

### THE FALL GINNING SEASON OPENED MONDAY WITH THREE BALES COTTON GINNED SPUR COTTON MARKET OPENS AT 24c AND ADVANCEES TO 25c DURING THE DAY

#### T. B. Watson Arrives Monday Morning With First Bale of Cotton of the Season Followed Closely by W. M. Calvert

The first bale of cotton of the 1927 season in the Spur territory arrived in Spur Monday morning, brought in by T. B. Watson of near Dickens and ginned by J. W. Baker at his electric gin plant.

The bale of seed cotton weighed 1330 pounds, made a 531 pound bale, graded strict middling with fifteen-sixteenth inch staple by J. W. Baker who purchased the bale for 24 cents a pound, paying \$30.00 a ton for the seed. The bale, at 24 cents a pound, brought \$125.05, the seed \$12.05, together with a premium made up by the business interests of Spur amounting to \$121.50, making the total amount of \$258.60 received by Mr. Watson for the first bale of cotton of the season.

About thirty minutes after the first bale was ginned, W. M. Calvert of the Dry Lake community, drove up with the second bale. This bale of seed cotton weighed 1420 pounds, ginned out a bale of 527 pounds, and was also purchased by Mr. Baker at 24 cents, amounting to \$126.50, the seed bringing an additional \$13.35 at \$30 a ton, the bale and the seed netting Mr. Calvert the total sum of \$139.85, the ginning of both bales being done by Mr. Baker free of charge.

The third bale of the day was brought in by W. H. Deuval of the Twin Wells community to the south of Spur, being ginned by Williamson Bros. Gin, who also ginned the bale free of charge and raised the market price to twenty five cents a pound.

Tuesday Harvey S. Holly of near Dickens, brought in the fourth bale which was ginned free of charge by M. Hargrove who also purchased the staple paying the advanced price of twenty five cents.

T. B. Watson also brought in his second bale Tuesday. In picking the premium bale Monday, Mr. Watson had forty seven pickers in the field at sun-up, getting the bale with in two hours time and with only one weighing.

#### Matador Boosters Will Visit Dickens and Spur Monday, Sept. 5th

Editor Mitchell of the Motley County News informs us that a delegation of Matador Boosters, including the Matador Band, Ukalele Girls Club and others, will be in Dickens and Spur Monday, September 5th, on a boosting tour for the Motley County Fair.

The Matador Boosters will arrive in Dickens about 3:10 p. m., and in Spur about 2:20 p. m. The delegation no doubt will meet with a welcome reception at both Spur and Dickens at the appointed hours.

#### Spur Municipal Band Concert at New Band Stand Thursday

The Spur Municipal Band will give its first public concert at the new band stand just constructed, on Thursday night of this week, beginning at eight o'clock, as announced by Director G. C. Collum.

Approximately five hundred dollars was contributed by business interests of Spur for the construction of the band stand.

#### Afton Gins First Bale and Opens Cotton Mar- ket at 25c a Pound

The first bale of cotton of the season was ginned Monday at Afton.

The bale was brought in by A. M. Raspberry and weighed 440 pounds, ginned by A. M. Guthrie who also bought it, paying 25 cents per pound. A premium of \$41.95 was made up by Afton business interests, making the first bale at Afton net Mr. Raspberry the total sum of \$151.95, without the seed which were caught and saved for planting purposes, being of the Albert Pover strain of highly improved Half and Half variety.

#### Dickens County Club Boys Enjoy Annual Encampment at Sil- ver Falls Lake

The annual club encampment for the club boys of Dickens County was held at Silver Falls Lake, Aug. 23 and 24. Everybody brought basket lunches for the duration of the camp as there was no place to buy food there. Swimming and rowing were the chief sports. Watermelons bought by one of the boys served for refreshments. One pleasant feature of the camp were the stories told at the campfire after supper. E. C. McClain, father of one of the club boys, and an entertainer of some local repute, was the principal story teller. He related many experiences of his while in South American Republics were visited but most of his time was spent on the great "Pampas" of the Argentine Republic where the immense herds of cattle are raised somewhat after the fashion of our great cattle ranges of the west.

#### Henderson & Blanton Have Show of Fine Colts Saturday

Saturday afternoon of last week, M. L. Henderson, of Henderson & Blanton, held a showing of the colts from their thoroughbred Hamiltonian stallion. There were some twenty or thirty of the colts on the show grounds, all of them being of the finest types, premiums being awarded the best showings.

The large showing of colts on this occasion gave substantial evidence that Dickens county farmers are raising the finest horses as well as the finest dairy cows and stock cattle.

#### Good Crops Reported in the Wichita Sec- tion of Country

J. P. Jones, of the Wichita community, was in Spur Monday, reporting that crops in his section were looking fine, though late and just now in the proper stage of growth for severe damage by worms should they appear in damaging numbers. Mr. Jones and family had just returned from Weatherford where they visited with relatives. Around the Weatherford country weevils are doing great damage, he stated, adding that in Knox county only did he see good crops outside of the Spur territory.

#### Sheriff and Deputy of Fisher County Killed Saturday at Roby

One of the most deplorable crimes of West Texas occurred Saturday of last week near Roby when Sheriff Bob Smith of Fisher county and his chief deputy, Jake Owens were murdered while making an arrest and returning to Roby with two young men, Lloyd Conatser and Bill Smith, charged with stealing cotton.

A report states that the young men under arrest were seated in the rear of the officers car, when one pulled a pistol and shot Sheriff Smith dead at the steering wheel, only one shot being fired into his back and piercing the heart. Deputy Owens leaped from the car and turned to make a fight, when he met a fusillade of bullets and fell dead also shot through the heart. The young men then returned to their farm home, and with their wives left in an Oldsmobile car in the direction of Hamlin. Officers throughout this entire section have been watching the highways, but up to this time the murderers have not been apprehended. It is reported that they came up through Stonewall county, having their car filled with gas and oil at a wayside filling station. The people of Roby and Fisher county are wrought up over the killing, and hundreds of friends attended the funeral of the slain officers whose bodies were interred Sunday in a double grave.

#### Matador Defeats Spur Wednesday in Match Game of Base Ball

The Matador base ball team came down Wednesday and played the Spur team a match game on the home diamond, and in which the home team met with defeat by a score of six to fourteen. The Matador is one of the best in the country.

#### Spur is Pardonably Boastful of Her Gin Plants Which Include the Finest and Latest Improved Machinery Made

As little as may be thought of it, ginning is the most important industry in Spur, and yet gin men and ginning plants have possibly been given less consideration and fewer concessions on the part of the town than any other industry of as great importance to farmers and cotton growers of the trade territory.

The importance of ginning and gin plants was very forcibly impressed upon the Texas Spur editor by Uncle Eb Shaw during the 'heat of the county seat fight' several years ago, and since which time we have entertained a more interested concern of our gin plants. During the campaign for the county seat, when other interests were of secondary consideration, and the importance of town industries given no thought, Uncle Eb Shaw took us off to one side to present points in opposition to the proposed move, the most impressive statement made being that while we were all 'tearing our shirts' and losing sleep to win the county seat designation, that "one up-to-date gin plant would be worth more to Spur in dollars and cents as well as community prestige than would the court house."

Cotton is the most important product of this country, the leading money-crop of the South, and from which Spur's greatest resources are derived, therefore providing gin

#### Rain Accompanied by Hail Does Damage Wednesday Night

Considerable damage was done in the Dry Lake community Wednesday night by hail which accompanied the rain. It is reported that the crops of W. C. Messer, Comie Foreman, R. C. McMahan, and possibly others of that neighborhood suffered considerable damage.

About an inch of rain fell in the Dry Lake community, extending to Espuela and within a mile of Spur. A heavy rain at Wichita is also reported by W. L. Thanisch who was in Spur Thursday. While the rain was light in other sections, we are informed that it covered practically the entire Spur territory and will be of inestimable benefit to both cotton and late feed as well as grass lands.

#### Nice Showers of Rain Fall at Afton and North Part of County Wed.

J. W. Hilton and J. M. Roberson, of the Prairie Chapel community to the east of Afton, were in Spur Thursday morning, and while here Mr. Hilton dropped in at the Texas Spur office and informed us that a fine rain fell Wednesday afternoon and night at Afton, extending on down near to Dickens. At Prairie Chapel the rain was light, merely wetting the top of the ground, but considered a beneficial cotton shower. It is reported that the rain extended west of Afton, and possibly on up on the Plains.

Mr. Hilton stated that he finished planting cotton the last of June, a good rain falling the night he finished planting, and notwithstanding the fact that no rain has fallen since, his cotton is growing, maturing and is heavily loaded with fruit, thus proving conclusively that a fine crop of cotton can be made without rain on a good season in the beginning.

#### Spur Will Maintain Her Established Rep- utation as the Highest and Best Cotton Marketing Point in Western Texas

#### The Price of Cotton Continues to Go Up World Markets

While the cotton market in Spur and Afton opened up this week at twenty five cents, the market price of the country is somewhat less. Nevertheless, the market continues to advance daily, with the prospect that thirty cent cotton will again soon be a reality.

The cotton crop of the entire country is short, the acreage having been reduced, suffered insect damage, floods and dry weather in the different sections, therefore the demands of manufacturers will not be met in cotton production.

While the Spur country may not produce as many bales this year as last year, because of reduced acreage and late plantings, yet the crops in general are most promising, there will be a better staple this year, and the probability is that the crop will bring much more money to producers this year than last year. The cotton is now opening and probably within the next two weeks the fall cotton season will be in full swing.

Every indication is that this will be one of the most prosperous falls the Spur country has ever experienced.

#### Several New Residences Now Under Construc- tion in the City

Mrs. Pink Higgins recently moved her old residence building to an adjoining lot and is now having constructed a more modern bungalow residence on the old site, and which is now nearing completion.

Mr. Johns is having a bungalow residence constructed in the eastern part of the city, and which also is now nearing completion, he and family moving here from Kent county for advantage of Spur Schools.

J. J. Ensey is building a combination residence, filling station and grocery in the western suburbs of the city, and which structure is now also nearing completion.

S. B. Scott has just completed a modern eight room residence in the western part of Spur, and he and family this week moved into the new home.

Other residence building, additions and improvements are being made in the different residence sections of the city.

In the business section the Love Dry Goods Company is building a brick business house adjoining the Wendell building, and which will be completed and ready for occupancy during the month.

On the whole, the building progress of Spur continues in a most substantial manner.

#### Revival Now in Prog- ress at the Presbye- terian Church in Spur

A revival meeting is now in progress at the Presbyterian church in Spur, Pastor Buie being assisted by Evangelist Lewis of Lubbock in the daily services which are being well attended. A cordial invitation is being extended to everybody to attend and participate in the services.

The cotton market in Spur opened up Monday morning when the first bales of the season were ginned and marketed. The market opened at twenty four cents a pound paid for the first bales, the price advancing in the afternoon to twenty five cents a pound when other bales were ginned and marketed.

Spur has always been the best and highest cotton market in the West, paying from one to two cents more than other local marketing points of the country, and this fall will be no exception to this record of past seasons, as is substantially evidenced by the prices paid at the opening of the fall cotton season Monday and Tuesday.

There are several contributing causes for recognition of Spur as the best cotton marketing point of the West. First, the Spur territory produces the best staple grown in any section of Western Texas, there being a number of farmers who are now growing what is known as 'long staple' cotton which each year brings a premium of two to five dollars per hundred pounds, the average staple of the entire territory being of longer staple, and finer fibre, than is grown elsewhere in the cotton area.

Second, Spur has the finest and most modern gin plants of any town anywhere, and ginners who know how to gin cotton, and turn out the best samples possible.

Third, Spur has quite a number of live, wide-awake cotton buyers, who know the value of staple, want the cotton and make close competitive bids to obtain it, thus assuring the producer and seller something near the real market value, and often times a price above the market values at other points.

Throughout this fall, as in past years, the cotton growers of this territory are assured that the Spur market will "pay the price" for both cotton and cotton seed, and is entitled to favorable consideration as a market point, as are the farmers in obtaining the highest prices for their cotton and other farm products.

#### New and Modern Gin Plant Now Under Con- struction at Dickens

A new and modern gin plant to be known as "The Peoples Gin," is now under construction in Dickens, this making the second gin for the county capital.

The Peoples Gin is being constructed by F. C. Gipson, O. L. Hale, Grundy Crego, C. A. Gladish, W. J. Clark, W. L. McAteer, with W. J. Clark as manager and O. L. Hale secretary and treasurer of the company.

The gin will be of four 80-saw stands, and including all of the late improved cleaners and bolters, making it one of the most modern gins of the country. The buildings have been constructed and the machinery is arriving and being installed this week, and every effort will be made to have the plant in operation by the first of October.

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### DICKENS COUNTY TEACHERS INSTITUTE

The County School Board of Education set the time for holding the teachers institute on the 10th and 11th of November, at Dickens, Texas. All teachers who teach in Dickens County will be required to attend both days.

H. A. C. BRUMMETT  
43-4 Ex Office County Supt.

R. D. Williams, of the Red Top community to the west of Spur, was here the past week trading and meeting with friends.

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Bill McArthur, of west of Spur, was greeting his friends on the streets Saturday afternoon.



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### Hudson Super Breaks World's Stock Car Record in Cross-Country Road Trip

What is believed to be a world's record for cross-country driving in a stock model car, was established yesterday by Tony Chisum of Amarillo, when he piloted a Hudson sedan from this city to Albuquerque, N. M., and return—938 miles—in seventeen hours and 40 minutes.

Mr. Chisum is the Hudson-Essex distributor in Amarillo, and with him during his record breaking feat was Frank Young of Roswell, N. M., the Hudson-Essex dealer in that city, and Lawrence Thomas, service manager for Mr. Chisum here.

The object of the dare-devil stunt by Mr. Chisum was to test the roadability and durability of the new Hudson models—and in the 938 miles traversed the car was hurled thru some of the most trying stretches of highway it is possible to conceive. Roads for the most part, however, through New Mexico, were good, Mr. Chisum reported.

On the straightaway, over mountains, through winding canyons, on stretches scarcely more than wagon tracks, up hill and down, around hairpin curves and across mesas, and to an altitude of 7,000 feet Chisum forced the Hudson at breakneck speed—and there never was a murmur of complaint from the motor.

For the entire distance of 938 miles Chisum's average speed was 53 1-10 miles an hour. That is the elapsed time. The actual driving time increases this to an average of 57.4 miles an hour. This is believed to be a speed hitherto unheard of for stock car models over highways like those Chisum traveled at times.

For the entire trip it is figured the Hudson dealer and his aides lost an hour and twenty minutes. This includes the time necessary to change a tire near Moriarity, N. M., 65 or 70 miles out of Albuquerque, the time needed to change a fan belt which had broken, and the time required to check in and out of various Western Union offices en route.

The start of this performance was made at the office of the Globe-News at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. And the car was clocked in at the same place at 10:40 o'clock last night.

Several score persons gathered at The News-Globe last night to greet Chisum and his aides. The machine which had been picked up West of Amarillo by two motorcycle policemen from Amarillo, crashed up to The News-Globe with the motor purring as sweetly as though it had been driven around the block for a brief demonstration.

The last two miles of the trip was finished with a flat tire. The machine hit a bump in the highway and blew the tire but Chisum decided in an instant to come on into town on the rubber rather than take time out to change. It would have required perhaps a minute and a half to have slipped off the tire and replaced it.

Chisum and Young alternated at the wheel of the Hudson and each drove approximately half of the distance. Neither was weary when the trip was concluded declaring that the excitement of knowing they were establishing what they declare is a world's record kept them from feeling the strain.

From Amarillo to Roswell, N. M., on the outward trip, a distance of 236 miles, the leg was covered in 237 minutes—practically a mile a minute clip. That means that the car was sent careening along at 80 miles an hour part of the time.

And at 75 miles or more, Chisum said, the motor purred like it was being driven at 30 or 35 miles. There was never any indications of engine trouble regardless of the altitude, the roads, the speed or elements.

A spattering rain was encountered at Kenna, between Roswell and Albuquerque, but it didn't lessen the speed at which the car was being driven.

Thousands of persons en route

saw Chisum as he speeded through towns and cities and villages. At Roswell, at least 5,000 men and women were on hand when the car was checked in. The Roswell police authorities had given him the right-of-way, and no delay was encountered because of the throng.

All along the route to Albuquerque and back there were hundreds of people watching for him, Chisum said last night.

About twelve miles of hard-surface road was all that was encountered on the entire trip, but Chisum was loud in his praise last night of the New Mexico highways, where they have been improved.

"Say for me," Chisum said, "that the New Mexican roads are the best in the country for country highways. I don't believe I am stretching it a bit."

In this Chisum was backed up by both Young and Thomas.

By completing his trip from Albuquerque to Amarillo and return, without a mishap, Chisum drove 35 miles farther than it is from Albuquerque to Los Angeles.

Albuquerque, N. M., August 22.—Tony Chisum and Frank Young in Hudson Super-Six arrived here from Roswell at 12:34 p. m. Distance 235 miles. Elapsed time four hours 29 minutes. Left for Roswell 12:41 p. m.

(Signed) W. F. Murphy, manager of Western Union.

Roswell, N. M., August 22.—Tony Chisum and Frank Young in Hudson super six arrived here from Albuquerque at 5:01 p. m. Distance of 235 miles. Elapsed time, four hours 20 minutes. Left for Amarillo at 5:09 p. m.

### AVERAGED 64 MILES FOR THE FIRST 200 MILES

Albuquerque, Aug. 22.—Records are made to be beaten and Tony Chisum, daring Hudson automobile driver of Amarillo, made the 470-mile trip from Amarillo here in 8 hours and 26 minutes today.

He arrived at the Cooper Motor company distributors of the Hudson, at 12:34 p. m. and seven minutes later taking on 17 gallons of Jackrabbit gasoline, started back, hoping to make a new record.

He averaged 56.6 miles an hour and for the first 200 miles averaged 64 miles an hour. His gasoline consumption on the new Amarillo Refining company gasoline is 14 miles per gallon.

He lost one minute with a puncture, and navigated the 38-mile Tijeras canyon, a wide, but curving trail in 36 minutes and the 22-mile Mesa lap in Albuquerque in 30 minutes.

He is using Jackrabbit gasoline, made by Amarillo Refining company.

Pathfinders E. L. Moon and R. G. Cocanower of the Amarillo Refining company; C. N. Dillon of Plains Lubricating company, and Paul S. Hedrick, oil editor of the News-Globe, made the trip from Amarillo to Roswell to Albuquerque Sunday and leave on a return trip early this afternoon.

Roswell gave Chisum a big reception and crowds greeted him at Estancia, Vaughn and through Tieras canyon to Albuquerque.

### SMILE

A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it lasts forever. None is so rich or so mighty that he cannot be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and is Nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to any one until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give.—Anon.

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### Value of Terraces

By A. K. Short of the Federal Land Bank of Houston

Terracing returns a greater amount for the labor and money expended than any other farm operation. Based upon estimates compiled, from the statements of many farmers over the State, it has been found that the average cost of terracing is between two dollars and two fifty cents per acre. From the same source it is found that the average annual increase revenues per acre amounts to more than three dollars, while in many instances, it amounts to as much as ten dollars per acre. Few, if any, farm operators will bring so great annual returns.

It is estimated that Texas has some 15,000,000 acres of farm land that needs terracing. Using the low estimate furnished by farmers, this land properly terraced would bring \$45,000,000 increased wealth annually to the farmers of the State, this in turn would increase a like amount.

In addition to the land that actually needs terracing to prevent erosion, terraces have been found to be the greatest known factor in the conservation of soil water in the sections of the State where moisture is the limiting factor in production. Reports from the Western sections show conclusively that terracing and running contour lines, have increased the yield very materially on land where water runs off, except the drainage districts, terraces will be a benefit to the land. On all land where the water flow is sufficient to wash the land, terraces are a necessity.

It has been found that there is twenty times as much plant food leached from the soil on rolling land than is used by crops. As the slope of land increases, the velocity of the water increases. When the velocity of water is doubled, it increases its soil erosion capacity thirty-two times. Terraces will prevent the rolling land from washing into gullies, will prevent the top soil from washing away. They will prevent the washing away of vegetable matter, and fertilizer. They will prevent the leaching out of plant food. They will prevent the hill side sand from covering the bottom land, and filling ditches and streams. Terraces will insure crop stand. They will insure a greater absorption of rainfall in Western sections of the State.

Whether they are used for the prevention of soil washing, the washing away of organic matter, leaching out of plant food or for the retention of rainfall on the land, terraces are the foundation upon which may be built a more profitable system of agricultural production.

Joe Ericson was on the streets Monday from the West Pasture headquarters.

W. H. Young, of Red Hill, was in town the past week.

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I invite you to come down when in town and look it over and you will say I have what you need for your cotton, and I intend to make it worth while for you to come here.

I want to thank you for past favor and invite you back.

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J. A. Kerley, of east of Spur, was among the business visitors in the city Saturday, reporting that his crops were fine. However, a rain at this time in that section of the country would be appreciated by all farmers.

Prof. G. W. Bennett, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Bennett has accepted the superintendency of the Whiteflat school, and he and family moved the past week from Elton to Whiteflat. The school will begin Monday, September 12th, there being seven teachers employed to conduct the courses of study for the term.

Mr. and Mrs. Huddle Cloud returned this week to their home in Oklahoma, after spending several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cloud. Huddle and his wife are both school teachers and have accepted positions as superintendent and principal of the Wewoka, Oklahoma schools, and before leaving had the Texas Spur come to them at their new home and address.

Mrs. Herman Everts, of Spur, and her mother of Abilene, and Mrs. Elzie Watson, also of Spur, returned last week from a summer vacation spent in Cool Colorado.

### Greer Home Being Rebuilt on the Lone Oak Farm and Ranch

J. I. Greer was in town Saturday. He has been kept at home the past several days, rebuilding his home on the Lone Oak farm and ranch. The home is practically being rebuilt, with new foundations, new roofing with the addition of a "sleeping porch" where he may enjoy the long summer days in comfort and complete rest. While he may not show it, J. I. Greer is seventy five years of age, served as Texas Ranger in the earlier days, fought the Indians and helped to pave the way for civilization and present day developments—and deserves a mansion in which to rest and spend the evening of his life.

H. H. Butler of southwest of the city, was here Monday. He was one among the number from that section who Saturday attended the big picnic celebration at Clairemont. In returning home Saturday night driving west on the Post road, he was "held up" by officers guarding the road for the young men who killed Sheriff Smith and his deputy, Owens, of Fisher county Saturday Afternoon, and who made their escape. Mr. Butler stated that he realized immediately that he had encountered officers and knew they were after the murderers of the Fisher county officers, therefore he did not become alarmed and slowed down without hesitation.

L. C. Arrington, of west of Dickens, was one among the large number of business visitors in the city Saturday. He reports his crops in fine shape, but added that an inch or two of rain at this time would be of great value to the growing and maturing feed and cotton crops of the country.

### Subscribers to \$121.50 Premium For the First Bale Ginned in Spur

We, the undersigned, hereby subscribe and donate the amount set opposite our name for the purpose of paying a premium on the first bale of cotton ginned at Spur, Texas, from the 1927 crop:

The Spur National Bank	\$10.00
The City National Bank	7.00
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Salem's	2.50
C. A. Love	1.00
Spur Bakery	1.00
East Side Market	1.50
Spur Service Station	2.50
Ramsey's Garage	1.00
The Victor Theatres Inc.	5.00
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HAULING OF ALL KINDS.—"QUICK SERVICE" Our Motto.  
PHONT 279, SPUR, TEXAS

A. W. Phillips, of Twin Wells section of country, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week. He reports things looking good out his way.

W. C. Cartwright, of the Soldier Mound community, was on the streets Saturday with the crowds, and meeting with his friends and acquaintances.

Seals Earnest was among the number on the streets Saturday of the past week.

Albert Fudge of near Spur, was a recent business visitor on the streets.

Porter McClain was here Saturday from his Cat Fish farm and ranch home.

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WE HAVE INSTALLED NEW GINS AND CLEANERS THROUGH-OUT OUR GIN

Come and give us a trial and be convinced that we have one of the very Best Gins in West Texas

COME WHERE YOUR FRIENDSHIP IS FIGURED AS MUCH AS YOUR CUSTOM.

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### BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.

A Good Yard In a Good Town

EAST-SIDE MARKET  
HOT ROAST EVERY DAY  
We handle the Best meat we can get  
Also Packing House Products

GIVE THE NEW MARKET A TRIAL!

Try Our Sunday Dinners

The Highway Cafe

High Quality Food Properly Cooked  
BELL & FOX, Proprietors

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO HOMESEEKERS.

Should you want a good home, either on the Plains or close to Spur, apply to H. Mings, Spur, Texas. 4tp

For Sale—5-Room residence, lots, barns and other improvements. Located in north part of Spur near Hill Street. See Mrs. L. V. Turner, Spur, Texas 44-4tp.

FOR RENT—4-room house with bath, on Hill Street. See L. C. Ponder, Spur, Texas. 2tp

For Sale—Lot No. 13, Block 37; Lot No. 14, Block No. 38; Lot No. 4, Block No. 49. Make me an offer.—L. B. Herron, 339 N. 6th St., Grand-Junction, Colorado. 44-2c

We will buy your fat hogs and cattle.—Central Market.

WANTED—Cow that will be fresh in next few months.—Fred S. Reynolds.

FOR SALE—5-room house, freshly papered and painted, sewer, water and light connections, south part of Spur.—J. P. Wilkes.

1927 6-cylinder Chrysler car, one year old, for sale or trade. See J. P. Wilkes.

Miss Willie Stafford, who is now employed in the Swenson bank, came up and spent the week end in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stafford.

The Spur High School football team of about thirty boys returned Thursday from a ten days encampment and training at Glenrose.

Mrs. Newt Harkey returned Friday from New York and other Eastern markets where she had been with other buyers for B. Schwarz & Son.

Advertise in The Texas Spur.

Spur Tailor Shop

We have just installed a new Press. We do better work and keep up abreast of the times.

IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

1/2 BLK. WEST SPUR NAT. BANK

5 PER CENT FEDERAL FARM LOANS 35 YEARS TIME  
\$25.00 or up can be paid any time—Make your own terms. Over one hundred million loaned to Texas Farmers.  
S. L. DAVIS

Look Over Our House Plans

In the varied array of plans you will be certain to find a house that exactly fits your needs. And when you have decided upon the plan you like, we can tell you to a dollar just what the materials will cost. Stop in any time and look them over.

Musser Lumber. Co Spur, Texas

Social and Club News.

Mesdames W. T. Andrews and Lawis Lee Hostesses Friday

A pretty party of the week was that of Friday evening in the W. T. Andrews home with Mrs. Lawis Lee acting as joint hostess with Mrs. Andrews in giving a bridge party of lovely appointments.

A number of interesting games were played after which a delicious salad plate was served with iced punch. Miniature animals were used as plate favors.

The guests included Mesdames Weldon Grimes, Jack Rector, M. C. Goding, Austin Putman, Tracy Gorham, Spearman, Cecil Hicks, Oran McClure, W. D. Wilson, W. E. Flint, Thomas Morrison, E. C. Edmonds, Leslie Cooper, Frank Laverty, Thurman Harris, W. D. Stracher, Horace Gipson, Malcolm Brannen, Bill Putman, C. L. Love, Nellie Davis, Dan Zachry.

Friday Afternoon Club

Mesdames Horace Gipson and Lawis Lee very charmingly entertained members of the Friday Afternoon club and a number of invited guests in the Lawis Lee home on Friday evening. Progressive "42" was the interesting diversion for the guests. A lovely refreshment plate was passed. The guest included Mesdames T. A. Johnson, Riley Wooten, Frank Goff, S. C. Fallis, Otto Mott, Wilkes, Weldon Grimes, C. L. Love, Geo. S. Link, W. T. Andrews, Oran McClure, G. R. Elkins, Nellie Davis, C. A. Love, Abernathy, Twaddell, W. D. Starcher, Cecil Hicks, J. E. Morris, Webber Williams.

Mrs. Dickson Entertains Honoring Guest

Mrs. R. E. Dickson very charmingly entertained a number of friends Thursday afternoon with bridge, honoring her house guest, Mrs. Joe Grace of Dallas.

In the bridge games Mesdames Joe Grace, Leslie Cooper and Frank Laverty received favors. A lovely punch was served during the games. refreshment plate was passed. Iced The guests included the honoree, Mrs. Grace and Mesdames W. D. Wilson, E. C. Edmonds, Austin Putman, A. C. Hull, Hill Perry, F. W. Jennings, Roy L. Harkey, Nellie Davis, W. L. Gibbs, Thurman Harris, Homer Schrimsher, Laurie Burrows, Leslie Cooper and Frank Laverty.

Ruth Cowan Entertains With Theatre Party

Ruth Cowan entertained with a Theatre Party Wednesday afternoon of this week. After the show, the little girls returned to the Cowan home where games were played. Ice cream and cake was served by Mrs. Cowan to the following little girls: Sybil Shrimsher, Marjorie Boothe, Polly and Robbie Clemmons, Wynell McClure, Ruth, Ruby and Emily Cowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Entertain Joi de Voi Club

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cooper very graciously entertained members of the Joi de Voi Club and their husbands with bridge Thursday evening.

In the bridge games Mrs. Cecil Hicks was high for the ladies, and Jim Edd Hall received high favor for the men, and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gibbs received the husband and wife favor.

Delicious refreshments were served to Messrs. and Mesdames W. L. Gibbs, Jim Edd Hall, Murray Lea, Thurman Harris, Cecil Hicks, A. C. Hull, Jack Rector, Homer Schrimsher, Malcolm Brannen and Mesdames Floyd Barnett, Dan Zachry.

Joi de Voi Club

The Joi de Voi Club and guests were delightfully entertained on Thursday afternoon in the lovely suburban home of Mrs. W. E. Flint.

Six tables were arranged for the ever popular game of bridge. At the conclusion of the games Mrs. J. E. Hall held high score of the club members and Mrs. C. B. Jones, of the guests. They were presented hand painted card table covers while Mrs. Cecil Fox was given an embroidered guest towel for consolation.

A refreshment salad plate consisting of pineapple salad on lettuce leaf, saratoga crackers, weiffen and iced tea, was served to the following guests: Mesdames Charlie Powell, Cecil Hicks, Dan Zachry, Jack Rector, Thurman Harris, J. E. Hall, Floyd Barnett, W. L. Gibbs, Jr., L. Cooper, H. P. Serrinsmer, A. C. Hull, C. B. Jones, E. C. Edmonds, Frank Laverty, T. C. Morrison, Oran McClure, C. L. Love, Lawis Lee, W. T. Andrews, Fred Haile, R. E. Dickson, Sol Davis, W. D. Wilson, and Cecil Fox.—Reporter.

The W. D. Starchers Entertain

Mrs. W. D. Starcher was a very charming hostess when on Tuesday afternoon she entertained with a six o'clock dinner in the home of the Leslie Coopers. Bridge was the interesting diversion for the evening. The friends enjoying the Starcher's hospitality were Messrs. and Mesdames Dick Speer, Leslie Cooper, Dr. and Mrs. Dan Zachry, Misses Rachel Langston, Nellie Ham.

A number of lovely remembrances were presented Mrs. Cooper on this occasion it being her birthday.

Merry Workers Club

Mrs. Woods entertained the Merry Workers Thursday afternoon in her home. The meeting was opened by Mrs. Stevens reading a story. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served to Mesdames Stevens, Lilly, G. T. Johnson, W. G. Johnson, Turner, Hayes, Woods, Ince, Misses Ora Johnson, Velma Hayes and Edith Ince.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Lilly, September 8th. All the members try to be present.

THE Lyric Theatre

IS offering one of

THE season's greatest

HITS in

TWINKLETOES with

COLLEEN Moore next

MONDAY and Tuesday

AND the Management

EXPECTS everyone to

SEE the picture and

OFFERS the assurance

THAT it will be

ENJOYED immensely

AND the admission

IS only ten and

THIRTY-five.

I thank you.

Apologies to K. C. B.

Womens Missionary Society Zone Meeting.

The Womens Missionary Society, Zone No. 1 of the Stamford District, held an all-day meeting in Spur at the Methodist church last Thursday.

Miss Etta Fite, as Zone Chairman, directed the interesting program. Mrs. F. O. Campbell, district secretary, of Munday, Texas, was a great help with her messages from the district officials. The devotional service conducted by Miss Lera Albin was unsurpassed in inspiration.

The noon hour was spent very pleasantly spent when an excellent cafeteria lunch was served by the local members.

Out of town visitors were: Mrs. F. O. Campbell, Munday, Tex., and Mesdames M. D. Fuller, G. F. Price, A. L. Patton, J. T. Howell, W. J. Lane Cleveland English, and E. C. Brown of Jayton Texas.

The day's program follows: Devotional—Mrs. F. O. Campbell. Why Observe the Week of Prayer? to me; and Ways to Conduct it—Mrs. Roberson, given by Mrs. F. O. Campbell. The importance of Children's Work—Mrs. J. R. Laine. Song—Miss Nell Higgins. The importance of Young People's Work—Mrs. I. A. Smith. Reading—Mrs. Clarice Thannisch. Noon.

Devotional—Miss Lera Albin. Talk on Missionary Voice—Mrs. Hoge, Knox City, given by Mrs. Payne.

The Importance of Making Prompt Reports to Conference Officers—Mrs. Jack Rector.

Song—Mrs. Dan H. Zachry.

Why Observe the Week of Prayer—Miss Petta Stokes.

Social Service Work, and What We Are Doing in Jayton— Mrs. C. English.

Our Finances; and Where Our Money Goes—Mrs. S. H. Twaddell.

Talk by District Secretary—Mrs. F. O. Campbell.

The W. H. Taylor Family Holds Reunion After Ten Years

The entire W. H. Taylor family, of Baileyboro, formerly of Spur, for the first time in ten years met and held a reunion August 24th, 1927, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webb of near McAdoo. All the children, sons-in-law and grand children, excepting Clyde Henry of Dickens, being present. There were thirty three in all present.

This reunion was also in honor of the mother's birthday, Mrs. Annie Taylor of Baileyboro, she being 53 years old. All guests had arrived by eleven o'clock and a fine dinner was spread at twelve o'clock. The diversion of the occasion was music and singing. The afternoon was spent in talking of olden times and taking pictures. All guests declared a better time was never spent. They departed for their homes at 6 o'clock.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Henry and children of Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. John Willis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hager and children, of Girard, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bilberry and son of Spur, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Offield of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Miss Bonnie Taylor, and Masters Seab and R. P. Taylor, and Lee Taylor, all of Baileyboro, Perry Taylor of Denver, Colorado, also the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webb and children of McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Simmons and little son, Woodrow, last week attended a convention of the Pierce Company agents of this district held in Stamford. Returning home they spent Sunday on the plains, visiting Mr. Simmons' brother at Tulia, and other friends at Floydada, Lockney, Plainview, Quitaqua and Matador, returning home Monday. Later this week Mrs. Simmons and Woodrow went to Slaton to visit her sisters, Mrs. O. L. Petty and Mrs. Dunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster returned this week from Sulphur Springs.

A Good Safe Place to Trade  
**B Schwarz & Son**  
"The Store of Little Profits"  
SPUR, TEXAS

WORTH SEEING AND WAITING FOR!

Welcome indeed is the revelation of New Styles which B. SCHWARZ & SON'S buyers have been sending back daily from New York City. "The Next Thing in Fashion" is to be found here.

It's a larger, better, more beautiful line of garments than ever before. "Quality" Creations which give life and color to the mode. Each style distinctive — different — individual — and outstandingly attractive in it's striking fashion.

A Real Style Feast! "Coleen" Frocks arriving daily— Insure seeing this advanced selection by coming in now. Our forty-five feet of extension enables us to carry a more extensive line of merchandise this Fall.

It has been, is, and will be

A FELT!

We have, this week, received ten dozen new felts — in small, chic styles for Miss and Matron; with pam pams, feathers, rhinestones, ribbon, and various trimming treatment which adds to the smartness of the unusual style in various colors and combinations of materials—

\$1.95 to \$7.75

"LIDS FOR KIDS"

ANOTHER FELT

Those precious little styles and colors for the tiny tot — "A scene painted on the band" with the effective streamers down the back — All sizes to be had —

\$1.95 and up—

Other values, too numerous to mention, may be had by visiting our store and making yourself at home and looking around.

Remember Friends, this is "Cotton Year," and when you need Duck, we have it.

G. E. Denson, of San Antonio, is here this week visiting his brother, Ott Denson and other relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Campbell and son, of Denison, are in the city visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Campbell.

Mrs. Glover and daughter, Miss Lila, of Dallas, are guest of D. R. Stokes and sister.

M. B. Wilson, of the Steel Hill community, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday of this week.

We will buy your fat hogs and cattle.—Central Market.

T. C. Cooner this week moved his produce business to Afton

**LYRIC**  
TODAY ONLY!  
"Miss Brewster's Millions"  
WITH  
**BEBE DANIELS**

The Best and Most Up-to-Date Gin in West Texas Built for You

Women are the most unreasonable creatures on earth, they simply can't see anything in the proper light. The other evening we came in tired, and found friend wife deep in the mysteries of a cross word puzzle. "What is an appellation a woman gives another she doesn't like, in three letters?" she queried. "Probably 'cat' " I replied crossly, "and when do we eat?" I demanded just as cross. "O! It won't be long now." (sweetly); and a moment later "O! Dear, what is a female sheep?" "Ewe," I roared little thinking that she would take it personally.

Anyway it is easy to be misunderstood, you may try ever so hard to help people and yet they will think you are either abusin or making fun of them. Now take this little instance of the female sheep in a cross word puzzle, I gave the lady the exact information she asked for, yet she vows that I called her "an old ugly, wooly sheep." Nothing, I assure was further from my mind. For as hungry as I was, and as far as it seemed to me as it was from appeasing my appetite, had I called her anything it would have been neither sheep nor lamb.

Now I do not wish to be misunderstood in what I say here. I want everybody to take this in the same spirit it is written. When I say that I have built for you—when I say YOU here, I mean my Farmer friends—I repeat, when I say I have built for you, the best Gin and the most up to date gin in all West Texas, I mean just that. I mean that I builded this Gin for you to bring your cotton to. I built it for you to Gin your cotton on. I built it for you to use to get a better staple and turnout than you can reasonably get elsewhere. I personally designed some of the important features that went into the make up of the machinery before it went into the process of manufacture.

One of the special features that went into the makeup of these gins, was a special SAW and RIB as nearly shaped as it is possible to GIN COTTON without Tearing, Breaking or Cutting the STAPLE. So if you have a good staple cotton I believe you will be pleased with our Ginning. And now while I am on this, I am thinking of offering a PREMIUM NEXT YEAR of \$100 to the Farmer Who Gins the BEST STAPLE BALE OF COTTON IN SPUR. Now don't misunderstand me, I have not fully decided on the matter, but I am figuring on a plan. So far the plan I have been considering is something like this—No Farmer entering this contest will be eligible unless he has at least twenty-five acres of some variety of STAPLE COTTON. THIS will be the only requirement. There will be no other strings on it: There is no scheme to sell seed. No requirement that the cotton be Ginned with Me. No special strain or variety of COTTON. YOU WILL BE JUST SIMPLY REQUIRED TO HAVE TWENTY-FIVE ACRES OF SOME LONG STAPLE COTTON AT NEXT FALL PICKING TIME—NOT HALF OR IT BUT ALL OF TWENTY-FIVE ACRES AT PICKING TIME. YOU CAN HAVE AS MANY ACRES OVER TWENTY-FIVE AS YOU LIKE. BUT TO SECURE THIS \$100.00 PRIZE YOU MUST HAVE TWENTY-FIVE ACRES OR MORE AT PICKING TIME. OF COURSE YOU MUST GIN ALL THE COTTON RAISED ON THE ACREAGE ENTERED, AT SOME Gin In The CITY OF SPUR.

Now again I do not wish to be Misunderstood. I know that \$100 is not much Money, but since we are going to raise cotton any how, we might as well raise good cotton; and get this extra \$100.00, or at least raise the best COTTON WE can raise. I am not doing this to aid and abet any one to sell seed, or to make other financial gain except such gain as may be had by

DICKENS ITEMS

D. J. Harkey made a business trip

to Lubbock Monday.

School will open up Monday September 5th. We are looking forward to the best School that we have ever had. The new Gymnasium will help the school out wonderfully. The rooms have been worked over and new equipment and supplies installed. We are expecting a large attendance.

The Dickens County Teacher's Institute will be at Dickens November 10th and 11th. Dickens welcomes the teachers here for the Institute.

Miss Bill Thannisch of the Croton community has been visiting Miss Anna Lusk.

Mr. Fred Hale of Elton was transacting business in town Monday.

Dickens is in need of a number of new dwelling houses. Many people are wanting to move here for the advantages of our school.

Many of the old settlers of Dickens attended the "Old Settlers Reunion" at Roaring Springs last Thursday.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new gin. It will be finished in time for the cotton this fall. The two gins will be able to take care of the cotton for this fall.

Mrs. Ollie M. Cole is in Lubbock with her brother, Ed Hutson, who has been sick with paralysis for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lusk of Meadow visited relatives and friends in the city the week end.

The Baptist Revival closed Sunday night. One baptism and three restored. Brother Alvia Bilberry of Jacksboro conducted the meeting. Large crowds attended each service.

We are informed by the State Highway that Dickens County will receive 17 miles of Asphalt pavement on her roads. It will start four miles North of Dickens and turn West to the county line. Boost Dickens County roads.

Mr. and Mrs. William Street of Lubbock are visiting in town.

The Dickens Chamber of Commerce has received several hundred letters of different parts of the United States. Many people think we haven't been doing anything, but we have put Dickens on the map. The secretary has been busy answering letters and sending out data every since its organization nearly a year ago.

Mrs. John Draper, of Haskell is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Green.

Mr. Harold Blair went to Meadow Sunday.

Miss Anna Lusk pleasantly entertained a number of her friends with a farewell party Monday night in honor of Mrs. Archie Doty, formerly Miss Adelle Shields, of Tacoma, Washington. She left Tuesday for her home. At the conclusion, Mrs. Lusk served ice cream and cake to the following guests: Messrs. and Mesdames Willow Street, Frank Speer, Harley Terry and Mrs. Fred

the entire section surrounding the City of SPUR by the introduction and raising of a better and longer STAPLE COTTON.

Anyway whether we offer this prize or not will depend on you. If you think there would be enough of you that would enter the contest then I have no doubt but what I will make the offer.

Any way we are prepared to Gin your cotton whether long or short, without tearing, cutting or breaking. And will appreciate your business. We ginned our first bale Tuesday of this week for Mr. Harvey Holly. We paid him 25 cts. per pound for the bale. This was away above the market value of cotton on the day, and of course we could not afford to keep that up. We do not expect to buy cotton unless we can make a profit on it. But we do expect to gin it so you can get the highest market price that is paid in Spur.

Come and try us. We have a wagon shed that will hold twenty wagons at one time, and a cotton storage house of 100 bales capacity.

M. HARGROVE GIN, Spur, Texas.

Harrison of the Pitch Fork Ranch. Miss Beryl Harkey and Messrs. Odis Lusk and Fred Arrington.

Mr. T. B. Watson, who lives two miles south of town ginned the first bale of the 1927 crop Monday morning at Spur. The cotton brought 24 cents a pound netting him \$125, then the merchants made up a premium of \$118. The cotton was ginned free and the seed sold for \$12. In all he received about \$257 for the bale. The cotton was picked early Monday morning by nine o'clock. There were a number from town went out to help him. There were 47 picking by sun up.

Messrs. Bob Starcher and Sam Koonsman were transacting business in town Tuesday.

Commissioner Newberry of Afton was down Tuesday on business and trading with the merchants.

Mrs. Jones from Quannah is visiting at Judge Warswick's home.

H. P. Cole made a business trip to South Plains Wednesday.

Mrs. B. G. Worswick is visiting in Idalou and Lubbock this week.

L. D. Bilberry has gone to Fort Worth on business.

Prof. McCloud, who taught school here last year, was visiting in town Tuesday.

T. L. Conoway of the Wichita Country was trading in town Wednesday.

Austin Rose, of McAdoo was here on business Monday.

Several farmers have started to picking cotton. T. B. Watson has out two bales. He received the first bale of cotton for Dickens County.

Mrs. Johnnie Koonsman was trading in town Monday.

Uncle Lyson Lynn of Guthrie, was greeting friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Flemmens, of the city of Haskell, were in Spur this week visiting with their daughter, Mrs. E. L. Adams.

J. L. Jenkins, of northeast of the city several miles, was among the number on the streets Saturday of the past week.

W. J. Blanton and wife, and Frank Ray, wife and daughter, of Peacock, visited with O. B. Blanto nand family one day this week, in passing thru Spur on their way to Littlefield.

Mrs. H. O. Albin and children moved this week to Lubbock, where Miss Lera Albin will teach English in the Lubbock High School, while Miss Nella B Albin will attend the high school, and Miss Annis will enter the Tech College for the term.



Mr. Jamison really doesn't sell Groceries at enough profit to allow us to advertise—

However, we are placing this ad with The Texas Spur this week to let you know you can buy GOOD Groceries CHEAP at the "M" Store

We invite you to inquire of your neighbor about the quality of our groceries— It is our policy to neither buy nor sell anything we wont eat, ourselves.

DO YOUR FALL TRADING HERE AND YOU WILL FIND IT A PLEASURE TO KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY YOU ARE SAVING BY DOING SO.

Joe Grace, wife and son, John Robert Grace, of Dallas, are spending this week in Spur visiting their father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Grace and family. Joe Grace is one of our Spur boys who has made good, as he ranks among the distinguished civil and mechanical engineers of our state, now occupying the position of superintendent of all construction of Austin Bros. Bridge Company of Dallas, one of the largest companies of its kind in the South.

Miss Lorine Ledford, who has been spending some time in Keller near Fort Worth, returned this week to their home in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Johnson visited with friends in Stamford the past week.

E. A. Russell's mother, of Mississippi is here visiting the family.

M. C. Formby, of McAdoo, reports to County Agent Reynolds that he bred twenty cows, other than his own, to his Circle bull, and that up to this date twelve calves have been dropped, ten of the number being heifers. The Bull Circle has contributed much in the advancement of dairy cattle interests in Dickens county, and within a few years the county will become noted for its fine dairy cattle.

Dr. A. Hefner returned Wednesday from an absence of several months in Cisco and other points. We understand he has purchased lots in the city on which he will build and become permanently established in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings returned Wednesday from a vacation tour to the Carlsbad Caverns, El Paso and over into Jaurez, reporting a most pleasant trip.

WAIT FOR THE NEW Ford

YOU'LL want to own the new Ford because of its speed, its pick-up, comfort, safety, stamina — and because it is such a good-looking car. There's a bit of the European touch in the smart, low, trim lines of the new Ford.

Godfrey & Smart  
Spur, Texas

Ben Pierce and Joe McDonough, of Cross Plains, were in Spur this week, Mr. Donogh to look after his farming interests here, and Mr. Pierce with a view of investing in farm lands in the Spur country.

L. A. Hindman and H. A. Boothe made a trip this week to Amarillo after a new International truck for Mr. Boothe who will use it in the conduct of his oil business.



School Supplies

School begins two weeks from now and it is time to be getting your school supplies. You will need pencils, paper, pens, ink, rulers, blotters, compass, crayons, colors, brushes and other things and you will need a new fountain pen. We have the—

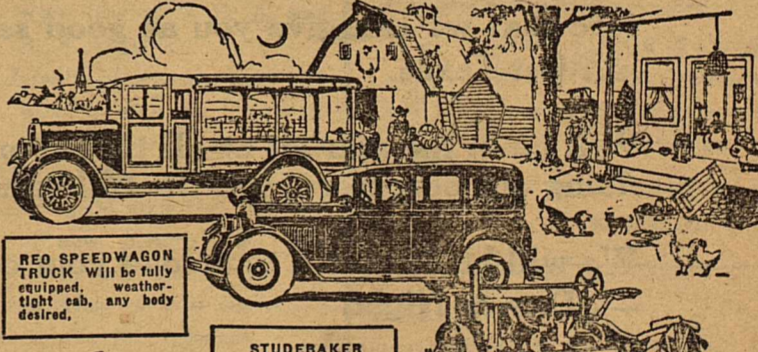
Conklin Fountain Pens

And they sell at from—  
\$1.00 to \$9.00  
It pays to buy a standard pen.  
GRUBEN BROS.

Sedan, Truck or Tractor FREE!

Which do You Want?

In the past we have given hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and valuable prizes to advertise our business. Now we have determined to make a bigger free offer than ever before. We are going to give a choice of either a Studabaker Sedan, a Reo Speed Wagon Truck, or a Farmall Tractor absolutely free of cost, because we believe that this system of advertising will not only make friends for us but will also be a great boon to the party receiving such a prize. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CHOICE OF THESE THREE FINE MACHINES, READ EVERY WORD OF THIS ANNOUNCEMENT AND THEN ACT.



Can You Solve the PICTURE PUZZLE?

FIND SIXTEEN OBJECTS THE NAMES OF WHICH BEGIN WITH THE LETTER 'C'. In the picture there are many objects such as cultivator, crib, corn, etc., etc., the names of which begin with the letter 'C'. CAN YOU FIND AS MANY AS SIXTEEN SUCH OBJECTS? If you can, do not delay, but write the names of these objects in the coupon below and send them in with your name and address.

THIS OFFER IS FREE TO YOU, SO DO NOT DELAY! This is not like a lot of offers you may have read about where there is a great deal of work to be done without any reward. THIS IS A FREE OFFER MADE FOR ADVERTISING PURPOSES. It is also a QUICK ACTION OFFER without long delays or waiting. Answer today—you will hear from us almost BY RETURN MAIL giving full particulars of this wonderful free offer. Act now, and you may be the owner of one of these fine machines almost before you realize it.

Send Your Answer to the Puzzle Now. You May be Next! If you can solve the puzzle and will act quickly a two cent stamp used in mailing your puzzle answer is positively all that it needs to cost you, positively all that it needs to cost you, positively all that it needs to cost you, positively all that it needs to cost you.

COUPON

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239-341 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 Studabaker 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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9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16

My Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Open to Everyone—Costs Nothing to Try  
This offer is open to every rural resident in the United States—men, women, boys and girls will all be given a fair and equal opportunity to have their choice of the fine machines pictured as well as a share in the many cash rewards and other prizes to be distributed. ALL ARE FREE TO COPY AND TO SHARE IN AWARDS. IS THE POSTAGE STAMP USED TO SEND IN THE PUZZLE SOLUTION. THINK OF IT! Every active member promptly receives a reward. Answering this advertisement places you under absolutely no obligation, and there is, POSITIVELY NO CHARGE FOR YOU TO LOSE IF YOU SOLVE THE PUZZLE AND JOIN THE CLUB.  
\* THE MODERN FARM EQUIPMENT CLUB  
239-341 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Money in the Bank is one of the most satisfying thoughts you can have, whether it be a time of prosperity or a time of trouble. You know that you are assured whatever comforts or pleasure money will bring. Starting an Account is a simple matter. Do it today.

**THE CITY NATIONAL BANK**

Mrs. H. P. Cole county treasurer of Dickens county, was shopping and visiting with friends in Spur the past week.

Dusty Rhodes was here Saturday from his Cat Fish Ranch home, spending the day here meeting with friends.

## Jayton Gets First Bale of Cotton

Jayton received her first bale of cotton for the 1927 season, Thursday afternoon, it was brought in by Mr. Guest who lives in Stonewall County near old Oriana. The cotton was ginned at the Williams-Rice Gin and was bought by Mr. Rice for 25c per pound. It graded strict middling and weighed 485 pounds and came out of less than 1500 pounds of seed cotton. Premium for bringing in the first bale will be made up today and a report on same will be in next weeks Chronicle. And so opens the season which all hope will be a banner year for all this section of Texas.—Chronicle.

S. B. Boykin, of north of Spur three miles, was on the streets the first of the week. He informed us that worms were working on his cotton, and during the week should the number increase to damaging proportions he will begin poisoning without further delay. The young cotton of the country is now in the right stage of growth and development to suffer great damage by the worms, and most farmers in the various sections stand ready to fight the worms and not permit them to do extensive damage to a promising crop of high priced cotton.

Mrs. A. Lollar, of east of Spur, returned Saturday from Quanah and Oklahoma City where spent a month visiting with relatives and friends, reporting a most pleasant visit and trip.

Chalk Brown was among the number from Spur who attended the big picnic barbecue and rodeo celebration at Clairmont Saturday.

W. A. Stevens was here Saturday, trading and greeting his friends and acquaintances.

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# Williams & Baker Gin Company

**J. W. BAKER, Mgr.**

John Aston came down Saturday from Joe Bailey on the Plains, spending the day here trading and meeting with his many friends of the Spur country. Last year John traded his farm near Spur for a bigger farm on the Plains where he is now preparing to harvest bumper crops. Here is hoping that no pests will appear to prevent his harvesting not only a big feed crop but a bale to the acre of thirty cent cotton.

Mrs. C. D. Copeland, of east of Spur, was among the many shoppers in the city Saturday afternoon of the past week.

Fred Slough, of Dickens, was on the streets Saturday with the large number of business visitors to the city of Spur.

Dick Sampson, of the Paddle Ranch, was here the past week after supplies and meeting with his numerous friends of Spur and surrounding country.

Harvey S. Holly, of near Dickens came in Tuesday with the fourth bale of cotton of the season. He had started in the race to get here with the first bale Monday, but seeing that T. B. Watson was also making the race for the first bale, turned in with his hands and helped Watson who won the first bale premium. Mr. Holly states that he expects to get about thirty bales of cotton from his one hundred acres, estimating that his crop will average a turnout of approximately one-third of a bale to the acre.

Milton Smith and family, of the Red Mud country, were among the many shopping in Spur Saturday.

W. J. Elliot was in the city the past week from his Spring Creek farm and ranch home to the southwest of Spur.

## Cooperative Shipment of Livestock to be Made September 8.

There will be a cooperative shipment of livestock September 8. Please notify Fred S. Reynolds, Co. Agent, of any livestock to ship not later than Saturday, September 3rd. Do this even if you have seen him previous to this notice.

## Married

Saturday, August 13th, Miss Jessie Rutledge and Mr. Lee Wade accompanied by a few friends drove over to Dickens and were quietly married.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade are prominent young people of the Dry Lake Community where they will make their home.

G. U. Seaton was on the streets Saturday, meeting with his friends and trading with Spur merchants and business men.

R. N. Thomas, of south of Spur two miles, was here Saturday with the crowds. Mr. Thomas states that his crops are looking fine. Earlier in the year, when the "drouth" was on, Mr. Thomas prepared to leave his farm work and responsibilities with the boys and go elsewhere himself to make a few dollars. However the rains came before he got away and notwithstanding the outlook at that time bumper crops are now maturing with the prospect of thirty cent cotton. Come to Spur and stay with it and prosper.

John Randall and family, of south of Spur, were shopping in Spur Saturday, and also visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Austin who has been in the Nichols Sanitarium the past several days. We are glad to note that Mrs. Austin is reported doing nicely and recovering very satisfactorily at this time.

G. W. Pope was among the recent business visitors in Spur.

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## What Might Happen To the Nation Under Radical Changes

When President Coolidge said: "I do not choose to run for President in 1928," it caused our country to consider what would happen if our present sound industrial structure and returning farm stability was tampered with, under a changed national policy.

It makes no difference with what political party we are affiliated, we still must earn our bread and butter through regular and steady employment. It may be good sport for political parties to hegle each other with criticism. But when a public official of whatever party, who has guided his country through a troubled period in the world's history with increasing prosperity and reduced taxes, decides voluntarily to turn the reins of government over to a successor, he shifts the responsibility for continuation of sound government onto the shoulders of every citizen—they must, express their opinion.

Some persons thought it profitable to criticize President Coolidge for showing a favorable attitude toward business development. Others saw humor in commenting on his New England thrift. The political wind-bag felt he was strengthening his own position by poking fun at the President's retiring manner, laconic statements and disinclination to talk except when required to do so.

But that is all passed. It is now up to the critics and the admirers of President Coolidge, in both parties, to see if they can match his record for sound administration of the greatest corporation in the world, namely, the United States government. The stockholders of this corporation, the citizens of the United

States, today know more about business, more about investments and more about conditions which are necessary to assure steady employment of labor than they ever did before. Most of the campaign thunder and political bogus pocus which was supposed to appeal to the voters in the past, will no longer fill the bill.

The voters of this country are like the baby that has grown out of the celluloid rattle and rubber doll stage—they want more solid meat. Making faces and acting the fool before them on the theory that it will please and amuse them as it sometimes does the small infant, will no longer appeal.

The ten short words uttered by President Coolidge gave this nation a year to realize and consider what would happen as the result of any radical change away from a constructive, yet conservative national policy. Banker, factory executive, laboring man, public utility president, railroad manager, clerk and housewife have an equal opportunity to think over the situation and their own positions in the picture.

Republican or Democratic leaders face the responsibility of choosing a qualified executive head for this nation. If the public officials chosen by either party are incompetent, the nation will be the one to suffer.—The Manufacturer's Record.



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## Sacco and Vanzetti Pay Death Penalty 7 Years Deffered

Charlestown State Prison, Boston—Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti early Tuesday paid the penalty of death enacted by the state for murder.

Celestino Madeiros preceded them to the electric chair by a few minutes, the world-known radicals following as rapidly as routine would permit.

Madeiros died at 12:09 o'clock for the murder of a Wrentham bank cashier. Sacco and Vanzetti were put to death for the murder of a paymaster and his guard at Braintree more than seven years ago. Sacco was dead at 12:19 o'clock and Vanzetti at 12:26 o'clock.

Inside and outside the high prison wall stood a small army of armed guards. The fight in behalf of the men continued until the last minute.

A moment after the official witnesses entered the death chamber, Madeiros was led in between two guards. The youth, who had won five respites because of his confession that a gang with which he was connected committed the South Braintree murders, was stolid and expressionless. His eyes wandered about the little group of witnesses as he was strapped to the chair, but he said nothing.

Madeiros came in at 12:02. At 12:03:37 the shock was applied. He was pronounced dead at 12:09:35.

Then came Sacco. Apart from the prison parlor, the little shoe-worker, who became an international figure, showed no sign of his long hunger strike. He walked erect between the guards, his eyes flashing brightly about the group in the death chamber as he came. He sat down in the chair, and, as the guards began to attach the straps he shouted in a voice that rang strangely through the little white room:

"Viva l'anarchia!" (Long live anarchy).

Almost without pause he continued, this time in broken English:

"Farewell my wife and child, and all my friends."

When the work of the guards was almost complete he looked about the group of witnesses again and said:

"Good evening gentlemen."

Then just as the head straps were being applied came Sacco's last remark. It was:

"Farewell, Mother!"

Hardly had Sacco's body been placed beside that of Madeiros behind a screen at the rear of the chamber than the guards appeared again in the doorway leading in from the death cells. This time Vanzetti was in their charge.

He showed no sign of nervousness or hesitation. As he entered the chamber at the rear and the left of the chair, he shook hands with several guards. Seated in the chair, he launched into a brief speech.

"I wish to tell you," he said, "that I am innocent and never committed any crime but sometimes some sin. I thank you Mr. Warden for all you have done for me."

"I am innocent of all crime, not only this one but all. I am an innocent man."

Vanzetti paused while the guards continued their grim task of attaching the straps and applying the electrodes to his left leg. Then, just before his eyes were covered he continued:

"I wish to forgive some people for what they now are doing here." Then the current was applied.

For Sacco the amperage was from twelve to fifteen and the voltage from 1,800 to 2,000. In Vanzetti's

death the amperage was from nine to eleven and the voltage from 1,400 to 1,950. It was explained that the greater voltage in the case of Sacco was made necessary by the fact that he was an unusually rugged and vital type.

The men were dressed in blue-striped denim shirts, gray trousers, gray socks and black slippers.

The left leg of the trousers had been slit up to the knee to permit application of the electrodes to the flesh.

Arrangements were made by Gardner Jackson, representing the Sacco-Vanzetti defense committee, to claim the bodies at the home of the relatives.

John J. Downey, a Pennsylvania state trooper was shot and killed Monday at Acmetonia, Pa., while attempting to break up a meeting of 2,000 Sacco-Vanzetti sympathizers. Rioters Monday night in Geneva, Switzerland, demolished the windows of the great hall of the library of the League of Nations library.

Sympathizers held demonstrations in many cities of the United States Monday night and riots and strikes occurred in Europe and South America. Heavy guards were placed about American embassies and consulates abroad and public officials' residences were guarded in Washington and other Eastern American cities. An extra Marine guard was placed about the summer White House in South Dakota several weeks ago.

### YEARS OF VIOLENCE FAIL

Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, respectively a obscure shoe factory worker and a fish peddler, became important figures on the world stage when the radical organizations in almost every civilized country began to stage demonstrations in their behalf, maintaining they had been convicted of murder not because the evidence proved they were guilty, but because of their affiliation with a red organization.

April 15, 1920, Frederick Parmenter and Allesandra Beradelli were shot and killed in a hold-up in Brain tree, Mass. Parmenter was paymaster for a shoe company and Beradelli was his guard. After killing them the robbers escaped with 15,775.

May 5, 1920, Sacco and Vanzetti were arrested. September 14 they were indicted, but their trial did not begin until May 21, 1921.

The trial was conducted by Judge Webster Thayer at Bedham, a Boston suburb. Both defendants were radical agitators.

Five of the state's witnesses testified Sacco was one of the men in the bandit car. Two identified Vanzetti. The defense offered alibis. The jury found them guilty of murder in the first degree.

Following the conviction, radical organizations raised a \$300,000 defense fund. Propaganda was issued on a world wide scale.

The most sensational development in the defense came in November, 1925, when Celestino F. Madeiros, who had already been convicted of murder, made a confession stating that he had killed Parmenter and his guard and that Sacco and Vanzetti had nothing to do with the robbery and killing.

But Madeiros lied in some of his testimony and the state threw in other evidence against his credibility.

Radical demonstrations, riots and strikes broke out anew at various places over the world each time a new phase of the long legal fight came up. A new trial was repeatedly denied. On the eve of the first date set for the execution two weeks ago, Governor Fuller granted a res-

## Was in Misery All Over

"I was in a dreadfully run-down condition," says Mrs. Chas. L. Lacroix, of Montgomery, La. "I suffered a great deal of pain. I was in misery all over. I could not sit up and I could not lie down. I couldn't sleep and at times I would have dreadful vomiting spells. The aches and pains seemed to cover my whole body.

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pite to consider the radical's plea. Monday he refused to interfere again. The Massachusetts supreme court refused to act and justices of the United States supreme court, in the last few days, ruled they were without jurisdiction.

### GO TO THEIR DEATH WITHOUT BENEFIT OF CLERGY

Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti walked to the electric chair early this morning without the benefit of clergy. Father Michael Murphy, prison chaplain, waited, until a minute before 12 and then left the prison, his services uncalled for. Italians, the condemned men were reared in the Catholic church, but for years have been athiests.

### WE ONLY HOPE TO LIVE

Let any man examine his thoughts and he will find them ever occupied with the past or the future. We scarcely think at all of the present; or if we do, it is only to borrow the light which it gives for regulating the future. The present is never our object; the past and the present we use as means; the future only is our end. Thus, we never live, we only hope to live.—Pascal.

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W. S. Campbell and family and Dr. P. C. Nichols and family returned Saturday from Colorado Springs where they had been spending some time enjoying the cooling breezes of that summer resort.

S. C. Thomas, of Girard, was one among the many visitors to Spur Saturday.

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### Commissioner Albin Completes Watson Road Working

County Commissioner H. O. Albin informed us this week that the work of grading and graveling the Spur-Watson road had been completed and this roadway is now in first-class shape for the fall traffic. Hundreds of loads of gravel were placed on this roadway thus making it an "all-weather" if not totally hard-surfaced highway. Gravel is now being placed in the low "boggy" section of the Red Mud road just west of the Twin Wells school house, making this roadway also passable in wet as well as dry seasons.

Mr. Albin has been on the road job almost constantly the past several months and has placed the roads in good shape in every section of his precinct. In fact there is not a county in West Texas which can boast of a better and more complete system of roadways than Dickens county.

### To Whom it May Concern

On account of the frequency and ever increasing number of visitors coming to our roundup wagons for meals we wish to advise that it is causing delay and embarrassment to us in carrying on our work, it being no small job for the cook to provide the meals for the generally large crew of men we have at work on the roundup, and we will be forced in the future to discontinue the custom of furnishing meals to the general public.—The Matador Land & Cattle Co. Ltd.

Pete Perry has returned from his wanderings and is now preparing to open up a business in Spur for the fall months.

### Mrs. J. P. Morrison Recently Died at Their Home in Arizona

Mrs. J. P. Morrison, mother of Bud Morrison of southwest of Spur, died recently at their home in Arizona, following a protracted illness of dropsy and other complications. Bud Morrison and family had been out to Arizona to visit his mother and be with her during her illness, and at the time they returned home she apparently was improving. However death occurred just one week after the visit.

Bud Morrison's many friends throughout the Spur country will join the Texas Spur in extending sympathy in the death of his mother.

### Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Spends Millions

The total expenditures of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas for the second quarter of the year was over ten million dollars, according to J. C. Pinson, District Manager of the telephone company.

"More than five and one-half million dollars of this amount," Mr. Pinson said, "were spent on new additions to the plant, that is, on new lines, switchboard equipment and buildings."

"It is interesting to note that the expense of the entire Bell system for the same period was in excess of \$118,000,000. More than \$74,000,000 of this amount went into new equipment."

C. A. Love is reported quite sick at his home this week.

We will buy your fat hogs and cattle.—Central Market.

### Salvation Army Appeal to Be Made in Dickens County

A letter from the Divisional Commander of the Salvation Army to the Editor announces the sending of a duly accredited representative of the Army to Dickens County for the purpose of cooperating with the local Advisory Board in its Annual Home Service Fund Appeal.

The Salvation Army is first, last and all the time a religious organization, seeking to bring to those with whom it comes in contact a knowledge of and a desire to serve their Creator, and as a result, to build up a higher type of citizenship.

It is strictly non-sectarian in practice and does not ask the race or creed of the recipients of its religious or charitable ministrations.

It does not desire, or attempt, to take the place of the denominational church, but only co-operate with these in the furtherance of a common cause, the love and worship of God and the resulting upbuilding of character. The Army is really a feeder to the churches, its special duty being to catch those who for any reason seldom if ever darken a church door, bring them into touch or contact with the Divine spirit that transforms and renews all who yield themselves to His benign influence, and then, when the new life is begun, the Army emphasizes the idea of uniting with the church of one's choice, believing absolutely that the tree in the cared for, pruned and cultivated orchard, will bear a heavier yield and better quality fruit than the tree growing uncared for outside the fence.

Realizing as it does that the man or woman who is suffering from cold or hunger, or is in need of medical attention, is not in a state of mind receptive to spiritual things to higher ideals, it has become also a great distributor of charity, but this phase of its work is only "a means to an end."

Its institutions, whether maternity or rescue homes, boarding homes for business girls, industrial hotels for men, etc., are maintained not for the inhabitants of the city where for centralized convenience they may be located, but to serve those requiring such facilities, no matter from what town, hamlet or cross roads the case may come. There's nothing short or narrow in the Salvation Army viewpoint. The world is its parish. General William Booth, its founder, once said, "Every land is my land because every land is my Father's land."

Prospects for a championship team are brightened by promising new material. There are many new men out that have never played football for Spur before, but who are now showing up well in the early practice. Don Holloway, Hub Hyatt and Brode Puckett have shown up well in the backfield, and Bonnie Hisey, "Tinsy" Hawley, Henry Albin, Gerald Wadzek and Odie Holley look to be good line material.

Besides these men, several veterans will be back this year. Captain "Bodie" Stafford, Hardy Mecom and Reuben Morgan are best bidders for backfield positions. Mac Watson, Joe McGaughey, L. D. Foreman, Freeman Edmonds, Harold Karr, and Boyd Brown will be used as a nucleus about which to build a line.

**THINKING IS STRESSED**  
Coach Cluck has been strong to push thinking by the players while in action. "You can act no faster than you think, and always think before you act. Football used to be a game that required 90% of brawn and 10% of brains. Now the percentage is almost completely reversed. Think!"

Prof. Manier, former teacher in Spur schools, passed through on his way to New Mexico this week. He is now engaged in engineering work in New Mexico.

### Preliminary Meeting Held Saturday For Anti-Theft Ass'n.

About thirty farmers of the surrounding country attended the meeting called by County Agent Reynolds and held in Spur Saturday for the purpose of discussing the proposition of organizing a Dickens County Anti-Theft Association. At this meeting it was decided to call another meeting to be held September 10th at the Christian Church at two p. m. to perfect the organization, elect officers and place the association in working shape. The association is being organized specially to prevent the theft of poultry and farm products.

T. B. Sullenberger and son, Singleton, of Dublin, spent a day or two here the past week looking after farm interests in the Steel Hill community.

### Football Squad Rapidly Works into Condition at Glen Rose

GLEN ROSE CITIZENS ARE BEHIND FOOTBALL MEN

(By Jack Hogan)

Glen Rose, Aug. 26.—Ready for an early season start that will play opposing teams off their feet, the Spur football squad is rapidly working into correct physical condition at the Glen Rose Camp under the supervision of Coach Cluck. Muscle limbering exercises are practiced. Trots and sprints for developing stamina are taken, and the fundamentals of the game are explained. Sulphur water of Oakdale Camp, for which Glen Rose is noted, has proven to be a valuable asset to the team in carrying out the days work.

The day's program starts with limbering up exercises from six to seven o'clock in the morning. Then breakfast is served and the boys are allowed to rest for half an hour. Afterwards, the trip is made to the football field on the other side of town in a trot or fast walk. Returning to camp at 11:00 o'clock, all men are required to swim before eating dinner. The afternoon work out begins at about two o'clock and continues to five or six o'clock. Either skull practice or a hike at night completes the day's routine.

### GLEN ROSE LIKES SPUR BOYS

The Spur boys are popular with the citizens of Glen Rose. Attending the church services at the First Methodist Church Sunday, the football men received a warm welcome by both the superintendent of the Sunday School and the pastor. The business men of the town have extended many courtesies to the squad as well as giving a substantial cut in prices on articles needed by the camp. Mr. Cox, manager of the park in which the camp is located, is quoted as saying that the Spur squad was the best football squad that had ever been at Glen Rose. The citizens of Glen Rose will give either a social or dance in honor of the football boys near the end of the training period.

### W. W. Pickens was among the crowds on the streets Saturday of the past week.

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### The Government Will Assist in Teaching Vocational Agriculture by C. of C.

The Educational Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce headed by Clifford B. Jones, of Spur, is broadcasting to territory of the regional organization announcement of a profitable type of agricultural training easily available to its member towns. Under the Federal Smith-Hughes law, local chambers of commerce or local schools can secure services of a Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College graduate to teach vocational agriculture and promote agricultural interests, with half or more of his expenses borne by the government. The amount of the salary paid by the government depends upon the amount of time the teacher devotes to agricultural work. The Smith-Hughes teachers often sponsor fairs, encourage distribution of good seed, terrace, help with insect control, conduct night schools with highly beneficial to any section.

### Improved Highway is Dependent on the Oil Industry

Taking the country as a whole, motor vehicle drivers last year paid taxes averaging 2.38 cents per gallon, on almost 8,000,000,000 gallons of gasoline. The aggregate of this tax was \$187,603,231. In addition, they paid \$288,282,352 in motor vehicle registration and license fees. About 95 per cent of gasoline tax and 93 per cent of motor vehicle registration fees went to building and maintaining highways. If to this total be added special taxes imposed on motor coaches and motor trucks property taxes on motor vehicle, taxes paid by petroleum industry and the motor vehicle manufacturers, a total above \$1,200,000,000 is reached.

That is, the people who buy, operate and manufacture motor vehicles, and produce, buy and burn gasoline are considerably more than paying the nation's road bill which now runs about \$1,000,000,000 annually.

Publicity committee.

### Dickens Co. Baptist Association to Meet at Spur, September 6.

The Dickens County Baptist Association will meet with the First Baptist Church at Spur, Texas, on September 6th. We hope that every church in the Association will be well represented. Everybody who loves the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ is urged to be present. Why not make this the best association we have ever had? God is expecting great things of this generation, so let us, one and all be faithful to our charge. The Lord's work has been neglected long enough. Everybody who is willing to sacrifice a portion of their time to attending the association will find fresh courage and inspiration in every service. The First Baptist Church of Spur is willing and capable of taking care of everybody who will come. Dinner will be served every day in the basement of the church throughout the entire session. Not only the Baptists, but everybody, big, little, old and young are cordially invited to come. Again we urge that every Baptist church be represented.

The Woman's Missionary Union will meet in session September 8th, beginning at one o'clock P. M. and we hope that a large crowd will be present.

Mrs. (Williamson), our district president of Plainview is invited to conduct the "Round Table" Discussion. Mrs. L. G. Crabtree of the Friendship Baptist Church will have charge of the devotional. Mrs. E. J. Cowan will give response. Mrs. E. C. Edmonds will have charge of the music.

A song by the R. A's. and a poem by their leader. The Sun Beams will help to make the program brighter. A report from standing committees will be given. All presidents of the different auxiliaries will make their reports. New officers will be elected for the following year, and every Baptist woman, whether you belong to the organized work or not, will have a vote. We want everybody who is fortunate enough to be present, to have a part in the women's meeting for remember, the part of listening is the best part of all, so everybody who will may have a part. This is the Lord's work. Come over and help us.

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