEN EXTENDED THE TEXAS SPUR

During the Christmas season the Texas Spur has not been forgotten, there having been many who have cheered us along the way in a most substantial way by renewal of subscriptions. Among the number who have extended us Christmas cheer in this manner are Thos. Teague, F. W. Jennings, M. S. Fayer, G. B. Morris, G. A. Sloan, J. P. Simmons, M. E. Tree, W. D. Eldridge, W. A. Grizzle, R. A. Brown, F. M. Morris, A. J. Richey, D. F. Christopherson, N. H. Reed, J. L. Wohlford, J. E. Johnson, and others whose names we can not recall at the moment.

We appreciate these remembrances at this season and throughout the New Year will send a reminder each week.

Trade in Spur

Christmas Time Is At Hand

LET'S FORGET OUR TROUBLES, DUTY, MOMENTS AND FAILURES, AND ENJOY OTHER UNBOUNDED JOY RESEMBLING THE JOY OF THE FUTURE.

HOLIDAY GROCERIES

Prices that Please.



IF YOU HAVE NEVER BOUGHT ANY GROCERIES OF US, COME IN AND GIVE US YOUR TRADE FOR JUST THIS ONE WEEK. WE HAVE THE REPUTATION OF SELLING THE BEST; BUT DON'T LET THIS SCARE YOU AWAY FROM OUR STORE. COME IN AND YOU WILL FIND THE BEST TO BE THE CHEAPEST, BOTH AT ONCE AND IN THE LONG RUN.

OTHO L. HALE

FRESH GROCERIES LOWEST PRICES

Quality, Service and Right Price

IN
LUMBER SHINGLES, WINDOWS, DOORS, POSTS
BRICK, LIME, CEMENT, DEVCOE PAINT,
COAL, AND BUILDERS HARDWARE
WE WANT TO FIGURE WITH YOU

P. H. Miller

SPUR, JAYTON GIRARD, PEACOCK & SWENSON

Mrs. E. L. Adams has returned from an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ted Brannen, of Oklahoma City.

Clifford B. Jones and mother, Mrs. C. A. Jones, are leaving this week to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Kansas City.

A. C. Hyatt, wife and children, of Albany, passed through Spur Tuesday on their return home from a business trip and visit to relatives at Lorenza and Ralls. Mr. Hyatt owns the Lorenzo printing plant which he now has leased out, and we suspect that since the twang of the plains atmosphere lingers, he contemplates moving back at a later date and again help boost and build up this great Western Empire.

M. L. Blakley, of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday selling cream from his dairy herd. He told us that he now had Durham cows, but expects to dispose of them for Jerseys and fix to produce more cream for the market and home consumption. Mr. Blakley realizes and stated that farmers must not only have diversified farm products for the market but at the same time produce a living at home. There is no other permanent way in which the individual farmer can become independent and price his own products.

J. E. Brannen, of McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday. He recently acquired a large body of land in Bailey county which he is now opening up to settlement and placing it on the market, as will be noted by reading his advertisement on another page of this paper. It is as he states, no more land is being created, the population is increasing and the day is coming when the homeless man will be an outcast in the world. The first thought and consideration of every man should be to secure a home. Lands will never be cheaper, but will within a few years be out of reach of the man of limited means.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Fite and two children, of Albany, returned Tuesday to their home, after spending several days in Spur with Thos. Teague and wife, and Carl Hail and wife. Perry Fite is one of the pioneers of Spur, and they have many friends who are always glad to see them.

Dr. M. H. Brannen, Billy Bryant, L. E. and Cecil Ponder, and J. W. Meadors attended the annual meeting of Knights of Pythias Saturday at Abilene. The Dokey initiations was a feature of this meeting.



THE WAY TO BUILD A HOUSE IS BY PUTTING BRICK UPON BRICK UNTIL IT IS BUILT, AND THE WAY TO BUILD A FORTUNE IS BY REGULAR DEPOSITS IN THE BANK. YOUR FORTUNE WILL NOT BUILD ITSELF, YOU MUST BE THE ARCHITECT AND BUILDER, AND THE SOONER YOU START THE SOONER YOU WILL FINISH YOUR JOB.

COME IN TO OUR BANK AND START AN ACCOUNT TODAY. WE WILL WELCOME YOU.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

SPUR RACKET STORE FOR CHRISTMAS GOODS

Also A Line Of Dry Goods. Come they are cheap

Agents for Singer sewing machines, they are down now.

—J. P. WILKES, Prop.

Our Christmas Greetings

AGAIN IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF OUR IMMENSE AND SPLENDID HOLIDAY DISPLAY. OUR SELECTION WAS MADE WITH GREAT CARE. YOU WILL FIND GIFTS FOR ALL—TOGETHER WITH PRICES CONSISTENT WITH THE TIMES. FOLLOWING ARE A FEW SUGGESTED ITEMS:

DOLLS

THE BEST THE MARKET AFFORDS

Dress Dolls, ---\$1.00 to \$15.00
Kid Dolls, -----\$1.00 to \$8.00
China Dolls, -----25c to \$1.00
Character Dolls, \$2.00 to 12.00
Kewpies and Rag Dolls

JEWELRY

Diamonds, -----\$30.00 up
Watches, -----\$2.00 to \$75.00
Rings, -----\$1.00 to \$30.00
Cameos, -----\$5.00 to \$25.00
Chains—Belts
Emblem Goods
Knives

UNNALLY
NDIES

BOOKS

Latest Fiction
Bibles
Childrens Poems
Other Items

KODAKS

Razors
Fountain Pens
Ever Sharp Pencils
Cigarette Cases

CUT GLASS

Vases
Bowls
Nappies
Water Sets
Sugar and Cream Trays
Mayonnaise
Ice Boat

IVORY

Combs
Brushes
Jewel Boxes
Manicure Sets
Traveling Cases
Frames

SILVERWARE

Spoons
Knives
Salads
Forks

EDISON
Phonographs

Edison Records

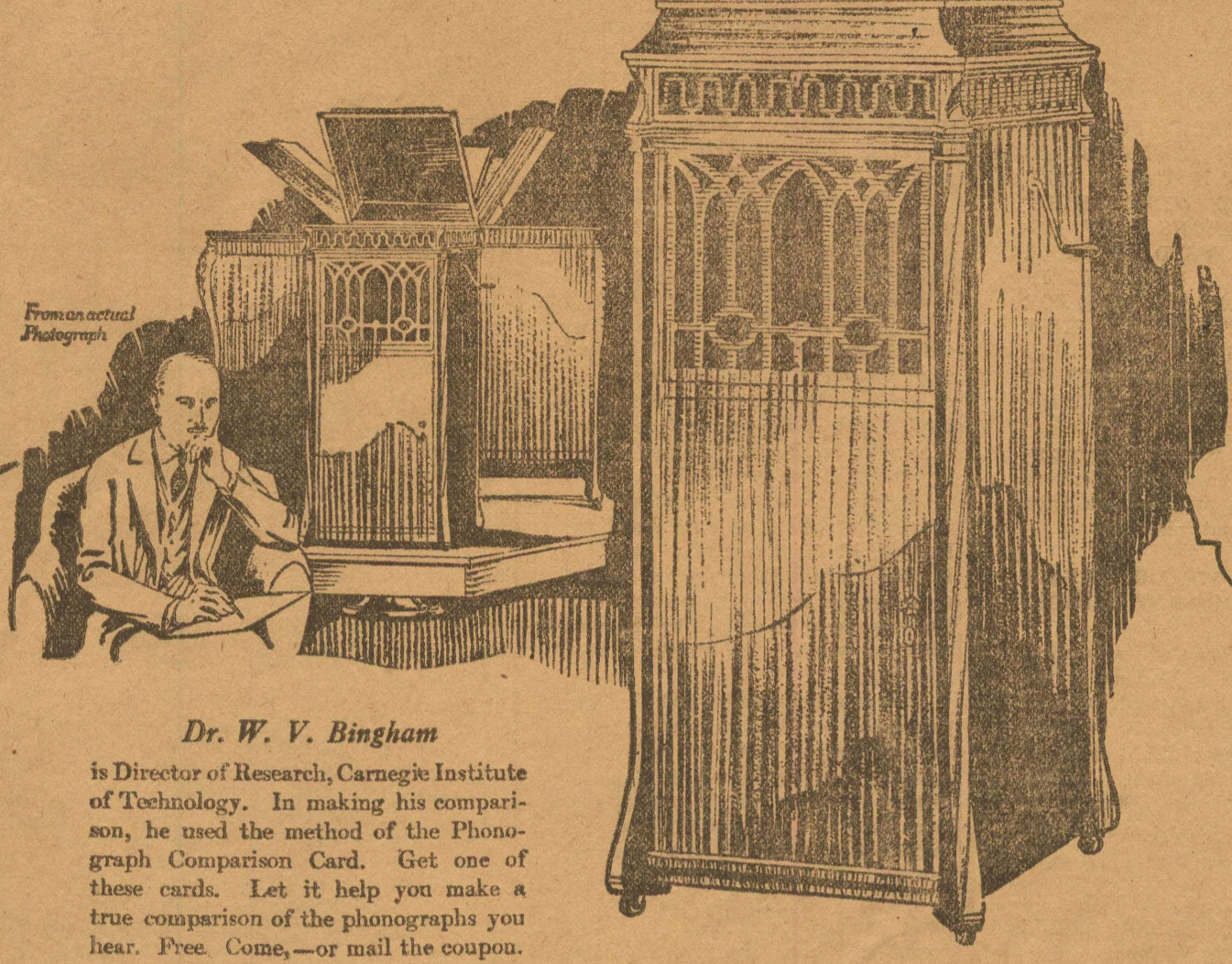
TOYS, TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

Dishes Doll Buggies Air Guns
Doll Furniture Trunks Doll Beds
Iron Trains Animals Nut Sets
Erectors Pairing Sets Drums
Hammers Wash Sets Balls
Foot Balls Pianos Tool Boxes
Blocks Horns Watches
Irons Fire Works

A CORDIAL INVITATION TO ALL TO VISIT US DURING THE HOLIDAYS!!

ant Drug Store

The NEW EDISON



From an actual Photograph

Dr. W. V. Bingham

is Director of Research, Carnegie Institute of Technology. In making his comparison, he used the method of the Phonograph Comparison Card. Get one of these cards. Let it help you make a true comparison of the phonographs you hear. Free. Come,—or mail the coupon.

The marvelous phonograph that scored 100% in Dr. Bingham's comparison

Delivered to your Xmas tree for \$
(Fill in your own first payment)

THIS offer means just what it says. Come in,—or mail the coupon. Why wait any longer? Don't you want your family, too, to enjoy the finer beauties of music which only the New Edison brings? Dr. W. V. Bingham recently made a scientific comparison between the New Edison and three other phonographs. He tested each phonograph on 9 different counts,—including all classes of vocal and instrumental music. The New Edison triumphed in all 9 tests. Add this marvelous result to the fact that the New Edison is the only phonograph which sustains the test of direct comparison

with living artists. Then you will see why only the New Edison brings a true version of the living artist's performance. What other phonographs bring, is a perversion of it.

Fill in your own first payment. We'll accept it (if it is sufficient to indicate good faith). Pay no more till next year. Then budget the balance any way you wish. This great offer is your opportunity to own the marvelous New Edison. Come in, and tell us how to arrange your Christmas Budget. If you can't come, mail the coupon—Today.

RED FRONT DRUG STORE
G. R. ELKINS, Mgr.
SPUR, TEXAS

Bring or Mail This Coupon

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____
Please supply me, free, with a Phonograph Comparison Card and give me the details of your Christmas Budget Plan.

NOTICE.

We will sell no more wood, and all nailing from Pitchfork enclosure is prohibited.—Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co., by W. H. Bryant. 47-3mp

Jersey cows for sale, or will trade for stock cattle, hogs or notes.—A. B. Morgan, Spur. pto 39

As I have sold out my Shoe and Harness Repairing Shop to C. P. Williams, I ask your continuance of patronage with him.—A. C. Lewis. 5-2p

Hunting and trespassing of any character is absolutely forbidden in any of my pastures.—Ed Lisenby. 4f

FARM FOR SALE—6 miles north east of Spur, good improvements, 4 wire fence, cedar posts, grass and plenty water. Price right. Address: B. F. Davis, B 367, Spur, Texas. 74f

FOR SALE—Several good, young, fresh milk cows and calves.—G. W. Chancellor. 6-2p

We have one or two hundred bushels of pure Cash Cotton Seed left by customers here to sell. You will do well to get them before they are all gone.—Citizens Gin & Power Co.

Being over-stocked with coal will sell on time.—P. H. Miller.

We have fresh barbecue cooked every day.—Central Market.

SERVICE BEYOND THE PREMIUM!

Payment of your premium does not mean that you are forgotten until the next payment is due. On the contrary this agency is on the alert at all times to shoulder your insurance problems.

INSURANCE

Common sense demands that your insurance matters should be handled by men trained to solve insurance problems, men capable of relieving you of worry concerning insurance needs.

C. EARLY SENNING
SPUR, TEXAS

For Sale: One span of mules wagon and harness, one horse and mare with wagon and harness, one two row cultivator, one two row planter and one staple cutter. Will sell cheap. Set J. F. Hatcher, phone 9007F18 Spur, Texas 2t pd.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the share-holders of the Spur National Bank, Spur, Texas, will be held in the Directors Room of said bank between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. on the second Tuesday in January, same being the 16th day of January A. D. 1922, for the purpose of electing directors for the transaction of any other legitimate business to come before said meeting.—C. A. JONES, President; W. T. ANDREWS, Jr., Cashier. 6-5t

We have fresh barbecue cooked every day.—Central Market.

Dr. Alexander, of Abilene, was a visitor in Spur Monday of this week.

Rev. A. L. McClellan returned this week from a visit of several weeks to relatives in Falls, McLennan and other counties of the Eastern part of the state. He reports that the East is as busy as the West, but that farmers are going ahead in preparation for their crop—just as we are. The only difference being that the East is cashing in on their investment.

WE HAVE SOME GOOD
Niggerhead Coal

IN TRANSIT.
GIVE US YOUR ORDER NOW AND SAVE ONE DOLLAR PER TON DRAYAGE!

We Guarantee this Coal to be as Good as you Can Buy TO SUPPLY YOUR WANTS IN COAL AND FEED LINES! COURTESY TO ALL CUSTOMERS. OUR DESIRE IS
Spur Grain and Coal Company
W. M. HAZEL, Proprietor.

BAKERS BREAD AND FRUIT CAKES

Eat More Home-Made Spur Bread!
The Best Fruit Cakes at 75c per pound.
S. M. MILLER, Prop., SPUR, TEXAS

ONE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXPENSE AND INVESTMENT

is the difference between RENTING a house and OWNING a home. The money you have spent for rent is gone beyond recall. But the money you may put in the best of investments—a home—will remain to your credit, to be "cashed in on" daily in happiness and contentment.
A fine resolution for the new year—I WILL INVEST!

M. F. SWEET

BRAZELTON

Our Christmas Greeting

WE WANT TO THANK THE MANY PATRONS FOR THE LIBERAL PATRONAGE THAT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO US THE PAST YEAR, AND TRUST THAT NOT ONLY MAY WE HAVE THE SAME LIBERAL SHARE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR OF 1922, BUT THAT CONDITIONS MAY BECOME BETTER AND ALL MAY BE BLESSED WITH A BOUNTIFUL SHARE OF PROSPERITY. WE HAVE IN THE PAST STRIVED HARD AGAINST ODDS TO HAVE FOR YOUR INSPECTION MERCHANDISE THAT WAS NOT ONLY PLEASING TO YOUR TASTE, BUT QUALITY THAT WOULD MEET YOUR APPROVAL AND GIVE THE CHARACTER OF RESULTS EXPECTED BY OUR MANY GOOD PATRONS.

We have studied from many of the principal writers of commercial conditions, and find a universal opinion looking forward to brighter conditions. This is pleasing news, and we trust that this section may be blessed by such materializing.

CHRISTMAS WEEK IS NOW HERE AND WE ARE IN FAIR SHAPE WITH DESIRED GOODS TO MEET ANY DEMAND

We will appreciate your early inspection of our many offerings in Silks, Satins, Crepes and Fancy Goods, Silk Hosiery in the shades of tan and black, price range from 75c to \$2.50. Cotton Hosiery from 35c to 75c for Ladies in Ladies, and 15c to \$1.00 for Silk Hose for Men. Big line of Mens Silk Shirts from \$4 to \$7.50. Our line from \$6.50 to \$7.50 for Beauties. A Big Range of Mens Hats from \$3.50 up to the lines of Stetsons at \$7.00 to \$13.50. Young Mens Suits, and Suits for the Knee Pant Boy in a Liberal Range of Patterns.

COME TO US FOR A LOOK. YOUR PATRONAGE WILL BE APPRECIATED AND VALUES WILL PLEASE YOU WELL! Special Prices on All Ladies Ready-to-Wear!

WHERE VALUES ARE PREMIUM! SPUR, TEXAS

Love Dry Goods Co'y.

PROPOSITION OFFERED TO COMPLETE DAVIS TEST WELL

J. C. Davis has received a proposition from L. Ernest, Secretary of the Texas Superior Oil Company of Wichita Falls, that if a lease of ten thousand acres of land is given them, the concern will take over and complete the test well for oil on the Davis ranch six miles northeast of Spur.

The Texas Superior Oil Company of Wichita Falls, is capitalized for one million dollars, and is recognized as financially able to carry the work of a test well for oil to completion. As matters now stand in the oil development proposition in this section, a great majority of the people will never be content or satisfied with what has been done; while there may be a number who never at any time had any faith or hope of developing an oil field here. Personally we have from the beginning had faith and hope that oil would be found here in big paying quantities and want to see the three test wells started in the country drilled on down to a depth of at least four thousand feet.

The Davis well is now approximately 2,700 feet deep with two or three strings of tools lost in it, and which the drillers have been unable to remove. An oil bearing sand was just touched at the time tools were lost, and it is not known whether or not this sand would have produced oil in paying quantities. However, Messrs. McGee, who were drilling the well, are confident that a paying sand had been touched, and they did everything in their power and ability to remove the tools and drill into this sand.

It is our opinion that an oil concern financially able to do "wild catting" for oil, can be more readily induced to take over the rig and complete the test now than a later date. The rig is now on the ground and everything in readiness for actual work to be resumed whereas at a later date the hole would be ruined and the rig removed.

CHRISTMAS TREES WILL BE AT THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

The various churches and Sunday schools of Spur will have Christmas trees Christmas eve, together with appropriate programs of drills, declamations, readings, etc., thus contributing to the cheer, pleasure and happiness of the Christmas tide.

Christmas is a season which brings good tidings of great joy to all people. A time when the uppermost thought is for the happiness and pleasure of others, and a day when good cheer reigns among all mankind and peace, hallows, embelishes and enriches the nations of the earth.

PLAINS TOWNS ARE BOOSTING FOR THE PROPOSED RAILROAD

Since the campaign for construction of a railroad from Fort Worth direct to the plains country has been launched, much enthusiasm is being evidenced by towns along the proposed route, and especially by towns up on the plains. Mass Meetings, chamber of commerce and commercial club meetings have been held during the past week at Snyder, Post Slayton, Floydada, Plainview, Lubbock and other points, with a view next of not only boosting the building of such a proposed line of railway but also of having the road routed to connect with these respective points.

The building of a line of railway from Fort Worth through the oil belt this section and on up on the plains thus not only traversing the greatest oil producing territory of the world but tapping the richest grainery of Texas, has been contemplated for years. Two or more railway surveys have been made through this territory in past years, and a charter granted and bonds issued looking to the construction of a line passing through Dickens county, but the war and general financial depression is given as a reason for delay in continued activity.

In the present movement we are not frightened as to the financial ability of railroad builders to promote the proposition, other than public opinion in Fort Worth and all the towns along the route, but we are confident that the road will be built.

DIRECTORS FT. WORTH PLAINS HIGHWAY MEETING IN SPUR

SPUR, Texas, Dec. 16.—Definite arrangements for marking and advertising the Fort Worth-Plains air line highway were made when the highway association directors met here this afternoon in the Spur National Bank.

Conducting a national advertising campaign to interest tourists in the route is planned. As soon as possible marking the route will be started according to action taken by the directors.

At the meeting today the official marker was decided upon. It is to consist of an attractive sign with a black background over which will be painted in white the letters "P. O. L." A strip of red will be at the top and a strip of blue at the bottom. The highway, according to the directors, will create a permanent route which will be sixty-five miles nearer from Fort Worth to the Plains than any other highway that has been built.

The markers are to be placed on fences and posts from Fort Worth to Roswell, N. M., the extreme point. In places where there are no fences or posts, creosote posts bearing the markers are to be erected by the association, which is to direct all the marking.

Each county through which the line passes will be asked to contribute to the association the money going toward the marking and advertising expenses. Markers to be placed not more than one mile apart, and in some sections they will be as close as one-tenth of a mile to each other.

The route already has been logged by Harry Locke. This log is to be placed in a number of road guides in order to widely advertise the Fort Worth-Plains Air Line Highway.

The association takes the place of the old Fort Worth-Roswell Highway Association, which was formed here in 1914. A number of obstacles, including the war, prevented the route from being completed before now.

The directors attending the meeting here today are enthusiastic over an early completion of the marking and declare that they believe the counties will respond readily to the call for necessary funds. In several counties chambers of commerce have already designated their intention of donating the quota for their respective counties eliminating any necessity for a campaign.

An official inspection trip of the highway will probably be held in the near future. Directors and others interested in the success of the highway. Booster meetings probably will be held at each city through which the official party will pass.

The highway starts at Fort Worth and goes over the National Bankhead Highway through Weatherford, Mineral Wells and into Albany. The route from Albany goes through Stamford, Aspermont, Jayton, Girard, Spur Crosbyton, Ralls, Lubbock, and then west into Roswell, N. M.

Durable roads have already been finished along many parts of route. Tarrant County is now finishing its section, which is the Kuteman cutoff a permanent hardsurfaced highway. Parker County recently finished its road, which is of a similar type.

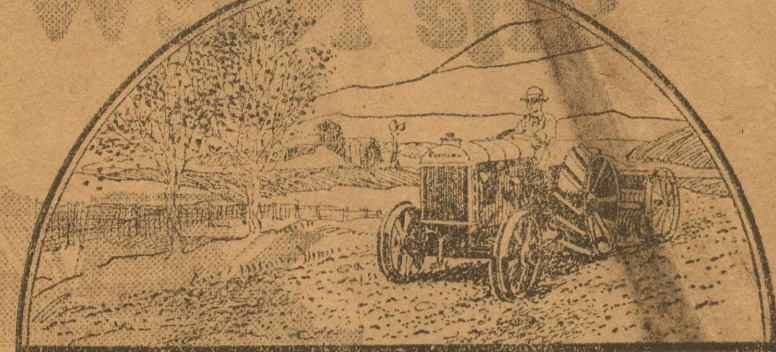
Those who attended the meeting here today were: R. H. McCarty of Albany, M. T. Beaver of Girard, C. B. Jones of Spur, P. Vanrosenbury of Lubbock, Curtis A. Keene of Lubbock, Walter W. Royalty of Lubbock, Ray B. Leach of Breckenridge, Homer D. Wade of Stamford, A. C. Cooper of Stamford, P. E. Ralls of Ralls, A. B. Swenker of Crosbyton, and John Baswell, secretary of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce.

Boswell was a guest at the meeting. He told the directors that although Plainview is not on the Fort Worth-Plains Air Line route, it wishes it the greatest of success. He declared that Plainview and that section of the State is for any project that means greater cities in the plains country.—Star Telegram.

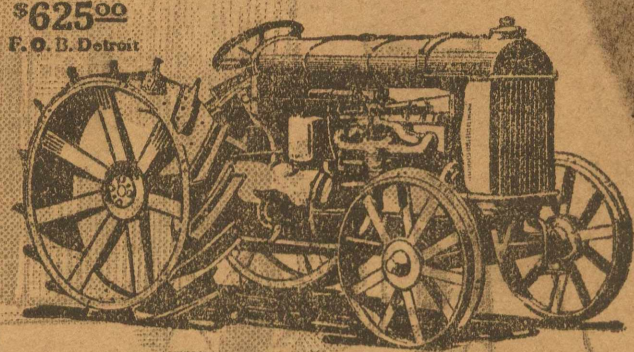
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PETITION BEING CIRCULATED FOR RURAL ROUTE TO WEST

H. H. Garnett is circulating a petition for the establishment of a rural mail route out of Spur to the West, serving patrons in the Red Top and Cat Fish communities. Approximately one hundred signatures have been obtained, and the petition will go to the postal department.

This proposed route is practicable and will accommodate more than one hundred families. The proposed route is along good roads, and it is very probable that the government will recognize the petition by granting the rural free mail delivery route.

TO TAXPAYERS AND AUTO OWNERS OF DICKENS COUNTY

I will be in Spur two days, Friday and Saturday, December 28th and 29th, to receive taxes and register automobiles. This will be the last chance you will have to pay your taxes in Spur this season, and it will be unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state after January 1st, unless you have the 1922 seal. Please see me on said dates.—G. L. Barber, Tax Collector.

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