

The poorest paid man in all the world is he who works for the wages alone.

The Texas Spur

THE DICKENS ITEMS

The man who masks his face of actions has ulterior motives than the good of others.

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Spur Merchants are Making Special Inducements to the Trade Territory

We call special attention of Texas Spur readers to the trade offerings and inducements being made each week by Spur merchants in the various lines to the people of the entire trade territory. Spur merchants have large and varied stocks of goods, and are making prices to attract the trade not only within the vast Spur trade territory but from miles surrounding and even from within the bounds of other trade centers. The number of mercantile establishments, including real city department stores, dry goods, clothing, notions, hardware, furniture, racket goods, groceries, etc., gives the trade an opportunity to do real shopping in Spur, and to obtain any item desired at competitive prices.

It is not only a business saving proposition to read and digest the advertisements appearing in your newspaper each week, but is a real help and convenience to the shopper while in the city. From the advertising it is possible for you to determine just what is wanted, where it may be obtained, and the price you will have to pay.

As a general rule it always pays to trade with the merchants who advertise regularly, and for several reasons: The regular advertising merchant sells more goods than the non-advertiser, therefore can sell for a smaller profit and still make more money; the advertiser always keeps

newer and fresher stocks of goods on shelves because he is constantly turning over his stock and is in a position to extend better trade offerings and more accommodations to customers. And then, too, the advertising merchant shows to the world that he is not ashamed of his goods or his prices and consequently carries the best, standard brand of goods, while the non-advertiser may have shoddy, shelf-worn goods which he can not afford to advertise and let the general public know about it. Unless you are a good judge of goods and are familiar with prices, it is not a safe proposition to deal with a merchant who fails or refuses to come out in the open and advertise his goods and prices to the public.

This week you will find in the advertising columns of the Texas Spur some special offerings and money saving inducements to the trade. Look them over, not only this week but every week, and in so doing we guarantee that you will save many hard-earned dollars during the course of a year. Also tell the merchants that his advertising is attractive, and helpful to you in determining at home what you want to buy, where you may get it, and the price you will have to pay, thus relieving you of many shopping worries during the limited time you have while in the city.

12,700 BALES COTTON GINNED IN SPUR UP TO THIS DATE

Up to this date the several gins of Spur have ginned a total of 12,700 bales of cotton. It is very probable that 15,000 bales will be ginned before the season ends. This was the estimate made in the beginning of the season, but later conditions made it doubtful that the 15,000 mark would be reached. Afton will gin about 5,000 bales, McAdoo 3,000, Dickens 1,500, making a total of approximately 24,500 bales to be ginned in Dickens county. Quite a number of bales have been ginned outside of the county at Wake, Crosbyton, and Roaring Springs. The estimate of 30,000 bales production in Dickens county this year will not be missed very far.

Influenza is Again Prevalent in The State

We note from the state press that influenza is again prevalent throughout the state. During the past week state health officer reporting 336 cases of flu, 94 of typhoid fever, 90 of scarlet fever, 63 of tuberculosis, 62 diphtheria, 60 of small pox, 50 of dengue fever, 50 pneumonia and 25 of pellagra.

It will be remembered that Spur and the Spur country suffered a most disastrous and lamentable epidemic of influenza when the disease first made its appearance in the country, there being some twenty five or thirty deaths occurring in this immediate territory within a very few weeks, many of whom were among our leading citizens and business men.

J. D. Powell Buys Business Property And Will Build Another Brick House

J. D. Powell has this week closed negotiations with Carl Stephens of Oklahoma, whereby he purchased the lot now occupied by the White Swan Cafe, for a consideration of \$2,250. At the expiration of the present lease contract, January 1st, Mr. Powell will construct a modern brick business house on the lot to take the place of the present wooden building.

This is only one of half a dozen or more contemplated brick buildings to go up in Spur after the first of the year. Godfrey & Smart are making plans for a drive-in filling station and Ford Service Station to be constructed on their two lots, 50x165 feet, across the street from the Sunshine Service Station. Love Dry Goods Company contemplate a brick on their lot next to the Wendell building. D. H. Sullivan is going to build a brick on the corner lot next to the Bakery on Harris Street. The City National Bank and Mrs. Sol Davis are considering building two or three brick business houses on Harris Street between the bank building and the Lyric Theatre building now under construction on the lot next to Jamsey Garage and Service Station. W. T. Wilson is planning to build a brick on his lot where the Spur Bottling Works was formerly located on Burlington Avenue. Green Turner will begin next week the construction of a brick filling station on the corner lot between Major-Hall Motor Company and the Tourist Camping Park.

The year just closing has been one of most substantial building progress, there having been some thirty bricks constructed in Spur, and the approaching year promises to equal if not surpass the building record of 1924.

POULTRY FARM AND HATCHERY TO BE ESTABLISHED IN SPUR

At a meeting of the Spur Commercial Club some weeks ago, Mr. R. B. Johnston, County Agricultural Agent, brought up the question of a model Hatchery and Poultry Farm for Spur. Committees were appointed to investigate the matter, and following a favorable report from them, stock was offered for sale and application made for a charter. More than half the stock has been subscribed, and work will begin on buildings at once.

At a stockholders meeting Wednesday, it was voted to name the enterprise "Spur Poultry Rancho," and the following officers were elected: C. B. Jones, president; S. H. Twaddell, V. P.; W. F. Godfrey, Sec-Treas.; W. B. Lee, E. C. Edmonds, Geo. S. Link, O. L. Evans, directors.

R. B. Johnston, county agent, will supervise the hatchery, which will be operated by Mr. O. L. Evans, one of the principal stockholders, and a man of practical ability as well as of scientific knowledge of poultry. Mr. Evans has operated a poultry farm in the Duncan Flat community for the past two years, and has been decidedly successful.

The Spur Poultry Rancho will be located on land belonging to the Northwest Texas Fair Association.

OIL WELL HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AT JUSTICEBURG WELL

Last week the drillers on the Boren oil test well at Justiceburg struck oil. It is estimated to be a 150 barrel producer, and they are now putting up supply tanks preparatory to drilling it in.

Spur Country Farmer Shows His Metal and Coming Out of Debt

John Callahan, formerly of the Spur country but now of the Wake community on the plains, was in the city of Spur Tuesday trading and transacting business.

In 1920, following the inflated conditions and depression incident thereto, John Callahan was one who "plunged" too deep, and when the realization of the depressing period came he awoke to the fact that he was some twelve thousand dollars below financial par on the red side of the ledger of facts—and no way to redeem himself with creditors but to dig it out of the ground by hard licks. However, undiscouraged and undaunted, he went back to the farm, hit the ball early and late, saved while he labored, and the productiveness of old mother earth, combined with rich soils and favorable seasons within the Spur territory and the will and resourcefulness of the tiller, he is today getting even with creditors, owns his farm home and has the confidence of those with whom he does business.

John Callahan's actions in this situation and crisis is but typical of the Westerner and West Texas spirit. The Texas Spur deals with thousands of these people each year. We know their metal, love to live among them and do business with them, and again we say that the people of our country are the best the world produces. They are not "quitters" but true blue.

—Help Spur Grow—
Henry Austin of near Dickens, was here Monday.

Buys Another Farm Home Located Nearer The Trade Center

Recently the Texas Spur reported the sale by Harvey Holly of his farm home to the north of Dickens, also stating that he contemplated purchasing a farm home nearer the trade center of the country. Since that time he has purchased the old Workman place formerly owned by W. L. McAteer, on the east side of the Spur-Dickens highway and to the north of the McAteer homestead. A consideration of \$47.50 per acre was paid for the 160 acre tract which has good improvements.

We consider improved lands between Spur and Dickens a bargain at fifty dollars an acre, and many of us will see the day when a farm located so desirably can not be had for a hundred dollars an acre.

We congratulate Harvey Holly on acquiring this home, and wish him much prosperity.

—Help Spur Grow—
Miscellaneous Shower Friday In Honoring Recent Bride

Measames W. F. Foreman and Al Bingham entertained Friday evening of last week with a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Foreman in honoring Mrs. Bill Davis, a recent bride. A number of guests were in attendance and many handsome gifts were showered on the bride by her friends. The Foreman home was appropriately decorated for the occasion which was one of genuine pleasure to each one present.

The List of Texas Spur Regular Readers. Continues to Grow Without Interruption

It is very gratifying and encouraging to us to note that the list of Texas Spur readers continues to grow daily without interruption. The past few days and within the past two weeks more than forty new names have been added to the regular subscription list, and more than sixty readers have renewed their subscriptions for another year ahead. The fact that all came without any special subscription campaign, unsolicited and entirely voluntarily, is very much more appreciated by us, and encourages us in the thought that our efforts in publishing the paper is somewhat appreciated by the general public, and encourages and stimulates us to press forward and exert our endeavors to publish an up-to-date, newsy and worthy local newspaper.

Among the number of new readers and renewal subscriptions being placed on our regular mailing list this week are the following: J. F. Blair, D. R. Stokes, Newt Cravey, S. W. Vernon, Henry Williams, Musser Lumber Co., E. V. George, Robt. C. Jones, J. A. Wade, J. H. Bolch, Mrs. A. T. Ballard, C. S. Leatherman, Dan Smith, H. B. Ziegler, E. P. Tayloe, Miss Lutie Pickens, Municipal Eng-

neering Co., H. T. Medford, V. W. Stephenson, C. W. Howe, Fred Fite, Pearl Holland, F. W. West, Mrs. Goldie S. Nichols, J. W. Owens, J. W. Vandiver, Chas. E. Lee, Bert Duncan, Busy Bee Cafe of Afton, D. F. Capshaw, Al Sullivan, Ben Rutledge, W. I. Simmons, J. A. Davis, E. B. Shaw, R. F. Rogers, W. A. Johnson, G. B. Jopling, J. C. Miller, S. H. Nally, Wesley Lewis, E. J. Bilberry, P. R. Boothe, R. M. Duboise, Lafayette Robinson, J. M. Hahn, J. H. Hooper, J. P. Hart, Austin Frazier, J. H. Busby, W. R. Horn, J. I. Greer, W. M. Moore, Howard Campbell, W. W. Garner, L. B. McMeans, M. E. Manning, D. G. Simmons, J. H. Miller, L. S. Putman, W. B. Arthur, R. M. Hamby, A. J. Richey, Harvey S. Holly, W. D. Thacker, Sim Moss, O. C. Arthur, L. G. Crabtree, Robt. Nickels, John Murdock, A. S. Robinson, J. C. Rogers, W. M. Austin, S. W. Stephenson, H. C. Parsons, E. B. Holland, J. F. Bell, J. M. Harkel, H. Swearingen, O. B. Sims and others.

The Texas Spur boasts of the largest list of readers and the best paying subscribers of any other country newspaper in West Texas.

\$6,000 Company Now Forming to Establish Hatchery in City of Spur

A company of six thousand dollars capital stock is being formed in Spur for the establishment of a hatchery. Stock subscriptions are now being solicited, but restricted to one hundred dollars issued to each individual, thus giving an opportunity to all who desire to assist in establishing such a business in Spur.

The hatchery will be located at the

fair grounds, and an experienced poultryman will be employed and placed in charge for the management of the business.

Just as soon as the capital stock has been fully subscribed, work of constructing the necessary buildings and installing the hatchery equipments will begin.

6,020 TURKEYS SOLD IN THE RECENT DICKENS COUNTY POOL

In the recent pool of Dickens county turkeys, there were 6,020 turkeys. They were purchased by the Spur Produce Company at 18 cents per pound. The turkeys averaged weighing 15 pounds each, making a total of 90,300 pounds, bringing to the raisers the total sum of \$16,454.00. The average price heretofore paid for turkeys has been 12 or 13 cents a pound, thus it is readily noted that by "pooling" in this instance some 5 or 6 cents per pound was saved to the raisers.

The fact that cooperative marketing pays has been demonstrated in many other instances.

The turkeys purchased in this pool are being picked and dressed for markets here in Spur by the Spur Produce Company.

COUNTY AGENTS OFFICE BEING ABOLISHED IN WEST COUNTIES

A number of West Texas counties are abolishing the office of County Agent and dispensing with such services. Just recently the Commissioners Courts of Floyd, Dallam and Midland counties dispensed with the services of their county agents, and abolished the office. In Floyd county it was proposed to hold an election to determine if a majority of the tax payers of the county desired to continue the expense of maintaining a county agent, but before the proposition was decided the state department withdrew the agent. The plan under which county agents have been working throughout the country, is for both the county and the state to pay the expense. In Dickens county, it is our understanding that the expense of maintaining a county agent is borne by individual donations in conjunction with state and county funds provided.

Bryant-Link Co.

Don't forget to visit our store Saturday, November 29th. We have some Special Demonstrations. Come on and drink Gold Plume Coffee with us—and more.

We are writing this ad on Thanksgiving Day, and we really are thankful for all that has come to us for the past year. It's been a good old world to us. We are mighty glad we have been permitted to live during 1924. Who would not be thankful!

When the autumn's in its glory,
With its leaves of red and gold;
When November's sky is hazy,
And the days are not too cold;
When, at night, the moon is mellow,
And Texas air is sweet,
Then I say that I am thankful,
And that autumn's hard to beat.

We are living in a great age. There may be greater ages yet to come, but the past holds no comparisons for the present. We would not recall old times though they carried with them in their day some things of real worth, but as compared with now the ox cart to the auto would compare as well.

We like our new President, Mr. Coolidge. We have always heard that silent waters flow deep. You know there are few men who could have kept quiet as did he while the opposing party hailed criticism on the administration. We believe in our leader. His modesty bespeaks his merit. Its our opinion that we have always had good men for Presidents, in some way. We think the hand of Providence is in the choosing of these men. We are looking for good conditions, if we as a people stand by the principles that our leader will advocate.

Christmas is coming soon, and old Santa Claus will be peeping around the corner with his boots and bag. To all you little folks we would say Santa will be at our store. Come and see him, and if you want him to bring you something, write him a letter in care of Bryant-Link Co., and we will tell him all the things

you want, and maby he will be able to bring them for you. Now don't ask him for too much, for Santa has lots of little folks to visit and bring things for. If you want to write Santa, address your letter to Dear Santa Claus in care of Bryant-Link Company.

We will have the largest assortment of Christmas Goods we have ever shown. Before we have been crowded for room. Now we are well prepared in the way of room.

We have some special values to offer in LADIES WEAR. You will have to see to appreciate.

It's a big world. There is lots of good and bad in it. Let's sift out the bad and then it will all be good. There is chaff with the wheat, too.

Come on with the crowds to our Big Store. Its good and warm, lots of room, meet your friends here and visit with them. Make this place home while in town, and don't forget to bring the children with you. We love to see their faces and hear their many voices.

Bryant-Link Co.

—Help Spur Grow—
W. W. FLOURNOY BEGINS THE CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENCE

W. W. Flournoy, manager of the Lyric Theatre, recently purchased lots in the east part of Spur, Tuesday lumber and building materials were placed on the grounds and the work of constructing a modern bungalow residence was commenced.

Mr. Flournoy recently purchased the Lyric Theatre, moving with his family from Rochester to Spur to become identified with the business interests and citizenship of the town. As manager of the theatre he is giving the people of Spur the very highest class pictures and entertainments, in every respect worthy the liberal patronage he enjoys. He is also having a theatre building constructed on Harris Street, especially designed for the show business, and equipped and furnished in the most modern style, and when complete will be in position to entertain more people in the most pleasing and acceptable manner.

New Printing Machinery is Now Being Installed For The Texas Spur Office

The Texas Spur is this week installing more new machinery to its already well equipped printing plant, this latest addition being a thirty inch electric power paper cutter of the very latest model, and also an electric power driven Miller saw and trimmer. With these additions the Texas Spur office is now one of the best equipped country newspaper plants in all of Western Texas.

The Texas Spur was the first printing shop in this entire section of the country to install a linotype machine, and since the very beginning of Spur in 1909 we have exerted ourselves and strained our pocketbook and credit to have a well equipped shop and keep ahead of the progressive development of the town and country. Our printing machinery now consist of the latest model linotype machine with extended equipments in setting type from four to forty points for all kinds of advertising and job printing, ruling, etc.; a newspaper press with a capacity of 2,500 impressions per hour; job presses, saw, trimmer, cutter, perforator, stapler; all equipped for electric power. We are now in position to print a daily newspaper when the town grows to that capacity, and when that time comes we will be on the job, prepared to meet the responsibility.

While we have not near all the printing equipments desired, or that we hope to have some time in the future, yet we are proud of our present printing equipments, and invite every reader of this paper to call in and see our plant, subscribe for the paper, give us your advertising and job printing. We will be glad to have every one call on us, and will also appreciate any work that you may give us to do—and we will do it in a first-class manner.

SPUR PROPERTY CHANGING HANDS

This week G. A. Howsley purchased a business lot adjoining his property near the Spur Blacksmith shop. The property was purchased from Mrs. C. B. Cutler of Augusta, Texas, and which she had owned since the beginning of the town.

It is very probable that Mr. Howsley will construct a business house of some character on the lot, probably a brick, since he is a builder and is adverse to seeing good and desirable property laying idle.

—Help Spur Grow—
MRS. CECIL FOX ENTERTAINS CLUB WEDNESDAY EVENING

Last Wednesday evening Mrs. Cecil Fox was hostess to the Joi de Voi Club. At bridge Mrs. McMeans made high score. Refreshments of heart and diamond shaped sandwiches and cocoa was served to Mms. ham, M. H. Brannen, Rosamond, Mottor, Joiner, E. L. Brown, Tracy Gorroy Harkey, D. H. Zachry, Jack Reameans, Roy Moses, and Crockett, and Misses Edna Lieurance, Julia Mae Hickman and Margaret Elliott. The club will meet next week with Mrs. Tracy Gorham.

—Help Spur Grow—
MRS. WARREN G. HARDING DIED NOV. 21, AT MARION, O.

The entire nation mourns the death of Mrs. Warren G. Harding, which occurred November 21, at her home in Marion, Ohio.

—Help Spur Grow—
COTTON CROP IS NOW ESTIMATED AT 12,992,000 BALES

The department of agriculture on the 21st of November estimated that a crop 12,992,000 bales of cotton would be produced this year.

WEEKLY SERMON

By Robt. C. Jones

FAITH AND WORKS.

"Are Men Saved by Faith?"
We cannot please God without faith. "But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" by faith. "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Rom. 5:1).

How Many Kinds of Faith Are There?
"One Lord, one faith, one baptism" (Eph. 4:5). We do not read of "faiths" in the New Testament. Evangelical faith, historical faith, saving faith, are all terms not found in the word of God.

What Is The Object of Faith?
"And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name?" (Jno. 20:30, 31)

Salvation Is by Work.
Ye see then how that by works a man justified, and not by faith only; but by faith and works. Paul does not teach but one way of salvation, which is by faith; and James a different way of salvation, which is by works. Paul did not only teach faith; he emphasized the necessity of works. "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God that worketh in you both to will, and to do of his good pleasure" (Phil. 2:13). So also James did not only teach works, but he emphasized the necessity of faith. "But let him ask in faith nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed (Jas. 1:6). When Paul condemned works he did not mean the works required by the gospel, but the works of the law of Moses. "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified" (Gal. 2:16).

Works are of value because they faith:
"Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith and I have works; show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works" (Jas. 2:18).

Help Spur Grow
Al Sullivan, of near Post in Garza county, was in Spur Saturday again meeting with his friends and former acquaintances of this section. Al was in the cow business here in the earlier days, later following the agricultural development progress, selling his farm to the southeast of Spur a year or two ago and moving to the Garza country where he is continuing his farming operations. He says he has good crops this year, and will realize good returns for his year's labors.

Help Spur Grow
W. A. Johnson, who last year moved to the plains from his Dockum Stock Farm three miles northwest of Spur, was here the past week looking after his interests and also to get cotton pickers to help gather his big crop on the plains. While here he handed us another dollar and fifty cents to keep the Texas Spur coming to his new address.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Bryant, returned this week to their home in Mineral Wells after spending the past two weeks at the Pitchfork Ranch and with friends in Spur and other parts of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant have been living here too long to be content in their new home elsewhere, and we are expecting them to return after a year or so and again live among the best people the world produces.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Reynolds, of Croton, were shoppers and visitors in Spur Saturday. Mr. Reynolds informed us that he was making some thirty odd bales of cotton from his crop. We consider this pretty good, since he also made a campaign in the recent primaries and was hampered somewhat thereby in his farming operations.

Help Spur Grow
C. A. Jones, of the Duncan Flat community, was among those in Spur last Saturday. Mr. Jones has been contemplating moving to Spur, and in fact made a deal in purchasing a home here, but since the transfer of property could not meet his requirements, the deal fell through. Mr. Jones is this year making good crops, doing his ginning at Afton. He estimates that five thousand or more bales of cotton will be ginned by the two Afton gins before the end of the season. The Afton country is recognized as among the best farming sections of all of Western Texas, and crops never fail, wet or dry.

A. L. Aydelott, of Lockney, was in Spur the past week, again meeting with friends and acquaintances here, and visiting with relatives. Mr. Aydelott stated that he would probably move back here the first of the year to again make his home and engage in farming. The country off yonder some times looks inviting, but those who have once become acclimated in the Spur country never forget, and honestly, we believe, always want to come back whether or not they do. We will be glad to have Mr. Aydelott and family back with us. However, he told us that he wanted to continue to get and read the Texas Spur regardless of whether he could make it back here to live—and we are mighty glad to mail him the paper, because eventually it will bring him back.

Help Spur Grow
L. A. Welborn, of west of Spur, was here Saturday meeting with his friends and also trading some with merchants. Mr. Welborn stated that he worked one hundred seventy five acres this year, 130 acres of which was in cotton. On account of no rain at the proper time his feed will be short. However, he will make 32 bales of cotton. With his large acreage, Mr. Welborn claimed that he had as clean crops as any farmer in the country, and that he had no other help than himself and wife.

Help Spur Grow
F. E. Walker, of Highway, was in town Saturday. He also stated that he had been working hard this year, but had good crops and was content with the returns from his labors. F. E. Walker is one of the straightest and best men of the entire country. With men of his calibre there would be little use for mortgages, notes and courts of justice.

Help Spur Grow
"When the cats are away the mice will play" is an old saying. This week we are alone with Noots, fareing sumpuously at intervals over at Malone's Cafe where they know how to prtpare for hungry guests, Mrs. McClure, Max and Wynell having gone down to Cross Plains to be with her mother who is in ill and very delicate health. We drove over to Post Sunday where they boarded the Santa Fe train for Coleman. Post has always been a live town apparently, but on this occasion it appeared to be experiencing a season of inactivity. The cotton mills at Post are now working only half capacity, being unable to dispose of the manufactured products at this time.

W. D. Blair, a good and substantial citizen of two miles east of Spur, was on the streets the first of the week, greeting friends and acquaintances. Mr. Blair owns one of the finest and best improved farm homes of the country. He is one farmer who has a fine orchard, keeps it up and has fruit each year.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith, of eight miles southwest of Spur, were visitors Friday of last week in the home of Mrs. E. Luce.

C.S. Leatherman, formerly of the plains country near McAdoo, but now of Spur, called in last week and had his name enrolled with the list of Texas Spur readers. Who will be next? We want the Texas Spur to go into every home of the country.

Help Spur Grow
I. D. Simmons, of Duck Creek, was greeting friends among the big crowds in Spur Saturday.

Help Spur Grow
W. B. Bennett, of Gilpin, was on the streets of Spur Monday of this week.

WHEN YOU HAVE A NICE PICKED BALE OF COTTON

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FOLLOW A BOLLY AT OUR GIN!

We have one Gin on which we gin only "Picked Cotton", and one on which we gin only "Bollies."

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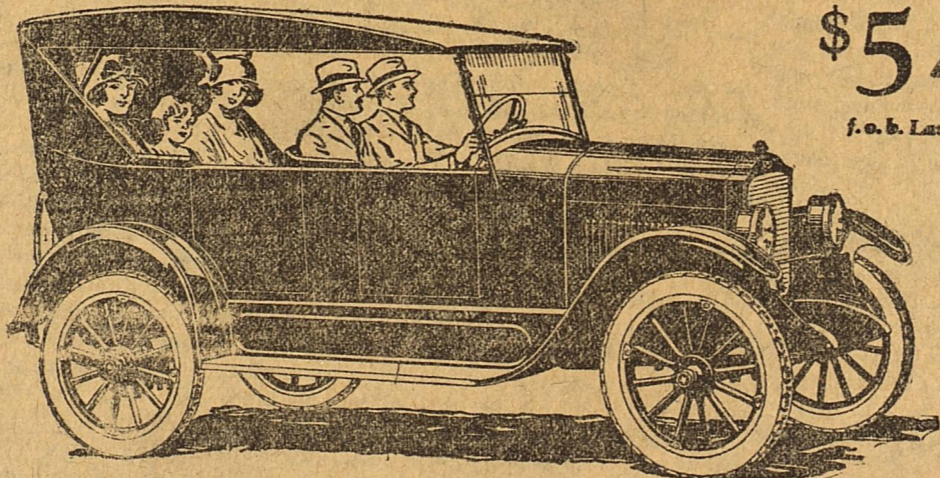
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THE FARMERS GIN
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Mr. Taylor, formerly of Dickens county but now of New Mexico, is here this week selling mules acquired in some manner out in Mexico. He has been making several trips to and from New Mexico this fall, and we doubt not that he has intentions of returning to old Dickens to again take up his residence among us.

Editor T. B. Sullenberger, of the old Dublin Progress, was here last week looking after his farm property interests near Steel Hill, and while here came in and consoled with us in general trend of the newspaper business. Mr. Sullenberger is publishing one of the best weekly papers which comes to our desk. We knew all along that he was an expert pressman as well as an experienced but successful farmer, but we had no idea of his ability in the country newspaper business. The fact is that his newspaper, the Dublin Progress, will compare with the best we have read at any time. He invited us to come down and go with him to the banks of the Leon, and with rod and reel and other necessary accessories, we would forget together the worries incident to publishing a paper—and we intend to accept the invitation.

Tom Davis was in Spur Tuesday from Post, spending sometime here on business and again meeting with his former friends. In the beginning of Spur Tom Davis was on the ground, doing a meat market business even before the town opened, in supplying the many campers here to await the opening. A few years ago he strayed away, going to Post where he is now making plenty money trading and trafficking among the populace.

Mrs. G. W. Bennett, of north of Dickens, was among the shoppers in Spur Saturday of the past week. In meeting her on the street she informed us that she had sold \$147 worth of turkeys recently, and had others left on the place. Incidentally she made us feel happy and most appreciative by encouraging words with reference to the Texas Spur, and which we will long remember. We appreciate the flowers while living and struggling along in life's everyday battles.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Woods, of Stamford, spent the week end in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith.

D. G. Simmons, of Steel Hill, was greeting friends here the first of the week.

Leslie Holman was in Spur last week, representing the Star Telegram in its regular December Bargain day subscription events. Leslie is the son of R. S. Holman who was in Spur in the early days, and had long lived in Dickens county before Spur was contemplated. Judge Holman died about two years ago while living in Houston. Mrs. Holman is now living in Dallas. Leslie is married and living near Wichita Falls.

Mr. Allen, of near Spur, was in the city Saturday. He informed us that his son, Ira Allen, had recently moved from Indian Gap to Seagraves where he had purchased farm lands and is now improving a farm home.

Mr. Brantley, of the plains country near McAdoo, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

C. N. Kidd, of the Dry Lake settlement, was among the crowds in Spur Saturday.

G. W. Chancellor, of a mile or two north of Spur, was on the streets Saturday, meeting with acquaintances and friends.

Will Young, a leading citizen of the Red Hill community to the east of Spur, was among the crowds here Saturday. He reports everything in that part of the country moving on smoothly and peaceably.

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, was in the city one day the past week. He was smiling and apparently contented with the way the world is serving him.

W. I. Simmons, of Route 1, was a recent business visitor in town.

W. A. Kimmel, of west of Spur two or three miles, was here Saturday greeting friends and acquaintances of town and country.

J. E. Sparks and family, of west of Spur, were in the city Saturday shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends.

H. C. Eldredge and sons, of McAdoo, were transacting business in Spur the first of the week.

P. E. Boothe met us on the street Saturday afternoon and handed us a check to shove his subscription to the Texas Spur a year or more ahead of time. Such acts never fail to touch a responsive chord in the newspaper man's heart, and they are not soon forgot.

W. F. Walker was on the streets one day this week, greeting friends.

J. J. Youngblood, of the Afton country, stopped in at the Texas Spur office the other day while in Spur and informed us that he found a Buick Six crank on the road, leaving it at the W. J. Clark filling station on the Dickens-Spur highway, where the owner could get it by extending thanks to him and coming in and subscribing for the Texas Spur—the latter proceeding of course being of most importance to us.

Mrs. N. N. Rogers, of Post, and Miss Mabel VanLeer of Eastland, spent the week end in Spur with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. VanLeer.

W. T. Lovell was here one day last week. It is always a pleasure to meet and greet Lovell. He says now that the democrats are getting so hard up that socialists have to be called in to help hold elections. It is a question as to whether the democrats are going to the socialists or the socialists going to the democrats. At any rate they are all good folks and should abide together and help one another.

H. D. Jacobson, of near Spur, called in Saturday at the Texas Spur office and entered his name with the large list of regular readers of this paper. And still the list continues to grow. The truth is the Texas Spur has the largest list of subscribers of any other newspaper published in a town the size of Spur in all of Texas. We fully appreciate the confidence extended us by readers and will endeavor at all times to merit and hold that confidence.

H. C. Allen came to town Saturday to get cotton pickers to help him gather several bales of cotton yet remaining in his field. H. C. Allen is one man whom we are glad to see prosper, because he has long endured hardships, misfortunes and set-backs in helping to develop this Western country.

J. W. Barnett, of Stamford, spent Sunday in Spur with O. D. and Harvey Blanton. It had been ten years since they had visited together, having been close friends and neighbors in the years gone by.

Olda Harrington and wife, of the 24 Ranch, were visiting relatives in the city the latter part of the past week. Olda is buying up a few stock cows and calves to winter on his place. While the stock business has heretofore been very uncertain and unprofitable, we are hoping that Olda will realize a profit in his operations at this time.

Mrs. Edwin Clapp came in Saturday from her new farm home near Espuela, spending several hours in the city shopping. Mrs. Clapp had several hundred acres of land cleared and placed under cultivation this year, and we understand that good harvests in both cotton and feed are being harvested.

Early Long shut down his gin Saturday night and highed himself to his old home up on the plains at Ralls to spend the Sabbath with his old friends and associates. He this year purchased what is known as the old Swenson gin which he is operating this fall. He is an experienced and expert ginner, and knows how to meet the people as well as gin their cotton.

Buren Smith and wife, of Dry Lake, drove Sunday to Lamesa to visit a few days with her parents. We met them in Post City, and even at this distance from home, he had a new name entered on the subscription list of the Texas Spur. The Texas Spur now goes to every state in the Union and parts of Canada.

L. Evans and wife, of near Lamesa, returned Sunday to their home after spending a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Buren Smith and other relatives and friends of the Dry Lake community.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodson, of several miles southwest of Spur, were here Saturday, trading and visiting among their friends. Frank is improving a new farm home, and we are hoping he will prosper beyond his expectations in the new home.

Jim Walker and wife, of east of Spur, were among the numerous shoppers here Saturday.

Contractor Maxwell made a trip to his home at Haskell the latter part of last week. He is now constructing the new Lyric Theatre building in Spur, with the intention of having it ready for the shows by the first of the year. Mr. Maxwell is moving his family to Spur with the intention of remaining here and participate in some of the contemplated construction work for the approaching year.

H. E. Grabener, of east of Spur, was trading here the past week.

J. A. Kerley, of east of Spur, was in the city the first of the week on business.

Arnold Copeland is now buying and butchering cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Harrington, of east of Spur, were shopping in the city Saturday.

P. H. Miller made a business trip down the road recently.

S. H. Nally, of near Dickens, was transacting business in Spur one day the first of the week.

Rev. J. V. Bilbery has our thanks for a dollar and fifty cents this week in renewing the subscription of J. F. Ragsdale, of Endee, New Mexico.

J. M. Brownlow, of McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur during the week.

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LET me demonstrate the merits of this wonderful machine
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THE TEXAS SPUR

ORAN McCLURE, Publisher

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"Hard Luck Gang"

(By W. C. Alex)
You've heard about fits and fights, You've seen bright and red lights. Little fellows and a big fellow, Some were bullies and some yellow. But none so yellow as Matador. They asked us to visit their town, And play them a game of ball. Now, as the battle's over we've found They merely wished to kick us 'round Brick-bats flew, and bottles crashed, Teeth knocked out and nose mashed. His team mates carry him away, To him, he hears music, it does seem And he's roaring like a lioness at bay When someone whispers, it's only a dream.
Of course they couldn't help Raising a tarnation yelp When our "Big Moco" Fed "Ole To—?" some loco. But To—?? was happy and glad To know he had come thru alive, But it does seem kinda sad To think he'd been whipped by a lad. But that's alright "Ole, dear" A tip "The Bulldogs never fear." For their stuff they can smear So here's to my old Bulldog Pals, A—? that knows all the fowls, And play that old game That we all like so well. Play Snyder fair and square, Whether here or there, And you'll always be a friendly pair. Please, gang, take heed And prosper by these deeds.
Help Spur Grow
MARRIED.

Miss Zepherine Stevens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Stevens, and Mr. W. J. Berry surprised their many friends Friday evening of last week by driving over to Dickens, securing license and having the ceremony performed uniting them in the bonds of matrimony. Saturday, following the ceremony the young couple departed for Shallow Water where they spend their honeymoon.

The bride was reared in Spur and is loved by all for her modesty, lovely character and young womanly charms. Mr. Berry is a young man of high character and integrity, and in assuming the obligations of a home and family ties has the best wishes of his friends. The Texas Spur joins in congratulations and wishes Mr. and Mrs. Berry all of the joys and few of the cares of life as they sail over the matrimonial seas.

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"They call it soft coal, but it's still hard to get"

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Meat That is Good Through and Through—Clear Down to the Last Bite—That is the Kind You Always Get Here!

CENTRAL MARKET

A Few Reasons Why The Texas Spur is Best and Cheapest Advertising Medium

Advertising is just as necessary in maintaining and promoting a progressive, growing business as is the capital stock invested. A merchant may continue to do business and sell goods without reaching out after the trade, but he can never reach the height of real success without in some manner attracting people to his place of business.

We claim that the Texas Spur is the best and the cheapest advertising medium in this territory. It goes to the most substantial citizenship of the country and into the homes where it is read by every member of the family. More than five thousand people in the Spur trade territory read the Texas Spur every week. They not only read the local news items, but also the "store news" appearing in the advertising columns. Those who have been reading this paper for fifteen years have confidence in it—they know it will not knowingly accept an illegitimate advertisement, nor betray the confidence of its readers for the sake of a dollar. There is not a newspaper in the country which makes as low rate of charges for advertising, considering the number of readers, as does the Texas Spur. For thirty cents per column inch for display advertising, and ten cents per line for straight matter advertising, the merchant or business man can reach more than five thousand people within the trade territory through the Texas Spur advertising columns.

Advertising is a business proposition. It not only attracts the trade, but actually creates more business, conveniences shoppers and relieves the store-keepers of much work and worry. The value and the results of live advertising is no longer doubtful or questionable. The only question is, how to advertise and what medium to employ in reaching the people. The Texas Spur offers its columns as the best and the cheapest means of reaching the people of the Spur trade territory, and we solicit the favorable consideration of every merchant and business man to that end.

IRA SULLIVAN INSTALLING NEW AND LATE MODELED MACHINERY IN TAILOR SHOP

Ira Sullivan is this week having a new building constructed at the rear of his Spur Tailor Shop business, and in which he is installing new and latest modeled machinery to be used in his tailoring business. An electric cleaner and presser is being installed. This machine equips the Spur Tailor Shop on a par with the best tailoring businesses of the entire country, and in a manner to care for the highest class of tailoring business in the most approved and satisfactory manner, even to the most exacting customers. Ira Sullivan established his tailoring business in the early days of Spur, and has staid with his business through lean as well as fat years, and when other tailor shops have come and gone with the tides of the times. When a mere lad he was the "shoe shine" of the town, working industriously and saving his earnings for the day he would be in position to establish a business of his own. As a tailor he has ever been on the job, and in adding the latest machinery equipments at this time is keeping up with the progress of the town in a most progressive and permanent way.

Help Spur Grow—CLAYTON AND SMITH ESTABLISHING PLUMBING BUSINESS

M. I. Clayton and Dan Smith have formed a partnership and are now establishing in Spur an up-to-date plumbing business. They have purchased the plumbing business of the Spur Light & Power Company, and this combined with the business and equipments of Dan Smith, fully equips the new firm and places them in position to do all kinds of work in their line. Messrs. Clayton & Smith are expert and experienced plumbers, and in forming the partnership and equipping themselves to do the highest class work, are meeting an urgent and appreciated demand on the part of the city.

Construction of Another Drive-in Station Will Start Next Week in South Spur

Green Turner this week purchased of the Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company the corner lot on east side of Burlington Avenue and just west of the Auto Paint and Top Shop, and will immediately begin construction of a modern and handsome drive-in filling station and automobile service station.

The building will be of tile with a stucco finish, designed especially for service, convenience and comfort of the traveling public and autoists in general, and in appearance as well as in service will meet the demands and requirements of a growing, developing, modern metropolitan city.

Help Spur Grow—J. H. HENSON SOLD HIS FARM TO JUDGE WALTER L. POWELL

This week a sale was consummated whereby J. H. Henson sold to Judge Walter L. Powell his one hundred sixty acre farm located in the Dry Lake community. The property is well improved and of rich and productive soil, adjoining other property owned by Judge Powell. Mr. Henson refused to say what the price consideration was, stating that he sold the place at such a low figure he was ashamed for the public to know the exact amount of the consideration.

Judge Powell, during the year, constructed a farm residence on his place at an expense of more than three thousand dollars, and in acquiring more farm land, all in one body, is now situated to live comfortably if not in a "lordly" manner.

Mr. Henson informed us that he would probably move to his farm near Lockney on the plains. He is considering purchasing more land adjoining his Floyd county holdings, and thus, he too, will be advancing his interests and preparing to live in "lordly" fashion hereafter.

Help Spur Grow—METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETING MONDAY

Twenty one ladies met Monday afternoon. After a short business session conducted by the president an hour was spent in the study of the tenth chapter of Womens and Missions, giving us some idea of the social service work done among the foreigners and colored peoples.

Next Monday we will have the eleventh and last chapter of study book.

The success of the dinner and bazaar was appreciated by all the ladies.

DICKENS SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Kelly's pupils entertained the school with a program Monday morning, and which was enjoyed by all. Mr. Byron Crego, one of our high school boys, is absent from school on account of a broken arm.

Miss Marie Cole was absent from school Monday and Tuesday. Miss Odell Harris was absent from school Tuesday.

Friday evening the Dickens Basketball Team played ball with Afton. The scores were in favor of Dickens.

The girls played ball at Croton Friday evening and won.

Miss Ollie Bell Slaton was absent from school Monday.

Following the Honor Roll for the Dickens School:

1st Grade—Ira Brummett, Lindell Holly, R. D. Holly, Annie Rister, Luther Jones, Wilburn Douglas.

2nd Grade—Letha Bibberly, Carrie M. Johnson, Eva Mable Ferguson, Morris Harkey, Winston Brummett, Raymond Harris.

3rd Grade—Oran Payne, Jack Jones, Rowland Cobb.

4th Grade—J. B. Hawk, Woodrow Harris, Rossalie Roberts, Louise York, Winnie Mae Cole.

5th Grade—Ione Hale, Randal Hawk, Leo Speer, Frank Gay, Lewis Kennedy.

6th Grade—Opal Gilmore, Lillian Eskridge, Dorothy Lee Love, Louise Gay.

7th Grade—Ione Payne, Gladys Arrington, Bennie Worswick, Mildred Terry, Estelle Armstrong, Loren Harkey, Fred Crabtree.

9th Grade—D. R. Harkey, Lexia Terry, Odell Harris, Maude Slough, Byron Crego.

10th Grade—Leon Lawson, Lynnie Harkey, Marguerite Meadors, Iris Borden, Jack Gipson, Harold Blair.

11th Grade—Guy Goen, L. D. Bilberry, Jackie Spencer.

John H. Stephens, who for more than twenty years served the 13th district in Congress, died recently in California, his remains being brought back to his Texas home for interment.

Dr. Zachry is this week putting the finishing touches to his new residence just being completed in the west part of Spur. Still Spur continues to grow.



WE PRESENT TO YOU

An Opportunity to Select From Us Your

BUILDING MATERIAL

From one of the Largest and Most Complete Stocks ever handled in Spur.

Let us figure with you on your next bill. Every facility of our yard or office is always at your disposal.

NIGGERHEAD COAL

TRI-COUNTY LUMBER CO.

Mr. Patterson, formerly head of the Patterson Dry Goods Company of Rotan and Hamlin, was in Spur this week. Mr. Patterson is now engaged in the cotton buying business with his headquarters at Hamlin. He is considering coming to Spur and engaging in business here.

Miss Georgia Moore and Lavina Conklin spent the week end with Miss Alma Daugherty, Chiropractor of Lubbock.

J. M. Howze, of Highway, was in the city Monday.

A SEASON OF THANKSGIVING

At This Season of Giving Thanks We Are Mindful of The General Prosperity and Progress With Which Our Town and Country is Favored, and We Give Thanks to a Supreme Power and Source From Whom All Blessings Flow.

In a material way the Spot Cash Grocery has been generously favored with an extensive and most liberal business and patronage, and for which we are grateful and thankful to the trade, our friends and the general public who have thus favored our business establishment. In the future, as in the past, you will find us not only appreciative of a continued liberal patronage, but mindful of trade demands and fully prepared to care for and supply your every need and demand in the grocery line, and at prices to invite favorable consideration and insure customers the very best brands of standard goods in both staple and fancy groceries.

TRADE WITH US AND SAVE MONEY!

SPOT CASH GROCERY

STRAIGHT TALKS WITH AUNT EMMY

ON NOT GETTING FLATTERED

"Somehow, Aunt Emmy, it scares me when I read of all the ways people lose their money in fake stock and bond transactions. How can you know who is honest and what stocks and bonds are safe to buy?" queried Jane.

"It is easy enough if people only wouldn't be so impatient," replied Aunt Emmy. "There is never any need for haste in investing. It's far better to take a little time to find out the character of the securities offered and of the person offering them. The buying of securities was greatly stimulated by the Liberty Loans. Before Uncle Sam offered Liberty bonds only about 200,000 people in the United States owned securities. Now millions of people are buying stocks and bonds."

"Of course the unscrupulous security vendors have taken advantage of the public's new education in investments. All sorts of bad and questionable securities are being offered for sale. Naturally the majority of the people are not rich, so when a man sets out to sell bonds or stocks through the country he must be prepared to sell in small quantities. 'Baby bonds,' \$100 bonds, that is, are popular. If the baby bonds are sound they are as good an investment as any. But before you buy bonds of any kind get good advice."

"Be especially careful about doorstep salesmen. A bond house that floods the country with salesmen is put to great expense. They can't send salesmen all over the United States for nothing, so when a salesman comes to sell you bonds it is important to investigate the quality of the bond he is selling. Your bank will give information about investment houses and investments, and if you follow the bank's advice you will not lose your money."

"Another thing to be looked upon with suspicion," continued Aunt Emmy, "is the man who tries to sell you securities over the telephone. Such men will call up some woman living in the country and say they are calling at the suggestion of a friend."

Help Spur Grow—The Texas Spur has some nice Christmas cards. Call in and see them.

DON'T OVERLOOK THE BIG BARGAINS AT OUR STORE DURING FALL MONTHS

IF YOU NEED HARDWARE OR FURNITURE, IT WILL PAY YOU TO VISIT OUR STORE

SPUR HARDWARE AND FURNITURE CO.

"SPUR'S OLDEST STORE"

OLDEST CITIZEN OF DICKENS COUNTY DIED SATURDAY

Uncle Jimmie Hutson, one of the oldest settlers and citizens of Dickens county, died last Saturday at a sanitarium in Wichita Falls, his remains being brought back here Sunday and interred in the Dickens cemetery.

Uncle Jimmie Hutson was about seventy eight years of age. He was one of the oldest real settlers of the county, having come here in 1888, located and settled on a home in the Red Mud country. In his earlier years he was active in every movement for the betterment of conditions and the development of the country. A number of years ago the infirmities of age interrupted further activities, and for some time before death he was confined in a Wichita sanitarium. He was the father of Mrs. H. P. Cole, county treasurer elect, and Mrs. T. M. Green, of Dickens.

One by one the old timers who endured the hardships of a new country in paving the way for present day progress are passing to their reward. They rendered a real service here, deserve a rich reward in the Great Beyond, and we honor them in our memory.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM SUNDAY NOV. 30, AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Thanksgiving service. Doxology. Invocation. Song, "All Hail." Scripture reading. Communion Hymn, "Tis Midnight on Olive's Brow." Communion. Piano solo, Miss Pauline Ramsey. Report of visitors to Ralley at Sweetwater. A working plan for Missions, Mrs. Nellie Dav's. Vocal solo, Mrs. R. E. Dickson. Pre-Easter Campaign, Mrs. G. R. Elkins. A Great Gift, Mrs. W. H. Putman. Violin solo, Mr. Henry Elkins. Where The Money Goes, M. B. Harris. Benediction.

Help Spur Grow—Willie and Gay Williams, prodigal sons of T. J. Williams of near Spur, returned last week from the East where they had strayed in quest of a broader life and experience. They say that hard times prevail in Panama county where they spent some time, but that if desired one might at any time get some of the fluid which tends to enrich in mind if not in polkethook.

BULLDOG GROWLS

By E. C. EDMONDS JR.
SPUR FORFEITS GAME TO MATADOR.

The Spur Bulldogs went down in defeat before the Matador Sluggers last Friday. Our boys just weren't able to compete in that kind of a game.

There is not much to publish about the game, as Mr. McClure will not let us write it up as it really was. We will say this, though, if there had been 600 (which is the population of Matador) people, each armed with lead pipes and machine guns, Spur probably would have tied the game.

Pat Carpenter proved himself to be a dirty football player. His football name was acquired not through skillful playing but by his efforts to hurt the other fellow. As a general rule a sport writer will not say what I have, about an opposing player, but as he was not ashamed of it there he should not be ashamed of it here.

Matador has one player that Spur should take off her hat to. This player was a bird. He played an excellent game, and the greatest thing about it he played a clean game. Bird made many Spur friends in the game.

George Lisenby was the man for Carpenter. This is the first game I ever saw where there was a fight every down. Matador would send Carpenter through. George would stop him and keep him from kicking Travis Brannen in the head. Then the fight would commence, then another down.

Say, Bo! For tough guys Panchovilla is not in it. A guy came riding up on a lobo wolf leading a panther pack. This was a guy whose breath smelled strongly of cordwood and carbolic acid, who used tarantulas for body lice and ate cactus spines for breakfast. Tough guy! Hurrah for Matador. Spur guy: Hurrah for Spur. T. G.: Hurrah for Carpenter. S. G.: Hurrah for Lisenby. Tough guy: Who wants to fight? Spur guy: Not I. T. G.: Who wants to bet? S. G.: I do. T. G.: (laying down grubbing hoe and pulling out wallet) Come here. S. G.: (pulling out roll) How much? T. G.: Either one or two cakes—make it light on yourself. S. G.: (passing out) Shux. Curtain.

Moco Lewis was the fighter. Moco started a fight with one, and when he did he started a fight with twelve. Moco had them pretty well licked when thirteen men separated them.

This is to say that positively that R. B. Johnston did not fight anyone at Matador. Rumor has it that he had a fight with a Matador player and kicked him in the ear. Mr. Johnston says he was not fighting when he kicked him in the ear.

Those who saw the game Friday probably witnessed the last game to be played between Matador and Spur. This also witnesses my last visit to Matador, for various diplomatic reasons.

I wish to correct a statement to the effect that Kyle Rogers is not good looking. Kyle would be darn good looking if it wasn't for his face. However, we all have our handicaps.

Twos Thanksgiving night, and all over the house not a darn thing moved. Not even a mouse. Smells of liniment and castor oil and fifteen beds in a row. Signs of turkey, cranberries and pains, and heads under cover pulled low.

Not a field sanitarium Nor the spoils of the winner But the S. H. S. Bulldogs After Thanksgiving dinner.

Here lies our Alec His other name was Yake He hit himself Mit a rattle snake. Chop Suey as quarterback Carpenter kissing Lisenby Chub forgot his bootees, JJello Burnam at school in overalls, Our Alec with a brain. Spot Samples got London on his radio Piano solo—Bill Simpson did too. Interviews with prominent men of Spur and how they got their start.

Miscellany Wants!

FOR SALE—Two improved farms, half way between Spur and Dry Lake. Prices and terms reasonable.—R. E. Dickson. 50-tf

Improved Mebane and Cash Cotton Seed. The best that can be obtained. Buy from me.—M. M. Young. 50-tf

FARM FOR SALE—16 3-4 acres on Duck Creek, 140 acres in cultivation, good improvements and plenty good water, sub-irrigated. Here is a bargain.—W. P. Marshall Spur, Texas. 51-8p

Two spans good work mules for sale at reasonable price, by M. M. Young, Spur, Texas. 52-tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Twenty acre block for house and lot in Spur.—H. G. Draper. 2-4tp

STRAYED—About the 3rd day of July from Bill Elliott's pasture, one yellow pony mare mule, age 10 or 12 years, has extra large head and ears, thin mane. Liberal reward for information leading to recovery. Notify Bill Elliott or M. W. Chapman. 3-2p

FOR SALE—A Big Base Burner Stove for sale cheap. Also Ever Brite oil heater.—Call or phone 185. Spur, Texas. 3-tf

FOR SALE—40 acres, all in cultivation, three-fourths mile west of Spur High School, 6-room house and galleries on three sides, 1 acre in a oyung orchard, garage, wash house, barn, poultry and dhog sheds, well, windmill, cistern, water piped to the garage and lots. Clear of encumbrance and abstracted. See T. M. Maples, Spur, Texas. 3-tf

FOR SALE—Vigorous farm raised Mammoth Bronze Gold Bank strain Turkeys. Toms \$6.00.—Mrs. J. H. Farmer, Spur, Texas. 4-3tp
J. Carlisle, of Duck Creek, was in the city the past week meeting with his friends.

Chas. Gunn and family, returned this week from Temple where they attended a family reunion and celebration of her father's birthday anniversary.

W. S. Leach, of Dry Lake, was transacting business in the city last Wednesday.

RED CROSS RAISES \$10,000,000 IN 21 DAYS FOR RELIEF

Terrible catastrophes, such as the Japanese earthquake, prove the wisdom of the people in maintaining the American Red Cross as their national and international relief agency. The readiness of the Red Cross for duty in the greatest of emergencies was also proved by test.

The record shows: Sept. 3. President Coolidge assigns the duty of raising \$5,000,000 to the American Red Cross; Sept. 4. Red Cross Chapters in over 3,500 communities given fund allotments; Sept. 12. fund totals \$5,563,000; Sept. 17. fund nearly \$8,000,000 and President announces formal closing of campaign; Sept. 27. fund passes \$10,000,000 mark.

In 21 business days the Red Cross doubly performed the duty entrusted to it—all the while keeping a steady flow of relief supplies going out from many Pacific ports to the stricken areas in Japan. Thus was the confidence of the American people in their Red Cross justified and the wisdom of Red Cross preparedness to cope with an unprecedented relief emergency confirmed.

WOLFES BARGAIN STORE

Our New Arrivals are Here and Ready for your inspection. Our collection of Winter needs is unrivalled in this territory. All we ask is a chance to show you our goods, with the assurance that quality, price and service will make you a regular customer of Wolfe's Bargain Store.

Mothers Will be Interested in Togs for the Boys and Girls!

Sleeping Togs for the little Tots, Dresses, Silk Rose Shoes, and Sweaters for the more mature Miss. Shoes, Suits, Underwear, Overcoats for the Boys. These items will sell at the marked price.

WOMEN WILL BE DELIGHTED WITH THESE OFFERINGS!
Yard Goods, Gingham, Cheviots, Silks, Outing and numerous other items and materials that will create interest to those who desire to save on their Winter Purchases.

Men and Young Men Come in and Look These Items Over!

\$40.00 and \$45.00 Suits, newest models, all wool fabrics—\$29.95
\$40.00 values, Mens New Overcoats, for this fall trade, now \$24.00
\$16.50 values, Boys All Wool Suits, 2 pants, now \$11.95
\$12.50 values, All Wool Suits, 2 pants, now \$7.95

We Have a Veritable Feast of Bargains For Every Member of the Family!

Come, Let's Talk Your Needs Over!

WOLFES BARGAIN STORE

As if Across a Desk—

WITHOUT moving from his chair, Mr. Spur business man can call a distant point and transact business as if across a desk. You, too, have access to this nation-wide system of communication and while you may seldom have occasion to talk to points thousands of miles away, you have almost daily use for service to nearby places.

NEVER was our long distance service better, our facilities more ample, or the desire to serve greater. The rates are reasonable and "Station-to-Station" rates are much cheaper after 8:30 p. m.

LONG DISTANCE WILL GIVE YOU THE RATE ANYWHERE A TANY TIME!



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We want to extend our thanks for liberal patronage enjoyed in past, and invite you all to call in to see us. We have what you want.

MALONES CAFE

Groceries For Thanksgiving

So many items are needed from this store to make your—

THANKSGIVING DINNER

As good as you planned it, that the best way is to come here and look over our complete display of tempting edibles.

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THE STORE WITH THE GROCERIES

RED PEP'S PHILOSOPHY

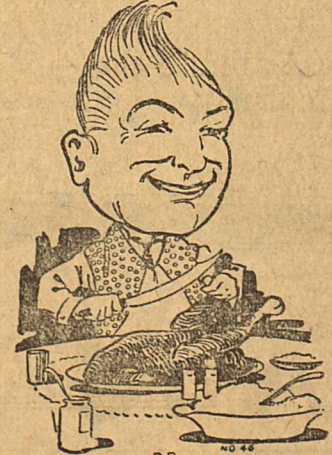
I Await Your Order For COMMUNITY SILVERWARE

An Exquisitely Appointed Table is a Delight to You And Your Guests!

Make Mother Happy by Giving her Community Silverware for Thanksgiving

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Here's two great American birds! The Turkey on your table and the eagle in your pocket

EUROPEAN AIR MAIL SERVICE IS NAVY PLAN

Success of Shenandoah Trip May Result in Adoption; Time to Be Cut Six Days.

Washington. — Air mail service which will link the Pacific coast with the capitals of Europe and greatly cut down the present time of delivery is the next accomplishment for the Bureau of Aeronautics of the Navy Department, it has been indicated.

Plans for carrying first class mail between London and New York are expected to be laid soon before Secretary of the Navy Wilbur and Postmaster General New, officials whose authority is necessary before appropriations can be expected on a thorough study of the matter.

The first definite steps are expected to be taken when Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, Chief of the Bureau returns from his trip west with the dirigible Shenandoah. One result of the successful flight across the Atlantic of the ZR-3 with 200 pounds of mail from Germany will be put into Moffett's hands exact data on cargo space available, the time of crossing and the possibility of making such mail pay its way.

Until recently the fastest method of delivering a letter from London to San Francisco was by steamer and train, in eight to ten days. The steamers require five to seven days to cross the Atlantic and the trains four days to cross the United States.

The ZR-3 can make it from Germany to New York in three days and the air mail service of the Postoffice Department in another day, thus saving four to six days by the new plan. Later on it may be that the Shenandoah and other airships of this type will be put into the mail service and maintain a schedule of two sailings a week. Passenger service will follow in regular course.

The matter has been informally considered by Second Assistant Postmaster General Henderson whose aid in the undertaking would be invoked at once. Henderson declared that the air traffic between Europe and the United States is certain to be accomplished in a few years and new inventions and devices for saving fuel will put the transportation of passengers and mail in the realm of practicality.

Mayor Wants Butler to Stay.
Philadelphia.—Mayor W. Freeland Kendrick announced recently that prior to the expiration of Gen. Smedley D. Butler's leave of absence from the Marine Corps, he will make personal application to President Coolidge to have the General remain in this city as Director of Public Safety. "General Butler and I disagreed on some things," said the mayor, "but those differences have been settled and I want General Butler to continue in his present position."

Help Spur Grow
J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, was among the number in Spur Monday, trading and meeting friends here that day.

Help Spur Grow
W. F. Foreman, of Foreman's Chapel community, was here transacting business Friday of last week, and while here was a very pleasant caller at our sanctum sanctorum. We are always glad to have our friends call around to see us.

Help Spur Grow
J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was among the number of business visitors here Monday. Mr. Karr is one of the most successful farmers of the entire country, and never fails to harvest good crops.

Help Spur Grow
Marion Mitchell, of the Red Mud section of country, was in Spur Monday for a short time on business.

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If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

SPUR DRUG STORE

W. S. Leach, a leading citizen and substantial farmer of Dry Lake, was here Saturday again meeting with his friends. Mr. Leach was in the beginning of the campaign for tax assessor of Dickens county, in the recent campaign, having withdrawn from the race before the primaries because of his inability to make the proper campaign over the county. He may be in the race either two or four years hence, and if so will make others move about in the race to beat him.

Help Spur Grow
Jim Smith was in Spur Monday from his farm home on Dry Lake. Jim has been here since the beginning of Spur and is one of the very best and most substantial citizens of the country. He is this year making good crops, regardless of the unfavorable conditions prevailing in some localities.

Help Spur Grow
Judge Worswick was in Spur Saturday afternoon, greeting his friends. Judge Worswick probably knows more people here than any other man in the country, since he has been here and in public life since before the organization of the county. There is not a man anywhere with a bigger heart than Judge Worswick.

Help Spur Grow
Lon Fuqua, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Saturday trading with merchants and meeting with friends. Mr. Fuqua is one of the oldest settlers of this section of the country, the Fuquas having settled here when the country was one vast cattle range and wire fences probably unknown.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. Garrett, of west of Spur, was among the crowds here Saturday, on business and taking advantage of the trade offerings of the live-wire merchants of the city.

Help Spur Grow
Newt Cravey, of Red Mud, was in town Saturday, buying supplies and meeting his friends. Newt is another native Westerner, and while it may go against the grain for him to farm, yet he produces the stuff and is one of the most successful and prosperous farmers of the country.

Help Spur Grow
Bill McArthur, of west of Spur, came in Monday and spent some time in the city meeting with his friends and trading with merchants. He reports everything all right in his section.

Help Spur Grow
L. B. McMeans, of near Spur, was here the first of the week trading with merchants and greeting his numerous friends.

Help Spur Grow
D. J. Gilbert, of Twin Wells, was transacting business here Monday.

We recently drove with C. D. Cope land over his seven hundred acre field, all in one body, and saw some fine cotton. While this year may not have been considered a banner year in production per acre, yet the crops are good considering the disadvantages. At that time Mr. Cope had already ginned and marketed two hundred fifty bales of cotton, and in this one field he will probably get fifty more bales.

Help Spur Grow
W. T. Wilson and wife, of east of Spur, returned last week from a trip to Crowell, Vernon and on into Oklahoma where they visited with friends and relatives.

Help Spur Grow
R. R. Wooten, county commissioner elect, of McAdoo, was among the business visitors on the streets last Saturday. Mr. Wooten is going to make Dickens county a fine commissioner.

Help Spur Grow
Clarence Bilberry, who is now located at Quitaqua, was down spending the week end with his parents and young gentlemen friends of the city. Clarence is engaged in selling one of the most popular makes of cars, the Ford, at Quitaqua, and reports business in that line good there as well as elsewhere over the country. Before returning Monday Clarence handed us the required amount of cash to keep him informed of the happenings in and around Spur for a year.

Help Spur Grow
W. F. Shugart, of east of Spur, was among the number on the streets Saturday.

Help Spur Grow
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, of Dry Lake, were shopping with the crowds in Spur Saturday.

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J. H. Fulcher
SPUR, TEXAS

E. Goeth, representing E. C. Palmer & Co., wholesale stationery dealer, paid the Texas Spur office a regular monthly visit this week. Mr. Goeth is an old time printer and newspaper man himself, knows the troubles and hardships of the country printing shop, and he never fails to render us valuable aid and counsel. We appreciate his visits, and hope that we can get enough printing to have our paper sent out in car lots before many years have rolled round.

Help Spur Grow
A turkey dinner was given Saturday by the Missionary Society at the Methodist church. Quite a number enjoyed the feast, and at the same time contributed to the church fund.

Help Spur Grow
R. P. Bell, who is this year teaching the Dry Lake school, was among the crowds in Spur Saturday. He reports the Dry Lake school progressing very nicely at this time.

Help Spur Grow
Dennis Harkey, of Dickens, passed through Spur Monday, going to Jayton on business.

Blinding Headaches

"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. . . I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used

Thedford's BLACK-DRAUGHT

and it relieved me. "About eight years ago my wife got down with liver and stomach trouble. . . We tried all week to help her, . . . but she didn't get any better. One day I said to the doctor, 'I believe I will try Black-Draught, it helps my liver.' He said that I might try it and to follow directions. She was nauseated and couldn't eat or rest. She began taking Black-Draught and in two days she was greatly improved and in a week she was up." Try Black-Draught. It costs only one cent a dose. Sold everywhere. E-99

Recently F. W. West, who had been spending much of his time in Spur, wound up his business in settling the estate of his deceased brother, and returned to his home in Abilene.

Sim Moss, of north of Dickens, was in Spur Tuesday, and while here dropped in to see us for a few minutes pleasant conversation. Sim Moss is a gentleman of the old school and is a solid, substantial citizen.

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"HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES" (Hunt's Salve and Soap) are especially compounded for the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter and other itching skin diseases, and is sold on our money-back guarantee by all reliable drug stores.

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

SPUR DRUG STORE

SPUR FARM LANDS

A REDUCTION IN LAND PRICES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER, 20 1924

For the First Time in the History of Spur, Farm Lands Sales, we Have Lowered existing Prices.

This applies to nearly all of our property in Dickens County, and, in some instances, the reduction is as great as \$8.50 per acre.

We believe these new prices will fully equalize valuations over the pastures, and that they will prove Attractive.

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One-fifth cash, the balance in six equal annual payments, notes payable on or before maturity, with interest at 8 per cent.

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Join now!

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McADOO ITEMS.

McAdoo is the most wide-awake little village in Dickens county. Being located on the plains, it cannot be otherwise. The gins are running almost day and night, and with ten days more of cotton picking weather the cotton crop will about all be gathered.

Last Saturday morning, Jo, the young son of Rush McLaughlin happened to the sad misfortune of losing one of his hands, due to the accidental discharge of a gun which he thought was not loaded. One shot struck him in the face inflicting a slight wound.

There was a box supper in the school building last Friday night given in the interest of the school. From it were received \$188.65. A box of candy went to the prettiest young lady, and brought sixty five dollars. A water melon went to the homeliest man, it bringing six dollars. Mrs. Mollie Nichols was voted the candy, and Mr. Wallace, our congenial druggist, received the water melon. The funds are to be used for school equipment. The basket ball team will be fitted out with suits and a new ball. The walls of the rooms are to be painted, also some playground equipment installed for the small children.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the home of Mr. Rose on Sunday night.

The Baptist preacher failed to come to his appointment Sunday, possibly on account of the inclement weather.

The Stalcup's visited relatives in Floyd and Hale counties Saturday and Sunday.

Help Spur Grow
Messrs. J. R. Freeman and C. Sherrod and their wives, of near the city of Ralls, were visitors and shoppers in Spur Monday of this week. They came down especially to see N. N. Morris whose farm near Ralls they desired to lease for coming year.

Texas Items

An issue of \$4000 Groom (Carson County) independent school district bonds bearing 5 per cent and maturing in 20 years, has been approved by the attorney general's department.

A million dollar cotton crop is in prospect for Tom Green County figuring 9000 bales at present prices. This will fall short of 1920's record yield by not more than 1000 bales.

An issue of \$40,000 City of Cumby (Hopkins County) waterworks bonds bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

The average per capita cost of maintaining state wards in September was \$21.69, the state board of control has reported. There are 11,700 inmates enrolled in the seventeen eleemosynary institutions.

All of the big mills of Angeline County have made arrangements for special water supplies and the calamity of closing down because of the excessive drouth has for the present been happily averted.

An issue of \$10,000 Wilson (Lynn County) independent school district bonds bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

There are 169 naturalization petitions pending for hearing in the United States court, Southern District of Texas. Not all of them are for hearing in the fall term. A number of women are included among the petitions pending.

The commission has postponed until November 28, at request of petitioners, application of the Mont-Texas Operating Corporation for authority to erect a carbon black plant in Eastland County to burn residue gas from casing head gasoline plants.

Extension of Houston's postoffice carrier service to include approximately 232 more blocks, with the addition of ten new carriers, was announced this week by Postmaster Roy B. Nichols. The total extensions added within the past year include more than 500 blocks.

A preliminary survey is being made to connect the White Point gas well, 11 miles south of Sinton, on the north shore of Nueces Bay, and the Refugio gas well, a project which will give Sinton a daily available supply of natural gas. Sinton has previously been supplied by the White Point gas.

The Association of Military Surgeons and the Air Service Medical association will meet in joint session in their annual conventions in San Antonio November 13-15. Members from all parts of the United States and from England, Mexico, Japan, France and other countries are expected to attend.

A move has been put on foot by the Farmers Protective Association of Mission, towards obtaining ownership and control of the irrigation system serving the Mission territory. The Mission and Mercedes systems are the only large irrigation systems in the valley now owned by private interests. Mission farmers have been agitating home ownership of the system for some time and determined efforts are to be made at this time to bring about such ownership.

A strong effort to obtain a modification of the quarantine imposed by nearly a dozen states against Texas on account of the foot and mouth disease in a small area in Harris County, is to be made by George B. Terrell, state commissioner of agriculture. Terrell says there is "absolutely no necessity" for the quarantine to apply to portions of Texas hundreds of miles from the infected area. The quarantine applies not only to live stock but also to agricultural products.

The Texas highway commission has been asked by a committee of Orange citizens and officials, to make advances to the Louisiana highway board to ward the construction of a highway bridge across the Sabine River, boundary between the two States, at Orange, to link up the Old Spanish trail between Texas and New Orleans, and to do away with a 2 1/2 mile ferry now in use. Orange has its share of funds in the bank to build the bridge, and is asking the States to join in the construction cost, the committee pointed out.

Fort Worth, Texas, with but nine automobile fatalities in 1923, had the best record of any city within the death registration area, the department of commerce announced this week. Fort Worth's rate was six and six-tenths per 100,000 of population, Camden, N. J., with a death rate of 35.6 per 100,000 population, was highest. Not all of Texas is in the death registration area, and therefore figures for only four cities were made public. Dallas had 34 deaths from automobile accidents in 1923. Houston had 25 and San Antonio 30.

Preparations are being made to start work on the terminals and warehouses of the Rio Grande Railway at Point Isabel in order that the road which is being standardized at the present time, will be in shape to handle heavy freight shipments when the port is opened. Work has been going on for the past month in standardizing the road, five miles of rails having arrived and 14,000 ties. About 12 miles of the road will have been standardized at the completion of the present work, and the remainder was already standardized.

Mrs. E. L. Caraway returned the first of the week from Peacock where she spent several days visiting with relatives and friends.

L. B. McMeans, of near Spur, was here the first of the week trading with merchants and greeting his numerous friends.

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

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

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$125,000.00
Spur, Texas

To Our Friends:

SUBJECT: Savings Department
Celebration Week

You will, no doubt, recall that December 21 and 22, last year was designated as "Boys and Girls Days" at the Spur National Bank, with invitations extended to become depositors with us. Thus giving them an opportunity, early in life, to learn and enjoy the pleasures and benefits to be derived from a bank account. The results was that 532 boys and girls enrolled with us, on those dates, with aggregate deposits of more than \$7,800.00.

They rallied so generously to this invitation that we promised them a Savings Department as soon as we felt that such a department would ever pay expenses. We think the time has arrived, and are therefore going to make our promise good by opening a Savings Department, December 15, and will begin paying 4 per cent on all savings accounts after January 1, 1925.

This department will be dedicated to the boys and girls of Dickens County and adjacent territory.

We are going to this additional expense for the special benefit of the young folks, yet the grown-ups shall be entitled to all its privileges, and heartily solicited to participate in its benefits.

It is unusual, as most of us know, to have the advantages of a savings department, paying 4 per cent interest, in a town the size of Spur, but we feel that our good people are entitled to as good as the best—in everything.

We are not unmindful of the fact that it would be quite an undertaking, by ourselves, but we have come to believe that almost anything can be accomplished with the loyal support and hearty co-operation of so many good friends.

December 15 to 20, inclusive, will be Celebration Week at the Spur National Bank, celebrating our fifteenth anniversary. Our banking rooms will be decorated to suit the occasion, the Savings Department thrown open, and everybody, whether customers or not, invited to pay us a visit and share the pleasures with us.

The last three days of this week, December 18, 19 and 20, will be designated as Boys and Girls Days, during which time we hope to have the pleasure of receiving a deposit in our new department from every school boy and girl in this entire trade territory, as well as from the younger children, and the fathers and mothers. You will be privileged on and after December 15 to transfer your present balance, or any portion of it, to a savings account, bearing 4 per cent interest.

All ladies depositing in either department, during Celebration Week, and those already having accounts here, will be presented with a candy, cake and cookie chart containing some of the best recipes obtainable. It is said when the copyright was granted for these charts they were so appealing that the girls in the Copyright Office at Washington immediately ordered copies for their personal use.

A savings account, properly cultivated, is educational, and beneficial in many other ways. \$1.00 and up starts an account.

We thank you heartily for reading this letter, and hope that our efforts may prove beneficial to you and the community as a whole.

Come and bring the children. Let's pull together and make this the most prosperous community in West Texas.

Your fifteen year old friend,

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK

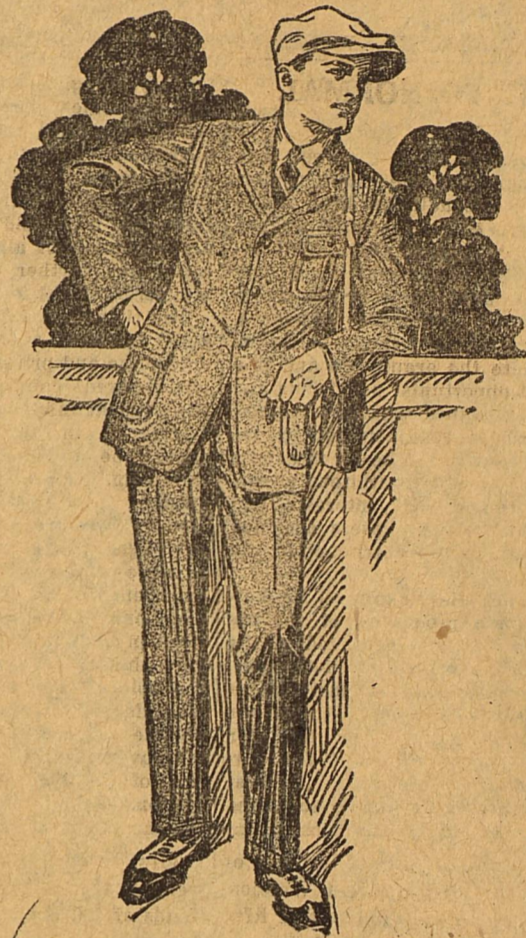
Scintillating!

NEW ARRIVALS, Scintillating with the Season's Best Offerings! Full to Capacity of Winter's Needs—Sizzling Bargains—Values Supreme and Incomparable Quality—Inviting Prices that Mean Something to the Trade. Your Christmas and Winter Problems can be Easily Solved Here. Economical Buyers will be pleased with the varied items on display throughout this store. COME!

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C. R. Edwards & Co., first with the New Fashions, presents Smart Shoes for Women who wear the new fashions first. Shoes in the color of honey, blending perfectly with all shades of brown, rust and red, making a smart contrast for black, dark blue and lebanon green costumes. Look our goods over before buying!

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Christmas Season!

GREETINGS of the Christmas Season, and many good wishes for continued happiness carry with them a thoughtful interest in your selection. Naturally in Gift Giving the Spirit is of most value, so whether you express in simple or the more expensive form, the sincere spirit of Christmas will meet your approval here.

Real Shoes for the Boys!

BOYS WILL BE BOYS, and such being the case, it is necessary to build Shoes that will Stand the Rough and Tumble Play with which they test them. We recommend THE ENDCOTT JOHNSON SHOE to meet the needs and requirements of boys who are hard on shoes.

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WHY BANKS?

LESSON XII

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

What is a Trust Company? Technically defined it is a bank that specializes in investment and fiduciary services in addition to general banking services. Humanly speaking, it is what its name implies—a place of trust.



J. H. Puelicher

INVESTMENT—lending money for income or profit to business and governments to "carry on." Such lending is often done through the purchase by investors of bonds selected by a bank or a trust company as safe and desirable.

FIDUCIARY—held in trust and confidence. For example, a trustee holds a man's estate for the benefit of his widow or children, cares for it faithfully, invests it prudently and uses it for their welfare in accordance with his wishes.

TRUST COMPANIES are able to fulfill these functions because of their experience in investments, because of their trained officers, and because of their continuous existence while an individual often knows nothing of investments, usually lacks experience and training, and may die during the life of the trust.

BACK TO NORMAL

In no period since the war has greater progress in the return to normal business conditions been made by industry, commerce and finance than during the past year. This re-establishment of normal conditions has been brought about by the working of purely economic influences. These influences and this result completely refute the arguments and pretensions of opportunist politicians and radical demagogues who have sought to bring about readjustment by political measures. These measures were aimed to give gratuitous advantages to the special interests and classes which the proposers assumed to represent, to the detriment of the general good.

The virtual disappearance, by natural economic processes, of the abnormalities that have persisted, as the long drawn out aftermath of the war, has removed whatever justification their presence seemed to give for governmental paternalism and for special measures of relief for particularly distressed classes. At best these measures were merely sedatives

for psychological conditions and not real remedies for economic conditions. To that extent they served a purpose, but there is no further public good that they can serve. With normal conditions once more established it should be the resolute determination of all business men to resist any further effort at political interference with economic processes. The time is at hand for a thoroughgoing return to a free play of private enterprise and private initiative under unhampered competitive conditions. Government influence and political interference in respect to business should be reduced to an absolute minimum. We as bankers ask no special privileges for ourselves. Equally we are opposed to special privileges for other groups at the expense of the general welfare. The experience of the past few years has been one of the greatest demonstrations in history of the validity of the view that the community interests of a people are best served by the maximum degree of private enterprise and private initiative with the minimum of government regulation.—Declaration of the American Bankers Association.

O. B. Sims, of Route A out of Spur, met us on the street Wednesday and handed us a dollar and fifty cents to renew his subscription to the Texas Spur, further making us feel good by complimenting us in publishing a newsy, wide-awake and worthy newspaper. Such compliments and substantial encouragement is certainly appreciated. Mr. Sims just returned Sunday from Dallas where he had been to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Sturgeon, whose death occurred the past week in their Dallas home.

WANTED—Good second hand harness. Must be cheap. See me at my gin.—M. Hargrove. 4-1t

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MASTER FORGERS' TRICKS EXPOSED

The "Perfect Forgery" Always Has a Weak Spot That Leads to Penman's Downfall.

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Bankers Working Together to Catch Crooks Who Cause Losses of \$150,000,000 With Bad Checks Yearly.

A bogus check scheme that was so original, sound and business-like that it became known in detective circles as "the one perfect forgery," but finally, like all of them, led to its own inventor being trapped, is described by Reuben A. Lewis, Jr., in the American Bankers Association Journal. The article, which says forgeries cost the banks and business concerns at least \$150,000,000 a year, deals with the ways of forgers and the relentless warfare being conducted against them by the bankers.

"Crime does not pay," Mr. Lewis says. "Soon the law reaches out and seizes the misguided operator who thinks he can get away with it. For one of the peculiar things about the forger is that, while he may devise a clever scheme that brings a rich return on its initial trial, he continues to work it until caught."

"Fortunately, there appears to be a weak spot in the best laid scheme. And just as soon as this weak spot is uncovered, it is broadcast to all the banks in the land. So the banks, informed as to the method of approach that the forger will make, and the little peculiarities of the job, are on the alert to nab him when he makes his next reappearance."

The King of Forgers
"The 'master forger' is William Hamilton Harkins, probably the most dangerous operator known to the banking world. Several times in the toils of the law, Harkins has managed to escape. The daring 'king' of the forgers made a confession that he had defrauded banks of more than \$300,000 during the years of his career."

"His scheme follows a certain set pattern. The key to Harkins' plan is obtaining a blank check from the checkbook of a well known firm. Recently Harkins sauntered into the office of a granite dealer. He ordered a monument and tendered a check for a substantial part of the memorial. He requested the proprietor of the store to permit him to dash off a letter to his folks at home. Seizing a propitious moment, Harkins spotted his checkbook, noted the exact balance, tore out a sheet of checks and disappeared."

"Reproducing the proprietor's signature, Harkins drew up a sizeable check. On the reverse side he inscribed his alias as the payee and then added after 'O. K.' the facsimile of the depositor's signature. This acted as an identification indorsement, so when he presented the check at the bank it was readily cashed."

The Weak Spot
"The weak spot in Harkins' scheme is the identification indorsement. If the teller, before cashing any check bearing this alleged indorsement, telephoned to the depositor and checked up on its issuance, the scheme would have short shrift."

Banks throughout the country have been put on guard against Harkins and his plan and it is believed he cannot operate long without again falling into the net. The scheme that was pronounced unbeatatable was devised by a forger known as F. Mayer and centered around the certified check fraud. Mr. Lewis says, continuing:

"F. Mayer would open accounts with four or five banks in a sizeable city. The largest account ran around \$5,000. By kiting checks back and forth between the several banks, he would establish his identity with the tellers and become known as a man accustomed to deal in large figures."

"After conducting these preliminaries for a few weeks, Mayer would go to the bank where he had his largest account and ask that a certified check be issued to him for substantially all of the money remaining to his credit. From the genuine check, he would make four or five duplicates."

"In turn, Mayer would visit the other banks, where he had established small accounts. Inasmuch as he had cashed checks for some time, Mayer generally had little trouble in getting the banks to honor the certified checks. If a teller took the precaution of calling the issuing bank on the telephone to inquire if it had made out such a certified check, he would gain confirmation."

The Forger Caught
"But even the 'perfect' forgery scheme cannot be worked with impunity. Mayer succeeded in defrauding Kansas City banks out of \$27,000 and made his escape. A few months later he was walking down the streets of Los Angeles when a teller who had honored one of the bogus checks in the middle western city recognized him. Mayer took to his heels with the former teller in hot pursuit, and the criminal lost."

The losses sustained through forgeries by banks may be mainly attributed to the failure of the tellers to observe the rules against cashing checks for strangers or allowing depositors to draw on uncollected items.

"A relentless, sustained hunt is conducted to apprehend the forgers. The new twists, the variations in the methods, the latest ruses used are followed by the detectives. The modes of operation are broadcasted throughout the country," the article declares. "The American Bankers Association alone, through its Protective Division, spends more than \$100,000 a year to check depositions against banks."

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In 192 Places in United States Its Relief Operations Cost \$737,603.

One hundred and ninety-two disasters resulting in 735 deaths and injury to 1,922 persons, rendering nearly 44,000 homeless and causing property losses estimated at more than \$44,750,000, established a new record in the United States in the year ended last June 30, according to reports of the American Red Cross. In all of these disasters immediately relief activity was applied by the Red Cross, which expended \$737,603.37 through the national organization and the local Chapters in assisting stricken communities.

As the nation's chief relief agency, whose service covers over 43 years, the Red Cross is expected to be on duty almost as soon as disaster strikes any locality. This trust and confidence is amply justified by the increasing equipment of the Red Cross, which recently organized a mobile disaster unit of experienced workers ready in all parts of the country to respond on the instant to a call for active duty. This unit is capable of operating in several disaster areas under one general direction, and recently was at work in seven communities in five states at the same time. Ability, alertness and increasing skill of volunteer workers in more than 3,500 Chapters are reasons for the preparedness of Red Cross for disaster operations, be the call for a disturbance in a restricted local area or for millions in relief funds for a staggering catastrophe such as the earthquake in Japan.

The Red Cross, however, is far from being self-satisfied, for the organization is giving the most serious consideration to measures for preventing disasters. Its relief administration and rehabilitation policies have won for it nation-wide regard. That this important work can always measure up to every demand needs the continued support of the American people through Red Cross membership. The annual enrollment will begin Armistice Day, November 11, and every American is urged to join or renew membership in the Red Cross.

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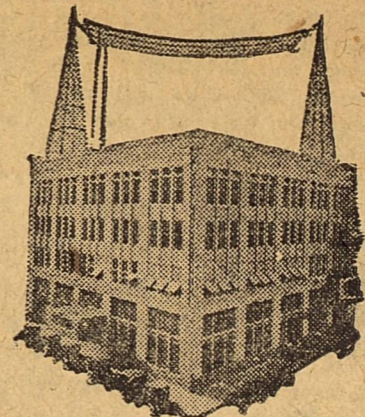
Judge J. B. Morrison was in Spur one day during the week meeting with his friends. At the recent general election Mr. Morrison was elected Justice of the Peace of his precinct in Kent county, and as a result is now in a position to not only enforce justice, law and order within his district, but to also have a dis-

tinctive and distinguished recognition at the hands those who address his Honor—as well as get revenge upon those who thus honored him with the position.

Help Spur Grow—Bob Goodall, ex-sheriff of Kent county, was greeting his friends in Spur Wednesday.

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How, When and Where to Market Your Poultry to the Very Best Advantage

By Marilla Adams in Western Farm Life

How, when and where to market the farm poultry surplus, and in what condition to market it, are questions that call for answer with the arrival of fall.

Most poultry is sold from the farm "on the hoof." The individual farmer does not wish to take the time for home dressing. He is unfamiliar with the best methods of finishing, dressing, packing, and shipping. He lacks the equipment for chilling and holding and he does not have the market outlets to dispose of the dressed product to the best advantage. Similar reasons were responsible for the shift from farm slaughter of cattle and hogs to the big packing houses and caused creameries to replace farm butter making.

Much poultry is shipped alive to the large consuming centers, but whether dressed in the smaller towns near the point of production or in the large cities, a goodly fraction of it is put through an intensive fleshing or finishing process before slaughter. Spring chickens are fed about ten to fifteen days and hens five to ten days in crates arranged in batteries in the poultry packing houses. They are given all they will eat two or three times a day of a ration such as 60 per cent of finely ground corn meal and 40 per cent red dog flour or white middlings mixed with enough buttermilk to make it like mortar.

Young chickens will add 20 to 60 per cent to their original weight by feeding in this way and 350 to 400 pounds of dry feed, with the buttermilk used to moisten it, will produce 100 pounds of gain. Compared with the cost of making gains on other kinds of livestock, together with the selling price, poultry fleshing has distinct advantages.

Besides the additional weight, the carcass is made more plump and attractive in appearance and is bleached by the milk feeding. All these benefits are preserved by slaughtering as soon as the finishing process is completed. Poultry which is milk-fed and fattened to capacity on the farm will shrink and be very easily bruised and blemished when shipped alive so that it will grade as first class when dressed and most of the results of special feeding are lost.

This does not mean that no effort should be made to finish poultry to be sold from the farm. Handlers of poultry constantly complain that only a small per centage comes to market as well finished as it might properly be made by the producer. For this very reason, the poultry fleshing industry has furnished a golden opportunity to the packers.

Prices for live poultry in the large cities discriminate between the unfinished and the well-fleshed. To some extent this is shown by weight. Heavy hens, for example, are selling for from 4 to 7 cents more than light hens weighing under four pounds. The discrimination is most pronounced during the fall and early winter since the percentage of heavy, well-finished birds in the receipts increase after the first of the year.

Country buyers may try to buy all poultry at a flat price instead of paying a premium for that which is fat. In such cases, producers can ship direct to reliable commission houses on the large markets, if the distance is not too great, where their poultry will sell more nearly on its merits. Regular shipping crates which can be obtained through the commission house, should be used.

During the cold weather, the farmer can dress his birds and ship them without fear of spoiling. Dressed poultry costs less to ship than live and must approach the standards of the shrinkage will be small. The farmer who undertakes to dress his own poultry will be competing with the professional dressers, however, and much approach the standards of packing set by them.

No food is given for a day before slaughter, the birds are stuck so that they bleed thoroughly, and they are plucked dry instead of scalded. The heads are wrapped in paper to avoid smelling other parts of the carcasses with blood. The birds are cooled for a day or so in a room slightly above freezing, and then sorted into uniform sizes and graded and packed in boxes of a dozen birds or in barrels. The barrels may be packed with ice, or if the weather is cold, the birds may be shipped by express in boxes without ice.

Markets differ to some extent, but dressed broilers are usually sorted into those weighing under 20 pounds to the dozen, those weighing 20 to 24 pounds, and 25 to 30 pounds; fryers, 31 to 35 pounds and roasters, 36 to 42 pounds, 43 to 47 pounds, and 48 pounds up. Fowls, which

are hens and pullets beyond the springer stage, are sorted into similar groups from 30 pounds down to 66 pounds up. Those in barrels or kegs are not sorted so closely. Milk-feds at the present time bring 1 to 3 cents a pound more than corn-feds on the New York market.

Poultry producers located reasonably close to the larger towns and cities found in every state have an opportunity to develop a special trade with hotels and well-to-do consumers who are willing to pay attractive prices for high-class milk-fed poultry dressed on the farm. For such trade, it may be advisable to draw and truss the birds before they are delivered.

All these methods of marketing call for extra time and labor, which the farmer may find it convenient to furnish when field work is not pressing. Cooperative marketing, when it reaches the stage of operating poultry fleshing and packing plants, which are not costly, offers a better way for the producer to get the full worth of his product.

Poultry marketed early in a season commands the highest prices, just as does every other seasonal product which is ready for sale before the mass. Broilers are very scarce in late April, May and June, for example, so that they bring a big premium over fowls and a much higher price than later on, when the supply becomes more abundant. The farmer who can have broilers weighing from one and a half to two pounds to market early in the season can be certain of handsome returns.

Since a bird which is a "broiler" at one stage of its growth becomes a "fryer" later on and still later a "roaster," and then a "fowl" or a "stag" it is not so easy to determine the comparative merits of selling at different seasons of the year.

Broilers decline during July and August from their Spring high point, but have averaged fairly stable as between the different months thereafter. The demand for them usually is excellent again during the fall. Starting in September, roasters decline until December and January, which are the buying months. Fowls reach their peak in March, April and May, when they are laying heavily and are kept back on the farms. December is the low point, as young chickens are plentiful then, but prices in other months show much stability.

In view of the normal downward trend during the fall months, it would seem advisable to sell well finished spring chickens in late September and October instead of glutting the market in the early winter, when the peak of receipts normally arrives. At this time, packers are storing the surplus and will attempt to keep quotations for both live and dressed stock on the lowest possible level. Greater weight may be obtained by holding poultry until late in the season, but against this must be weighed the lower price, and the change from broiler to fryer or roaster prices, to say nothing of the labor and feed involved. Spring roasters are classified as "stags" beginning around the first of the year and sell at a lower price.

Leghorns, which are in a class by themselves as producers of fine white eggs, have long been discriminated against in the poultry market all along the line from shipper to consumer. The discount may be as much as 6 or 8 cents a pound. Since the breed is small and does not yield readily to fattening, those of the usual broiler size are older than the more meaty breeds and their large combs make the consumer think they are older than they really are. They often dress out dark also. The best way of handling them appears to be to sell the surplus roasters as squab broilers weighing from three-fourths to one and a fourth pounds. Up to that weight they grow well, but become too "scrappy" thereafter. The main demand is for yellow-skinned birds such as are produced by the general purpose breeds which predominate in the farm poultry flocks. Strange enough, European consumers are partial to white-skinned birds.

Turkeys are marketed mostly during November and December. It has been estimated that 95 per cent of the turkeys are killed, dressed and marketed during these two months and that about 75 per cent of all the turkeys consumed in the United States are sold for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade. A comparatively small quantity is stored. Many turkeys are not fully grown or fat at Thanksgiving time, and all such should be held back for a later market. The middle of September is not too early to begin fattening turkeys in order to have them in the

best condition for the holiday trade. Ducks and geese also find an active demand at the holiday season.

In general chicken prices do not respond so strongly to the holiday trade as do other classes of poultry for which the demand is more partial. Also, extremely large receipts of chickens at those seasons largely offset any increase which does occur in the demand. One advantage of selling direct to consumers is that the producer can sell the year round and is in a better position to average his returns.

Capon production offers excellent possibilities for enterprising farmers as the market for them is never overloaded.

The best market days in the large cities as a rule are from Tuesday to Friday inclusive. In the case of an approaching feast day, however, there is a demand every day in the week. Jewish holidays, of which there is a series along in September and October and again during the spring, create special demand for fat live poultry which is then slaughtered according to certain Jewish regulations. The exact time of these holidays varies from year to year. If the producer wishes to strike this market, his poultry should arrive two or three days before the holiday.

Another question involved in marketing this year's surplus is whether poultry production generally should be expanded further. The increase in the last few years has been more rapid than the increase in demand. The saturation point of the egg and poultry market has not been reached and moderately lower prices could prevail before production would be at a loss. But, for the good of all, it is probably desirable to slow down the process of expansion to a rate more nearly equal to the annual increase in the consuming population.

Ben Rutledge, of near Spur, was on the streets one day the latter part of the past week. He informed us that he had been "hitting the ball" this year, and as a result is making good crops. He incidentally handed us a dollar and fifty cents and told us to keep the Spur coming his way, that he liked it—couldn't live without it, and would have more money for us when the time of subscription expired. You know that makes a poor, country newspaper man feel good, and maybe glad he is not a millionaire. We wouldn't exchange our friends for all the money in the world.

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Sheriff Luther Jones went to San Antonio and the Fredericksburg section of country last week on the trail of automobile thieves. He succeeded in locating a stolen car and brought it back to the owner, E. L. Caraway, but the thief did not make his appearance on the scene. Luther Jones is making an active officer, and every time a thief comes into his territory he gets on the trail and brings back the goods.

W. M. Ledford returned this week to Spur. He has been down in the San Antonio country. Mrs. Ledford remained down there where she will spend the winter with her sons. Mr. Ledford will go back to San Antonio to spend Christmas, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Arnold Copeland, his daughter, who will also spend the holidays there with her mother and brothers.

M. S. Faver, of east of Afton, was in the city Monday of this week, spending the day here on business and meeting with his friends and acquaintances. Mr. Faver reports everything moving along nicely in his part of the country.

D. F. Capshaw and family, of the Afton country, were among the shoppers in Spur Saturday. While here Mr. Capshaw called around at the Texas Spur office and renewed his subscription for another year, for which he has our thanks and appreciation. It is our hope and desire to have the Texas Spur going into every home of this entire country, and good headway is being made to that end. Mr. Capshaw recently purchased the J. V. McCormick place near Afton, and will move the first of the year to his new farm home.

Mrs. Roy Arrington, of east of Spur, was a shopper in the city Saturday. She is contemplating a visit to friends in Amarillo at an early date.

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John Southworth came over Monday from Dickens, spending a few hours in Spur meeting friends and looking after business matters. John is now assisting in the sale of the Matador lands recently placed on the market, and informs us that numerous sales are being made at this time. In fact, it is reported that a number of people were standing ready and did buy a number of tracts when the sale word was said. This is a fine body of farm lands, and soon will all be under cultivation.

W. F. McCarty, county tax assessor-elect, made a business trip to Afton Thursday of last week. He was accompanied by his daughter who visited with young lady friends of Afton.

W. M. Moore, of the Steel Hill section of country, was shaking hands with his friends here the first of the week.

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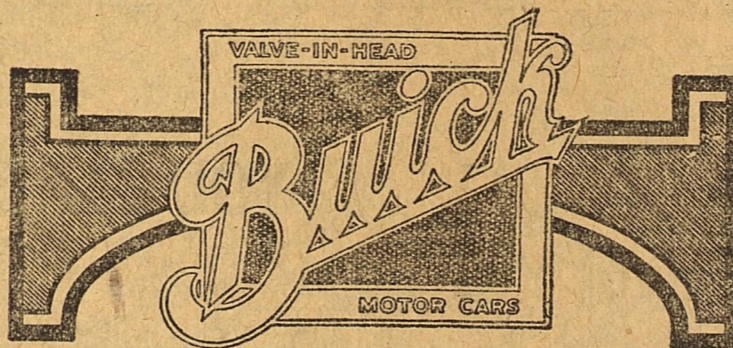
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We are also for the occasion as individuals, thinking we will receive presents. This is customary and you will probably receive many gifts, but do not be surprised by not receiving what you expect, and thus spoil the holiday expectations. Buy such staples now. You need them, and since you have the money get the benefit of wearing them in early December. When Christmas comes, surprise yourself the reverse way by receiving presents you do not expect. The Specials we are Featuring will induce anybody to spend money Now! Catch the Trout While You Have the Bait!

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