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# The Texas Spur

## THE DICKENS ITEMS

A well tilled farm is more valuable to the owner and the community than an oil gusher.

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Worth becoming one of the leading grain markets of the Southwest, this means a big saving annually to the shippers.

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### AMERICA WINS FIRST PLACE IN OLYMPIC GAMES; FINNS SECOND

**BRYANT-LINK COMPANY**  
Say, folks, we wouldn't live in Spur if there were no Preachers and Churches here.

Are we doing our part or are we just living under the protection of and enjoying the civilization of the church has made possible and yet doing little if anything towards the support and up-building of this wonderful institution. If we are not helping, we are hindering. "Will a man rob God?" "THINK."

The preacher asked us to say something about the meeting in our ad. Well, we will say this, if you want to see most of the folks of and around Spur, come to church, they will be there.

Yes, we've seen a lot of flowers in our day. We have stood beside the violet bed and as we looked into their little faces, it seemed to us that God exhausted His botanical skill in producing these matchless hues in so small a face. We have seen the American beauty rose that God and man working together have brought from the four petted wild roses to its present seeming perfection. We have looked upon the golden-faced sunflower as it kept ever in position for God's sunshine to kiss it and keep it pure and golden, and from this flower we have gotten a lesson, and it is this: It we would keep our faces ever turned towards the sunshine of Christ's Wonderful Face, He will keep our faces pure and golden. But what we really started out to say was that we have never seen as large a flower as one of the flowers in this Flowers Evangelistic Party. We've seen prettier flowers but none so large and full of good humor and "Sunday school information." We like this fellow. If you hear him you will, too. Say, you all know, of course, why a fat fellow is good natured, it is said he can neither fight nor run, so he has to be good. Now the Mr. Flowers who preaches is not quite such a large man Flower, but big enough to tell in a most forceful way that "the wages of sin is death." And the acceptance of Christ is "Life." Mrs. Flowers is a great preacher, filled with that love that is heaven born. Mr. Bonney, the choir director, has that old Scotch melody in his voice, that just lifts you a little closer to heaven.

This is a great evangelistic party, and backed by a wonderful choir of local singers, and an orchestra that would sound good in the neighborhood of the mystic sirens.

This is Bryant-Link Co.'s ad you are reading. No, we don't talk merchandise all the time. Sure we want to sell you goods, so come on with the crowds.

**She Maketh Glad His Heart**  
Blessings on thee, little dame—  
Bareback girl with knees the same  
With thy rolled down silken hose  
And thy short, transparent clothes;  
With thy red lips, reddened more,  
Smeared with lipstick from the store;  
With thy makeup on thy face,  
And thy bobbed hair's jaunty grace,  
From my heart I give thee joy—  
Glad that I was born a boy.

**They All Come Back**  
The stars will come to the azure vault when the clouds are all blown away; and the sun will come back when the night is done, and give us another day; the cows will come back from the meadows bush, and the birds to their trysting tree; but the time I wasted in sin and shame will never come back to me.

The leaves will come back to the naked boughs, the flowers to the frosty brae; the spring will come back like a blooming bud and no breezes that blew in May, and joy may come back to the stricken heart, and laughter and hope and glea; but the hours I've wasted in sin and wrong will never come back to me.

Come on with the crowds. We appreciate your trade, your pleasures, your friends, your good words.

Yes, it is dry in past of our county, but we believe He who observes the sparrows fall will give us the needed showers.

Your Friends,  
**BRYANT-LINK COMPANY**  
—Trade at Home—  
Mrs. Campbell, of East Texas, is here visiting her brother, G. W. Rash and family.

PARIS, July 14.—The track and field championships of the Olympic games will go down this year as the greatest held since the revival of the famous classic.

While the United States won the title, the athletes representing Finland diminished the American's victory.

The athletes from the United States set up new world's marks. They proved their prowess in most of the competition but the men representing the little mite of a country, Finland, fought all the other nations to the ground and bowed only to the Americans.

The honors for individual brilliancy absolutely should go to Paavo Nurmi and Willie Ritola, the Finns who dimmed the luster of all other competitors by their performances. Nurmi was the surprise of the meet. He gave an all around exhibition of speed and endurance seldom witnessed in athletic carnivals.

Eight world's records went by the board in the final reckoning at the end of the meet and five of them were hung up by Americans.

The Americans made their records in the 400 meter hurdles when F. M. Taylor made a new mark of 52 3-5; in the pentathlon when R. Legendre set a new mark of 25 feet 6 inches in the broad jump; in the decathlon, when H. M. Osborne made a total of 7,710,775 points, and in the 400 and 1,600 meter relays when the boys from the United States set new marks of 41 seconds and 3.16 respectively.

The other records were made in the 10,000 meter run by Willie Ritola of Finland, whose mark was 30-231 1-5; another record of 9:33 3-5 by Ritola in the 3,000 meter steeplechase and by E. H. Liddell, England, who made a mark of 47 3-5 in winning the 400-meter run.

The United States won the meet with 255 points. Finland finished second with 166. The others finished as follows: Great Britain 85 1/2, Sweden 31 1/2, France 26 1/2, Italy 19, Switzerland 15, South Africa 11, Hungary 10 1/2, Australia 10, Canada 8, Norway 6, Argentina 5, New Zealand, Estonia, Holland, 4 each; Denmark 3, Japan and Chile 1 each.

In the final day of the meet, the outstanding star was Alben Stenross, a 35-year-old worker of Finland, who won the marathon by a mile. Clarence Demera, the American, came in third.

In the water polo competition today Holland defeated Sweden 7 to 0.

The United States showed up poorly in the modern pentathlon in the 300-meter swim.

In the final events of the sword fencing for teams, Czecho-Slovakia defeated Argentina 45 touches to 47, and Holland defeated France 9 to 7.

—Trade at Home—

E. A. Russell and family, Glover Russell and Chester Edwards and family returned recently from a trip to Mississippi, where they have been visiting relatives and friends, having formerly lived there. Mr. Edwards and family returned Saturday while Mr. Russell returned Monday, he and family having remained over in Anson, where Glover has a position as station agent. They report a very pleasant trip.

—Trade at Home—  
Jack Senning is reported quite sick of typhoid fever at the home of his mother, Mrs. Kate Senning.

### DAVIS AND BRYAN HEAD DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, July 10.—John W. Davis of West Virginia and Governor Charles W. Bryan of Nebraska are the Democratic party's candidates for President and Vice-President.

Emerging on the one hundred and third ballot as the Democratic National Convention's choice for the presidential nomination, the West Virginia lawyer and diplomat swept away great waves of bitterness churned up during the 15 preceding days of stormy conflict. Then, taking command immediately the new head of the party guided the convention swiftly toward the selection of his running mate, the brother of William J. Bryan, his most vigorous opponent throughout the balloting.

The adjournment that marked the formal ending of the convention came two minutes after Governor Bryan had been declared nominated for the vice-presidency. It was accomplished with a single ballot, through the changing of many votes that eliminated most of the 30 names that first appeared, but it was not made unanimous. The weary delegates had finished their work.

Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, chairman of the convention, after Davis had swept the field on the one hundred and third ballot avoided the Vice Presidential nomination by acclamation only by declaring an adjournment until 8:30 p. m. in the face of a thundering chorus of "noes" against such action. He maintained his stand, insisting his usefulness would be greater as a Senator, throughout the dinner recess, and his decision was reiterated in a letter read at the opening of the night session by Represent-

tative Barkley of Kentucky, to whom he had turned over the chair.

E. T. Meredith of Iowa, secretary of Agriculture in the Wilson administration, who had been selected by many of the McAdoo leaders to receive their strength for the Presidential nomination after he released it, then emerged as the most prominent prospect for the second place on the ticket. But he, too, was firm in his determination not to be considered, and the nomination of various Vice Presidential candidates proceeded.

The period of speechmaking starting with an address by James M. Cox of Ohio, the 1920 standard bearer who took an active part in the efforts that finally ended the deadlock between the McAdoo and Smith forces, then intervened, after which a one-hour recess was arranged to give Davis and the other leaders an opportunity to canvass the Vice Presidential situation with a view to facilitating the nomination.

The midnight conferees found the arguments advanced by Governor Bryan's friends, detailing his executive experience, familiarity with agricultural problems, sympathy with liberal sentiment, and the geographical and other considerations, most persuasive. Bryan expressed amazement when informed of their decision. He had not even been nominated.

But that was taken care of as soon as the recess ended and as it turned out, the supporters of only one other candidate—George L. Berry of Tennessee, one of the group of active pre-convention candidates for the nomination—attempted to stem the tide of compromise and weariness.

### AMERICAN AIRMEN REACH PARIS ON THE ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT

PARIS, July 14.—Flying in a perfect V formation, the three Americans round the world planes arrived over Le Bourget Field here at 4:45 p. m. today. They were escorted by a squadron of French planes, which met them at noon at Strasbourg.

Lieut. Lowell Smith, the flight commander, led the Americans into France. Flying behind him were Lieutenant Wade and Nelson and flanking and following the Americans were the French planes forming the escort.

The fliers did not make a landing at the field, but went on toward Paris, where they circled about the Arch of Triumph as a token of homage to France's unknown soldier.

This courtesy completed, Lieutenant Smith headed the procession of planes back to Le Bourget Field, where a perfect landing was made.

The first plane landed at 5:07 p. m., 11 hours after hopping off from Vienna. The landings were completed at 5:09.

The flying time for the 700-mile trip was 10 hours and 22 minutes, a stop of an hour having been made at Strasbourg.

### Spur Invited to Picnic At New Cat Fish Bridge

The recent completion of a bridge spanning Cat Fish, in Crosby County, is to be celebrated with a picnic on the 18th of July, to which celebration the residents of Spur are most cordially invited by the people of Crosby county. This bridge is the largest in this part of the country, having eighteen fifty-foot spans, and being over 900 feet in length, and is so permanently constructed that its completion is a real landmark of progress and is not unduly celebrated, however extravagantly. The old crossing at Cat Fish has long been a "Jonah" to people living in the radius of many miles and a bridge such as this one will not only remove many obstacles and inconveniences but will greatly aid the development of that particular section. Crosby county is to be congratulated upon this expenditure and the contractor deserves much credit as an engineer. The picnic will be an enjoyable occasion to all who accept this cordial invitation.

### "OBEY" STRICKEN FROM MARRIAGE CEREMONY TEXT

SACRAMENTO, July 15.—Love Yes. Honor? Yes. Obey? Nothing doing! and that's that. Yuba county is one section of California where the word "obey" has become absolutely obsolete, in so far as the marriage ceremony is concerned.

Justice of the peace George Herzog, who has a reputation in the region, as a veteran in the tying of martial knots, and who reigns supreme in Yuba county, declares that during the last two years not one couple in his district has permitted him to use "obey" in the marriage ceremony. And the men thereabouts say they like it.

### MISS NELL HIGGINS, TEACHER

of Piano, announces that she has received from Harriet Bacon MacDonald and Carre Louise Dunning, a Diploma as an exponent of the Dunning system of improved music study which includes the Faelton principles for concentration and the Leschetizky technic. Phone 93, Spur, Texas. 38-1t

—Trade at Home—  
Mrs. Lee Cathey and little son, who have been visiting Mrs. Roy Russell and other friends of Spur, left the first of the week for Jayton where she is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Deaver. Mrs. Cathey expects to return the first of the week to her home in Denver, Colorado.

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**SUNDAY'S PROGRAM COUNTY REVIVAL**

Sunday 11:00 Mrs. Flowers will speak.

Sunday 3:30 Evangelist Flowers will speak to men only, subject, The Pace that Kills.

Sunday 3:30 Mrs. Flowers will speak to married ladies only.

Sunday 7:30 Young people only by Mr. Bonney.

Sunday 8:30 Subject, HELL.



# THE MAN WHOM THE YEARS FORGOT

He ran a successful business twenty years ago.

He had built up this business by hard personal effort.

Those who dealt with him knew that he could be relied upon, and anything which he sold was well worth the money.

And he had a fine group of customers. But customers change. Some of them die. Some of them go away. Some get restless and turn to competitors.

So it was with his customers.

And not enough new ones came to take their place.

This man worked harder. He studied his products. He kept them up to date. In many ways he was the best posted man in his line of business.

Except for one thing—and on that one thing his competitors passed him.

He believed the old "mouse trap" saying, that people would beat a path to his door.

But competitors set up along the beaten path, and the customers were diverted.

What this man forgot was printing—and so the years forgot him.

He forgot to study the progress made in merchandising. He failed to see or find out the methods used by others in his same line of business, who were continually in communication with his customers, telling them the advantages of other merchandise, building confidence in other business institutions, winning away the people who had made this one business successful 20 years ago.

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This is not the store of any one business. It is the story of scores of businesses, once successful, but today disappeared or disappearing from the field.

Don't let anyone forget your business. Keep in touch with your present market, and open larger and larger market by using printing.

We'll gladly show you examples of how many others are doing it. Call on us.

**THE TEXAS SPUR**  
"Printing That Satisfies"

### WATSON ITEMS

Say, if you will just tune your radios this way, I will try and talk loud enough for you all to hear. Us folks in this neighborhood are going to kill the fatted calf next Friday at Catfish bridge on the Spur and Post road, not on account of the returning prodigal, but to show the town of Spur in a small way our appreciation for what they did for us in aiding us on the bridge, as the bonds were exhausted, and left us, you might say, just barely reaching the bank on either side. We had to have another fifty-foot span on each side and our commissioner was broke as you know they always are in cases of the kind, and just couldn't, so W. B. Ford and myself got a petition and canvassed the town of Spur, and raised the money to build one fifty-foot and Terrell had the fifty foot put on the other end.

Oh, Say, you folks, who like stewed lawyers and candidate soup, just get on the hike Friday morning in time to strike camp at Catfish bridge for noon and you will find the big pot in the small one and the dish rag thrown in and lawyer stew and candidate soup bubbling nicely. So come one and all you may find some of them fine brown-legged domineers stacked on a plate.

You should see W. B. Ford motoring across back and forth on that bridge. He just drives across, turns around and drives right back again. He just can't cut the gas until the engine in that Overland just purrs like a kitty kat and travel just like his buggy did when he was trying to make the ever blooming Rose believe what a good boy he would always be.

We are needing rain in the worst way. It we don't get it in about fifteen minutes our old feed will be burned, but it will soon be out of misery if it don't rain. When that happens us farmers will just be realizing the awful plight of another crop year and no feed.

Well, come on, all of you, and we will dish out some of that nice stew and delicious gravy for you, and while your are smacking your chops over it there is no telling what we will be trying to make you believe. After dinner is over you can just step over to the well and get a nice cool refreshing drink.

The health of the community is good, fishing fine, hunting—woop, wife said get ready for breakfast, so you know what it means when the cooks says jump, if you don't just come over and watch me. When mine says skid-doo. If you don't know this hand write just ask W. B. and he will tell you what he tells his good wife some times when he is scheming to try to get off to town and leave her at home.—Copper Head.

—Trade at Home—

Tom Cross came in Monday morning of this week from his farm and ranch home of Kent county. His section has been mighty dry the past month or more, but he reports a light shower the past week, amounting to approximately one-half inch of rainfall over a small area. This shower he says, of course will help things, but what is needed is a general good rain. Cattle are holding their own, as are crops, but a good, general rain must come for promoting the best material interests of the section. Tom has been "raised up" in that section and is not easily scared or deterred in daily activities, but it so happens that we have sided with him on a bunch of steers and the leasing of ranch property, and being a "green horn" we may be over-anxious about the rain, grass and general conditions—and yet we, too, have spent our life out here in the West. Personally, we wanted to close out our cattle interests on the spring market, but older heads prevailed and therefore we are in the game to the finish and will take our loss or gain with as good grace as any old timer. The cattle business the past few years has been very hazardous, as every one knows, but it is bound to come back—it may not be for the speculator, but surely for the raiser and producer who has held out to this time. We have watched the progress of West Texas from youth up to this time—and we say without fear of contradiction that the only safe investment is in land. The man who invests in land may be slow in realizing a profit, but it is sure to come. The price of land will never go down but will ever continue to advance until some other form of government is established. This advancement may be slow, but it is sure. When a man can get a few acres of good land secured and paid for he has an inheritance for himself or his family—and this is not insure in any other investment. The thing for every man to do is first to get a home—and then some good agricultural land to support that home.

—Trade at Home—

Roscoe McCombs and Cas Franklin made a trip the first of the week to Post where they spent the day, not only on business but in enjoyment of the sports and recreations there offered to visitors as well as home people.

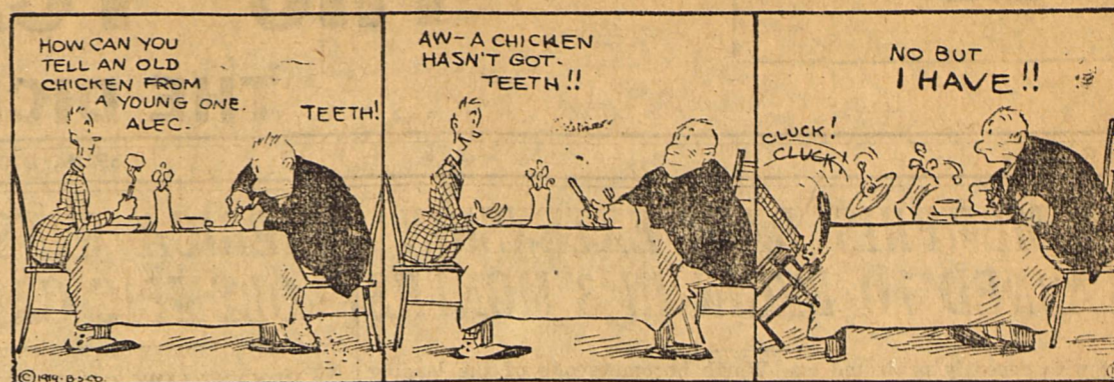
—Trade at Home—

Lloyd and Ray Brasher, who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Sol Davis and other friends of Spur, returned last week to their home at Mission. John A. Davis, the son of Mrs. Sol Davis, returned home with them to spend the balance of the summer. The Brasher boys are the sons of Dr. and Mrs. Brasher, formerly of Spur, but who were enticed into the Rio Grande Valley in the hope of bettering their financial condition.

—Trade at Home—

I HAVE a First Class Well Drilling Outfit, have had many years experience in drilling and am prepared to drill your well promptly and satisfactorily.—Lee Harrison. 37-1f

### BERTIE AND ALEC



Just Received a New Shipment of  
**SLEEVELESS SWEATERS**

Also Received a Shipment of  
**FELT SPORT HATS**  
In All Good Colors—At A Very Close Price

Since we are having a county-wide revival in Spur we will be closed from 10 to 11

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### OBITUARY

Grandpa Sparks, James Harrison Sparks, was born July 24, 1842, in Osgood, Shelby County, Indiana. He came to Texas when only a youth, lived in Dickens county for a number of years, was one of the "Old Timers," and true to the spirit of the great West, was a man full of hospitality. He was one of the few remaining ex-Confederate soldiers, while he fought in the Sixties for the Stars and Bars, he gave up the lost cause and became true to the Stars and Stripes. He married Mrs. Maggie Lambert in the year 1876. To the union were born two children, J. E. Sparks of Dickens county, and Mrs. John Holt of Arizona. He made a profession of religion in the summer of 1893.

He heard the summons and was mustered out of the battles of this life, June 30, 1924, after several months of declining health. The body was laid to rest by the side of that of his faithful wife, in the Red Mud cemetery, the writer officiating at the funeral service, which was attended by a large number of friends and several of the old ex-soldiers. In Grandpa Sparks was fulfilled Job 5:26, Thos shalt come to thy grave in full age, like as a stock of corn cometh in his season.

His age being 81 years, 11 months, 6 days. Thus, he spent his days and at a ripe old age quietly passed out from the busy scenes of this life into the great beyond, "From whose bourne no traveler returns."—A. P. Stokes.

—Trade at Home—

John McCrary, formerly with the J. L. Jones Company of Girard, and who in the beginning of the present campaign announced as a candidate for representative of this district, and who at the present time is one of the three candidates for county judge of Kent county, the past week ventured into the newspaper realm, having purchased the Girard Gazette of W. H. Wade, newspaper editor and publisher, Baptist preacher and Ku Klux Klan defender of Kent county. We are not well acquainted with John McCrary, but unless he has plenty of nerve, pep, good backing and an outside income the newspaper business may prove a delusion, and a snare especially in connection with political aspirations. However, we are wishing him success both in newspaper and political aspirations.

—Trade at Home—

M. E. Manning left the latter part of last week for a business trip to Dallas. He will return by the way of Albany where he will spend a few days vacation, the first he has enjoyed since long before the war. In fact, Mr. Manning has been on the job in Spur practically every day since beginning of the town, first as banker and helper to livestock and farming interests; later in providing grain and feed to the trade; and now in providing the populace with ice and cooling drinks, being the head of Spur Ice & Bottling Works. M. E. Manning has been an asset to Spur from the very beginning. He has bumped up against hardships and losses, but has met them with an optimistic smile and kept on working. He may never be a millionaire, but he will always be a man and an asset to the town or community where he resides. On this his first vacation we wish him complete relaxation from all worries, a real rest and enjoyment of the vacation season.

—Trade at Home—

Miss Virginia Forbis, who has been attending C. I. A. at Denton, returned home Monday for the summer vacation.

### TO THE VOTERS OF DICKENS COUNTY

Since I am employed on a salary by the Texas Cattle Raisers Association, and therefore may not have the opportunity to see every voter in Dickens county in my campaign for Sheriff and Tax Collector, I am taking this means of assuring voters that if I had not wanted the sheriff's office I would not have entered the race, and will appreciate the support of every voter regardless of whether or not I can make a personal appeal to each one, and if elected I will perform the duties of the office to the very best of my ability, and endeavor to make Dickens county the very best officer who ever served in the capacity of Sheriff.—John Southworth.

—Trade at Home—

Mrs. J. W. Holt, who has been visiting J. E. Sparks and family, west of Spur, returned last week to her home in New Mexico.

Miss Nell Higgins returned this week from Fort Worth where she has been attending a school of music and expression. Miss Higgins is already one of the best informed teachers of music and expression, but never neglects an opportunity to advance her knowledge and ability as a teacher in music and expression.

—Trade at Home—

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was in the first of the week electioneering among the voters. All candidates are now hustling about and getting on the anxious seat as the day of the primary approaches.

—Trade at Home—

Chester Edwards and family and E. A. Russell and family are returning this week from Mississippi where they have been spending several weeks. They are making the trip through the country in cars.

—Trade at Home—

Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, of Dickens, were among the number of shoppers in Spur last week.

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Special, per lb. ....15c

Cleopatra Rose Talcum  
Powder, per can .....20c

Putman Dye, reg. pkg. ....7½c

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Bargains  
KEROGAS  
RANGE

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Afton, Texas

Be Sure to  
Find This  
Space Each  
Week

### CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank friends, neighbors and the people of Spur for their help, kindness and sympathy extended during the illness and death of our mother. The goodness of each will ever be cherished by us.—C. R. King and Family.

—Trade at Home—

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McArthur, of the Red Mud country, were shoppers in the city the latter part of last week. While here Tom had the paper sent to his father-in-law, F. L. Allcorn, who is now in California. Mr. Allcorn was one of the early settlers of the Spur country, having sold out and moved West several years ago.

—Trade at Home—

Joe T. Salem, of Amarillo, was in Spur last week trying to secure a building with a view of establishing a dry goods business in Spur. Notwithstanding the building progress of the business section, he was unable to secure a place.



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PHONE 191  
**MOTOR HOSPITAL**

We, the undesigned citizens of Motley county have known C. B. Whitten for seventeen years and have seen him tested and heartily recommend him for district attorney of the 50th Judicial District, for we know his worth as a prosecuting attorney. He served this county for four years as county attorney and was honest, fearless and energetic, standing for the right and against the wrong. He served the county four years as county judge and further displayed his ability as an able lawyer and a good, clean man. No voter will make a mistake in voting for him. We are for him and believe 90 per cent of the citizens of this county are for him. We especially solicit the vote of Dickens county:

J. E. Russell, ex-sheriff  
Claude Warren, Sheriff  
C. L. Glenn, Judge  
Jack Catlin, Clerk  
G. E. Hamilton, Attorney  
Farris Fish, Attorney  
T. J. Sanders, Attorney  
Dr. A. S. Traweck  
Dr. R. L. Hamilton z

The following are Jurors and  
Grand Jurors:  
W. R. Cammack

Elmer Stearns  
W. W. Moore  
Roy Burleson  
Harrison Williams  
E. A. Nolts  
J. S. Lambert  
R. P. Moore  
D. C. KeKith  
A. J. Hudson  
W. L. McWilliams  
J. M. Jackson. 38-1t

Trade at Home

FOR SALE—A Sewing Machine and Remington Typewriter, both practically new. Will sell at a bargain.—Frank Laverty. 35-1f

Al Bingham, of the Spur Ranch headquarters, was one among the business visitors in the city Monday of this week.

## FIRE! FIRE FIRE!

Due to the fire Wednesday we have been put out of business for a few days. However, we take this method in announcing to the public that we will be on the job again in a few days serving

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Remember, if it fails it costs you nothing, so give it a trial at our risk.

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### LYNCH DAVIDSON DOES NOT FAVOR TAX EXEMPTION

AUSTIN, July 10.—Lynch Davidson, candidate for governor, called attention of a large audience at Austin Thursday evening that "all of my opponents, who earlier in the campaign, with their political demagoguery were seeking to assail me because I as a lumberman proposed a plan of reforestation in Texas, are now suddenly and strangely silent."

"Nor has a single one of them," he continued, "although demanded to do so by many Texas newspaper, presented a platform of reforestation of which this state is so sorely in need. The reason they are silent is because the people of Texas have come to realize that these self-same politicians fiddled while Rome burned, and now with the passage of the Black bill by the national congress those in this state, the private citizen, upon whom the burden of this bill, which I sought to forestall, will fall, has come to realize that it was the political demagoguery which attacked me and that beclouded the issues and prevented Texas undertaking a plan of reforestation which would have saved thousands upon thousands of dollars in taxes."

The candidates explained that the Black bill which has passed Congress means non-taxable lands in the cut-over areas of eastern Texas. Continuing, he said:

"It means tax exemption which I tried to prevent in the cut-over areas of eastern Texas, and when those counties are unable to maintain their schools, construct roads, continue their political entities, fix the blame upon my opponents. No wonder they are silent on the subject now, and have quit their attacks upon me; they are forced for their own political scalps to be quiet on the subject now. I have continually opposed tax exemption of any sum whatsoever. Now another encroachment on state's rights has been accomplished, because the Black reforestation bill is a 50-50 federal aid measure compelling Texas and other states to enter into co-operation with the federal government in taking over the cut-over areas."

Lynch Davidson said the public press, almost to a newspaper, had been with him in his fight against the tax exemption scheme.

"It was to no avail, however," he declared, "because there are those who would rather lead this state into the socialism of the Nonpartisan League than see Texas survive. Now a double burden of taxation will fall upon the eastern Texas counties, where thousands of cut over acres to be taken over by the state and nation will become non-taxable for all purposes. They will suffer as do the citizens of Fort Bend county, for the taxes upon private citizens are instance, where thousands of non-tax practically doubled, because the taxable prison lands lie idle. There are levied upon those state-owned prison lands, and of necessity the excess burden must fall upon the private citizens of that county."

"We have come to a point in our state's affairs where lack of statesmanship, a predominance of elocution and oratory rather than sound business economics, is costing the taxpayers \$10,000,000 each biennium. In my platform I propose to apply business principles to the solution of its problems, to the end of cutting out this \$10,000,000 biennial waste."

Trade at Home  
\$3,098,875 SET APART  
FOR SCHOOL BOOKS

AUSTIN, July 10.—At the meeting of the State Board of Education Thursday, the board adopted a resolution setting aside \$3,098,875 to buy textbooks including those textbooks involved in the contracts held valid by the Supreme Court.

This amount includes \$1,950,000 set aside a year ago and which had not been used because of a previous balance.

State Superintendent Marrs estimated that it would cost \$2,615,000 to buy the books, pay interest, commission and other expenses. This money comes out of the textbooks fund.

Trade at Home  
Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shugart returned the latter part of last week from Dallas where they have been the past two weeks. Mrs. Shugart being under the treatment of an eye specialist. Mrs. Shugart was almost blinded with sore eyes when they left Spur. An operation was necessary at the hands of the specialist. While Mrs. Shugart was not given complete relief, the treatment and operation gave her much benefit and it is hoped that she will soon be completely relieved.

Trade at Home  
Mrs. Roy Stovall and sister, Mrs. Griggs, of Wichita Falls, visited another sister Saturday and Sunday in Lubbock.

### ABSENTEES MAY NOW CAST VOTES IN PRIMARY ELECTION

The law effecting absentee voting is divided into two divisions. First, any one who is a qualified elector and who desires to vote, but who will be absent from the county on the day of election may go to the County Clerk at some time not more than ten or less than three days prior to the election, and if personally unknown to said clerk be identified by at least two reputable citizens, and deliver to the clerk his or her poll tax receipt, exemption certificate or affidavit as the case may be, at which time clerk will hand to the person a ballot which shall be voted without assistance or suggestion of any other person, which ballot after being voted shall be folded and placed in a sealed envelope and delivered to the clerk, who shall keep it so sealed and who shall also keep the poll tax receipt or certificate open to inspection by any person until the second day prior to election, on which day the clerk shall place the sealed envelope containing marked ballot together with the poll tax receipt, or certificate in another envelope, which shall be mailed to the presiding judge of the voting precinct in which said elector lives.

"However, if a qualified elector has already gone from the county where he lives before the ten days prior to said election he shall make his personal appearance before a notary public, not more than twenty days nor less than ten days prior to said election, and if personally unknown to such notary public, shall be identified by at least two reputable citizens of this state, and shall deliver to such notary public his poll tax receipt, exemption certificate or affidavit in case poll tax receipt has been lost, misplaced or left at home, which poll tax receipt, certificate or affidavit, together with application of the voter shall be sent by the officer administering the oath to the County Clerk of the county in which the qualified elector resides. It shall then be the duty of the county clerk receiving the affidavit to verify the same by examining the poll tax records of the county wherein said elector resides, and if correct, (or in case exemption or poll tax receipt is sent with said application) the county clerk shall mail to such elector one ballot which has been prepared in accordance with the law for use in such election under registered letter marked "Official Ballot for such Elector (giving elector's name) Not to be opened except in the presence of a notary public! Printed on outside of letter." Such elector shall make oath before such notary public that such ballot was then and there marked by said elector apart from and without assistance or suggestion of any person, after which said ballot shall be folded and placed in a sealed envelope together with affidavit of such elector, giving elector's name and same shall be mailed by said notary public to county clerk of the county where elector votes. And the county clerk shall keep the said ballot sealed in the same manner as given above.

"The absentee votes shall be opened by the presiding judges of the different precincts between the hours of two and three o'clock and publicly announced that the ballot of such named elector is proposed to be cast, at which time said ballot or the right of said elector to vote may be challenged. The challenge, if any, shall be heard and decided according to the law provided in the case of the challenge; but if not challenged same shall be counted. When said vote is cast the judge of election shall mark opposite the name of such absentee vote, the word "absentee."

"But if any challenge is made, such poll tax receipt together with affidavit relating thereto shall be mailed by the said judge of election to the county clerk who shall keep the same for thirty days and if no demand be made for the production of same before any body or person in authority said clerk shall deliver said receipt to the owner thereof.

"The postage for the entire correspondence herein made necessary to be provided by said elector.

"The absentee voting law applies to any and all primary elections only. A penalty is provided for violating any section of this law."—The above law was issued by Frank E. Smith, County Attorney of Taylor County).

Trade at Home  
Miss Ray Peters, of Fort Worth, is the guest of Mrs. Robert Reynolds at their home on Croton. Miss Peters is on her return home from Colorado where she has been spending a vacation.

Trade at Home  
LOST—Red Collie Dog, goes by the name of Jack, last seen was going towards Croton Flat. Any one knowing the whereabouts of such dog please notify Crockett Alexander, Afton, and get reward. 37-3t

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### MAY TIME

May is a month of sunshine.  
Flowers and up-turned sod,  
Some would call it Spring time,  
But I would call it God.  
God who lives above us,  
To rule the seasons' ways  
He gives us all things beautiful,  
And we should give Him praise.

He gives us bee and bird song,  
He gives us cooling breeze,  
He gives us light and sunshine.  
Green grass for a carpet  
Upon the place we trod.  
Some would call it nature,  
But I will call it God.

He gives us friends to love us,  
Noble, kind and true,  
He gives us stars in heaven,  
Set in a sky so blue.  
He gives us rain and dew drops,  
To cool the up-turned sod.  
Some would call this nature,  
But I will call it God.

Turn your eyes to the hill side,  
Behold the blooming trees,  
Look deep in the blossoms,  
Watch the busy bees,  
And down in some low green valley  
The daisies wave and nod.  
Some will call this Spring time,  
But I will call it God.  
The weeds, the grass, the flowers,

That come on the mountain side,  
That bloom on the banks of the river,  
To be carried away with the tide,  
The little plants in the window,  
That push their way through the sod,  
Some call it vegetation,  
But I will call it God.

For without the God above us,  
To rule the seasons' ways,  
There would be no nights or days,  
There would be no lovely flowers  
Upon the path we trod,  
And that is just the reason  
That I will call it God.—Mrs. Edna Lee, Dickens, Texas.

Trade at Home

### STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BEGINS WORK IN KENT

After some delay an agreement has been reached whereby the State Highway Department will have the use of the county road working machinery and Mr. G. L. McPherson, local superintendent of state highways, states that work on a large scale will begin at once.

A large amount of money will be expended on this work and will offer employment to a large number of men during the dull summer months. —Girard Gazette.

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The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements for candidates seeking public offices, subject to the action of Democratic Primary elections in July:

For District Judge, 50th Judicial District: JAMES A. STEPHENS  
J. H. MILAM  
For District Attorney, 50th Judicial Dist.: C. B. WHITTEN, Motley County  
W. B. COMBEST, Cottle County

For County and District Clerk: C. C. COBB  
ROBT. REYNOLDS  
S. L. DAVIS  
O. C. ARTHUR (Re-election)

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: CLIF LOVELACE  
M. L. JONES  
C. L. BARBER  
B. E. MORGAN  
JOHN SOUTHWORTH

For Tax Assessor: W. B. BENNETT  
W. F. MCCARTY  
T. S. JAMBERT  
T. J. HARRISON

For County Treasurer: C. H. PERRY (Re-election)  
MRS. H. P. COLE  
JOHN Q. TERRY

For County Judge: H. A. C. BRUMMETT (Re-election)

For County Attorney: B. G. WORSWICK (Re-election)  
W. E. LESSING

For Public Weigher, Precinct 3: G. W. RASH

For Public Weigher, Precinct 2: W. O. FORMBY  
W. E. GATES  
W. H. NICHOLS  
DUD. JONES  
D. O. BLASINGAME

For Public Weigher, Precinct 1: A. J. RICHEY

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3: D. A. YOUNG

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1: E. L. HARKEY

For County Commissioner, Precinct 1: A. C. GENTRY  
THOMP. JOHNSON  
R. E. SLOUGH  
R. W. WOOTEN

For County Commissioner, Precinct 2: O. C. NEWBERRY (Re-election)  
W. F. HAMMACK  
B. F. MIDDLETON

For County Commissioner, Precinct 3: G. A. SLOAN (Re-election)  
J. L. KARR

For County Commissioner, Precinct 4: CHAS. PERRIN

For Constable, Precinct 1: FORREST L. EDWARDS

For Constables, Precinct 3: Dr. M. L. NICHOLS  
J. F. CRUMP  
W. S. HUNTER

KENT COUNTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For County Commissioner, Precinct 2: WILL H. SMITH

DICKENS SPORT NEWS

Dickens covered themselves with all kinds of glory Sunday, July 13, when they defeated the fast Paducah team by a score of 8 to 2.

Paducah had lost only one game this season and against such teams as Childress, Quanah and Matador.

Bee Street, a 17-year-old school boy pitched for Dickens. Not a two base hit was made off of him and a very few singles. Paducah will be at Dickens for three games during the two day picnic. Come and see three real ball games. The Dickens team is made up of young but fast ball players. Batteries for Dickens, Street and Gladish Paducah, Anderson and Bridwell.

Trade at Home

Lon Kizziah, of the Tennessee Valley near Afton, left Tuesday for his old home in Tennessee where he will spend some time visiting and vacationing. He is making the trip through the country in an automobile that is decorated up like a circus, not only boosting the Great Spur Country, but broad-casting the fact that he will reach Tennessee or bust. During the time that Lon has been a citizen of Dickens county he has become reputed as a booster, optimist and one who can liven things up in any kind of weather.

A WORTHY CANDIDATE

Judge Tatum of Dalhart, Dallam county, Texas, known by his friends as Reese Tatum, is a candidate for Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals of this district.

He has been district judge of the Sixty-Ninth District for about eight years and is regarded by those who know him to be one of the ablest judges in the state. He has a keen intellect and ready grasp of legal propositions, which with a pronounced judicial temperament renders him a great jurist. Being absolutely fair and impartial, he has the faculty of reserving his opinion until all the facts and the law of the case have been developed, and when so developed, he decides the case regardless of the nature thereof, who the litigants may be, without fear, favor or friendship.

Judge Tatum is in the prime of life, strong and vigorous, a native of Tennessee but was resident in the Panhandle of Texas for more than twenty-two years. He has been very active in the development of this section, giving of time and money when the occasion demanded. He has come up from adversity to the top of his profession, is in truth a self-made man. He is the kind of man who gives his time and best efforts when needed, as during the war, when laborers were so scarce, he went into the fields of the farmers of this section and assisted in the harvesting of the crops, working side by side with them and when offered pay for his services refused any compensation whatsoever.

He is a member of the Methodist church and is broad enough to accord to any person the same rights and privileges as to their religious convictions as he reserves for himself. He is affiliated with several fraternal organizations.

Politically Reese Tatum is a life-long Democrat and has supported the Democratic platform of Texas ever since becoming a citizen of the state. He stands for law enforcement of every kind, is capable of interpreting the law and has the courage to stand for its enforcement.

Judge Tatum's record as a jurist has gained for him a solid endorsement from the county officials, the bar, the business men, bankers, farmers and railroad men of his district. He is capable in every way of filling the position with honor and dignity. One of the ablest lawyers and scholars in the state said Reese Tatum was one of the best informed men he had ever met. (Political Advertisement.)

Trade at Home

DICKENS DEFEATS PADUCAH

Sunday evening, the Dickens baseball team motored over to Paducah and played them a game. The score was 8 to 2 in favor of Dickens.

Paducah made one score in the first inning and the other one in the sixth, while Dickens made the first one in the second and kept on making them.

Bee Street pitched the entire game for Dickens. Paducah pitched two men. The first one was knocked out. Bee Street is just a kid, only 17 years old, but we had a hard time making Paducah believe he was, especially when the game was over. They thought he was a league pitcher from Fort Worth or Dallas. Of course he is not quite as good now, but only a short time and he will be. Paducah will play three games with Dickens at the picnic the 23rd and 24th at Dickens. You are cordially invited to come and enjoy yourself as well as boost for your home county team.

Meet us at the picnic and barbecue at Dickens the 23rd and 24th.

Trade at Home

Mr. and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Pofford and grand daughter, of Delain, were the guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Snider, returning home Monday.

DUPLICATE COIN FOUND WEST TEXAS OWNED DALLAS BY MAN

An exact duplicate of a coin of Egyptian design found in a cave in the Tule Canyon north of Plainview recently with several other trinkets believed to be Indian relics, is in the possession of L. O. Clark of 122 N. Clinton avenue, Oak Cliff. The articles found in the Tule Canyon were discovered by Ephriam Stevenson of Tulia in what he thought to be an Indian grave. A photograph of the coin was printed in The Dallas Morning News of Sunday.

Twenty years ago while Mr. Clark was in Dunfee, Ind., he found the coin or pendant, on the street. He said that he put it in his pocket and forgot about it at the time, but on many occasions later wondered about the meaning of the figures. It is made of a base metal resembling nickel with tinges of copper color on the rim. On one side is the figure of the sphinx in relief, back of which are three pyramids and the sun.

On the reverse side is represented Buddha, flanked on either side by hieroglyphics. The metal disk has a small loop on the rim as if designed for an ornament.

Trade at Home

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends who so kindly and tenderly rendered help and sympathy to us in the death of our wife and mother, who departed this life July 10th. Words cannot express our heart felt thanks and appreciation to our friends for each little deed of kindness rendered us at that time. And we wish to also thank those who assisted my brother's family as well in their sad and trying hour when he passed away on May the 20. Dr. Morris, Nichols and fine and efficient nurses will always have a tender place in our hearts for their kindness rendered us.

We wish also to thank each and every member of the Spur Mutual Life Insurance Association for their cooperation in this good work of which my brother, W. W. King, and my wife were both member and were both paid off at once, and it seems to be a God-send to us in helping us over a rough place.

May God's richest blessings crown our many friends. We have not words to express our appreciation to them for their many favors. Charlie R. King and Children.

Trade at Home

LOST—Black Mare Mule, 14 1/2 hands, branded J. E. left shoulder, F. on left hip.—Notify V. C. Douglas, box 53, Spur, Texas. 38-2tp

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION RELATING TO GRANTING OF CONFEDERATE PENSIONS

Senate Joint Resolution No. 10  
Proposing an amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that the Legislature may grant pensions to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows, who have been citizens of Texas since prior to January 1, 1910, providing that all soldiers, sailors and their widows eligible under the provisions hereof shall be entitled to be placed upon the rolls and participate in the pension fund created hereunder; levying a tax of seven (\$ .07) cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) valuation of property in this State for the payment of such pension, providing that the Legislature may reduce the rate of pension for such purposes, fixing a time for the election to be held on such amendment and making an appropriation to pay the expenses thereof.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas shall be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever, provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent or disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors, who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1910, and to their widows, in indigent circumstances and who have been bona fide residents of this State since January 1, 1910, and who were married to such soldiers or sailors prior to January 1, 1910, and to indigent and disabled soldiers who under the special laws of the State of Texas during the war between the States served in organizations for the protection of the frontier against Indian raiders or Mexican marauders and to indigent and disabled soldiers of the militia of the State of Texas who were in active service during the war between the States and to the widows of such soldiers who are in indigent circumstances and who were married to such soldiers prior to January 1, 1910, provided that the word "widow" in the preceding lines of this Section shall not apply to women born since the year 1861, and all soldiers and sailors and widows of soldiers and sailors eligible under the above conditions shall be entitled to be placed upon the pension rolls and participate in the distribution of the pension fund of this State under any existing law or laws hereafter passed by the Legislature, and also to grant aid for the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives, widows and women who aided in the Confederacy under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law, provided the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together, in the home. There is hereby levied in addition to all other taxes heretofore permitted by the Constitution of Texas a State ad valorem tax on property of seven (\$ .07) cents on the one hundred (\$100) dollars valuation for the purpose of creating a special fund for the payment of pensions for services in the Confederate army and navy, frontier organizations and the militia of the State of Texas, and for the widows of such soldiers serving in said armies, navies, organizations or militia; provided that the Legislature may reduce the tax rate here-in levied, and provided further that the provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the grant of aid in cases of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1924, at which all voters shall have printed or written on their ballots: "For amendment of Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution authorizing the Legislature to grant aid to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows who have been a resident of this State since January 1, 1910." and "Against amendment to Section 51 of Article 3, of the Constitution authorizing the Legislature to grant aid to Confederate soldiers and their widows."

Sec. 3. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State, and the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of this State not otherwise appropriated for expenses of publications and elections

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Black Satin Slippers .....\$2.85

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MRS. BROWN ENTERTAINS

Mrs. E. L. Brown entertained with a picnic on Friday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. Pauline Wallace, of El Paso. After a delicious chicken supper was served, games were played.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames. B. McMeans, Thomas Morrison, Homer Schrimsher, Julian Algier, Rob Davis, E. L. Brown, Misses Grace Hall, Mary Lee Pinkerton, and Chesley Speck, Jimmy Samples, Fred Clay, Hicks.

Trade at Home

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thereunder. Approved, March 20, 1923. S. L. STAPLES, Secretary of State. 36-4t

Plant Less Cotton. FOR SALE—300 pound ice capacity refrigerator, 6 feet 6 inches high, by 7 feet wide, 2 feet 6 inches deep, plate glass front. This piece of goods when new cost \$375. Now in good condition. Will sell for \$150.—J. T. Smart, Rotan, Texas. 37-3t

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The following is in all probability the complete list of candidate for the Democratic Primary Election, July 26th, 1924, and while unofficial, is probably complete:

**For United States Senator:**  
JOHN F. MADDOX, Harris County.  
MORRIS SHEPPARD, Bowie County.  
FRED C. DAVIS, Travis County.

**For Congress, 18th District:**  
MARVIN JONES, Potter County.

**For Governor:**  
W. E. POPE, Nueces County.  
JOE BURKETT, Eastland County.  
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Bell County.  
V. A. COLLINS, Dallas County.  
GEORGE W. DIXON, Harris County.  
FELIX D. ROBERTSON, Dallas County.  
T. W. (WHITE) DAVIDSON, Harrison Co.  
THOMAS D. BARTON, Potter County.  
LYNCH DAVIDSON, Harris County.

**For Lieutenant Governor:**  
WALLACE MALONE, Tarrant County.  
WILL C. EDWARDS, Denton County.  
JOHN D. McCALL, Jefferson County.  
BARRY MILLER, Dallas County.

**For Attorney General:**  
DAN MOODY, Williamson County.  
JOHN C. WALL, Grayson County.  
EDWARD B. WARD, Nueces County.  
J. M. MELSON, Hopkins County.

**For Comptroller:**  
A. J. SMITH, Haskell County.  
TOM BELL, Bowie County.  
S. H. TERRELL, McLennan County.  
DON F. SMITH, Galveston County.  
O. D. BAKER, Milam County.  
PAT MOULDEX, Collin County.

**For State Treasurer:**  
C. V. TERRELL, Wise County.

**For State Superintendent of Public Instruction:**  
S. M. N. MARRS, Travis County.

**For Commissioner of Agriculture:**  
ROBERT E. SPARKMAN, Ellis County.  
GEORGE B. TERRELL, Cherokee County.

**For Land Commissioner:**  
J. T. ROBISON, Morris County.  
WILL L. SARGENT, Tarrant County.  
J. E. BINKLEY, Young County.

**For Railroad Commissioner:**  
(Regular 6-Year Term)  
CLARENCE E. GILMORE, Van Zandt Co.  
J. C. MASON, Taylor County.  
ED. E. WEAVER, Bowie County.

**For Railroad Commissioner:**  
(4-Year Unexpired Term)  
LON A. SMITH, Travis County.  
J. M. WEST, Harris County.  
W. A. NABORS, Wood County.  
ROBT. E. SPEER, Tarrant County.

**For Railroad Commissioner:**  
(2-Year Unexpired Term)  
WALTER M. W. SELAWN, Bell County.

**For Chief Justice Supreme Court:**  
R. H. BUCK, Tarrant County.  
C. M. OURETON, Bosque County.  
WILLIAM CLAYTON WEAR, Hill County.

**For Associate Justice Court of Criminal Appeals:**  
O. S. LATTIMORE, Travis County.

**Chief Justice Court Civil Ap. 7th Ju. Dis.:**  
R. W. HALL, Potter County.

**For Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals 7th Judicial District:**  
HAL C. RANDOLPH, Potter County.

**For Representative, 118th District:**  
J. A. MERRITT, Scurry County.

**For Judge, 50th Judicial District:**  
JAS. A. STEPHENS, Knox County.  
J. H. MILAM, Baylor County.

**For Attorney, 50th Judicial District:**  
W. B. COMBEST, Cottle County.  
C. B. WHITTEN, Motley County.

**For State Senator:**  
R. A. BALDWIN, Lubbock County.  
W. H. BLEDSOE, Lubbock County.

**For County and District Clerk:**  
O. C. ARTHUR, S. L. DAVIS.  
ROBT. REYNOLDS.  
C. C. COBB.

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector:**  
B. E. MORGAN.  
C. H. LOVELACE.  
M. L. JONES.  
JOHN SOUTHWORTH.  
G. L. BARBER.

**For County Judge:**  
H. A. C. BRUMMETT.

**For Tax Assessor:**  
W. B. BENNETT.  
W. F. MCGARRY.  
T. S. LAMBERT.  
T. J. HARRISON.

**For County Treasurer:**  
C. H. PERRY.  
MRS. H. P. COLE.  
JOHN Q. TERRY.

**For County Attorney:**  
W. E. LESSING.  
B. G. WORSWICK.

**For County Chairman:**  
JAS. F. WILLIAMS.

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 1:**  
A. C. GENTRY.  
R. R. WOOTEN.  
T. E. SLOUGH.  
S. T. JOHNSON.

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 2:**  
B. F. MIDDLETON.  
O. C. NEWBERRY.

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 3:**  
J. L. KARR.  
C. A. SLOAN.

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 4:**  
CHAS. PERRIN.

**For Public Weigher, Precinct 1:**  
A. J. RICHEY.  
W. A. HICKS.

**For Public Weigher, Precinct 2:**  
D. O. BLASINGAME.  
DUD. JONES.  
W. O. FORMBY.  
W. H. NICHOLS.  
W. E. GATES.

**For Public Weigher, Precinct 3:**  
G. W. RASH.

**For Constable, Precinct 1:**  
W. D. STREET.  
FORREST L. EDWARDS.

**For Constable, Precinct 3:**  
J. F. CRUMP.  
M. L. NICHOLS.  
W. S. HUNTER.

**For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1:**  
E. L. HARKEY.

**For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3:**  
D. A. YOUNG.

**Trade at Home**

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor have the sympathy of friends in the death last week of their infant child. The child lived just a month after birth, and though very delicate from birth, hopes were entertained that it might live.

**FAMOUS RALLS WILL  
CASE IS SETTLED**

Settlement of the famous Ralls case was made Saturday when District Judge Clark M. Mullican entered a decree in the district court of Crosby county which partitioned the property of the Ralls estate among the litigants under an agreement previously entered into by them, according to a dispatch received by the Star-Telegram.

The decree provided division of the estate between Mrs. Dollie M. Ralls and the children of E. M. Ralls of Comanche, Okla., and P. B. Ralls of Ralls.

B. K. Goree of Fort Worth was one of the attorneys in the case.

The litigation has been pending for two years arising out of a contest of the will of the late John R. Ralls, who died in October, 1921.

**Trade at Home**  
**BULLDOG SAVES RANCHER  
AND FAMILY FROM FIRE**

SAN ANGELO, July 14.—Will Sanders, ranchman, his wife and three sons and daughters attribute their escape from death in the burning of their home near here Sunday morning to their bull dog. Leaping through a window, the dog aroused the sleeping family. Shortly afterward, missing one of the Sanders boys, the animal reentered the blazing residence and was burned. Sanders loss was around \$6,500.

He and one of his sons were slightly burned.

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**FLIERS DUE TO ARRIVE  
IN LONDON ON TUESDAY**

LONDON, July 14.—The American round the world fliers will arrive at the Croydon air station, just outside London about noon tomorrow if they continue at the terrific pace they set since they took off from Krachi in northwestern India on July 7.

The aviators will stop here a day as the official guests of the British Air Ministry, which is preparing welcoming ceremonies for them.

Tomorrow night they will stay at the Royal Aero Club and Wednesday will hop north to Brough for a weeks rest and change of motors and the attaching of pontoons before starting on their final lap homeward by way of Iceland and Greenland.

**Trade at Home**

Edwin Woody, druggist and business leader of Girard, was one among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. We may feel and exhibit a little personal feeling and interest in Edwin Woody. He used to be one of the Spur boys. He has branched out in business for himself, is making a success, possibly under adverse conditions, and we just naturally like to see men be men and win out over obstacles, and especially so with respect to young men.

**Trade at Home**

Simeon Biggs, the banker in our town, says: Amos Waring never gets tired trying. The other day he was in here trying to get a loan, and when I asked him what kind of security he had, he said he didn't have any right now, but, seeing he is a farmer and that he has a boy that's likely to get a bonus, he's all right to count pretty strong on Congress fixing him up some way.

The best I could do was to tell him I hoped Congress wouldn't have to turn him down as hard as I had to.—Bemis Blotter.

**Trade at Home**

**TAKEN UP** Bay Horse, 16 hands, blaze-faced, about 7 years old. Owner can get same by applying to W. R. Bradfute, 1 mile west of Duck Creek school house, and paying for this ad. 38-1tc

**Trade at Home**

Miss Pinkerton, of Haskell, was the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morrison, returning home Wednesday.

**G. B. HOPKINS DIED**

G. B. Hopkins died Friday of last week at his home in Spur, after an illness of several weeks, his remains being interred Saturday in the Spur cemetery. Mr. Hopkins had been ill and suffering several weeks before his death. He was born in South Carolina in 1868, being 56 years of age. He was a member of the Spur Mutual Life Insurance Association and his policy of one thousand dollars was paid to the family by Mr. Haile immediately following his death.

The Texas Spur joins friends in extending sympathy to the family in this bereavement.

**Trade at Home**

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank those that aided through the illness and death of our dear father and grandfather, also for the floral offerings. May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you.—J. E. Sparks and Family, Mrs. J. W. Holt and Family, T. S. Lambert and Family.

**Trade at Home**

Mrs. Oscar Jackson and daughter, Misses Bessie Wayne, Eugenia and Hazel, returned from the three weeks visits with friends in Abilene, Merkel and Fort Worth.

**Trade at Home**

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. McArthur, of southwest of Spur, were visiting and shopping in Spur the past week. Tom reports that his section is beginning to need rain, while as yet crops are not suffering in the least.

**Trade at Home**

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and children, of Munday, were the guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell.

**Trade at Home**

We wish to express our heart felt thanks and appreciation to friends and neighbors for their assistance and sympathy through the illness and death of our little babe.—Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor.

**Trade at Home**

R. J. Hairgrove was in the city one day the past week. Mr. Hairgrove has been quite sick, and we are glad to see him able to be out again.

**Trade at Home**

J. C. Jones, a leading citizen of Jayton, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday of this week.

**Trade at Home**

Judge H. A. C. Brummett was over from Dickens one day this week, spending some time in Spur meeting with friends and incidentally campaigning a little on the side. Though he has no opponent, the Judge campaigns as industriously as if he had a hard race.

**Trade at Home**

S. C. Fallis this week sold his place in the west part of Spur to E. L. Spivey, the consideration being private. Mr. Fallis is one of the best boosters and builders in Spur. He has built and sold four new homes, and now contemplates another.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to thank our many friends for their kindness in helping us during the illness and death of our husband. We do not know what neighbors and friends are worth until we get up against the real problems of life.—Mrs. G. B. Hopkins, and J. C. Miller and family.

**Trade at Home**

**IN MEMORY**

In memory of G. B. Hopkins who died in Spur, Friday, the 11th of July, 1924. Mr. Hopkins was born in South Carolina in 1868, and was 56 years of age at his death. He leaves a wife and a host of friends to mourn his going. May God's richest blessings rest on us all until God shall call us home. You have the prayers and best wishes of your friend and brother.—J. V. Bilberry.

**Trade at Home**

Joe Hart and wife and little Joe Boy left Wednesday for Cool Colorado where they will spend some time enjoying the wonders that nature has wrought in that remarkable state. We envy Joe this trip during these hot sultry days and long for the time when we can lay down our labors and spend a few weeks outing and recuperating.

**Trade at Home**

R. J. Bateman, a leading citizen of the Afton country, was one among the business visitors in Spur this past week. He reports good rains and everything now in the very finest shape throughout the north part of the county. Dickens county and all of West Texas now has the best crop prospects of years.

**Trade at Home**

Newt Kidd and family, of Dry Lake, visited friends and relatives this week in Kent and Stonewall counties.

**Trade at Home**

Nowadays everybody says it by radio.

**Trade at Home**

Sea horses are disappearing. Has Father Neptune bought a car?

**Trade at Home**

Business is always better than pessimists would have you believe.

**Trade at Home**

A jazz band is a group of citizens who are paid for playing static.

**Trade at Home**

Some girl motorists obey the law and others smile at the corner cop.

**Trade at Home**

About the time Europe gets out of one hole she starts digging another.

**Trade at Home**

Judging by accident reports somebody has brought out a car with a built-in corkscrew.

**Trade at Home**

As a war to end war it was a fizzle; as a peace to end peace this one is doing well.

**Trade at Home**

One disturbing feature of traveling along Easy street is the large volume of traffic coming the other way.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once in 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 period of not less than one year in said Dickens County, a copy of the following notice:

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,**

To all persons interested in the Estate of Ralph McLaughlin, Deceased, has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said Ralph McLaughlin, Deceased, Rush McLaughlin, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in July, A. D. 1924, the same being the 21st day of July, A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Dickens, Texas, this 8th day of July, A. D. 1924, O. C. ARTHUR, Clerk County Court, Dickens County, Texas.  
By Josephine Cessman, Deputy. 38-4t

**Trade at Home**

Editor Ward, of the Motley County News, came down to Spur Saturday and while here paid us a fraternal call. Editor Ward is one of the best writers in Texas. He is now merely running a one-horse weekly newspaper, but he has the ability to run a metropolitan daily—but we are sure that he gets more pleasure if less profit in a country weekly.

**Trade at Home**

Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield, of Jayton, were in Spur Thursday visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Maples and other friends of the city.

**Trade at Home**

J. E. Arthur, one of the very best citizens of the country, was transacting business in Spur one day this week. He says everything is in good shape in the Afton country.

**Trade at Home**

Miss Mary Copeland is here from Austin to spend the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland.

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If your body is sick, see a CHIROPRACTOR

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SPUR DICKENS AFTON



**COUNTY WIDE REVIVAL  
ATTRACTING GREAT CROWDS**

The county wide revival put on by the Flowers Evangelistic party is attracting the largest crowds seen in religious meetings in Spur. An air dome has been constructed to take care of one thousand people. Last Sunday night, the second service of the revival, every seat was filled. It has been prophesied around Spur that it will take seats to take care of another thousand people. There were people in the services last Sunday night from every part of the county.

A. J. Flowers, the advance man of the party, arrived in town last Thursday and began to advertise the meeting. He knows how to do it. He is a natural born organizer. He had not been in town two days until he knew half the men in town. He is also giving a series of talks on Sunday school methods that is proving to be one of the interesting features of the meeting.

Mr. Gerald Bonney, of Wiona Lake, Indiana, has charge of the singing. He is a good singer and a splendid director. He is also conducting a series of meetings for the boys and girls. He illustrates his message with a magical trick. On Tuesday night he demonstrated to the audience what he was doing by giving the audience one of his object lessons. At 7:45 at the Methodist church he is conducting a series of meetings for the young people of the town.

Mrs. Flowers spoke twice Sunday. She has a message for both men and women. If there were any doubts in any of the people's minds about whether a woman had a right to preach these doubts were all dismissed after she had spoken Sunday. She has the reputation of being one of the greatest women preachers in the U. S. Her messages always hit the spot. Her messages to the young people and ladies only will be especially enjoyed.

Evangelist Flowers was delayed in getting to Spur on account of his last meeting. He arrived on Monday and spoke on Monday night. He is a human dynamo of enthusiasm. He believes in his message and he makes you believe in it before you are there ten minutes. He has the happy faculty of going after sin in such a way that it does not offend. On Tuesday night he spoke on roads that lead to Hell from Spur. He does not mince matters and when he gets through you can tell whom he is talking about. He uses good Spur English. Nobody need go away and wonder at what he is driving.

The Flowers party have been in the evangelistic work for ten years and in that time they have won 25,000 people to Christ. Since Jan. of this year they have had 3000 conversions. In their recent meeting in Canton, Ohio, there were 1500 people who united with the different churches of the city as a result of their meeting there. Their work takes them to many parts of the country. Their next meeting will be at Corsicana, Texas, from there they go to Baltimore.

Mrs. Flowers will speak Sunday morning. Sunday at 3:30 Evangelist Flowers will speak to men only. At 3:30 Mrs. Flowers will speak to married ladies. At 7:30 Mr. Bonney will have a great young people's meeting. At 8:30 Sunday a great song service and the Evangelist's subject will be Hell.

Program for next week:  
Booster night, Monday night. The Booster choir will give a thirty minute program.

Young People, Tuesday night, subject sacred splendor of youth.

Old Folks Night, Wednesday night, subject, Heaven.

Ladies night, Thursday night.

Men's night, Friday night.

Farmers night, Saturday night.

The Flowers believe if folks are to come to the revival that you must have an intensive program. They have a varied program and there is not a dull service. Seats will be provided for the people. As the tabernacle proves to be too small more seats will be put in to take care of the multitudes that come.

Sunday week the meeting closes.

Trade at Home

Lewis Mason, manager of the Smart Motor Company of Jayton, was in Spur Monday of this week on company business. Mr. Mason informed us that he is this year cultivating two twenty acre tracts of land near Jayton, using only the Fordson for both planting and cultivation. That section has had plenty of rain and crops are doing fine. The Fordson crops are cotton and corn, and abundant yields are promised. It is only a question of a few days now until all farming operations will be carried on by motor and electric power. We are progressing. Old one-horse methods are being relegated to the "dark ages."

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**TEXAS PROPERTY IS WORTH  
ABOUT TEN BILLION DOLLARS**

The estimated true value of all property in Texas in 1922 was \$9,850,888,000.00, according to an announcement by the Federal Bureau of Census. Oil property and improvements amounted to \$5,962,606,000; livestock, \$327,807,000; farm implements and machinery, \$105,892,000; manufacturing tools and machinery, \$208,339,000; railroads and equipment, \$640,968,000; motor vehicles, \$189,731,000; street railways, water-works, etc., \$385,077,000; all other \$2,030,468,000. The figures for 1922 compare with \$6,379,599,000 in 1912 and \$2,322,152,000 in 1900.

Mr. J. F. Witt, Secretary of the Lubbock Business College, spent Saturday in our city in the interest of the Lubbock school. The Lubbock Business College is one of the foremost commercial schools in the state, and this school is logically situated to care for the plains region, both as to commercial education and the placing of the trained students in a remunerative position. The demand for her graduates during the summer months has been greater than she has been able to supply. It is well for the youth of today to step in line and be prepared for the opportunities that await him. The Lubbock Business College will be pleased to serve the people of this alert section, in any capacity, at any time.

**WIFE CONFESSES TO KILLING  
HUSBAND AT HAMLIN**

According to reports from the sheriff's office, Virgil Clark was killed at his home in Hamlin Wednesday night. He was shot in the head one time, dying shortly thereafter. He was married and has one child, nine years old.

Mrs. Clark, wife of the deceased, was arrested by Sheriff Birdwell and brought to Stamford Thursday and lodged in the city jail. She made a sworn confession to Chief of Police G. G. Flournoy, admitting the killing and absolving a man named Brown from any guilt in the killing. He was staying in the Clark home and was arrested and brought here with her.

Self defense and justifiable homicide will probably be her plea for killing her husband, as it is stated that they had frequent quarrels and had indulged in a violent one the evening before the killing. Only one shot was fired, it entered the head above the forehead, and was fired from a .38 caliber pistol.

It is talked here that Clark was one of the men in the automobile with Joe Randel when he was killed from ambush in Stonewall county last year. Clark and his father were the men the killer of Randel claimed to be after when he hit Randel accidentally. Stamford American.

Trade at Home  
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Dickens:**

To Those Indebted to, or Holding Claims Against, the Estate of W. A. Conatser, Deceased:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of W. A. Conatser, deceased, late of Dickens County, Texas, by the Hon. H. A. C. Brummett, judge of the county court of said County, on the 24th day of April, A. D. 1924, during a regular term thereof, and having duly qualified as such administrator, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence, in Spur, Dickens County, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 10th day of May, A. D. 1924.—E. C. EDMONDS, Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of W. A. Conatser, Deceased. 37-47

Trade at Home  
FOR SALE—Residence at a bargain. See Brazelton Lumber Company, Spur. 25tf

**MAN HURT IN AUTOMOBILE  
ACCIDENT NEAR CROSBYTON**

A man by the name of Helmer was run over by an automobile nine miles east of Crosbyton Sunday, when in hailing an automobile to ride, another car came up behind just as he stepped to the side to enter the car. The approaching car was turned suddenly to the ditch, running over the man and at the same time demolishing the car.

Mr. Helmer was brought to Crosbyton for medical treatment. He was painfully but not seriously hurt. —Crosbyton Review.

**ARIZONA BOUND**

Ellis Scogin and wife left Tuesday afternoon for Phoenix, Arizona. They will be gone several weeks and will doubtless have a fine vacation, see lots of interesting sights and enjoy greatly the cool mountainous regions of the continental divide. Here's wishing them a delightful trip with a safe return.—Jayton Chronicle.

Trade at Home  
W. E. Pirkle, of Afton, was trading in Spur the first of the week. He reports fine rains throughout the Afton country and crop conditions and prospects most promising now of bumper yields.

**Additional Spur Farm Land Offering**

WE HAVE PLACED ON SALE A LARGE ADDITIONAL ACREAGE OF SPUR LAND WHICH WILL OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF SELECTION TO INTENDING PURCHASERS OF EITHER FARM OR RANCH LANDS.

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**Sick Headache**

"I have used Black-Draught when needed for the past 25 years," says Mrs. Emma Grimes, of Forbes, Mo. "I began taking it for a bad case of constipation. I would get constipated and feel just miserable—sluggish, tired, a bad taste in my mouth, . . . and soon my head would begin hurting and I would have a severe sick headache. I don't know just who started me to taking

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but it did the work. It just seemed to cleanse the liver. Very soon I felt like new. When I found Black-Draught so easy to take and easy-acting, I began to use it in time and would not have sick headaches."

Constipation causes the system to re-absorb poisons that may cause great pain and much danger to your health. Take Thedford's Black-Draught. It will stimulate the liver and help to drive out the poisons. Sold by all dealers. Costs only one cent a dose. E-104

Mrs. B. C. Cairnes, of near Clairemont, was a visitor and shopper in Spur Monday of this week.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once a week for ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation which has been regularly and continuously published in Dickens county for not less than one year a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the Estate of W. A. Conaster, Deceased:

E. C. Edmonds has filed in the County Court of Dickens County an application for the probate of the last will and testament of the said W. A. Conaster, deceased, with the last will and testament of the said W. A. Conaster, deceased, with the will annexed, which will be filed at the next term of said County Court, commencing on the third Monday in April, A. D. 1924, at the Court House of said county, in Dickens, Texas, at which time and place all persons interested in said estate may, and are hereby cited to, appear and contest 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.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office, in Dickens, Texas, this 1st day of April, A. D. 1924.—O. C. ARTHUR, Clerk, County Court, Dickens County, Texas. 36-4t

Trade at Home

THE SOCIAL CLUB

The Social Club met with Mrs. H. L. Burman Thursday, July 10, and enjoyed a very pleasant day and as usual quitted a quilt. At each meeting we do something profitable which helps us enjoy the day more, through the knowledge that we are helping some one. Those partaking of the good dinner were, Mrs. J. R. McMahon, G. R. Woods, J. J. Lilly, A. C. Hindman, M. Patton, D. R. Ballard, and Misses Gladys Bowen, Lorena Burman and Odell McKeever, Miss McKeever being a new member.

The club meets Thursday, July 17, with Miss Gladys Bowen, north of Spur.

Trade at Home

Mesdames R. C. and Clark Forbis, were visitors in Spur the first of the week from their ranch home north of Afton.

**BANKERS DIRECT WAR ON CROOKS**

Rising Crime Wave and Attacks on Banks Called Forth Increased Measures of Defense.

Criminal activities against banks have reached unprecedented proportions in recent months, according to a report made to the American Bankers Association by its Protective Committee, which directs the work of the Association aimed to combat criminal operations against banks. "Sharp increases in crime perpetrated against banks definitely prove that instead of being broken the crime wave has risen to heights heretofore unknown to the banking fraternity," the report said. "Strangers continue to trick or otherwise inveigle unsuspecting banks into making generous contributions to their cause—a veritable toll which defies imagination. Bank burglars and hold-up men have apparently redoubled their activities during the last six months. The number of criminals plying their trade in this field has grown to such proportions that there is now a fair sized army comprising this more desperate type of criminal, specializing against banks."

"Don't cash checks for strangers," is the warning emphasized by the Committee in view of the situation. It adds:

"We are gratified to report favorable results in a good proportion of cases investigated, which are due to the nation-wide activities of our detective agents through their staff of specialists in bank crimes. In Montana two fearless, well organized bands of professional yegmen attacked more than a score of banks with such reckless abandon that the situation seemed beyond control. Realizing that conditions demanded prompt and drastic treatment, a trained crew of operatives were delegated to conduct a special investigation throughout the state. Nineteen men and two women were arrested. Of these four already are serving sentences, three are on trial, four are awaiting trial and the rest were freed for lack of evidence."

"A similar round-up was carried out in Oklahoma. Conditions in other states similarly had been investigated and with the co-operation of local, state and federal authorities and the co-ordinated activities of members the percentage of arrests and convictions has materially increased." The report pointed out that figures covering bank burglaries over a period of thirty years showed that 1,609 banks, members of the Association and entitled to its protective services, have been attacked, suffering losses aggregating \$1,196,000, while non-members to the number of 2,357 were burglarized and suffered \$4,250,000 in losses. The point was also brought out that there are only half as many non-members as members, so that these losses among them represent an excessively high rate as compared with members.

Aid Diversified Farming

A state bank of Granville, North Dakota, that is encouraging diversified farming among its farmer patrons, has purchased some purebred sires for the benefit of its customers. The bank realizes the necessity of good sires for the dairy herd, and has set aside a certain amount of money to be used in having a man look up animals and ship them to Granville.

Bankers of Lee County, Mississippi, are employing a dairy trained expert to give his whole time to the development of dairying. His salary and expenses are paid by the banks of the county in proportion to their deposits. This expert helps to arrange for loans to purchase cows, sees that the farmers have shelter and feed to care for the cattle, and advises with them in figuring out rations and in determining what crops to grow. He makes special engagements to attend scrub bull funerals.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank our many friends for their kindness in helping me during the illness and death of my husband, as we don't know what neighbors and friends are worth until we get against the real problems of life.—Mrs. G. B. Hopkins and the J. C. Miller Family.

Trade at Home—W. J. Elliott was in the city Monday on business from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home.

**FIGURE IT OUT YOURSELF**

What Do the Bankers Mean, "Eighteen Billion Dollars in the Savings Bank"?

By JOHN OAKWOOD

The bankers keep telling us that the savings accounts of the American people total eighteen billion dollars. I asked a dozen people what that meant to them. Most of them seemed to see visions of endless stacks of coins and bales of currency stowed away in the vaults of fine looking granite bank buildings.

Now, as a matter of fact, there is less than nine billion dollars' worth of money in the country all told, including gold, silver, nickel and paper money of all kinds. That is less than half the eighteen billion. Therefore there must be something wrong with the vision of eighteen billion dollars in stacks and bales in the bank vaults. More than that, there probably is not more than one dollar for every twenty of that eighteen billion actually in the savings bank.

But the eighteen billion in savings bank is no myth just the same. Suppose all the savings depositors could demand all their money all at once, and that they insisted on immediate settlement one way or another when they found they could not get it all in cash. What would happen would be that they would come into possession chiefly of bonds—Government, state and municipal bonds and the best railroad, equipment, public utility and other corporation bonds. The savings depositors are really the owners of all this vast real wealth.

What the bankers really mean, therefore, is that the savings depositors, so far as money is concerned, have deposited eighteen billion dollars more than they have drawn out and therefore have credit for that much in their savings accounts. The dollars, themselves, that they handed in, have flowed right on through the banks—have been sent out to buy the bonds. That is, the money deposits have been used in behalf of the depositors to buy the safest forms of investments. When a man buys a bond, he really rents his money out—puts it to work to earn him more money. The savings banks have done this for their depositors.

So the picture of idle piles of money is all wrong. Even a picture of piles of bonds is wrong if it stops at that. The bonds represent two things. First, since they are readily saleable for cash, they mean that any individual can get his savings out again in the form of money within a reasonable time. Secondly, and more important, behind those bonds loom up the railroads, factories, businesses and public works that the money invested in them set going for the benefit of everyone, including the depositors themselves. Saving, therefore, is not merely accumulating money—it is accumulating real wealth. The money flows on like water to turn other wheels—the real wealth and savings of the country are the accumulated factories and other enterprises evidenced by the bonds.

Therefore the true picture of what the bankers mean when they say the savings accounts of the American people total eighteen billion dollars, instead of piles of money in vaults, would be factories, railroads and public works in action.

Stimulating Club Work

The Arizona Bankers Association added a stimulant to boys' and girls' club work when it voted to offer a scholarship of \$150 for the year 1924-25 to the high school graduate having the best record. The association annually provides traveling expenses for the club champions to attend Farm and Home Week at the State College of Agriculture.

Trade at Home

T. I. Williams, of two miles east of Spur, returned Tuesday of this week from Marlin, where he had taken Mrs. Williams for treatment. He reports a marked improvement in Mrs. Williams' condition now, and says an early recovery is assured.

Trade at Home

CHIEF JUSTICE C. M. CURETON, now serving first term, is asking re-election. Endorsed by the lawyers and bars generally throughout the state, for re-election. 1tp. Pol. Adv.

THE MANY-SIDED CHRIST

What think you of Christ? What say you that He is? This Christ challenges the attention of the world by His many-sidedness. He meets the needs of all classes and condition of men. As deep answers unto deep, so does He respond to the movings of each soul of mankind. If we were to call the roll of the world's workers this morning and ask them, "What think ye of Christ?" their answer would be something like this and they would amaze us by their revelation of this many-sidedness:

To the artist He is the One Altogether lovely.

To the architect He is the Chief Corner Stone.

To the astronomer He is the Sun of Righteousness.

To the baker He is the Living Bread.

To the biologist He is the Life.

To the builder He is the sure Foundation.

To the carpenter He is the door.

To the doctor He is the door.

To the doctor He is the Great Physician.

To the engineer He is the New and Living Way.

To the farmer He is the Sower and the Lord of the Harvest.

To the florist He is the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley.

To the geologist He is the Rock of Ages (and it is more important to know the Rock of Ages than the age of rocks).

To the horticulturist He is the True Vine.

To the judge He is the Righteous Judge the Judge of all men.

To the juror He is the Faithful and True Witness.

To the lawyer He is the Counselor, the Law-Giver, the Advocate.

To the newspaper man He is the Good Tidings of Great Joy.

To the oculist He is the Light of the Eyes.

To the philanthropist He is the Unspeakable Gift.

To the philosopher He is the Wisdom of God.

To the preacher He is the Word of God.

To the sculptor He is the Living Stone.

To the servant He is the Good Master.

To the statesman He is the Desire of all Nations.

To the student He is the Incarnate Truth.

To the theologian He is the Author and Finisher of our Faith.

To the sinner He is the Lamb of God and takes away the sins of the world.

To the Christian He is the Son of the Living God, the Saviour, the Redeemer, the Lord.—The Homeletic Review.

Trade at Home—

Mrs. V. S. Smart and Miss Willie Richbourg returned Saturday from Hamlin where they spent several days visiting with relatives and friends of that city.

H. V. CLARK KILLED AT HAMLIN WEDNESDAY NIGHT

On Wednesday night of last week, Hamlin was again shocked by a tragic death, when Virgil Clark, age about 28 years, was shot while on his bed at the East Wagon Yard.

The shot that caused his death was fired about eleven thirty o'clock and he lived until about one a. m., remaining conscious almost till death, though with a bullet hole in the top of his head. In the two room house there were four persons sleeping in the west room, according to reports. A Mr. Brown occupied a bed to the left of the front door, and Virgil Clark occupied a bed set with head angling towards the east and center of the room, and according to further reports his wife and nine-year-old daughter occupied a pallet south of Virgil's bed, next to the kitchen.

Brown was at once placed in the city jail by Marshall Johnson, on suspicion. But Johnson's suspicions did not stop with Brown and the next morning about eight o'clock phoned the sheriff to come and get some prisoners, and as soon as Clark's body was taken from the house, Johnson began a systematic search for a pistol that he thought was hidden. He tore up planks in the kitchen floor and running his hand back under the floor and found a .38 caliber pistol, covered with a bit of dirt and with just one cartridge empty, so from remarks formerly made by the wife and the finding of the gun, Birdwell arrived and took Mrs. Clark to the Stamford city jail and Brown to Haskell, owing to the fact that the Jones county jail was at that time full. It is said that Mrs. Clark later made an acknowledgement of the crime to City Marshall Flournoy, at Stamford and absolved Brown of all blame. Brown is out of jail now.

Virgil Clark was a son of C. T. Clark and had lived in Hamlin for many years. He was a cement walk builder. He leaves only one child, a father, two brothers, Charlie Clark, of Hamlin and J. A. Clark of Dallas, and one sister, Mrs. A. Stewart, of Hamlin. The body was laid to rest Thursday afternoon in East cemetery.

Trade at Home—

TEXAS SCHOLASTICS \$14 PER CAPITA

AUSTIN, July 10.—The State Board of Education today made a per capita scholastic apportionment of \$14 at its regular monthly meeting. A report from the Comptroller Department indicated the available school fund to be in excellent condition permitting the payment of \$2 on the \$14 apportionment by Sept. first.

This will be the earliest an installment on this apportionment has been made in the history of the state.

Trade at Home

M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week.

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**McAdoo, "Where The Plains Begin"**

Much division of opinion exists in recent years as to "where the West Begins." Various geographical locations have been assigned the distinction. Since it is rather arbitrary and somewhat optional in application, it seems fitting that we might consistently assign McAdoo as the place "Where the West Begins." But we have competition in this field of distinction and will therefore waive our place in the sun in lieu of "Where the West Begins;" a term more expressive, artistic and less competitive. However, we are going to reserve some right to the poetic sentiment attached to its significance;

"Out where the hand-shake is a wee bit stronger."  
"Out where the smile lasts a little longer."

"That's where the West begins," is one characteristic that is going to be retained in our write-up of McAdoo.

On "pulling the Cap Rock," one may view unusual geological formations. Here a ledge of rock, massive in form, shows marked evidences that they have weathered the inclemencies of many years. The edge of the Plains stands out in bold relief for many miles distant, bearing marginal indentations of curvilinear character. This may be seen far in to the distance, being lost only in the far away.

Finally on retaching the Plains proper, the observer may see from that eminence, miles and miles of the Plains country. You may look and look until optical fatigue is induced. When looking backward from the crest of the Plains, you can observe thousands and thousands of more or less broken lands. The road up to the Plains is skirted in either side by deep cuts ascending the elevation—yonder is noticed in the distance herds of cattle feeding along the canyons or an interspersed elevation. Along the way, an expanse of territory may be observed that rivals the grandeur of the magic mind.

Be it remembered, however, that the McAdoo country is not all scenery. It contributes largely in the economic life of this great country. We saw farms of immense size. The wheat harvest was going on full time schedule and farmers were generally busy with big acreage cultivation.

On our arrival at McAdoo we talked with H. P. Edwards, who runs a big general store. He is also post master at McAdoo. Mr. Edwards has not been in this section long, coming from further out on the Plains. He is an old settler and ranchman of West Texas.

R. I. Wallace has that whole-souled courtesy that goes with the West. He is proprietor of the McAdoo Drug Store and acting post master also. We are under obligations to him for giving us traveling information throughout this community.

F. F. Collins is the busy blacksmith, wood worker and auto mechanic of McAdoo. He is a very busy workman. The people of this section should feel fortunate indeed to have an efficient workman in their section. He has a well installed shop with some of the modern machinery for turning out first class work. It is reasonable to suppose that the people of this section needing work are patronizing Mr. Collins freely.

Mr. Collins is from Nacogdoches county. He has only been in Dickens county but a short time. He wishes others to read of his adopted county and therefore, sends the Texas Spur to his father, M. A. Collins, living at Douglass, Texas. We appreciate the subscriptions both for himself and father.

M. C. Formby is an old reader of this paper but gives the necessary amount for another year. He has one hundred and sixty acres in this section, just east of McAdoo. He came here some eight years ago from Hopkins county.

The subject of this sketch, G. W. Allen, is an old settler in this part of the state, coming here eighteen years ago from Cherokee county. We appreciate his remark that Mr. McClure got out the best paper in West Texas that he has seen. Mr. Allen is fortunate in that he has a half section of the best land in this part of Dickens county.

E. L. Guthrie recently moved into this place from Roaring Springs. He is the manager of the McAdoo Gin. His father, A. M. Guthrie, is the owner of this and a gin at Afton. He states that his father will soon move to Afton for the purpose of operating the gin at that place. We appreciate a new subscription from

this young gin man.

R. E. Neeley, a Texas man by nativity, gives in a new subscription to the large list at that place. He is a farmer that believes in the diversified principles, raising on his farm a variety of crops. He has been in Neeley formerly lived at Afton. He the county about ten years. Mr. is one of the trustees of the McAdoo school and informs us that they have about fifty square miles of territory in their school district. We will add also that this section has been running two trucks for school purposes the past year which is a progressive addition to the advanced school ideas of this state.

T. A. Harvey has a fine farm out in this section. One hundred and sixty acres in this progressive community. He formerly lived near Dickens. He is a brother to W. K. Harvey who lives on the highway to Spur. Mr. Harvey was born in Alabama but has lived in Texas quite a while.

J. D. Herring, a Hill county man comes out this way to help out in a prosperous county. He may not find the land quite as black as that that he will find that it is productive nevertheless. He has been in the county for four years. We hope that he enjoys the county paper.

C. E. Flemming has been on the Plains eight years but has only been in the McAdoo section five years. Mr. Fleming formerly lived in Cleburne, where he was connected with the Santa Fe railroad, railroad system. He is one of the fortunate farmers in having a radio receiving station in his home and can "tune in" on the worlds best thought at his leisure.

Mr. Fleming owns a farm in Crosby county.

Trade at Home  
**DEFENSE PLANS IN FRANK CASE WORRY STATE**

CHICAGO, July 13.—That the state may be caught napping in the Lepold-Loeb case was indicated today when feverish preparations were begun to combat the elaborate insanity defense that has been built in behalf of the murders in the last three weeks. It is known that the high paid alienists employed by the defense have agreed that the murderers were insane when they slew Robert Franks to get a "thrill" in their jaded lives.

It became known today that the state has had but one alienist examine the slayers, and that was for a period of three hours immediately after their arrest, and was based on their confessions alone. Legal experts doubt if this testimony will be admitted if the confessions are barred.

This examination was while the murderers were yet in police custody. The law holds a man is sane until he is proven insane, and the defense has built up a tremendous insanity plea. As matters stand the state will go directly about the business of proving the youths guilty of premeditated murder, but this is admitted by the defense, which will try to convince the jury both murders were insane at the time.

The state has been very slow in preparing for this line of defense. It is said the defense lawyers will show hereditary insanity in both the Lepold and Loeb families.

All efforts by alienists for the state to examine the murders since they were taken from the police have been blocked. Frequent visits have been made by the state's experts, but the boys, probably "on advice of counsel" refused to see or talk with them. As result the state today began an "insanity Supreme Court for its attorneys and alienists, dealing with a theoretical case and taking up all the points they expect the defense to spring upon them.

In the event the defense is able to get the case before a commission, they slayers may escape trial for murder. Failing in this, it is expected the defense will make especial effort to gain continuances and postponements.

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**FACTS ABOUT GRASSHOPPERS**

By this time the damage from grasshoppers is diminishing, and by the end of July it will hardly be noticeable.

To reassure the farmers, the following facts are given:

After becoming mature about the end of June, the hoppers during August and September lay their eggs in solid soil, usually in sod land of pastures, along fence rows, or in the grass along creeks. One female will lay about 200 eggs. These pass through the winter and hatch in the spring, especially following a warm rain. They continue to hatch over a period of four to six weeks, but after those over-wintering eggs hatch, no more young grasshoppers will appear until the following spring. Thus there is but one generation of young grasshoppers a year, and after farmer need not be apprehensive of the spring hatching is completed, the other young grasshoppers the same season.

It has been learned that in some sections tenants, fearing a repetition next year of this season's damage, are signifying their intention of moving to other sections.

There is little basis for this fear. It is unusual to have heavy grasshopper damage two years in succession, as has occurred in 1923 and 1924.

The reason for this is that grasshoppers are usually held to small numbers by various natural causes. Several kinds of flies attack them. The larva of the blister beetle destroys the eggs in the fall. A fungus disease sweeps away great numbers, especially in warm, moist weather.

Only in seasons when conditions favor the hopper and are unfavor-

able to these various enemies do the grasshoppers multiply to greatly destructive numbers. A great number of grasshoppers furnish an abundance of food for these various parasites, and they also during a year of excessive grasshopper damage, multiply to such numbers that the hoppers are effectively controlled the succeeding year and for a number of years thereafter.

Already these factors are working this season. It is too early to make any definite statement as to how effectively they will reduce the number of hoppers next season. Observations will be made and the facts given to the public late this fall and winter. We feel reasonably safe, however, in assuring the farmers that no extensive damage will occur for the season of 1925, and damage will be restricted to small and isolated areas, such as is reported almost every year from some section of the state or other. These small infestations will be easily reduced by the proper measures, and no great apprehension should be felt regarding them.

The leaf-worm has not yet made its appearance in Texas. Our winters destroy all stages of this insect in our state, and infestation always progresses from Mexico northward, northward. This situation in the Rio Grande Valley is being closely watched and, today, none have crossed into Texas. Farmers of Central and Northern Texas may feel reasonably safe from this insect during the month of July at least. However, they should be fully prepared, with poison and equipment, to fight it as soon as it appears. Information concerning approaching damage will be given the public as soon as we learn of such.

**WHAT THE HOMEFOLKS THINK**

We, the undersigned citizens of Cottle County, Texas, most heartily recommend and endorse Wm. B. Combest, of Paducah, Cottle County, Texas, for the office of District Attorney of this, the 50th Judicial District of Texas, and ask that the people of this district give his candidacy their earnest consideration.

Mr. Combest was born and reared in this county, was educated in Paducah High School, Clarendon College and the University of Texas Law School; he is a young man of ability, an able lawyer, clean, sober, industrious and energetic, and whose integrity is beyond questioning.

We have the utmost confidence in his ability and integrity to make this district a splendid attorney, and as that you help us elect him to this office.

Signed:

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| Jas. M. Whitley, Co. Judge                                       | Thos. E. Backus, Mgr. Swint-Burnett Drug Co. |
| W. O. Jones, ex-Co. Judge  | H. M. Nichols, Supt. Harris-Irby Gin Co.     |
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| C. W. Foote, Pastor Meth. Church                                 | J. E. Shadad                                 |
| F. D. Morgan, Pastor 1st Bap. church                             | G. T. Williams                               |
| J. W. Woodley, Pres. 1st St. Bank                                | B. Cannon                                    |
| Chas Phillips, V-P. 1st St. Bank                                 | C. B. Bobo                                   |
| E. A. Carlock, Editor Pad. Post                                  | D. C. Brewster                               |
| H. H. Wilkins, Sec. C. of C.                                     | A. J. Parker                                 |
| O. L. Thomas, Cash. 1st Nat. Bank                                | M. M. Parker                                 |
| P. E. Godfrey, City Sec.   | H. D. Walling                                |
| H. M. Costolow, City Marshall                                    | C. L. Loftis                                 |
| C. A. Craven, County Chairman                                    | Ray Loftis                                   |
| Dr. Frank Stone, Physician                                       | Edgar Pace                                   |
| J. E. Norris, Hdq. Co.   | M. B. Robertson                              |
| J. A. Crump, of Drummond-Crump Lumber Co.                        | G. A. Lee                                    |
| J. W. Belote, North Side Phar.                                   | J. M. Earp                                   |
| Geo. Norman, Hog-Bart. Lbr. Co.                                  | M. O. Hooker                                 |
| G. C. Probasco   | H. L. Williams                               |
| C. H. & J. H. Christian Co.                                      | Lewis Crittendon                             |
| Dr. E. E. McGowan, Physician                                     |  |

(And too many others to mention.) 38-1t. (pol. adv.)

**NEWSPAPER MEN BUY INTEREST AT LUBBOCK**

ABILENE, July 15.—Announcement is made here that M. B. Hanks of the Abilene Reporter, Houston Harte of the San Angelo Standard, and J. L. Nunn of the Amarillo News have acquired an interest with Curtie Keen in the Plains Journal, a weekly newspaper published at Lubbock. The paper has a circulation of 3,400 and will use the Western Weekly, a Sunday magazine published by the three dailies mentioned above and the Sweetwater Reporter. This will give the magazine a circulation of 28,400. Incorporation papers have been filed with the Secretary of State asking that a charter be granted to the new Plains Journal company, permitting it to do a general newspaper printing and stationery business with a capital stock of \$30,000. The officers of the new company are: President, Curtis Keen, Lubbock, vice president, Bernard Hanks, Abilene; treasurer, Lindsey Nunn, Amarillo; and secretary, Houston Harte, San Angelo.

Trade at Home  
Twin babies, a boy and a girl, were born Thursday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Laverty. They weigher eight pounds each.

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A boy was born Thursday morning of this week to Mr. and Mrs. Austin Putman.

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**WHY BANKS?**

**LESSON IX**

By J. H. PUELICHER, Chairman  
Public Education Commission, American Bankers Association.

What means has a savings depositor to prove that he has deposited his money in a bank? A person leaving his money as a deposit in a bank is given a *pass book*.



J. H. Puelicher

**PASS BOOK**—A small account book in which is written down by the bank a complete record of the deposits and other credits, the withdrawals or debits and the depositor's balance.

**DEPOSITS**—Money left with the bank by the depositor or some one for him creating a *credit*.

**CREDITS**—Items representing deposits or other amounts which are credited, that is, added to the customer's account; interest earned by his money is also added to his account from time to time by the bank and is a *credit* just as money actually deposited by him.

**WITHDRAWALS**—Money drawn from the bank by the depositor, or by some one duly authorized by him to do so, creating a *debit*.

**DEBITS**—Items representing amounts withdrawn which are subtracted from the depositor's balance.

**BALANCE**—Difference between credits and debits.

It is best to deposit savings in a bank because your money is safe; it earns more money; a systematic record is kept; it stimulates more savings and your money is always available when required.