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cultural Section of Texas.

# The Texas Spur

## THE DICKENS ITEMS

Cut Cotton Acreage, Raise a Cow, a  
Sow and a Hen is the Farmers  
Slogan for 1927.

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### Worswick Home Struck by Lightning and De- stroyed by Fire on Friday Night

The home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Worswick in Dickens was struck by lightning Friday night of last week, causing a fire which completely destroyed the home together with all the household effects, including the clothing worn by members of the family. The loss amounts to several thousands of dollars as well as the destruction of keepsakes and items which money could not replace.

Judge Worswick carried insurance in a Mutual Insurance Company, but upon investigation following the fire found that it was of no value and could not be collected, therefore the loss was complete to him.

Tuesday of this week Uncle Tom Harkey made up a purse of a hundred or two dollars contributed by friends in Spur and presented to Judge Worswick as a mark of friendship and appreciation of the situation and to somewhat give temporary aid in the loss.

Judge Worswick has rendered thirty odd years of public official service to Dickens county, and probably contributed more to the county and the people in a public and official capacity than any other one man, and his hundreds of friends and acquaintances throughout the country will regret to hear of his misfortune and sympathize with him in the loss of his home.

### Spur Boy Scouts Hike to Lueders for a Few Days Outing

The Spur Boy Scouts, Troup 36, returned Wednesday from Lueders where they had been several days on a hike and outing. The boys were accompanied by Scout Master Rev. A. G. Abbott, W. W. Sample and J. R. Laine.

The scouts had an interesting hike and enjoyable outing.

### Construction Begins on Eight Room Duplex Apartment House

Construction work commenced this week and is now rapidly progressing on an eight-room duplex apartment for Jas. Smith in the northeast residential section of the city of Spur.

The apartment will be completed and ready for occupancy within a few weeks time.

**SATURDAY  
SPECIAL—**

**WIDE DRESS  
GINGHAMS**

**12½ Cts.**

**YARD**

**MANY OTHER  
SPECIALS!**

**SALEM'S**

### West Texas Utilities Co. Begin Construc- tion of High Lines

The West Texas Utilities Company is now putting on a large force of men in the construction of their "high line" from Spur through Girard, Jayton, Peacock, Swenson and to Aspermont. We understand that when this line is constructed the force of men will be removed from Jayton, where the present working headquarters is maintained, to Spur and the construction begun on the line from Spur through Dickens, Elton, Afton and on to Roaring Springs.

The West Texas Utilities Company has plans of extensive improvements which are now being carried out in building high lines and supplying entire territory with electric current and power, which will probably mean more to the advancement of varied interests and institutions of the county than any other company has heretofore undertaken.

### Largest Class in History Graduated by the Spur High School Friday

Friday evening, May 20th, the graduating exercises were held at the Methodist church for one of the largest classes within the history of Spur High School, when Superintendent J. E. Watson, presented diplomas to twenty eight students completing the prescribed high school courses.

The class was composed of twenty girls and eight boys. Jack Hogan was valedictorian, Ethel Cox salutatorian, and Cleo Hazel class prophet, being the three high honor members of the class, other members being: Alton Foreman, Richardson Gibson, Beth Harkey, Helen Newman, Edith McCulloch, Olle Belle Slaton, Jennie Bell Hargrove, Lucile Stewart, Fannie Stewart, Lucy Lee Hargins, Oree Moore, Lurene Cherry, Lucy Moore, Crate Snider, Ona Pifer, Hade Watson, John A. Davis, Florine Addington, Lillie Smith, Otie Maude Laster, Beulah Copeland, Opal Scott, Sybil McDaniel, Wallace Bingham, Vera Shepherd, Bill Davis.

Superintendent Watson presented John A. Davis and Richardson Gibson each a football suit for having been members of the athletic team throughout the four years of the high school courses.

Dr. P. W. Horn, president of the Tech College at Lubbock, made the class address, the members each wearing gowns and caps.

The Texas Spur has felt an interest in this class, having been associated with them, and especially those composing the editorial staff of the Rowel, the high school publication, and we not only extend them congratulations, but wish each success in their undertakings in the beginning of life's work—and we feel that each "has it in them" to not only make good, but distinguished marks in the world.

### Summer School Now In Progress for a Six Weeks Session

Monday, following the close of the regular terms of Spur Schools, a session of six weeks summer school was commenced, Superintendent Watson, and Misses Virginia Forbis and Anderson teaching classes from the sixth grade up.

This special summer session is for the special benefit of those pupils who failed in one or more subjects at the regular term, thus making it possible for them to enter and complete the regular courses prescribed for the next regular term.

The 1c Sale is now on and will continue over Friday and Saturday at the City Drug Store.

### George Owens Dropped Dead Sunday at His Home Near Elton

George Owens, a prominent citizen and farmer of near Elton in the north part of Dickens county, dropped dead Sunday evening about 8 o'clock at his home, the cause of death being heart failure.

Mr. Owens was an old bachelor, sixty four years of age, having never been married. He had been farming in Dickens county the past two or three years, and was considered one among the best of citizens.

At the time of his death he was making his home with J. B. Morrow and family. Sunday evening he ate a hearty supper, was his usual self and apparently not suffering the least illness. After supper, while Mr. Morrow had gone to the lots doing chores, Mr. Owens picked up a bucket and walked to the well after a bucket of water, when he fell over, dying before members of the family could get to him and render aid.

His remains were carried Monday to Anson, his former home, for interment, being accompanied by his brother, J. W. Owens of Afton, and J. B. Morrow.

### Infant of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Potts Died Here Thursday Night

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Potts, of McAdoo, have the sympathy of friends in their sorrow and misfortune in the death of an infant born to them Thursday night.

Mrs. Potts was brought down to the Nichols Sanitarium where she is now under the treatment of physicians and reported doing nicely at this time.

The little body of the infant was carried Friday to McAdoo where it was interred in the home cemetery.

The Texas Spur joins their friends in extending sympathy and condolence to Mr. and Mrs. Potts in the loss of their first born child.

### ONETA HOGAN DIED FRIDAY.

Oneta Hogan, nine years of age, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hogan, died Friday of last week at one o'clock, following an illness of appendicitis. Little Miss Oneta underwent an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium Monday in the hope of relieving her condition, but neither surgery nor medical skill could counteract the ravages of the disease. Her remains were held over for interment until Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, awaiting the arrival of relatives from a distance.

Little Miss Oneta Hogan was a charming little girl and loved by her associates, and her death is a real sorrow not only to the family but all who knew and were associated with her.

The Texas Spur joins friends in extending sincere sympathy and condolence to Mr. and Mrs. Hogan in this bereavement.

### A Good Rain Fell at Antelope and Girard Last Friday

Erman Bural, of the Antelope community was in Spur Monday and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He informed us that about three fourths of an inch of rain fell Friday of last week in his territory and also at Girard, extending on up into the Red Hill community to the east of Spur. The country has gone dry so long now that even "showers" are appreciated, but what we need is a good, general rain covering the entire country—and every indication is that it will come at no distant date.

### Storm Sweeps Country Monday and Does Much Damage

A wind storm of almost tornado proportions swept the country Monday afternoon, doing some damage in almost every locality, the greatest damage being reported in the Watson community where several farm homes were completely destroyed by the winds, one of which was the Arnold home, Mrs. Arnold and three children being injured. The farm house on the S. B. Scott place in that section was also blown down. The Alec Marsh garage and chicken houses were blown away; a plate glass window in Scott Bros. Market was blown out, and much other minor damage done throughout the town and country.

On Friday of last week a rain and hail storm occurred in the north part of the county doing damage to growing crops, the rain, however, probably balancing up the damage done by hail. Showers sufficient to provide some moisture fell over the country from Dickens north, including Elton, Afton, Croton, McAdoo and at Espuela.

### Rain, Wind and Hail Storm Last Week at Croton and Afton

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was in Spur Monday, calling by and reporting that a wind, rain and hail storm swept the Croton section Thursday and Friday of last week, extending on up into the Afton country, doing considerable damage within the territory covered. The accompanying rain, however, did some good, placing a planting season in the ground and reviving the grain and other crops already planted.

Mr. Shaw is one of the oldest settlers of the country and has ever been a close observer of weather conditions, making the prediction that good, general rains will fall in this section the last days of the month or first days of June.

Up to this date only local showers have fallen, insufficient only in meeting temporary needs, and it is hoped that Uncle Eb's observations and predictions may materialize.

### Croton Consolidated Schools Will Close Friday, June 3rd

Last week, Oscar L. Keller, Superintendent of the Croton Consolidated Schools was in Spur and a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He informed us that the school would close June 3rd after an eight months most successful term, an interesting program now being prepared for the closing exercises on Friday night, June 3rd.

Mr. Kelley has been reemployed as superintendent of the schools for another year, with Mrs. Sam Koonsman and H. E. Barnes as assistant teachers.

### R. P. Rhea Operating Farm in Producing Fine Cotton Seed

R. P. Rhea, who has been buying cotton in Spur the past several seasons, has established a seed farm located near Girard in Kent county, known as the Kent County Mebane Seed Farm, and where he is producing improved cotton seeds for planting purposes. The two leading cotton seeds now being produced are "Espula" and Mebane.

In establishing such a seed farm Mr. Rhea is rendering a real service to the country in that not only the highest class of planting seeds, acclimated to this section, may be had, but in encouraging the production of a higher grade cotton for the markets.

### Andrew Green Purchases the C. E. Skelton Quick Lunch Room

Last week a sale was consummated whereby Andrew Green purchased of C. E. Skelton his Quick Lunch Room on the corner of Burlington Avenue and Fifth Street, the consideration being private.

Mr. Green now has charge of the business, and is experienced as a restaurateur.

### Mrs. Hopkins Closes Sanitary Cafe For a Summer Vacation

Mrs. Hopkins this week closed up her Sanitary Cafe business for the purpose of taking one or two months summer vacation.

Mrs. Hopkins will reopen the business after the summer vacation period, and it is hoped by patrons and friends that her vacation will be most pleasant.

### Miss Lorine Reynolds Purchased Dee Spraberry Restaurant

Last week Miss Lorine Reynolds purchased the Dee Spraberry Restaurant business, and now has charge and management of the business.

Miss Reynolds for some time has also been engaged in the restaurant business at Jayton, and at least temporarily she and her sister will continue to manage the two places.

### Braselton Lumber Co. Doing Improvements Around the Yard

Regardless of talk of "hard times" and the continued dry weather over the country, building improvements continue in Spur and surrounding territory.

This week the Braselton Lumber Company is building an attractive and substantial enclosure surrounding their yard, and making other improvements.

Three brick building additions are under construction in the city.

G. Brown, of north of Spur has just completed the remodeling and addition of porches and rooms to his farm home, making it one of the most attractive, comfortable and handsome farm homes of the country.

Since the opening of Spur Farm Lands to settlement and the establishment of Spur, both the town and country has experienced a continued, steady and substantial building growth and development progress.

The Spur country, within comparatively few years, is destined to become one of the most highly developed and richest agricultural sections of America.

### Commissioner Albin is Doing Extensive Road Work in Precinct

Since assuming his duties as County Commissioner from the Spur precinct H. O. Albin is carrying out an extensive plan of road building and improvement in the different sections of the precinct. At this time he is having a new roadway opened and graded in the Red Hill community, having just completed some substantial road improvement work to the west and north of Spur.

Mr. Albin recently informed us that his plan was to improve the roads in every community, provided he could keep the county machinery for that purpose, and that the work contemplated would keep the road crew busy until September.

Mr. Albin is carefully planning and constantly directing his work, and there is no doubt but that he is going to make one of the best commissioners who has ever served this precinct.

### Jones Test Well for Oil Abandoned as a Dry Hole at 3940 Feet

This week the Jones No. 1 test well for oil, six miles northeast of Spur, was abandoned as a "dry" hole at a depth of 3940 feet by the Clancy and English interests, and the casing is now being pulled and the hole plugged.

This is disagreeable and discouraging news to many of us. However it is possible that another test may be drilled at another location within the blocked acreage. R. D. Clancy has the reputation of never having failed to get oil or abandoned any testing field, and for this reason we personally feel that another hole will be drilled—in the absence of any statement coming from them.

### Gruben Bros. Give An 100-Piece Dinner Set Wednesday

Gruben Bros. this week gave away a 100-piece china dinner set, the Texas Spur force being the lucky winners of this handsome prize.

The prize was given away on one dollar purchases, a clock dial representing the purchase. An eight-day clock was wound up and started to running, the dial corresponding to the time the clock stopped winning the prize. The clock stopped Wednesday afternoon at 5:23.

This is the first time we have ever been fortunate enough to win anything, and we appreciate the dishes. We will hereafter have a table full of beautiful dishes if nothing more.

### C. Hogan & Company One-Dollar Sale Success Sat. and Mon.

The One Dollar Sale conducted by C. Hogan & Company Saturday and Monday was successful and most appropriate at this time, and as a result a large number of dollar sales were made and a comparatively big volume of business done. A dollar is about as much as many buyers now want to spend in view of the "unbalanced" weather and crop conditions and a "Dollar Sale" is appropriate and appealing.

### Forbis Ships Several Loads of Cattle This Week to Ohio

R. C. Forbis Tuesday of this week shipped out of Spur several car loads of cattle consigned to A. E. Parrett of Ohio. For some time Mr. Forbis has been working with Mr. Parrett in the cattle business, the cattle being purchased here and shipped to Ohio where they are "farmed" out to small feeders and finished for the beef markets.

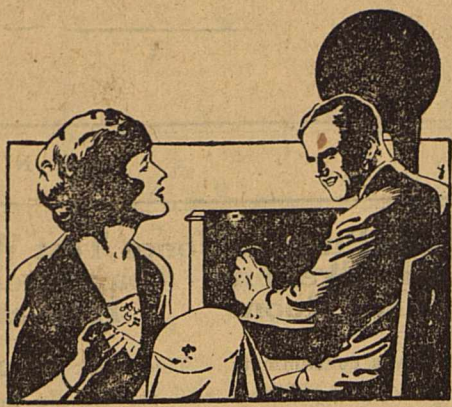
Mr. Forbis also has several other car loads of cattle purchased and which will be shipped out of Roaring Springs to other markets the latter part of this week.

### Mrs. Arnold and Three Children Injured in Storm at Watson

Mrs. J. E. Arnold suffered a broken arm, and her three children were injured Monday afternoon when the high winds completely destroyed their home in the Watson community, some twenty-five miles southwest of Spur. Mrs. Arnold and the children were brought to the Nichols Sanitarium where their wounds were dressed.

Mr. Arnold was in the home also at the time but escaped without injury.

We are informed that two other homes in that community were also completely destroyed by the storm, the occupants being away from home at the time, thus escaping possible injury.



**They Are Prepared For a Rainy Day**

SOMEBODY hundreds of years ago asked the generation of that date to save for a rainy day. That advice has been imparted through the centuries, but strange as it may seem, it has gone unheeded by the thousands.

On the other hand there are countless thousands who have profited by the sound warning: 'Save for a rainy day!' If you will start an account at this bank and then make regular deposits, it will be possible to have an amount sufficient to care for the "rainy days." This bank solicits your patronage and stands ready to assist in the promotion of any legitimate project.

**THE CITY NATIONAL BANK**

Mat Howell was on the streets the other day, meeting with his friends and acquaintances. Here several years ago Mr. Howell drifted out further west, possibly thinking this section was "becoming too crowded" but he is now back and very possibly "permanently settled." There are two or three others of the "old timers" here who drifted west for "freer breezes" and whom we expect to put in an appearance later on—not because "the West" will not provide plenty for them, but because when one once becomes acclimated here he never forgets—and most of them would come back but for being "laughed at."

Miss Alma Thorp, of Stamford, is visiting her cousin, Miss Cap Garner, this week.

Warren Cunningham, of Cross Plains, spent several days of this week in Spur with Oran McClure, Jr. Warren had been up to Pampa with a load of household goods for a family moving to that section. He states that good seasons prevail in Callahan county and good prospects for crops. That section is also fortunate in oil developments, too and while oil development work is being held down at this time, the oil is there to be brought forth when needed.

Bob Hahn greeted us with a two dollar check while in town the other day, to keep the Texas Spur coming his way. A two dollar check these days looks bigger than a saddle blanket to us, and may such greetings grow in numbers.

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**A JOINT RESOLUTION**

S. J. R. No. 33.  
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas removing from the Constitution all limitations as to the amount of compensation of officers, the compensation and expenses of said officers to be provided by law, and fixing the compensation of the Governor, and providing that said amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 1929, and not sooner.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by inserting therein a new section to be numbered Section 30a which shall read as follows:

Section 30a. All provisions of the present Constitution of Texas fixing or limiting the amount of salary or compensation of officers and members of the Legislature are hereby repealed and hereafter said officers and members of the Legislature shall receive such salary or compensation and expenses as now provided until otherwise provided by law. The salary of the Governor shall be Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per year, and no more, payable monthly, and he shall have the occupancy and use of the Governor's mansion, fixtures and furniture.

The salary or compensation of any member of the Legislature shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars per year, and actual traveling expenses from the place of residence to the capital and returning for each session of the Legislature, as shall hereafter be provided by law; and provided that no change of salary or compensation from that now provided by the Constitution shall become effective until the first day of January following the first general election held after adoption of this amendment.

Sec. 2: Said proposed amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of this State qualified to vote on constitutional amendments at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927, at which each voter opposing said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot with a pen or pencil the following words printed thereon:

"For the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas removing from the Constitution all limitations as to the amount of compensation of officers, the compensation and expenses of said officers to be provided by law, and fixing the compensation of the Governor, and providing that said amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 1929, and not sooner;" and each voter favoring said amendment shall scratch off of the ballot in the same manner, the following words printed thereon:

"Against the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas removing from the Constitution all limitations as to the amount of compensation of officers, the compensation and expenses of said officers to be as provided by law, and fixing the compensation of the Governor, and providing that said amendment shall be effective on and after January 1, 1929, and not sooner."

If it shall appear from a return of said election that a majority of the votes cast have been cast in favor of said amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Sec. 3: The Governor shall issue his proclamation calling said election and have the same published and said election held in accordance with this resolution and the Constitution and laws of this State; and return shall be made and the votes canvassed and counted as provided by law; and if said amendment is adopted by the required vote of the qualified electors of this State, the Governor shall issue his proclamation as required by law.

Sec. 4: The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury to pay

for publication of the proclamation calling said election and any expense of the State in submitting said amendment and holding said election.

Approved March 29, 1927.  
(A Correct Copy)

JANE Y. McCALLUM,  
Secretary of State.

H. J. R. No. 25.

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas amending Article VIII by the insertion of Section 1-a therein, authorizing the Legislature to provide for the separation of the objects of taxation for State purposes and for the support of the counties, districts and political subdivisions of the State and Counties, and authorizing the Legislature to provide for the levy of an ad valorem tax or other form of tax for State purposes only, and for local purposes, only; authorizing the Legislature to provide for the classification of objects of taxation and providing that rates shall be equal on the same class of property, and fixing limitations upon taxation.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by inserting therein Section 1-a, as follows:

Section 1-a. The Legislature may separate the objects of taxation for State purposes from the objects of taxation for the support of the counties, districts and political subdivisions of the State and counties; and may provide for the levy of an ad valorem tax, or other form of tax, on certain classes of taxable property, or other objects, for State purposes only (including school purposes); or upon certain classes of property, or other objects, for county or local purposes only (including school purposes). In no event shall the rate of such taxes exceed the sum of the limits of such taxes fixed by this Constitution for State, county and other local purposes. The Legislature may provide for the classification of objects of taxation. Taxation shall be equal and uniform.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State, at an election to be held the first Monday in August A. D. 1927, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon the following: "For the amendment to Article 8, inserting Section 1-A, providing for changing the taxation system so that the State may derive its income, in whole or in part, from other sources than the ad valorem tax."

"Against the amendment to Article 8, inserting Section 1-A, providing for changing the taxation system so that the State may derive its income, in whole or in part, from other sources than ad valorem tax."

Sec. 3. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation ordering an election to determine whether or not the proposed constitutional amendment set forth herein shall be adopted, and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. And the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or so much therein as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of printing said proclamation and of holding said election.

Approved March 11, 1927.  
(A Correct Copy)

JANE Y. McCALLUM,  
Secretary of State.

H. J. R. No. 32

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 60, Article 16 so as to provide that the Legislature may fix the compensation of certain county officers by salaries in lieu of fees, commissions and other prerequisites; providing for an election and making appropriation to pay expenses.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto another section to be known as Section 60, Article 16, to read as follows, to-wit:

Section 60. The Legislature may provide compensation for certain district and county officers, to-wit: The District Attorney, County Judge, County Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, District Clerk, County Tax Assessor and County Tax Collector, by prescribing their duties, and fixing salaries in lieu of fees, commissions and other prerequisites as now provided by the Constitution.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1927, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon "For amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas giving the Legislature power to provide compensation for the District Attorney and county officers through salaries in lieu of fees, and

commissions and prerequisites as now prescribed by the Constitution, and "Against amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas giving the Legislature power to provide compensation for the District Attorney and county officers through salaries in lieu of fees, commissions and prerequisites as now prescribed by the Constitution," leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment.

Sec. 3. There is hereby appropriated out of any money on hand in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars or as much thereof as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the holding of this election, including the expense of printing notices and advertisements.

Sec. 4. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Approved March 25, 1927.  
(A Correct Copy)

JANE Y. McCALLUM,  
Secretary of State

CALL ON

**HAMBERGER KING**

ICE COLD BEER ON TAP

AND REAL HAMBERGERS

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding and children left Spur Sunday for Dallas and other points. They may go on to Houston and probably back by Hempstead where they will visit a few days before returning to Spur.

H. J. Parks, a good citizen and farmer of west of Spur, was here meeting with his friends of the town one day the past week trading and country.

T. H. Tallent, of the Gilpin section of country, was among the business visitors here the first if the week. He reports everything all o. k. at this time in that part of the country.

B. M. Blackmon, of twelve miles west of Spur, was here during the week, trading and talking good times.

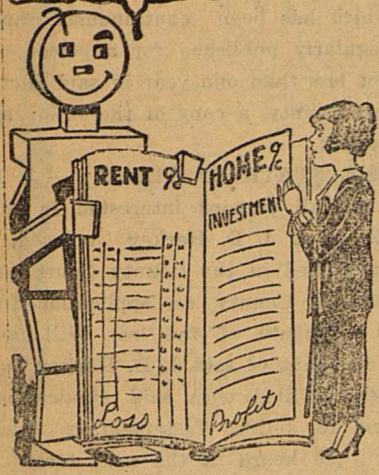
SEND IT IN

If you have a good suggestion SEND IT IN;  
Or a joke, without a question SEND IT IN.  
A story that is true An incident that is new We want to hear from you SEND IT IN.  
If you have a tale of woe, SEND IT IN;  
Do not try to look so wise, Or stand and criticize, Just what do you advise? SEND IT IN!

Judge Chas. McLaughlin, of the McAdoo country, was among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week.

Luther Stark, a leading citizen of the Afton country, was among business visitors in Spur during past week.

BUILDING A HOME IS ONE WAY OF SPENDING YOUR MONEY AND STILL HAVE IT.



When you go to the bank you don't deposit your money to the credit of some one else. Then why pay rent to some one else? Pay rent to yourself. Put your money in your own home, not into rent receipts that are of no value.

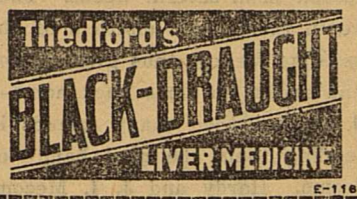
Tri-County Lumber Co. Spur, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Harkey Wednesday made a trip over to Dickens, going over to present Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Worswick with a contribution of a hundred or two dollars made up in Spur to somewhat assist them in the loss of their home and all house hold effects by fire last Friday night.

A brother-in-law of J. J. Albin was here last week from New Mexico, spending a few days here visiting with the family. He stated that it was dry all the way to New Mexico. A news report in the daily press recently stated that rains covered all of Texas, but much of the best part of the state was not considered.

Bilious dull feeling

MY old stand-by is Thedford's Black-Draught—I have used it off and on for about 20 years," says Mr. W. S. Reynolds, of R. F. D. 2, Arcadia, La. "I get bilious and have a bad taste in my mouth. My head feels dull. I don't just feel like getting around and doing my work. I know it isn't laziness, but biliousness.



Charlie Black, who has been in Jayton the past week or two, employed at the bakery, is again at his home in Spur for a few days. He contemplates going into the bakery business for himself, and if satisfactory arrangements are made will do so.

Albert Jordan was here Tuesday from his Duck Creek farm home. He informed us that he had finished planting all of his crops and was now patiently waiting for rains to bring it up.

THE LONGHORN STRIKES HIS LAST TRAIL

Having made history, the longhorn of the Texas and Oklahoma plains, or rather what is left of him, is about to become a ward of the government. It and his fellows—remnants of the greatest herds that ever ate grass—will be impounded in the Wichita National Park in Oklahoma.

This story, written by Owen White a writer of national reputation, will appear in the Monthly Magazine Section of the Texas Spur, June 3.

J. B. Morrow, of the Elton community, was in Spur Monday of this week. Everything, we understand, now looks good and promising in the north part of the county, good rains having favored that section during the past week.

Clifford B. Jones was in Ft. Worth Monday attending a meeting of the board of regents of the Texas Tech. Mr. Jones was recently elected as chairman of this board, taking the place of Amon G. Carter of Fort Worth who resigned.

Albert Power, of Afton, was here Monday. He reports that hail accompanying the rain Friday in that section did considerable damage to crops, there being a number of farmers having crops up and growing nicely.

R. C. Forbis spent the week in Spur with his family, coming in from his farm and ranch home to the north of Afton.

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ST. VITUS' DANCE IS A NERVOUS TROUBLE

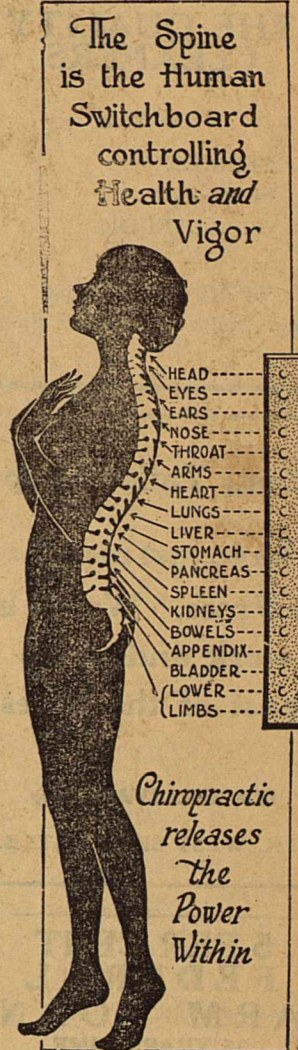
Friday Health Talk LAVINA B. CONKLIN, Chiropractor

Chorea, popularly known as St. Vitus' Dance, is an affliction purely nervous in character. There is a spasmodic involuntary twitching of muscles, usually the facial muscles being affected along with one or several others.

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MARRIED

Mr. H. H. Smith and Miss Olive Pillow, both members of prominent families of the McAdoo community were married Wednesday, May 18. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. M. Reed of Crosbyton. Their many friends wish for them much happiness and prosperity through life.—Crosbyton Review.

R. R. Wooten was here the past week from the McAdoo country, stating that he and some other farmers would make from five to fifteen bushels of wheat to the acre, regardless of rain. However, since that time, it is reported an inch or more of rain fell through that section, thus insuring a better crop of wheat.

However, there is a considerable acreage of oats and barley, sown in the spring, which will require more rain to mature good harvest.

John Jackson, former manager of the Matador Ranch, was here Monday from his farm home near Roaring Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gruben left Sunday morning for Hamlin where they will visit relatives, and from there on to Rochester to be present at a birthday celebration of Mr. Gruben's mother.

Dr. and Mrs. Grace returned last week from Dallas where they had been several weeks, visiting Joe Grace and family and relatives the Doctor also calling upon specialists and surgeons in the hope of getting relief from his ear and head troubles. While the specialists and surgeons were unable to give Dr. Grace any relief, yet the trip and visit was apparently of much benefit to him, we are glad to note.

G. W. Grubbs, of the Red Mud section of country, was among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. He reported a very light shower of rain out his way the past week, however not enough to plant on.

C. N. Kidd, of Dry Lake, came in Wednesday and spent a short time here transacting business and shaking hands with friends.

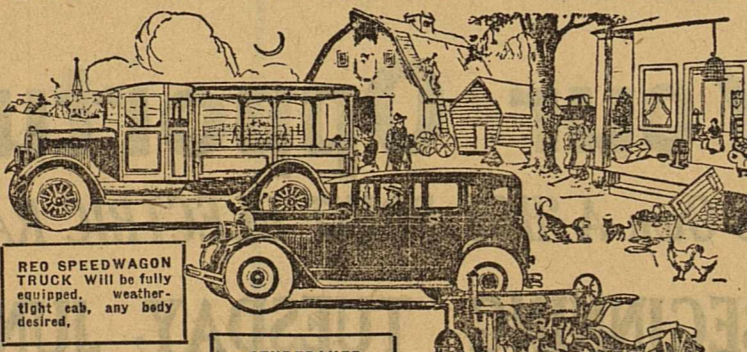
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hogan and children returned the first of the week from Anson where they visited a few days with her parents and other relatives and friends of Jones county.

W. F. Foreman, of Foreman's Chapel, was among the crowds on the streets Saturday.

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The Modern Farm Equipment Club, 339-341 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C. I have found in the picture the following objects, names of which begin with the letter "C." If this is correct, enter my name for consideration in awarding a choice of the Studebaker sedan, Reo truck or Farmall tractor, and other prizes and cash awards. It is my understanding that this places me under absolutely no obligation.

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If you want a real home at a reasonable price and reasonable terms, see this home. This is a real home and you will like location, place and price.—Joe Gaines, owner. 20tf

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I have for sale 100 bushels of Russell's Improved Pedigreed Cotton Seed direct from Russell Breeding Farms, Annona, Red River County, Texas. This cotton is noted for big boll, easily picked, long staple, good turn out. Call at THE FARMERS' GIN, J. E. Johnson, Owner. Phones 48 and 156, Spur, Texas. 21tf

The 1c Sale is now on and will continue over Friday and Saturday at the City Drug Store.

Henry Cravens, of near Girard, was among the traders last week in Spur.

W. B. Lee returned recently from a trip to Portales and Clovis, N. M.

Mrs. S. C. Lee, Parrotville, Tenn., Writes

For years I have been a sufferer from rheumatism and have found nothing that has brought greater relief or been more beneficial to me than RHEUMALAX. May the blessings of God go with RHEUMALAX on its mission to the suffering. RHEUMALAX is sold and guaranteed by Spur Drug Store.

Robert T. Dopson and son, Roy, of near Lubbock on the Plains, were here last week, visiting with Coy Dopson and family and again meeting with their many friends and acquaintances of the Spur country. Mr. Dopson formerly lived in the Dry Lake community. He states that it is also dry now on the Plains and that a general rain would be as welcome there as here.

County Commissioner O. C. Newberry, of Afton, was on the streets of Spur one day the past week. He reports that Albert Power is very much misput in that he was forced to return his dog to W. T. Wilson.

Mrs. M. P. Browning of Dallas, accompanied by Roy Davis of Texarana, are here visiting J. W. Davis of the Soldier Mound community. This is Mrs. Browning's first visit to the Spur country, and she is very much surprised at the developments and pleased with the beautiful scenery.

The 1c Sale is now on and will continue over Friday and Saturday at the City Drug Store.

Morris Vernon is here this week for a visit to friends preceding an anticipated extended itinerary to various parts and open spaces. Mutt says he has been "cooped up" teaching school for the past year or so and that now he is going to unravel his roll and broaten himself with a little travel.

Misses Annie Mae Hale and Nellie Goff, who have been attending Britain's Training School at Cisco, are at home in Spur for the summer vacation period.

Dr. Blackwell, who is now in New Orleans taking post graduate courses at Tulaine, will return home June 1st and again open his office for the special treatment of eye, ear, nose and throat diseases.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Busby and children are visiting this week with relatives and friends at Lueders.

Mrs. R. C. Forbis and children are this week moving back to their ranch home north of Afton, for the summer vacation period.

Attorney Wilson and daughter, Miss Jane Douglass, and W. J. Elliot returned Wednesday from Amarillo.

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I am a bothersome bed bug! I should be killed! Bee Brand Powder or Liquid kills Flies, Fleas, Mosquitoes, Roaches, Ants, Water Bugs, Bed Bugs, Moths, Crickets, Poultry Lice and many other insects. Powder 10c and 25c Liquid 50c and 75c 50c and \$1.00 \$1.25 30c. Spray Gun. 35c. Write for free booklet on killing house and garden insects. McCormick & Co. Baltimore, Md. Bee Brand INSECT POWDER OR LIQUID

DICKENS NEWS

Miss Vestal Morrison of Spur visited with friends in Espeula Community last week. She reports having a nice time. She attended Mother's Day program and closing of school exercises, which were very good and enjoyed by all who were present.

I will teach summer class of pupils in piano and expression. All pupils wishing to take, please call 93.—Nell Higgins. Itc

Dickens was visited by a good shower of rain the week end, which will help the farmers.

The A. H. Club met Monday at the Club room. Many members were present. Misses Gordon and Blair were present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Crego and son Byron are visiting in Dallas this week.

Those that attended the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones, Misses Olive Meadors and Ernal Payne, Messrs. David McAteer, H. P. Cole and Fred Arrington.

Messrs. J. L. Speer and family of Floydada and J. B. Speer and Harvey Lowell from Flomot are visiting in the city this week.

Misses Lora Anderson, Stella Brown and Lena Darby, of Lubbock, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gibson and Family Sunday.

Messrs. R. C. Littlefield, S. L. Porter and Bob Littlefield returned Sunday from Ballinger, where they have been spending the week with relatives and friends.

The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sparks of the Croton country, died Friday night and was buried Saturday afternoon in the Dickens Cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family in this great sorrow.

Mrs. Tommy Stephens of Amarillo is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gibson.

Miss Beryl Harkey has gone to Arizona to visit her brother, Lonnie Hrakey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hale attended the closing exercises of the Randolph College at Cisco the week end. Their daughter, Miss Annie Mae returned with them to spend the summer.

John Jackson of Roaring Springs was transacting business in town Monday.

Martin Koonsman of Abilene, visited his parents and friends the week end.

Mrs. J. A. Blair is visiting her daughter Mrs. Jack Lusk at Meadow this week.

Mr. G. W. Owens, of a few miles north of here, was found dead Sunday evening at his home near his well. The cause of the death is not known. His remains were interred Monday.

W. J. Clark of a few miles south of town was greeting friends Monday in town.

Miss Elsie Foreman of near Espeula is visiting friends this week in town.

The home of Judge and Mrs. Worswick was completely destroyed by fire Friday morning at 3 o'clock. There was nothing saved. The family just did get out in time to save their lives. The people of town and the country have helped the family with household goods and money. There is no better man to be found in the State than Judge Worswick, and to help him in this calamity is a great pleasure.

Mr. Loren Harkey is visiting in Guthrie this week.

Mrs. T. Walker and children visited Judge and Mrs. Worswick the week end. They, being there when the home was destroyed by fire and just escaped the flames.

Judge Pendleton of Paducah, was transacting business in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gunn, and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Watson, of a few miles south of town spent Sunday in town.

Sheriff Jones and Judge Brummett made a business trip to Wichita Falls Tuesday.

The ladies of the town gave Mrs. Worswick a shower at the home of Mrs. Brummett Tuesday evening.

G. A. Sloan was here Saturday

John Roberts, who has away from Spur several years, has returned and is now employed and again establishing his home here.

W. W. Waldrup, of Dickens, was meeting with friends and also looking after official duties in Spur this week.

J. Carlisle, of the Gilpin country, was meeting with his friends on the streets of Spur Saturday. Uncle Jonas indicated that he preferred to live in a "dry territory" to that of the "flooded sections" in Eastern States.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Boyd, Jr., and children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders, of Abilene and relatives in Sweetwater and Hamlin this week.

Big Boll Improved Rowden Cotton Seed for sale at \$1.25 bushel. See Ben Reddell north of Spur 3 miles, or call at Texas Spur office. tf

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cooner, who recently returned from the Dublin country, were greeting friends on the streets Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Cooner are visiting her father, S. B. Boykin and family, but will very probably again establish their home here, since Mr. Cooner is arranging to engage in business here.

Ben Eldredge, of McAadoo, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

C. W. Dorich, Bill Brown and B. T. Moore returned the first of the week from the San Saba river where they fished a few days. They report having made good catches during the time on the river.

S. W. Rather, who has been sick the past two weeks, we are glad to note is now again able to be on the streets.

CARD OF THANKS

We are certainly thankful to the good people for their help and kindness during the sickness and death of our daughter; also to the doctors and nurses and especially the untiring work of Dr. Nichols. But we know God's power is greater than that of man. Money is not to be compared with love and kindness, and some act of kindness that we may do is the only way we can ever pay the good people of this town and country.—Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hogan.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wester returned Monday from an extended visit and pleasure trip. They attended the convention at Wichita Falls, and from there continued to Sulphur Springs and other points on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. I. Mecom and children recently arrived in Spur from Louisiana, joining Mr. Mecom here who preceded them several weeks. They were in the flooded districts of the Mississippi Valley, thus giving them a fine excuse to come back home—and we join their many friends in extending them the glad hand of welcome. Hardy and J. I. Mecom, the two oldest boys, have developed into fine young men and will finish their high school courses in Spur.

H. R. Witt, of the Watson community, was in Spur Tuesday. He stated to townspeople that considerable damage was done in the Watson community by the storm last Monday, several houses and shacks, fences, windmills and other property being blown down.

P. H. Miller came up from Abilene last week, spending several days here looking after his interests. Mrs. Miller, who has been here several weeks, returned to Abilene with Mr. Miller.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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

You Are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Dickens County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the Estate of J. D. Harkey Deceased, I have filed in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for the probate of the last Will and Testament of said J. D. Harkey Deceased, filed with said application, and for letters Testamentary which will be heard at the next term of said court commencing on the third Monday in July A. D. 1927, same being the 18th day of July A. D. 1927 at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

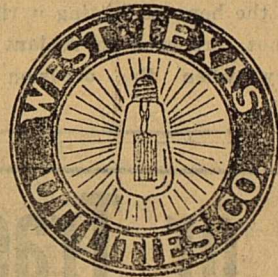
Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next regular term thereof this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Office in Dickens, Texas, this the 17th day of May, A. D. 1927.

ROBT. REYNOLDS, Clerk County Court Dickens County, Tex.

John Hiner Wilson is spending the summer vacation period with Stafford Forbis on the Forbis ranch to the north of Afton.

Mr. and Mrs. Reese McNeill, of Houston are here this week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill.



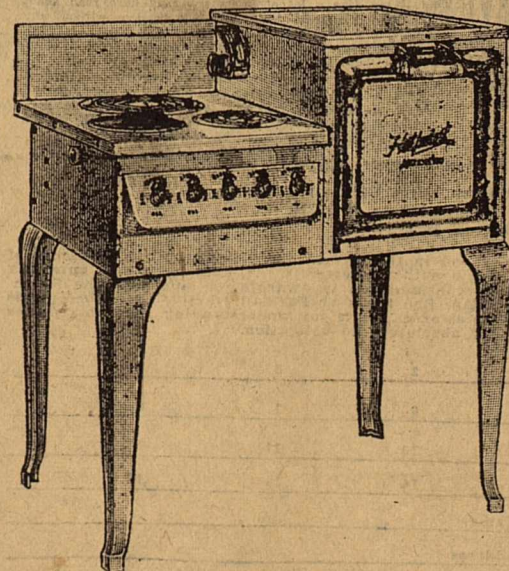
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Placido was the chief of the small tribe of Tonkaway Indians in the pioneer days of the last century when they were scattered along the old San Antonio road leading to Nacogdoches, Texas. Never in excess of a few hundred individuals, this tribe became invaluable to the white settlers and, later on, to the rangers and army. Like all Indians they would take horses which did not belong to them and commit other misdeeds; but they never resorted to the murdering of white people with whom they had a league of friendship. When their natural inclination for blood-letting became uncontrollable they sought, and obtained, war with other Indians.

"Traits of the Tonkaways" is one of the best pioneer stories that has ever appeared in the Monthly Magazine section of the Texas Spur, and which is due to be issued June 3rd.

Bob Ingram, of Girard, was here Monday, meeting with his friends and acquaintances of the Spur section of country. He informed us that good showers of rain fell over the Girard and adjoining communities the past week, giving much encouragement to farmers and business interests in general.

County Attorney Worswick was over one day the first of the week from Dickens.

S. W. Stephenson, a leading citizen and good farmer of the McAdoo country, was a recent business visitor in Spur.

J. P. Koonsman, of the Croton section of country, was among the business visitors on the streets Monday of this week. Mr. Koonsman lives out in a territory more greatly favored, possibly, with respect to moisture and general crop conditions this year, and without destructive hail or other calamities, the indications are that bumper crop productions will be had.

Dick and Shorty Davis came down with President P. W. Horn of Tech College Friday evening to attend the commencement exercises of the Spur High School graduating class, President Horn making the class address. The college term at Tech College will end June 4th, at which time all the Dickens county collegians are expected home for the summer vacation.

Sam and Jim Dert, of McAdoo, were in Spur Monday. They report a light shower of rain over the McAdoo territory, or what is more generally known as the East Plains. The rain, however, was insufficient to fully meet the needs at this time, and grain crops are being cut short as the result of continued dry conditions heretofore prevailing throughout the entire country.

Tom McArthur was in town Tuesday buying lumber and other material with which to build a barn or "cotton pickers shack" on his place in the Red Mud country. A temporary dry spell does not deter in the least the building progress of the country.

### Dickens County Red Cross Goes 'Over the Top' in Aiding Mississippi Flood Sufferers

Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, Dickens County Chairman of the American Red Cross organization, informs us that Dickens County people "went over the top" with both quotas in assisting the flood sufferers of the Mississippi Delta. Aside from the cash contributions amounting to two hundred dollars, four boxes of clothing was also forwarded to the stricken territory headquarters by Mrs. Blackwell.

Following is a list of those contributing to this relief fund, together with the amounts contributed:

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|--------------------------|-------|---------|
| Geo. S. Link             | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Dr. Blackwell            | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Edgar McGee              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Mrs. S. H. Kelsey        | ----- | \$1.00  |
| I. A. Smith              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| P. E. Hagins             | ----- | \$.50   |
| Mrs. Kate Buchanan       | ----- | \$1.50  |
| W. S. Campbell           | ----- | \$5.00  |
| W. P. Simpson            | ----- | \$1.50  |
| H. K. Sparlen            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| C. R. Edwards            | ----- | \$1.50  |
| Red Front Drug Store     | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Roy Stovall              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Hogan & Patton           | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Dr. J. E. Morris         | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Hill Perry               | ----- | \$1.00  |
| W. T. Andrews            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Joe Christal             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| W. B. Lee                | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Mrs. W. W. Sample        | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Spot Cash Grocery        | ----- | 5.00    |
| City Drug Store          | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Audrey Elliot            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Godfrey & Smart          | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Ira Sullivan             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Brazelton Lumber Co.     | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Hazel Grain & Coal Co.   | ----- | \$1.00  |
| J. M. Rowland            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Mrs. Renning             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Salem's                  | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Love's Grocery           | ----- | \$2.50  |
| G. H. Snider             | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Mrs. Geo. M. Williams    | ----- | \$2.00  |
| J. E. Johnson            | ----- | \$10.00 |
| Mrs. O. Moore Hall       | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Spur Mutual              | ----- | \$5.00  |
| M. H. Brannen            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| West Texas Utilities Co. | ----- | \$7.50  |
| Dr. B. F. Hale           | ----- | \$5.00  |
| S. L. Davis              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Schrimsher & Stack       | ----- | \$1.00  |
| B. Schwarz & Son         | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Estell Smith             | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Egbert Chapman           | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Swift Gin Co.            | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Tom Teague               | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Enoch Pendleton          | ----- | \$2.00  |
| W. R. Lewis              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| W. L. Patterson          | ----- | \$1.00  |
| A. D. Ensey              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| James B. Reed            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| M. L. Nichols            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| E. S. Lee                | ----- | \$1.00  |
| E. L. Caraway            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Tri-County Lumber Co.    | ----- | \$2.50  |
| H. E. Blenden            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Spur Wrecking House      | ----- | \$1.00  |
| E. A. Russell            | ----- | \$1.00  |
| King & Sample            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Musser Lumber Co.        | ----- | \$2.50  |
| Cash                     | ----- | \$.50   |
| W. A. Bell               | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Walter Foreman           | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Mr. Dunwoody             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Spencer Browning         | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Mallory                  | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Leland Campbell          | ----- | \$1.50  |
| Cash                     | ----- | \$.35   |
| Ira Sullivan             | ----- | \$.50   |
| Scott Bros.              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| M. E. Manning            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Chalk Brown              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| C. L. Love               | ----- | \$2.00  |
| C. B. Jones              | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Spur Grocery Company     | ----- | \$2.50  |
| J. D. Powell             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Dr. Nichols              | ----- | \$5.00  |
| E. C. Edmonds            | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Callie Ramsey            | ----- | \$5.00  |
| S. D. Sparks             | ----- | \$1.00  |
| Spur Drug Store          | ----- | \$2.50  |
| M. Grocery               | ----- | \$2.50  |
| C. Hogan                 | ----- | \$2.50  |
| L. N. Riter              | ----- | \$1.00  |
| John King                | ----- | \$1.00  |
| J. T. McCulloch          | ----- | \$1.00  |
| City Grocery             | ----- | \$2.00  |
| J. P. Wilkes             | ----- | \$1.50  |
| Joplin & Gibson          | ----- | \$2.00  |
| J. W. Meadows            | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Mrs. Chapman             | ----- | \$.50   |
| D. R. Stokes             | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Willis                   | ----- | \$5.00  |
| Miss Maud Morgan         | ----- | \$2.00  |
| Mrs. P. H. Miller        | ----- | \$5.00  |

### FLOCKS SHOULD BE CULLED ONCE A MONTH BEGINNING IN MAY

By F. W. Kazmeier, Bryan, Texas. Some time this month, go thru your flock of hens and cull out all such as have stopped laying. A well managed flock should be culled once a month, beginning the latter part of May. Cull again the latter part of June and keep it up in July and August at each culling removing and sell on the market all such as have quit laying. In making this statement, we realize that trapnest is the best means, of culling hens, but the average farmer or small poultry keeper cannot afford to trapnest. It cost over \$1.00 per year per hen to trapnest.

It is a comparative easy task to cull out those that have stopped laying, by studying certain definite external characteristics, etc. Why keep the poor layers for three or four months? We recommend culling all hens that have stopped laying now. Hens bring a better price on the market now than they will two or three months from today.

Any hen that quits laying in May is a poor layer and should be disposed of. In saying this we are well aware, that there are exceptions to every rule. A well bred hen once in awhile may make a mistake and stop laying in May, but not often. The best of us make mistakes. On a general basis, it is much better to sell one good layer than to allow 12 poor layers to remain in the flock and eat expensive feed.

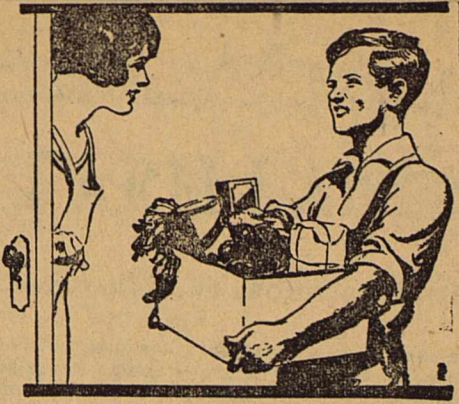
While you are culling them if you come across any male birds you missed last week be sure and get them at this time. The work is not the most pleasant, but a few hours spent each month culling your flock, will mean money in your pocket. Instead of playing dominoes on the court house lawn, or throwing horse shoes behind the blacksmith shop, take that time one day, next week and cull your flock of chickens.

The good layer moults late, say in September, October and November. The poor layer moults early. The later and quicker the moult, the better layers they are. There are of course a few exceptions to the rule, but they are so few and far between that it is not worth considering them. Keep the worn and ragged hen that doesn't seem to be able to find time to stop laying long enough to shed her plumage.

Among yellow shanked varieties like all Leghorns, Rocks, Reds, Wyandottes, Anconas and others, we have observed that the individuals with the most faded, palest and most bleached out shanks, beak and skin are the poorest layers. When you see a hen with pale shanks bleached beak, and, in the case of Leghorns, white ears-lobes, they are good layers. The reason for that is, that the hen in laying eggs needs coloring matter with which to color the yolk of the egg and she takes this out of her shanks, feet, toe nails, skin, ear-lobes, beak and eye rings. The more eggs she has laid, and the more recently she has been laying the more bleached these parts become while the opposite is true in the case of the poor layer. She did not lay many eggs, did not require so much yellow pigment and hence left it in the parts mentioned and the story tells the extent of her performance during the year. The color of their shanks gives them away. Bright yellow shanks means laid few eggs and quit some time ago. Pale shanks indicate heavy egg production and probably still at it.

A hen that does not go broody often and soon starts to laying again is a much better layer than one that goes broody often and is broody for a long time and hard to

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| E. L. Spivey   | ----- | \$1.00 |
| Chas. Finch    | ----- | \$1.00 |
| L. R. Burrows  | ----- | 2.00   |
| C. F. Holliday | ----- | \$.50  |
| J. B. Brittain | ----- | \$2.00 |
- The total contributions of the American people through the Red Cross organization exceeded ten millions of dollars, this amount being merely enough to give temporary aid to the large number of actual sufferers from the flooded districts.



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get to laying again. The good layer does not waste much time on the nest playing. She recognizes that the modern hen lays eggs and lets the incubator do the hatching.

The good layer at feeding time appears more friendly and eats great quantities of food. She will be seen working all day, eating drinking and laying; she will be the first off the roosts in the morning and the last on them at night. She is a working hen and looks like a working hen. She goes to roost with a full crop because she knows that the egg is made at night and she must be prepared for it.

The comb and wattles of a good layer are of good size; soft in texture, fine, warm, and bright red in color and in many cases is covered with white scales.

The eye of the good layer appears large, prominent, also bright, clear and active; it almost appears to snap at you. She looks intelligent. The poor layer has eyes that are shrunken, dull, listless, small in size and sometimes, especially in the case of old hens, are half closed by large drooping eyelids. Sell the kind with the shrunken eyes.

The face of good layers appears bright red color, in the case of poor layers it appears pale and sickly. In the case of poor layers the face is more filled out and presents more of a masculine look.

The good layer has a good capacity between the lay bones. The pelvic bones are from two to three fingers apart. These bones are thin flexible and pliable. The distance between the ends of the lay bones and the end of the keel bone is even greater than between the ends of the lay bones. This is what we call capacity. In the poor layers these bones are much closer together at this time of the year.

C. D. Copeland was in the first of the week, stating that he was going ahead and "dry planting" especially where his ground is getting weedy. Mr. Copeland has been here long enough not to become disheartened because of a temporary dry spell, but no doubt like all of us, would feel more comfortable with a good general rain.

L. G. Crabtree, one among the oldest settlers, successful farmers and most highly regarded citizens, was among the business visitors in Spur Saturday, coming in from his farm home on Croton.

Mrs. Craddock, of Winters, is in Spur the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. H. Brannen.

### SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Dickens:

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dickens County, on the 18th day of April, 1926, by Robt. Reynolds, Clerk of said court, for the sum of one thousand, two hundred and sixty-seven and no one hundredths dollars and interest, and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of J. D. Harkey in a certain cause in said Court, No. 939 and styled J. D. Harkey vs. E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly and L. A. Grizzle jointly and severally, placed in my hands for service, I, M. L. Jones as Sheriff of Dickens County, Texas, did, on the 22nd day of April 1927, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Dickens County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 206 acres of land, situated in the County of Dickens and State of Texas, being all of section No. 6, Block XX survey File 5294, R. S. Holly Original Grantee, as against the defendants: E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly, L. A. Grizzle, Mrs. T. E. Howze, surviving wife of J. M. Howze, deceased, Russie Denson, F. E. Denson, Ruby Denson, Elmer Denson, Sibyl Denson Vernon Denson, and the minor defendants: Gerald Howze, Kenneth Howze, Murl Howze and Mrs. Laura C. Hasting and Wesley J. Lewis, and levied upon as the property of E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly and L. A. Grizzle, and that on the first Tuesday in June, 1927, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door of Dickens County in the town of Dickens, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said E. L. Adams, R. S. Holly and L. A. Grizzle. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Texas Spur, a newspaper published in Dickens County.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of May, 1927.

M. L. JONES, Sheriff  
Dickens County, Texas.

S. C. Thomason, of near Girard, was trading in Spur the past week, and also meeting with his friends here.

W. S. Leach was on the streets one day the past week, greeting his friends.

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## THE STORY

**CHAPTER I.**—From the comfortable financial situation to which he had been born, Peter Milman, American gentleman of the old school, and last of his family, is practically reduced to penury through the misfortune of a friend, Hazen Brewer, whom he had unwisely trusted.

**CHAPTER II.**—Learning of Brewer's suicide, which means the destruction of his last hope, Milman engages a French butler, Achille Luty, who speaks no English, and is to replace Sneed, servant of long standing. By Luty, Milman sends letters to Prof. Fleming Bradley, Floyd Malet and Neeland Barnes, men whom the world has classed as failures, once of high position. In response, the three call on him at his home.

**CHAPTER III.**—After an excellent dinner Milman ushers his guests into his Japanese garden, where, after each has related the circumstances which wrecked their careers, he convinces them their misfortunes are directly traceable to the machinations of an unseen, unscrupulous enemy, a man who had risen to high financial position and political power by underhand methods, chiefly blackmail, Paul Raxon. Raxon also ruined Brewer, and incidentally Milman.

**CHAPTER IV.**—Milman explains to his guests how, chiefly through his belief in Floyd Malet as a great sculptor and the victim of malevolent circumstances, he had subscribed to a press-clipping bureau and kept a detective on Raxon's track, learning much to Raxon's discredit, though nothing by which he could be reached legally. Himself impoverished through Raxon's financial crookedness, Milman proposes an association of the four men—an association outside the law—which shall pull down Raxon and force him to disgorge his ill-gotten financial gains.

**CHAPTER V.**—Following Milman's disclosures, his three guests, after a consultation, practically decide to join him in the fight against Paul Raxon. Milman explains his ideas, admitting he has no real plan to bring about Raxon's downfall, except discreditable details about his personal and business life which he has gleaned from Herman Loddon, Raxon's tool on occasions when vice has loosened Loddon's tongue.

## CHAPTER VI

Although Paul Raxon had always professed a great belief in his own destiny, he had never thought to be a multimillionaire. He found himself, suddenly, a national figure. It amused him to read newspaper accounts of himself. People assumed that he had newly come to New York, whereas he had been for years a power working through other men.

It was as an architect's clerk he discovered the graft which was possible in the building trade. Among the group of illiterate men who were holding up big jobs and levying blackmail from contractors in the name of Labor, he soon became a leader. He was cautious, educated and supremely cunning. The price of success was the betrayal of his benefactor, and he had not hesitated to make it.

At the age of forty-two he took his place with the living powers in Wall Street, hated by many, liked by few, but despised by none. Publicity overwhelmed him at last. Mrs. Raxon and her family returned from Europe, where for some years they had lived. At a large price he purchased Great Rock, formerly the home of Bellington of the Traction trust, and he knew he must fill it with his wife's friends and entertain in the manner of the very rich.

At this period of his life the idea of power obsessed him. He did not want to run the risk of losing what he had gained. He was not anxious for any unsavory episodes of his past to arise. There had been many, and with most women were concerned. He grew less intrigued with women as the idea of senatorial honors forced itself upon him. Senator Raxon of New York! No state honors for him. He desired to be sent to Washington. Loddon, his lawyer, licked his thick lips at the thought.

"I'm satisfied," said Raxon, "that nobody can pull me down. Jim Caffray was dangerous, but he's in Sing Sing for seven years."

"He'll be out in five," said Loddon, "and Jim's dangerous, because he knows a lot."

"Jim will be out in less than that," Raxon retorted. "Bright's disease. He's incurable. You look like a Bright's disease type, Loddon. Better be moderate if you want to help me to the United States senate. I've got a chance. Women are voting against the old machine type of politician, and I'm going to cultivate the women and pose as the pioneer of a new day." Raxon chuckled a little.

He was a tired-looking man, slim, and a little stooped. He had fine hands and good features. He could bring readily to his aid the salesman's forced enthusiasm, which seemed genuine to those who did not know him. He knew he would do well in politics if no old ghosts arose to confound him. For years now he had been living among men immeasurably beneath him in intelligence; a lucky turn had made him independent of them.

would be necessary to conserve his fortune. His wife, after years of living in second-rate hotels, was inclined to a reckless extravagance. Domestic life at Great Rock was strained. Yet Raxon saw that the era of great entertainments was at hand. He knew that as he was now a man in the public eye, he had better do the thing well. The life of relatively small things was over. Not again would he deal with the baser sort of men. Much of his amusement came from watching the men he controlled trying to assert themselves. There was Loddon, for instance. At heart, of the shy lawyer type and filled with the ideals of petty graft, a wealthy benefactor had bought him a partnership with a respectable firm and he had to guide his professional conduct accordingly. Loddon for the moment was filled with glee at his own fortune. He wished Raxon to regard him as an equal instead of snapping orders at him. He ventured to disagree with his patron.

"My success," Raxon said, stopping him with a gesture, "is due to two things. One is a total absence of pity. Another that I only use men that I can crush if they get out of hand. Jim Caffray was one. You're another." He looked at the gross, formless creature and sneered. "When I pipe, you shall dance; and if you don't dance to my liking, what happens? The Bar association will disbar you. You may try to incriminate me, but you haven't a shred of evidence of anything crooked, not a check, letter, telegram, or a dictation conversation. Keep me in good humor, Loddon, and work for me and you'll go far. Try to be independent, or indiscreet, and I shall break you."

"Why, Paul," Loddon cried, "what's got into you? I'm the loyalist follower you ever had, and you know it."

Raxon smiled. "I want intelligent loyalty, and you're not overburdened with intelligence any more than Caffray was. I'm not underestimating you. You've been useful to me in a number of ways."

"Thank you," said Loddon, almost bitterly. He thought of certain unprofessional things he had done at his patron's bidding which had, in effect, delivered him bound hand and foot to Raxon.

That Raxon aspired to a United States senatorship seemed a laudable enough ambition. But that he had a chance seemed, on reflection, almost absurd. And yet Raxon was not the kind of man to delude himself. Loddon voiced his doubts.

"McKimber is the party's nominee," he observed. "Of course, he'll carry New York city, and they say he'll get more votes up-state than any possible candidate."

"The party will get the votes, not the man," said Raxon.

"But McKimber's the party's choice," Loddon persisted.

"It looks that way, doesn't it?" Raxon smiled. "McKimber's very popular."

"You're keeping something back," said Loddon.

"I always do. That's why I get on. That's why I'm going to the senate."

His hands clasped behind him, Paul Raxon stood at a window and looked over the sound. Loddon talked, but he did not listen. Raxon saw himself in a few years as the greatest money power in America. All his future was carefully planned. He was now engaged in mapping out a present. He appreciated the power of women politically and knew he must appear as a home-loving man, a man who was notoriously good to his wife and children. Fortunately, all of them were attractive physically.

He was interrupted by Mrs. Raxon. She was a handsome, dark woman who had only just discovered that while she had been living abroad her husband had become enormously wealthy. She had the sense of a personal grievance against him highly developed. He could see she was prepared for battle.

"I want a suitable allowance for myself and the children," she began. "I want a banking account and my own limousine and chauffeur." She had thrown down the gage and waited, a little frightened, for what was coming. Paul had always seemed incomprehensible. She did not understand him now. When he smiled it might be, she supposed, the prelude to some biting sarcasm.

"Certainly," he said. "A very good idea. Fortunately, Loddon is here. Talk it over with him. I am very willing that you should take your place in society. I only ask that you will be careful with what people you

talk my nose. I'm after big game, and if I rise you'll go up with me. Talk it over with Herman." He smiled and walked slowly from the room.

And while Marie Raxon was passing an entrancing hour discovering her many needs, and her husband was wondering how best to start to beautify Bellington's enormous building, some men in Lower Fifth Avenue were discussing his ruin.

Malet had returned from Philadelphia, where he had thrown up his position. Already another laboratory assistant had taken Bradley's place. The two had yielded to Peter Milman's importunities and agreed to remain as his guests. Neeland Barnes had not yet come back from Peekskill. He had gone with the avowed intention of paying Lippyky something off his account and hurrying back with some clothes.

So that he might escape the ridicule attending a man who reaches his suburban home in full evening dress at midday, Barnes arranged to come to the Lippyky's abode when it was dusk. He wanted to remove his entire wardrobe from the Lippyky shack and pay as little of the deferred rent as possible.

In Lippyky's front yard, which commanded a view of his tenant's entrances and exits, the aggrieved landlord was trying to bring to maturity depressed looking vegetables. His eyes glistened when he saw who approached. He dropped his spade and hurried to meet Neeland Barnes.

"Was you expecting a lady?" he demanded.

"Good God, no!" Barnes stopped instantly. Had old ghosts arisen to confound him?

"Has any woman the right to go in and monkey about with your things?" "Absolutely nobody," Barnes cried. "Mr. Barnes," said Lippyky shrilly, "you are a loafer. You sent her in to get your clothes so you should go away and leave me without nothing to hold. I got your number, and by golly I got hers. I locked her in, and I tell her if she makes a fuss I send for the police. You thought you should find me out. You know this is my lodge night."

"I didn't know there was a lodge low enough to admit you," Barnes said angrily, "and I sent nobody here. Send for the police. I've had enough of your d-d insolence."

"Pretending she was a fine lady," said Lippyky, who was growing angry. "Looking at me and my house as though we was dirt. She wouldn't believe you lived here. I tell her right quick you wouldn't even be living here if you didn't come over with rent."

Neeland Barnes removed his silk hat and mopped his brow.

"My good ass," he began, "what the devil are you ranting about?"

"I tell her," Lippyky went on, unappreciated, "you could go out with your fine gentleman's clothes on, and a silk hat even, and treat me like dirt. I'm a citizen here same as you, and this is an end of you walking over me with your silk hat and your fifteen dollar shoes. I know the price of them shoes. I tell her to scream all she likes, nobody hears away up here."

"You mean to say you've locked a strange woman up in my house?"

"It's my house. If you pay the rent, you can go in and get your clothes. If you don't, you stay out." Feverishly Lippyky destroyed whatever chance of life a row of kohlrabi might have had. Then, when he saw his tenant march toward the shack, he followed.

"One of them yellow hairs," he scolded as he trotted by the tall man's side. "A swell lady who said she didn't know how you could live in such a pigsty. She called my house a pigsty. Well, she's been locked up in a pigsty since it was my dinner time."

Suddenly Barnes' powerful hand seized Lippyky.

"If you don't give me the key," he said, "I'll twist your arm out of its socket." Barnes turned the other's wrist a little.

"You shall sleep in the jail for this," Lippyky cried when the key was forced from him.

"It will be less verminous than this place, Barnes answered. He put his key in the door and threw it open. He was wholly at a loss to know whom the invader could be.

The noise of the opening awoke her. She was a tall, slim girl with golden hair, in a white knitted sports suit. When she saw him she held out her arms.

"Darling daddy!" she cried, throwing her arms around his neck.

"Nita," he said, stroking her hair, "how I have longed for you! But, my dear, how is it you are here?"

"I ran away," she confessed. "They said such utterly beastly things about you I couldn't stand it. How well you look, daddy. I shall call you my big brother. Nobody will believe you're my father. What makes you stay in such a funny place as this?" Suddenly she caught sight of Lippyky. "Who is that dreadful little creature?"

"Ninety dollars eighty cents." "I rather thought it was more," said Barnes. He took out a roll of bills and paid. He was left with seven dollars. His reward came in the relief the girl showed.

"It's a fad of mine staying up here," he admitted. "The air is good and I've been in training. I shall leave now. I think we'll go to New York as soon as possible. How lovely you look. You have those unforgettable violet eyes of your mother, but you are taller." The thought that he had nowhere to take her made him miserable, but he would not let her see it. It was incomprehensible to him that the countess of Horsham, his late wife's eldest sister, had allowed her niece to come. The countess had always been his enemy.

"It came to a point," the girl said when they were in a New York-bound train, "when I was asked to drop my own name and take my mother's. Not that I minded being Nita Fessenden, except that it seemed as though I were publicly ashamed of you. I simply refused. There were awful rows. So I ran away. I was twenty-one and my own mistress. I sent all the jewels and presents back and started to earn my living."

"Nita," he cried, with admiration in his look, "how could you possibly do what I've always failed in?"

"It wasn't easy at first," she admitted, "but I stuck it out and made enough money in secretarial work to come out to my own country second cabin. I tried to find you six months ago, but the silly clubs returned all your letters."

Neeland Barnes colored. "Must have mislaid the address," he said; "d—d careless of them. I shall report it." He wondered how she had run him to earth.

"When I got to New York I phoned the Knickerbocker. I knew it used to be your favorite club. I told the secretary, or whoever it was, that I was your daughter and simply had to find you, and they told me to call up later. When I did they said you lived in Peekskill. I spent three hours looking and then that village idiot locked me in."

She did not tell him that naturally she had started her search expecting to find him in one of the better sections of the charming Hudson-slade city. The Lippyky cottage on the outskirts had been a dreadful shock. But the search was over and she was happy. She was very proud of him. Her aunt had drawn the picture of a decrepit, vice-ridden physical wreck. Instead he was vigorous, clear-skinned, and agile.

"Where are we going, daddy?" she demanded, after she had passed Sing Sing's embattled walls.

"I'm staying with Peter Milman," he answered. "Lady Horsham may have mentioned him."

"I remember. His wife ran away and he shut himself up in his house and went mad."

"That is just what your aunt would say," he returned. "He did not go mad. He happens to be the best friend I have, and I shall ask him to let you stay the night there. Much better than a stuffy, noisy hotel."

"And tomorrow we'll get a cozy little flat. I've often wanted to look over the treetops into Central park."

"I'm afraid cozy little flats aren't exactly within my means. The view is just as pretty from Central Park west." He gazed to think they were just as difficult to attain.

"Anything you like," she said happily.

Peter Milman and his two guests had finished dinner and were in the large drawing room when Achille came in with the news that Neeland Barnes had returned with a lady!

Bradley looked at Malet and shook his head. It was in Bradley's mind that Barnes had spent his money on liquid refreshment and had so far forgotten himself as to seek to introduce a lady friend to a bachelor establishment. He could see that Peter Milman was much disturbed.

A moment later Neeland Barnes was introducing a very pretty, gracious girl with charming speaking voice as Anita Barnes newly come from England. Peter Milman's annoyance was banished momentarily as he thought of the ramifications of his family tree. The girl must be, remotely, a distant cousin. He greeted her with distinguished courtesy and introduced the other men to her.

"Most extraordinary," Neeland Barnes began. "Entirely unlooked for. I feel as if I had come in for a fortune." He smiled at his daughter. "I have, and that's a fact. She has been living with her aunt in England."

"I'll I couldn't stand it any longer," Nita informed them.

Her father was greatly troubled. Circumstances, as he would presently explain to Mr. Milman, had compelled him to bring his long-lost daughter here. But what he had to say could not be said in her presence.

"I wonder," he said ingenuously, "whether Mr. Malet would mind showing you the Japanese garden. You'll be simply crazy over it, especially the 'Stone of the Unfortunate Burglar.' Mr. Malet understands these things so much better than I do." He winked ponderously at the sculptor. He tried to convey the impression that he must speak privately with his host.

"A Japanese garden?" she cried. "How delightful. Please, Mr. Malet, show me its wonders."

"Look here," said her father when she had gone. "I couldn't help this. They made things so hard for her that she ran away. She had an idea I was sick and in need of her. She actually

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earned her passage money. The first of my breed to earn money! She was waiting at Peekskill for me. Lippyky saw his chance and made the most of it. I had to pay everything. You see me now penniless again. She thinks I am staying here overnight and will take an apartment on Central park tomorrow." He looked appealing at the two men. "Could I help it? I had to bring her here. She has nothing left. The Barnes breed of cattle's not economical. Here we are beggars, outcasts in our own city."

"Neither beggars nor outcasts for three months—at least—" Peter Milman said cheerfully. "Of course, your daughter must remain here. It will be pleasant to have someone young and beautiful with us." He lowered his voice a little. "She must never suspect what brings us all here. It can be supposed that we are engaged in some promotion concerning oil." He put his hand on Barnes' shoulder with a friendly gesture. "I envy you. I am going to see that a room is prepared for her."

Mace Hunter drove in Monday from his farm home to the east of Spur. Mace Hunter is a diversified farmer, not only growing diversified crops including cotton and maize, but varied feed, hay and small grain crops, but raises both horses and cattle and assists his wife in raising some of the finest poultry of the country.

Bill Cherry, of south of Spur several miles, was in the city Monday, interviewing the produce houses in the sale of surplus home produce. Produce houses is a comparatively new business institution of the country, but the past few years has been growing by leaps and bounds until now even a little "wayside station" would be incomplete without one or more produce houses for the convenience of farmers in marketing their surplus cream and poultry products.

T. M. Maples this week made a business trip to Stamford and other intervening points. Mr. Maples is just recovering from an illness and surgical operation, and again feeling like getting back to work. In fact, his business on this occasion was to investigate the purchase of a filling station in Stamford or somewhere along the line. We figure that the filling station business is a safe investment, drouth or no drouth, because people are going to buy gas and drive cars, rain or no rain.

L. D. Cheely and wife, prominent citizens of the Wichita community, were among the shoppers and business visitors in Spur Saturday of the past week.

John Randall, of south of town a few miles, was among the business visitors on the streets Monday of this week. John Randall is another one of the old timers of the country, good citizen and successful diversified farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. White Moore were in the city Saturday from their ranch home west of Spur, spending several hours here shopping and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Tom McArthur and children, who have been living in Spur during the school term, moved back this week to their farm home.

E. D. Jackson, of near Dickens, was in Spur Monday doing some necessary trading, possibly marketing surplus produce, and greeting his friends with a smile—even tho it is dry.

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# WEEK END SPECIALS

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### Jersey Bull Circles a Great Stride in Promoting Dairy Interest and Milk Production

During the past several weeks, reports have been coming in from different sections of the county of bull and heifer calves from the stock of the Dickens County Bull Circles, shipped in and delivered to farmers of every community, some nine or ten months ago. While little has been said of the "jersey bull circles" since that time, the calves coming from the stock is creating a renewed interest not only among the owners but many others of the county.

The "bull circle" was a big movement toward better dairy stock and the growing milk and cream interests of the country, and was the foundation of high bred milk cows which will later predominate in Dickens county to the end that considerable resources will come from the creamery interests.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends in Spur and McAdoo, for their kindness and sympathy in our recent bereavement in the loss of our little one. Also for the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings abide with you.—Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Nichols and family.

The 1c Sale is now on and will continue over Friday and Saturday at the City Drug Store.

Big Boll Improved Rowden Cotton Seed for sale at \$1.25 bushel. See Ben Reddell north of Spur 3 miles, or call at Texas Spur office.

### SECOND-HAND GOODS

Bring all your Second-Hand Goods to J. P. WILKES & SON (South Store) We Pay Cash for same.

We also carry a full line of Camping Goods and Fishing Tackle—

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### Social and Club News.

#### Mrs. Jim Edd Hall is Hostess Thursday

A party of charming appointments was that in the home of Mrs. Jim Edd Hall on Thursday morning at nine. Four tables were arranged for the players in which Mesdames W. E. Flint and Bill Putman scored high and Miss Daisy Gordon low. A refreshment plate carrying a salad, nut bread and iced tea was served with cape jasmines as plate favors. The guest included Mesdames Dan H. Zachry, James B. Reed, Bill Putman, W. E. Flint, Austin Putman, C. L. Love, C. A. Love, Fred Reynolds, Floyd Barnett, A. C. Hull, F. W. Jennings, Thomas Morrison, R. E. Dickson, W. D. Wilson, Homer Schrimsher, Chas. Powell, Leslie Cooper, Miss Daisy Gordon.

#### Mesdames W. W. Sample and T. H. Blakwell Joint Hostesses

Mesdames W. W. Sample and T. H. Blakwell were joint hostesses to members of their clubs the Enter Nous and Friday Afternoon and a number of invited guests on Friday afternoon in the Blakwell home on Hill Street. Progressive 42 was the diversion for the guests. A lovely refreshment plate was served. The guests included Mesdames M. E. Manning, Chas. Whitener, J. E. Morris, W. R. Lewis, P. C. Nichols, M. C. Golding, Dan Zachry, Leslie Cooper, Roy Stovall, Geo. M. Williams, C. L. Love, Geo. S. Link, W. S. Campbell, E. L. Caraway, E. C. Edmonds, G. R. Elkins, Miller, W. J. Elliot, Robb Davis, Baisden, J. H. Grace, W. F. Godfrey, Oran McClure, C. Hogan, Ned Hogan, Clifford B. Jones, Edgar McGee, Sterman Lee, Lawis Lee, Cecil Hicks, Leland Campbell, G. H. Snider, Misses Audrey Elliot, Margeret Elliot, Virginia Forbis.

#### Spur Delphian Chapter Held Last Meeting For This Year

The Spur Delphian Chapter held its last meeting of the year in the home of their president, Mrs. W. T. Andrews. A short business period was had with the president in the chair in which Mesdames Fred Hale and Berry were elected to membership in the club. A report was heard from the chairman of the library committee, Mrs. F. W. Jennings. The meeting was turned over to the leader for the afternoon, Mrs. E. C. Edmonds. An interesting lesson was had on Recent Italian Drama and a General Survey. Mrs. W. T. Andrews reported on the text Paola and Francesca; Mrs. W. D. Wilson, The Beginnings of Drama; Mrs. Bill Putman, on the Greek Drama; and Roman Drama by Mrs. Oran McClure. At the close of the meeting a committee was appointed to make arrangements for a picnic at Silver Falls Lake next week.

#### Mrs. Ira Sullivan and Miss Addie Joe Addington Entertain

Miss Addie Joe Addington and Mrs. Ira Sullivan were joint hostesses to a party and dance given for a few friends Monday evening. Bridge and forty-two was played for an hour, after which punch was served and the tables removed for dancing. Music was by Bertie Belle Brown and Curtis Harkey and was enjoyed very much.

At twelve o'clock ice cream and cake was served to the following: Messrs. A. D. Ensey, Guy Karr, Charlie Fox, Curtis Harkey, Dick Barrett, Bill McAlpine, George Lis-enby, Ira Sullivan, Ben Friend, Horace Hyatt, and Jack Dew, of Abilene, Misses Marie Cracker, Nig Lis-enby, Bertie Bell Brown, Mildred Williams, Flossye Hawley, and the hostesses.

#### Mrs. E. C. Edmonds Hostess

A pretty party of the week was that of Thursday morning in the home of Mrs. E. C. Edmonds on Hill Street. Spring flowers adorned the entertaining rooms and made a fitting setting for the bridge tables. At the end of the games Mesdames F. W. Jennings and Floyd Banett were high and Mrs. W. R. Moore of Vernon received high cut. Iced punch was passed during the games with a refreshment plate carrying mint sherbet and cake at the end of the games. The guests were Mesdames Nellie Davis, S. B. Scott, Jr., R. C. Forbis, Fred Reynolds, Carl Wester, R. E. Dickson, W. E. Flint, C. L. Love, Dan Zachry, James B. Reed, Floyd Barnett, W. R. Moore, Vernon, W. D. Wilson, W. D. Starcher, Homer Schrimsher, Frank Laverty, Jim Edd Hall, Malcolm Brannen, C. Martin, Oran McClure, J. C. Craddock, Robert Lee, Jimmie Smith, Fred Hale, W. L. Gibbs, Jack Rector, Newport, A. Putman, F. W. Jennings, Bill Putman, W.T. Andrews.

#### Prairie Chapel H. D. Club Met Tuesday

Mrs. J. N. Haney was a charming hostess Tuesday afternoon, May 17th, to members of the Prairie Chapel Home Demonstration Club, which met on scheduled time.

Hospitality was shown to all present in the extreme manner.

Miss Gordon gave a demonstration on Cottage Cheese and the use of milk in the diet. The effort was a success indeed, as the members sampled the demonstration to the fullest.

There were sixteen members present and six visitors from Afton and Wichita Falls.

A delightful refreshment of ice cream and Angel Food cake was served in a most charming manner.—Reporter.

#### Mrs. M. H. Brannen Hostess Wednesday

Larkespurs in various hues in floor baskets, vases and bowls adorned the rooms of the Brannen home on Wednesday morning when Mrs. M. H. Brannen was hostess to the members of the Entre Nous Club and in honor of her sister, Mrs. Craddock and a number of guests. Progressive "pig" and "42" were the entertaining features. Mrs. Oran McClure received high score in the "42" game. A delicious refreshment plate was passed. The guests enjoying the hospitality were Mesdames R. C. Forbis, Pauline Clemmons, Jim Edd Hall, Ned Hogan, Chas. White-ner, James B. Reed, G. R. Elkins, C. Hogan, W. R. Moore, W. D. Starcher, W. D. Wilson, C. L. Love, Cecil Hicks, Maurice Manning, Jack Rector, Oran McClure, Leslie Cooper, Ivey, Roy Stovall, C. B. Jones, C. A. Love, F. W. Jennings, E. L. Caraway, W. S. Campbell, Leland Campbell and Geo. S. Link.

#### Red Top Club Ladies To Give Play "The Hoo-doo Coon," Soon

The ladies of the Red Top Home Demonstration Club are presenting a play on June 6, entitled, "The Hoo-Doo Koon." The play is a comedy and will be very entertaining. Another attractive feature on the program for that evening will be the chorus, composed of little girls in costume, who will sing and dance between the acts of the play. The chorus is under the direction of Miss Cross.

Everyone is invited to attend the program and an admission of ten and twenty cents will be charged. The purpose of this entertainment is to raise funds to send one in the community to the Short Course at A. & M. College, and who will return and teach a class here.

#### Mrs. Paul Braddock Entertained in Honoring House Guest

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Braddock, of Prairie Chapel, entertained with a social Thursday evening, May 12, honoring Miss Deilye Cornelius, of Wichita Falls. The guests were met at the entrance with a bag of "beans" which furnished plenty of amusement for a couple of hours.

Later each one solved the puzzle of the neat hand painted May baskets, each finding a partner for the games. At the end of the games, covers were laid for "42." Many novel and interesting contests were enjoyed. Miss Willie Alexander, winning high, received a lovely box of chocolates. Mr. H. P. Bell, winning high score, received a nice box of cigars.

A refreshment plate of ice cream and angel food cake was served to: Messrs. and Mesdames H. P. Bell, Burnett Haney, R. C. Alexander, Albert Power, D. O. Blasingame, Messrs. Joe Terrie, Johnson, Jessie Louner, T. W. Alexander Theo Blasingame, Jim Nolan, H. Alexander, Minyard Gorham and Misses Helen Power, Deilye Cornelius, Myrtle Gorham, and Juanita Nolan.—Rep.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Haglewood Entertain Honoring Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders

Mr. and Mrs. John Haglewood entertained a few guests in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders, of Abilene, on last Thursday evening. The following guests were present:

Messrs. and Mesdames J. E. Sanders, J. I. Hayes, Harvey Stack, O. F. McCombs, J. Boyd, Jr., F. B. Crockett, Tom Teague, R. S. Harkey, and Mrs. Loyd Wolfe.

#### Farmers Used to Come to Town to Buy and Now They Sell

W. A. Valentine, of southwest of Spur, was again in the city Monday, waving to friends in passing through to the produce marketing points. It is remarkable the changes that have come about here in the past few years. It used to be that a farmer came to town to buy something. Now one rarely ever comes to town unless he has something to sell. We stated in the beginning that some day the Spur country would be the richest agricultural section of America—and it's coming about more rapidly even than we dreamed. Only a few more years now and the town man will have to go out in the country to borrow his money to carry on his business.

#### Rebekkahs and Odd Fellows Contest in Drill Work

Members of the Rebekah and the Odd Fellow Lodges met at their hall Monday night and engaged in a social and friendly contest of their drill work. The Odd Fellows won in the contest, and as a penalty the Rebekkahs were required to provide ice cream and other refreshments for the social part of the evening.

#### EXTRA! EXTRA!

The 8-day clock stopped at 5:23 p. m. Wednesday and the owner of the dial corresponding with this time will receive the 100-piece Dinner Set.

Gather all your old dials together. Whoever brings in the most dials will receive the clock.

GRUBEN BROS.

#### A Pioneer Now Helping in Agricultural Development

George Mahen, of the 24 Ranch community to the southwest of Spur, was in the city Monday. Mr. Mahen is one of the "pioneers" of the country, having lived in Fisher county long before the Spur country was opened to settlement. However, when the 24 Ranch was cut up and placed on the market for agricultural purposes, Mr. Mahen couldn't resist the temptation and invitation to further help develop the great West, therefore he tied on to some of the former rich ranch land and is now making it produce more abundantly and remuneratively.

#### J. H. Hooper Has First Heifer Calf From Jersey Bull Circle

J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community five miles south of Spur, dropped in Thuesday morning informing the Texas Spur that he had one of the first heifer calves from his "Circle" bull, he now having one heifer and one bull calf from the Jersey Bull Circle. Mr. Hooper said he just came in to market a little surplus cream from the ten cows he is milking on his place, and wanted us to know about his fine heifer calf.

Mr. Hooper, during his conversation stated that if "he depended entirely on that old red hill land of his for a living, he might starve to death." Aside from his ten milk cows he has chickens and turkeys, a number of thoroughbred red durroc hogs, and is also raising some fine colts. This is a combination that can't be beat, and if Mr. Hooper "starves to death" we had as well turn the country back over to the long horn cattle and coyotes.

R. J. Bateman was among the Afton citizens in Spur the past week.

### REV. A. J. LEGUERRIE

#### DAILY READINGS

Will be in Spur For One Week Beginning June 2nd.