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Cisco Bank Robbers are Caught at Graham After Interesting Chase

The last two of the four or five men who robbed the Cisco bank on Thursday or Friday before Christmas were captured last week at Graham, the two being crazed from hunger and suffering of former gun shot wounds. The robbers were all residents of that section of country.

In the battle at the time of the robbery, one was fatally wounded and captured, dying later in jail, and all of the others wounded, but making their escape, leaving their cash loot in an abandoned car. Chief of Police Bit Bedford was killed, and Policeman Carmichael was probably fatally wounded, while some eight or ten citizens in the battle and chase received wounds.

A grand jury was convened Monday at Eastland for the purpose of returning indictments. Two Dickens county citizens, Leon Harkey and wife and Claud Edwards, are witnesses before the grand jury. They happened to be spending Christmas with relatives at the house where the robbers appeared Saturday night to have their wounds dressed and secure something to eat. Leon states that they were well armed with guns and ammunition, and gave the impression of being "tough guys." In fact, since returning home, which he did as soon as it was light enough to travel, it is said, Leon has been somewhat nervous and prefers to have company in going home from his place of business. Martin Koonsman of Dickens county, also played an important part in the efforts to capture the robbers. He was at one point in the oil belt where the robbers had appeared, and during the night decided to go to Graham. In crossing a bridge he stopped to wash his lights, and in doing so flashed them on and off several times. The robbers, hidden nearby, took it to be signals to them and approached near enough to determine their error and making a safe retreat to their rendezvous—but encountering capture later.

Elmo Tonsend Married in Oklahoma During Holiday Season

Mr. Elmo Townsend, of Kellam Dry Goods Company of Spur, and Miss Evelyn Cox, of Madill, Oklahoma, were united in marriage at the latter place Thursday of last week. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Townsend returned to Spur where they will make their home in future.

An Oil Rig Passed Thru Spur Thursday to be Erected in Kent

A standard oil rig passed through Spur Thursday of this week in route to Kent county. The rig is owned by Root & Rhodes of Eastland, who will immediately erect the rig on a ranch south of Claremont and drill another test well for oil.

Kent, as well as Dickens county, is sure of a thorough test for oil, there now being two or three other tests going down and others yet to go down in Kent county.

O. C. Newberry Announces for Co. Judge and School Superintendent

The Texas Spur is this week authorized to announce O. C. Newberry of Afton as a candidate for the offices of County Judge and School Superintendent of Dickens county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary elections of 1928.

Mr. Newberry is now and has been for six years serving as County Commissioner, and in that capacity has given efficient and economical service to the public, and familiarized himself with the detail of county work and needs. He has also taught six years in rural schools, and is a very staunch advocate of good roads and better schools with more efficiency on the part of teachers.

At the head of the Commissioners Court, Judge of the County Court and Superintendent of rural schools, Mr. Newberry is qualified and fitted to give good and efficient service in the several places, and if favored for the office will render active and able service to the public good.

Mr. Barrow Will Resume Operation of the Spur Hatchery

M. B. Barrow, of the Spur Hatchery, called in Thursday of this week at the Texas Spur office and informed us that he is this week starting up the hatchery and will be ready by Monday morning to do custom hatching for people of the country, and by the first of February he would have baby chicks to supply the trade.

In custom hatching, Mr. Barrow stated that the hatchery would be prepared to handle any number of eggs, starting the hatch Monday of each week. In supplying baby chicks only thoroughbred stock of the several varieties will be supplied, thus assuring customers of thoroughbred poultry stock of their choice.

Miss Audrey Elliot and Lester Henslev Married Wednesday, Dec. 28

Miss Audrey Elliot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Elliot, one of the oldest and most highly respected families of West Texas, and Mr. Lester Henslev of Guthrie, were united in marriage Wednesday, December 28th at the home of the bride's parents, twelve miles southwest of Spur.

Miss Ora Johnson and Loren McCarty Married Saturday Evening

The Texas Spur wishes Mr and Mrs. Hensley many years of happiness and prosperity. Mr. and Mrs. Hensley will make their home at Guthrie in King county where he is engaged in business.

Hudson-Essex Building is Being Completed by Dr. B. F. Hale

The new brick building being constructed for the Hudson-Essex Co. by Dr. Hale, is now nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy within a few days.

When they get into their new building the Hudson-Essex Company will have one of the finest show rooms and business homes of any other automobile dealers of the country, and we are confident that Messrs. Manning and Harkey will enjoy more extensive sales of their Super-Sixes, known the world over as the best and cheapest closed-in six cylinder cars on the market.

Caraway Receives the New Model Chevrolet Cars January First

E. L. Caraway, on the first of the year, introduced the new model Chevrolets in Spur, there being a number of changes and improvements.

Mrs. W. P. Smith More Than Makes Living on Chickens, and Eggs

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith, of Dry Lake, called in Thursday at the Texas Spur office, Mrs. Smith giving us the figures on the sale of produce during the past year.

Will Tallent Has a Car Stolen During Christmas Holidays

During the Christmas holidays Will Tallent was visited by a car thief as well as Old Santa Claus. One night just before Christmas a Mexican entered his garage, removed his Ford car and drove away, visiting others before leaving and borrowing funds with which to provide gas and oil on his way.

Jayton Girl Burned With X-mas Sparkler

La Rue, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Robinson of Jayton, was severely burned Tuesday when her dress caught fire from a Christmas sparkler. The fire ran up her left side and was put out by her sister and brother who were in the room with her.

Mrs. Denton Gets \$265 Radio Given the 24th by City Drug Store

Mrs. H. S. Denton was fortunate in holding the lucky number drawn Christmas Eve at the City Drug Store and was awarded the \$265 Radio by that store as a premium for the liberal business received during the holiday season.

Spur Cream & Bottling Works is Making Extensive Expansions

Roy Stovall, now owner and operator of the Spur Cream & Bottling Works, is making extensive expansion and improvements to the business. He has purchased the adjoining brick business house of Morgan Bros. and will hereafter employ the two buildings in the conduct of the business. Scott Bros., who have been occupying the Morgan building, are moving into the building vacated by the Spur Tailor Shop which business will be temporarily suspended for thirty days while their new brick business home is being constructed on the east side of Burlington Avenue.

W. G. Mayfield Puts on Gigantic Stock Reducing Sale at Girard

As will be noted by the double page advertisement appearing in this issue of the Texas Spur, W. G. Mayfield of Girard, is taking advantage of the dull business season following the holidays by putting on a Gigantic Stock Reducing Sale, including thousands of dollars worth of standard brands of merchandise at sacrifice prices.

W. G. Mayfield has been doing business at Girard and other points in Kent county for years, has an established reputation as a live merchant who does business on the square and is fair and honest in all of his dealings. In this Gigantic Reducing sale, the trade is assured of good goods at the sacrifice prices quoted.

D. W. Pritchett Makes Good Money From his Chickens and Cows

This week Dan Pritchett dropped around at the Texas Spur office and gave us a substantial check in pushing his subscription up to the year 1929, and for which he has our sincere thanks and appreciation.

Incidentally Mr Pritchett gave us the figures on receipts from chickens, eggs and butter he and Mrs. Pritchett had profited by during the year 1927.

City Police Rawlings on the Job After Bootleggers in the Holidays

During the holidays City Police Rawlings camped on the trail of a bootlegger until he landed him in jail. In making the capture of the negro, a jug of fine likker was also appropriated, thus possibly depriving many of an anticipated "good cheer" in the yuletide.

W. M. Malone Announces for Sheriff and Tax Collector

We are this week authorized to announce W. M. Malone, of Spur, as a candidate for Sheriff and Tax Collector of Dickens county, subject to the Democratic Primaries in 1928.

Mr. Malone is well known to most of the voters, having made the race for sheriff in the last campaign. He served as sheriff of Wise county before coming to Spur, and it is said that he made one of the best officers Wise county ever had. During the past two years Mr. Malone has served Spur as City Marshall and Night Watchman in a very efficient and satisfactory manner. If favored for Sheriff in the coming elections Mr. Malone will render the very best of his ability, and respectfully asks favorably consideration at the hands of voters in the July Primary.

Wm. B. Combest for District Attorney of 50th Judicial District

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce Wm. B. Combest as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Attorney of the 50th Judicial District, composed of the counties of Dickens, King, Motley, Cottle and Baylor, subject to the Democratic Primary.

Attorney Combest has served four years in the office, during which time he has probably secured more convictions in the trials of law violators than any other attorney who has held the office of prosecutor. As an instance, during the last term of the district court held in Dickens, every case tried on the criminal docket was convicted, with the exception of one case in which there was a hung jury.

Forbis Goes to Kansas City With Shipment of Cattle from Spur

Last week R. C. Forbis went with a shipment of cattle to the Kansas City markets, where they were sold on a "rising market."

Miss Jewel Hagar and Jack Taylor Married Christmas Day

Miss Jewel Hagar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hagar of the Antelope community, and County Commissioner of Kent County, and Mr. Jack Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Taylor of the Duck Creek community, were married Christmas day.

W. A. Craddock Announces for Judge of Dickens Co.

Announcing as candidate for the office of County Judge and School Superintendent of Dickens County, I desire to state that I can only promise to do my very best to render a real service.

Rules and law governing these offices are simple and easily understood. I feel fully competent.

I lived in Crosby County 4 years and 17 years in Dickens county. I have had to attend closely to my business (farming) therefore I know but few people. I shall not attempt a house to house campaign, neither shall I try to handshake myself into office. It is embarrassing to ask for a vote. If you do not know me you can learn whether I am worthy of your support.

I shall greatly appreciate all friendly help from anyone. With other candidates I shall try to arrange speaking dates at each voting box and explain more fully my views as to the management of these offices. Respectfully,
W. A. CRADDOCK.
—Gin With Hargrove—

W. F. McCarty for Re-election to Office of Tax Assessor

W. F. McCarty this week authorized the Texas Spur to make his public announcement for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of Dickens County, subject to the Democratic Primaries of 1928.

Mr. McCarty has served as Assessor the past two terms, during which time he has not only attended the required duties of the office in an efficient manner, but has made a number of improvements in the office work. In addition to making the assessments of taxes each year, Mr. McCarty has instituted a system in the office by which he can now turn to an alphabetically arranged record and without delay give information on any tract of land, give its location, taxable value, owner, and every material thing pertaining thereto. The same can be done with respect to any individual tax payer.

He has other systems to incorporate in the office, and which he proposes to accomplish if favored with another term, as well as give the public efficient and accurate service in the matter of assessing taxes.

Uncle Bill Perry Sold His Hamburger and Confectionery Business to J. T. Sanders

This week Uncle Bill Perry sold his hamburger and confectionery stand in front of Spur Hardware to J. T. Sanders who now has charge of the business.

Uncle Bill does not yet know what he will do, but contemplates visiting around and taking a few days vacation before again settling down to business.

HOWE'S GARAGE

IN NEW BUSINESS HOME

On or before the 15th of January we will be established in our New Business Home across the street east of Musser Lumber Company.

I wish to thank you for business given me during the time I was with Spur Wrecking Company and after 15th. will not only be in position to do general repair work on your car but supply your demands for new and used car parts at lowest prices.

A. R. HOWE, Proprietor

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Meets every Thursday on or before full moon.
Visitors Welcome
W. R. KING, W. M.
JACK RECTOR, Sec.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates for District and County offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary elections to be held in July and August, 1928:

For District Attorney, 50th Judicial District:
"DICK" DRESSER
of Baylor County.
WM. B. COMBEST (Re-Election)
(of Cottle County)

For County Judge and School Sup't.:
W. A. CRADDOCK
O. C. NEWBERRY

For Tax Assessor:
W. F. McCARTY (Re-Election)

John Holder returned last week from Cross Plains where he spent Christmas with his family. Mrs. Holder and children returned with him to Spur and will remain here during the week while Mr. Holder is winding up his automobile business here.

Crockett's BARBER SHOP
HAIR CUT & SHAVE, 50c
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YOUR TRADE WILL BE APPRECIATED

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO HUNTERS.
Notice is hereby given that hunters and other trespassers in any of my pastures will be prosecuted.—J. P. Goen, Dickens, Texas. 5-3mp

For Sale—S. C. Buff Orphington Cochrels, \$2.00 each.—H. L. Pullen, Rt. 1, Spur, Texas.

FOR SALE—Chicken farm, near Canyon, 160 acres, 2-room house, good well and mill, good outbuildings and 120 acres in cultivation, on public road, price \$35 per acre, good terms.—S. B. McClure, Canyon. 7-1f

Hogs For Sale; 125 head from 400 pounds to suckling pigs.—J. B. (Bud) Morrison. 10-3c

For Sale—Buff Orphington Cochrels, thoroughbred, at \$2.00 each. Stock shipped from Wisconsin.—W. M. Malone, Spur. 10-2c

LOST—Suit Case containing ladies wearing apparel, between Spur and Duck Creek. Return to Texas Spur Office. 1tp.

M. E. Manning and Roy Harkey, proprietors of the Hudson-Essex Co. of Spur, were in Amarillo the past week attending a district convention of Hudson-Essex dealers—and also investigating why they can not get a sufficient number of cats to supply the local demand of the Spur territory.

G. B. Morris, of the City Grocery, went to O'Donnell to spend Christmas with his family. Mrs. Morris and children will move soon to Spur where they will again become resident citizens.

Mr. Davis, of Lubbock, spent one or two days in Spur this week, looking after his Delco light and frigidair business, and renewing old friendships and associations. Mr. Davis for a time made Spur headquarters for his business, also operating a garage business in connection, later moving to Lubbock.

J. F. Hickman, of three miles north west of Spur, was in the city Wednesday, paying the Texas Spur office a very pleasant visit. Mr. Hickman has been in the country three years. This year he made good crops and only lacks a few bales of bolls having his crops finished for the coming crop year.

T. C. Cooner has accepted a position with the Emma Hardware Co. of Crosbyton, and he and family moved this week to that city, and where they will reside throughout the year. Before leaving, Mr. Cooner called around and had the Texas Spur follow them to their new home.

FISHING YARNS

Once a fisherman was dying in his humble cot, And the Pastor sat beside him saying things that hit the spot. So that all his futile terrors left the dying sinner's heart.

And he said, "The journey's lonely, but I'm ready for the start. 'There's just one little matter that is fretting me," he sighed, "And perhaps I'd better tell it ere I cross the Great Divide."

"I have got a string of stories I have told from day to day, 'Stories of the ones I've captured and the ones that got away. 'And I fear that when I tell them they are apt to stretch a mile."

"And I wonder when I'm wafled to that land that's free from guile, 'If they'll let me tell my stories, if I try to tell them straight, 'Or will Angels lose their temper then, and chase me thru the Gate."

Then the Pastor sat and pondered, for the question vexed him sore. Never such a weird conundrum had been sprung on him before.

Yet the courage of conviction moved him soon to make reply, And he wished to fill the fisher with fair visions of the sky.

"You can doubtless tell fish stories," said the clergyman aloud, "But I'd stretch them very little with old Jonah in the crowd."

—Author Unknown.
—Gin With Hargrove—

During the Christmas holidays we were pleased to have four of the "old time" employees of the Texas Spur to visit us, including T. D. Ford now of Oklahoma City, Niles Morris of Ralls, Miss Ruth Maples of Tulsa, and E. H. Anderson of Abilene.

They happened in at the shop at the same time, and while the "Christmas entertaining spirits" of pre-Volstead days were lacking, yet it was a real pleasure to have them with us again.

While none of us have yet arrived at that stage of life when we begin to "live in the past," yet it is a pleasure on such an occasion to recall the "good old days of yore." Morris had been over in some of the adjoining counties to the east looking for a newspaper location (and our suggestion is, come to Spur.) T. D. Ford had been here through the fall helping gather the big crops of cotton and was heading back to the Oklahoma City.

Miss Ruth Maples was here spending the Christmas holidays, and E. H. Anderson had been here helping the Texas Spur through the holiday rush. Some day we would like to have every one who had ever worked with us to come in and enjoy a "grand reunion picnic and celebration."

Sheriff Jones, of Dickens, was in Spur the first of the week. In speaking of the Cisco bank robbery and the protracted chase and hunt after the robbers, Sheriff Jones stated that he had information that the robbers were supposed to be headed for Dickens county, therefore he had been on the watch for them until the report came of their capture at Graham.

A J. Richey, of Croton, was in Spur Tuesday of this week buying supplies of Spur merchants, and also meeting with his friends of the town.

Mrs. W. A. Harris and daughter, Miss Opal, of near Dickens, were shopping in Spur the first of the week.

W. A. Johnson, of near Lockney, was in Spur the past week, looking after interests here. Mr. Johnson formerly lived in the Spur country, served as county commissioner from this precinct in the early days of Spur, and has many friends and acquaintances here at this time who are always glad to see him. He informed us that it had been dry in his section and that the wheat crops were probably "blowed up."

Tom Holder and family, of Callahan county, have moved to Spur and will be permanently located here in the future. For several weeks Tom Holder has been assisting John Holder in disposing of used automobiles in Spur.

Albert Hodges is now with the "M" System Grocery, and will assist Bert Jamison in supplying the trade with groceries hereafter.

Jim Robertson, of near McAdoo, was among the business visitors in Spur Monday of this week. He, too, is of the opinion that late wheat crops on the plains may be entirely lost, because of freezes and dry weather.

SUSPENDED 30 DAYS

We are temporarily suspending our Tailoring Business until the completion of our new building on Burlington Avenue, which will be completed within the next thirty days.

We ask our patrons and friends to bear with us during this short suspension of our business, and that your patronage will be continued upon our re-opening in our new business home.

Many improvements of our Shop will be made in this move, we will be more centrally located, and better fitted in every way to render better service than we have in the past.

SPUR TAILOR SHOP
Ira Sullivan, Prop.

VISIT US IN OUR NEW HOME!

WEINER ROAST
A number of the Leagues enjoyed a weiner roast last Thursday evening over the hill. After the picnic the following went to the show: Clarice Thannisch, Elnora Morgan, Charles Hayes, Edith Ince, Gladys Smith, Verna Davis, Tommie Smith, Allie Biggs, Rena Collier, Velda Crouch, Flora Denson, Velma Pendleton, of Berger, Lena Wilson, Enoch Pendleton, Harold Jones, Kely Putman, Crate Snider, John A. Davis, Spencer Browning.

Mr. Davis, of McAdoo, was here the first of the week, transacting business and also trading with the Spur merchants. Mr. Davis informed us that he made fine crops the past year, now having only two or three bales of bolls to pull before completing the year's work.

"THE DENNIS PLAYERS" ARE COMING BACK
S. C. Falls, who recently purchased the Hutto suburban home, moved with his family the past week to their new home. Aside from his trade as painter, paper hanger and carpenter, we presume that Mr. Falls now intends to also engage in raising poultry and produce eggs to a limited extent, and possibly have milk and butter for home consumption—in fact prepare to "live at home" while enjoying the income from his trade in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Youngblood, of Afton, were among the visitors in Spur the past week, being pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office while in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Youngblood are desirous of moving nearer Spur for the advantages of the Spur High School.

"THE DENNIS PLAYERS" ARE COMING BACK
Edd Lisenby was in during Christmas from his big farm over on Croton. He has already gathered and marketed several hundred tales of cotton, and has only a few remnants to gather in to complete his crop year.

More Lint at Hargrove's—
O. C. Newberry, of Afton, returned Monday from Fort Worth where he spent Christmas with his two sisters.

M SYSTEM SAVES FOR THE NATION

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS ARE IN ORDER!

In making your New Year Resolutions "Economy" should have consideration with the housewife who prepares food for the family in maintaining the home. The "M" System Grocery carries everything in staple and fancy groceries, choice vegetables and fruits in season, and can save you many dollars in the course of a year.

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IN
"THE WAGON SHOW"

DEV THEATRE
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NEW THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday

The Simmons University Cowboy Band has completed a very successful term work. Cleo Hazel, of this city, has been at Simmons with the Cowboys this past season. He has done commendable work there, according to Y. P. Kuhn, the drum-major of the band. Hazel is a freshman, but his ability of the trombone has won him a good place in the band and the respect of all his colleagues. He is one of the most consistent men in drill and is working hard for the school and the band, according to word received here. Hazel is full of the old Simmons spirit and is loyal booster of his school and his band.

"THE DENNIS PLAYERS" ARE COMING BACK

George Harris, a leading citizen and one of the extensive farmers of the Plains country, was here Monday from McAdoo. He thought the freeze and continued dry weather had damaged if not destroyed much of the wheat of the McAdoo territory.

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Mrs. L. B. Wilkes, of Amarillo, and Mrs. W. C. Leavitt, of Stamford, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Mott at their home in the city. Mrs. Wilkes of Amarillo is the mother of Mrs. Mott.

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KING & SAMPLE

HAMBERGER McCOMBS

On the Wrong Side of the Street.



Can They Count on You? By E. R. ROBINSON in Farm and Ranch

CAN they count on you to always do the thing that you know is right? Or do they think you're sure to shirk when the cause demands a fight? Do they say of you "He is true blue" in the work committed to you; Who will stick to your work and never shirk Till you carry your contract through? Or do they say "He'll run away in the time of sorest need; His dearest treasure is his selfish pleasure; His idol is lust or greed?" Do they also say "He loves to play when the game goes his own way, But he gets lame when he loses the game, And is ready to charge foul play?" Do your friends all feel you'll stand like steel When the great test comes to you; That you'll face the strife, and give your life For the cause you know is true? Or do they fear when that test draws near Shall try your inmost heart, You'll sell the Christ for a paltry price, And play the traitor's part? We are needing men who can clearly ken The things that are most worth while; Who can look ahead and forget the dead, And at misfortune smile. For the thoughtful man who can work and plan When the untrained lose their head; With the skillful hand at his command, Who can honestly earn his bread. They look long in the common throng For the man of faith and love, Who can think and feel for his brother's weal, And plan for the life above. With a tender heart to take the part Of the wretch cast down in sin; Whose help is sure for the weak and poor, Who keeps the Christ within.

MRS. BARBER, deep in thought, seated at a broad desk, heavily laden with papers which bore evidence of her many responsibilities, planned and pondered the question at length. She was of slight build. Her hair was tinged with gray, her complexion clear, her eyes brown and sparkling, her facial expression most pleasant, although one could not help but note at the moment a trace of worry.

There were exactly one hundred and fifty old people in the institution depending upon her care and judgment. Never was this fact brought so forcefully to her attention as it was at Christmas time. To be sure, people were generous and thoughtful in remembering this group. That was exactly it. How could one put this generosity into a form which would benefit the largest number in the group? The agitation of the question had begun but today, when Mrs. Barber had received a note and a donation of fifty dollars from a group of fine, public-spirited citizens who were endowed with the true Christmas spirit. The accompanying note merely stated that its use could best be determined by Mrs. Barber, and so would be left entirely to her good judgment. She read the note once more as it lay on the desk before her.

"Our group or society has a little fund raised in various ways by its members. Each year at Christmas time, we give fifty dollars of this fund to the head of some institution, and leave it to the judgment of the person in charge as to how it will be disposed of to best advantage in their particular or peculiar situation. It has occurred to us that the children are more apt to be well taken care



She Read the Note Once more as it Lay on the Desk.

of than are the institutions such as yours. We therefore wish to remember the Old People's home with our small sum. We have enjoyed accumulating this money and hope it, added to your other yearly contributions, may help to bring cheer and happiness to your home on Christmas day."

The evening failed to disclose the adequate solution for this problem. However, on the morning, Mrs. Barber awoke with a radiant face. With the clearness of the morning, the crispness of the air and the invigoration which had come through sound, restful sleep, the perplexities vanished, and Mrs. Barber saw her way clearly defined before her. Her feet and hands couldn't work fast enough to comply with the wishes of her brain. Time was limited. Plans must be drawn up quickly and executed immediately.

The first day saw the telephone as a center of interest. It was constantly in use either for outgoing or incoming calls. If Mrs. Barber had realized how many phone operators she wore out, her kindness would certainly have made her spread her phone calls over two days. She was so enthusiastic and absorbed in her plans that she was not aware of her excessive tax upon these girls. The last phone call brought smiles and added energy to Mrs. Barber as she hurried off into the heart of the great smoky city. She spent perhaps an hour behind closed doors in conference with the matron in charge of the large settlement house. At the end of that time she emerged with a piece of paper bearing the names of some fifteen young boys and girls. Glancing down the list she swallowed forcefully, uttered a peculiar sound and shook her head as she said:

"Can't exactly say I am very apt at pronouncing these long foreign names."

The settlement house matron put her hand on Mrs. Barber's shoulder in an affectionate manner. "Don't worry. They understand and are used to it. They will help you and you will soon learn their Americanized versions." The next two days were spent in the city library. From the stacks of books which Mrs. Barber went through in her two days there, but one did she select to take away with her.

For some few days after this Mrs. Barber occupied her time with the white paper with the list of unpronounceable names, the book, and last but not least, fifteen vivacious young persons, grimy and a little crude, but how sweet, earnest, happy and eager they were. The training had to be patiently undertaken. The response was altogether what might have been

expected from these kind-hearted, high-spirited youngsters. Then, lastly, there were the house decorations to be attended to. There were willing hands in the home which helped hang wreaths, trim the tree and put up the little sprigs of holly and mistletoe. Melodies not familiar to the younger generation filled the house. The humming and quiet whistling told of expected joys not now far in the offing.

There was shopping to be done and many preparations for the food which would be necessary. Busy days, but what happy ones. Mrs. Barber was never too busy or too tired to stop and have a friendly chat with anyone of the elderly people, to profit from their suggestions or abide by their wishes, if it was at all possible to do so.

Christmas Day, the day arrived. When the old folks came down to their breakfast, they found a Christmas tree laden with at least one gift for each. They were as pleased and happy as children with their presents.

At noon the festivities took on proportion. One would never have guessed that the folks ranged anywhere from seventy to ninety-five, as they trooped in to Christmas dinner. The table was heavily laden with all the Christmas delicacies, especially good for people of their age. They also had another little surprise. They had fifteen radiantly happy guests who were introduced to them. It was indeed hard to judge which was enjoying the dinner the most, the young or the old. Suffice it to say, the young folks encored it to the most.

Before the group left the table Mrs. Barber made a little announcement. "Our guests have come out today not only to help us enjoy our Christmas dinner, but to help us to have a delightful afternoon. They have come prepared to present a short Christmas play and to furnish us a little musical entertainment."

From the chuckles, smiles, laughter and applause, there was no doubt



There Were Willing Hands Which Helped Trim the Tree.

about the approval with which the entertainment was received. The young people were worth of all the praise which they received. The coaching had been successful. The day had been delightful and was a topic of conversation for a long time. Mrs. Barber was even happier over the occasion than the old folks, if such a thing could be possible. She realized that this vision, her scheme, had been practical. The fifty dollars had given pleasure to not only the old people but it gave these young foreign Settlement-house children a chance to share in the joys of Christmas, the joy of giving of their own talents, reaping the consequential rewards of pleasure, praise and remuneration, the joy of finding the true Christmas spirit in giving freely of themselves, as well as having had a sumptuous Christmas dinner which otherwise might have been merely a thing of their dreams.

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New Year's Greetings to all

Start the New Year With a Bank Account!

In these days when the minds of all of us are on the New Year and what it may hold, keep in mind that if you will include this bank in your plans, you will have gone a long way toward bringing those plans to a more satisfying consummation.



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 Dickens County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the Estate of C. C. Cobb Deceased, Nannie Cobb has filed in the County Court of Dickens County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said C. C. Cobb, 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 January, A. D. 1928, the same being the 16th day of January, A. D. 1928, at the Court House thereof, in Dickens, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Dickens, Texas, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1927.

ROBT. REYNOLDS, Clerk
County Court, Dickens Co., Texas.

H. E. Bennett, of the Afton section of this county, was in Spur Monday of this week, and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and had his subscription marked up into the year 1929—and which was a very happy New Year's greeting to us. Mr. Bennett braved the freezing weather and came down to Spur especially in answer to an advertisement appearing in last week's Texas Spur, by County Agent Reynolds offering Brown Leghorn hens for sale. However, Mr. Bennett arrived too late, Mr. Reynolds stating that he could have sold many dozens more hens as a direct result of the advertisement. In fact, Mr. Reynolds was somewhat surprised that the Texas Spur reached so many people who read advertising so closely and respond so readily—adding that this fact should become more generally known and recognized. We appreciate the compliment on the advertising value and advantages of the Texas Spur in this instance, and pass it on to our thousands of readers for what it may be worth to them.

—Gin With Hargrove—
Jim Clemmons and Vance Hughes, of Afton, left Monday for Abilene where they will enter Simmons University.

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 22nd day of December, 1927, by Robert Reynolds District Clerk of said Court the sum of Two Thousand Eighty six and 8-100 (\$2086.08) Dollars with interest from Nov. 29, 1927 at 10 percent and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of A. B. Winkler et al in a certain cause in said Court, No. 909 and styled A. B. Winkler et al vs. F. M. Morris, placed in my hands for service, I, M. L. Jones as Sheriff of Dickens County, Texas, did, on the 23rd. day of December, 1927, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Dickens County, Texas, as described as follows, to-wit: First Tract: Being 160 acres, known as Abstract No. 1357, out of south part of survey No. 5, made for C. G. Windham, and known as the W. W. Waldrup survey.

Second Tract: Being 16 1-2 acres out of the South part of Survey No. 3, E. B. Shaw, Original Grantee, S. F. 2173, Abstract No. 1222, and being all of said survey south of the Dickens and Guthrie Road, and levied upon as the property of F. M. Morris and that on the first Tuesday in Feb. 1928, 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 F. M. Morris.

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 23rd day of December 1927.

M. L. JONES
Sheriff Dickens County, Texas.
By Olive Meadors, Deputy. 10-3
—Better Turnout at Hargrove's—

Travis Powell and Oran McClure, Jr., returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Abilene and Cross Plains, and where they spent the concluding days of the holiday vacation. They passed through the area infested with bank robbers and car thieves, and in making necessary stops along the way, were thoroughly inspected and interviewed by official watchers and spotters along the highways—possibly not because of their criminal appearance, but merely in keeping tab on those passing through during the "strenuous times of crime commission."

—Gin With Hargrove—
J. P. Koonsman, of Croton, was here during the past week on business.

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 \$12.50 val., --- \$6.75
 Men's Water-proof
 Overcoats, \$17.50 vl., \$9.75
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 All go at ----- \$6.95

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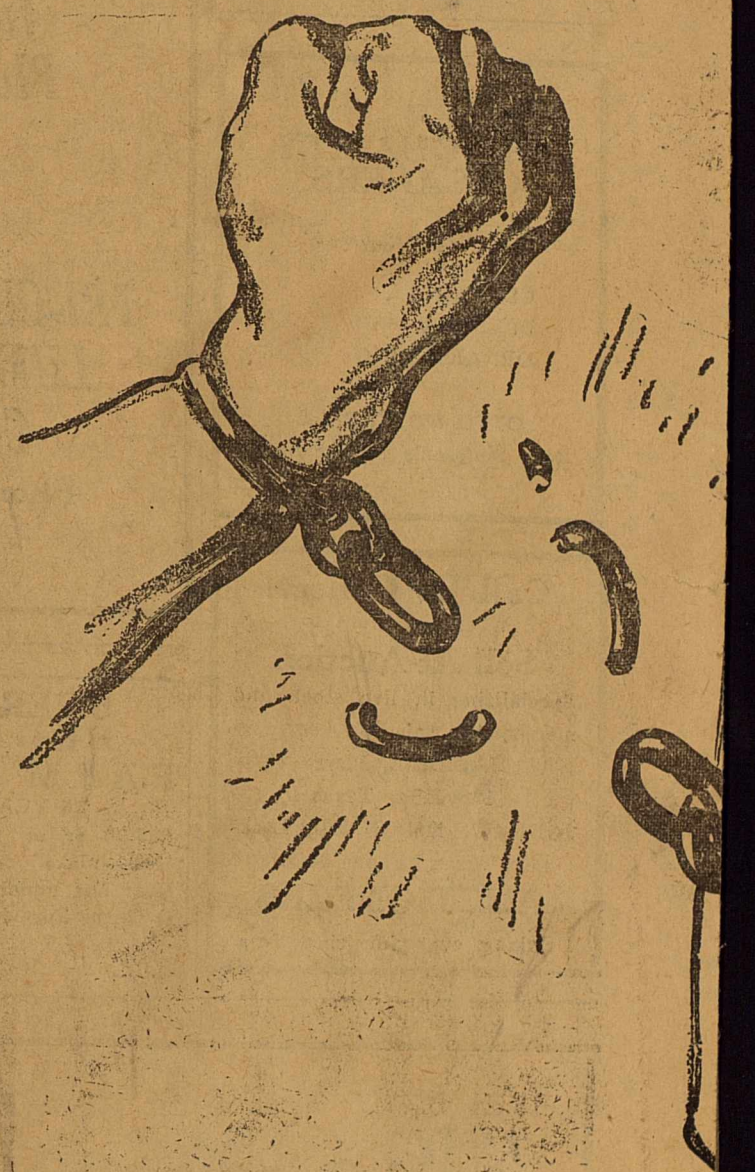
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Robert Collier, of Afton, returned Monday in Abilene, after spending the holidays at home with his parents and friends.

H. C. Allen, of Dry Lake, was in Spur Wednesday of this week. Mr. Allen, like many other farmers of the country, stated that the good prices paid for cotton this fall, enabled him to "pay up several years back indebtedness"...

Mrs. Era Stapleton, formerly Miss Era Cain, arrived Sunday night in Spur from Bisbee, Arizona, having been called here on account of the illness of Mrs. Luther Cain who is now critically ill at the Nichols Sanitarium.

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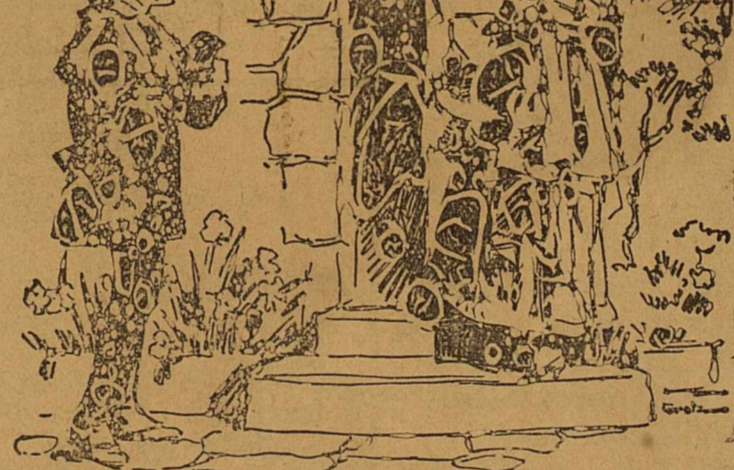
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SYNOPSIS In old France, the Chevalier Fabien des Grieux, a youth as handsome as good...

CHAPTER II—Continued "I would love to, brother dear. I suppose the convent will be all right but I hate the thought of wearing coarse, drab convent clothing."

As the diligence neared the White Horse Inn, the man on the box raised the great coach horn to his lips and blew a long and loud blast.

Lescout alighted first and swaggered on toward the courtyard, utterly ignoring his sister. Comte Fabien stared at Manon, fascinated as though she were some being from another world.



De Rivoir stepped out next and gallantly turned to assist Manon from the diligence as though she belonged to him.

"What has brought you to Amiens?" he inquired breathlessly. "My brother has travelled here with me so that I may commence my novitiate for taking the veil at the convent."

Lescout turned back and joined the Comte familiarly. They found their way through the groups of students in the courtyard, leaving Manon to follow toward the Inn as best she could, alone.

Within the tavern the lay brother was still talking excitedly to Fabien Des Grieux, who listened attentively and fondled his medal—the charm against worldly evil sent to him by the Bishop.

"Before you go, I want to say that you are about to enter upon a new life—a richer, deeper life than you have hitherto known—our blessings go with you!"

Feeling strange and rather lost, Fabien glanced up timidly wondering if some one had come to help her.

As young as Manon was, she realized that she had always been waiting for some one, and that someone was the young student priest who just passed without seeing her!

"Oh, my dear, my dear!" And he took a step toward her. His lips were parched. His throat was dry. Something warmer than himself clutched his throbbing heart.

"I am so happy that you have come!" Manon appeared so extremely beautiful that for the first time in his life Fabien perceived the difference between men and women.

He underwent a change that deprived him of all reason and self control when he looked upon this girl for the first time.

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"Paris is the proper setting for her. As a connoisseur—and one of ample means—may I suggest that you should purchase a diamond necklace for her?"

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With a small startled gasp, Manon pulled her hand from Fabien's warm grasp and started for the interior of the Inn.

CHAPTER I—Continued Fabien stood rooted to the spot, unable to take his eyes from her dear, darting figure.

"They will go without you—this is your portmanteau!" said Comte Fabien as he took his sister's hand and tried to make her come.

Quickly Fabien scanned his sister for an excuse—no could not go, not, and leave—behind—behind. "The diligence is overcrowded; it is better that I travel by coach, later."

This was the first lie Fabien had ever uttered and he looked away from Tiberge in embarrassment. The latter was and was hurt, but suppressed urging him on.

With set jaw Fabien jerked away and said, stubbornly: "The point is not to be argued—I stay here!"

For a moment their glances clashed, then Tiberge went out into the courtyard alone.

And still Fabien remained. The hand that had touched Manon was pressed to his lips, as he whispered: "The caress of this wonderful girl has engulfed my soul and done—what, to my reason?"

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Instinctively Fabien knew that they were discussing the girl who had just conquered his senses. Crossing to a position where he could look into the room without being conspicuous, he saw Andre Lescout and Comte De Rivoir at a table near the window, drinking wine.

The Comte was urging Lescout to indulge freely. Then leaning across the table his eyes narrowed, he moistened his lips greedily and said insidiously:

"Paris is the proper setting for her. As a connoisseur—and one of ample means—may I suggest that you should purchase a diamond necklace for her?"

Fabien was overcome with repugnance. He involuntarily made a move toward the window, eager to confront these men. Then he thought it would perhaps be helpful to learn more before exposing himself. He drew back in horror when he saw the Comte scatter a handful of gold on the table before the greedy brother's eyes.

"Landlord!" beckoned the Comte as this round individual chanced to pass through the room, "come here—just so. Now lend an attentive ear. Have you such a thing as a clean, comfortable coach in your stable?"

"The very best, sir. A beautiful thing," replied the landlord proudly. "Now tell me about your horses—all old and slow, I presume?"

"Ah, not at all, sir. I have four that will travel faster and longer than anything in the neighborhood."

"Then those are the four I want—hitched to your, ah, beautiful coach and ready at my command, as soon as possible, to carry me and a young lady on to Paris. And here," giving him a gold piece, "take this so that you will be sure to remember."

With an understanding chuckle the landlord waddled away. Lescout rose to his feet and saluting the Comte said: "Comte De Rivoir, I am indebted to you! I shall go now and prepare my sister's trunk—what shall we say—her journey with you?"

From his place in the hall, Fabien knew what all this meant. Love had awakened an understanding of worldly things that he had not before possessed. His only thought was to see Manon and carry her from this old race and her brother's greed. He decided that she must have retired to her room. It was out of the question for him to follow her, so he rushed out into the yard and walking around the Inn eagerly scanned the windows, praying that he would see her. Luck was with him.

On a beautiful vine covered balcony, not far up from the ground, Manon stood with her feet on a white kitten cuddled against her neck. Comte Fabien was forced to restrain himself because Lescout was just joining her. He knew that it was to tell Manon about plans for every detail of her entering a Convent.

While Fabien was trying to think of what he could do to prevent the situation, Lescout was saying to his sister:

"I had not realized before that you are pretty—you are worth studying," scrutinized Lescout. "Why, Andre! Why are you so flattering?" Manon was puzzled and pleased at the first compliment from her brother.

"In truth, my dear, you are worth it! Let me see your eyes—your profile—your neck—is truly beautiful." Lescout tilted back her chin and half squinted through an experienced eye as he looked her over. "Is that color on your cheeks real?" he asked as her face flushed crimson at this bewildering procedure.

"Of course it is!" "Well, one should pay heed for that. The old buffalo is right—you are a beauty, Manon."

Manon started to laugh. This was such a funny way for her indifferent brother to act. Yet she was pleased, so made him a graceful courtesy and said: "I like to have you nice to me and think I am—all right."

"How would you like to forget the Convent and go to Paris?" inquired Lescout airily. "I would adore it!" Manon's face lit up with eager childish pleasure.

"It was the Comte's idea," supplied Lescout casually. "Why should he be interested?" inquired Manon, with her pretty white forehead all wrinkled up in an effort to solve the puzzle.

Not until then, when Lescout realized that she was helplessly innocent, did he bluntly explain the Comte's proposition. Manon was horrified. Her hands frantically covered her ears and then her eyes as if to shut out the whole terrible thing from her mind.

"No—not that ugly old man who was in the diligence!" Manon looked appealingly at her brother through a mist of tears. "Yes. He will give you all the things that I cannot afford to buy—laces, velvets, diamonds! You are young and pretty—now that I think it over, you should not be buried in a dusty convent." Lescout talked soothingly, rapping his sister's shoulder, but all the time there was a quizzical, sardonic gleam in his eyes.

"But I would rather go to the Convent than to him!" "My dear, you are too young to know what you like! It is very generous of the gentleman to want to do so much for you."

Manon was like a poor, little trapped bird. Lescout had won his point and felt that he could be magnanimous. "You will not be lonesome in Paris—I will drop in often." With that he patted Manon on the shoulder and sauntered from the room. All of Manon's vivacity had been crushed out of her. Her dainty little figure drooped. Leaning contemplatively over the rail of the balcony she dabbed at her tear-stained eyes.

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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."

"One night my husband brought me home six bottles of Cardui and I began to take it. I could tell that I was improving from the first bottle, but I kept on taking the medicine for I knew that I needed a tonic that would build me up and strengthen me where I was weak and run-down. That is exactly what Cardui did for me. After I had finished the six bottles I felt fine."

"I feel truly thankful for what Cardui has done for me, for I could not have gone on living in the desperate condition I was in."

For sale by all druggists. 5-125

TAKE CARDUI USED BY WOMEN FOR OVER 50 YEARS

J. J. Cloud, of Soldier Mound, was in the city during the week and while here dropped around at the Texas Spur office and had his subscription marked up to 1929. This was a very thoughtful New Year's act on the part of Mr. Cloud, in that such funds are very highly appreciated immediately following Christmas and at a propitious tax paying time.

Gin With Hargrove—
Mrs. E. C. Edmonds and sons, E. C., Roy and Freeman, returned last week from Fort Worth where they spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Connell, and other relatives.

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

A New Year's Conscience
by Martha Banning Thomas

SOME of us were born in New England and have that kind of a conscience. Why New England should produce a particular conscience different from any other's conscience seems a little difficult to explain. However, there seems to be a tradition about it. If you possess a New England conscience you are supposed to be responsible to the last degree. You go one point further than actually necessity and worry for fear you won't think up all the possible things you might have done under a certain set of circumstances.

Well, then—
We all rather like to think we obey our conscience: it gives us a faint glow of saintliness. (Though, of course, to admit this publicly would ruin us for life!) Whatever conscience is—"a still, small voice," unbroken habits of right thinking, an instinct that urges us toward the best—most of us possess an inner law of some sort or another: and we either follow this law, or push it off irritably.

At New Year's we take stock of our affairs. And very often conscience sits as judge. And let us never forget that we are responsible. Not to be responsible is a kind of crime. Just



so far as we have pushed our abilities, then just so far should we use them for the finest development. To do less is sheer waste of invaluable material. To do less is being false to ourselves. To do less is sinning against truth.

Convictions may change from year to year: we should keep stride with them as strong men—not take it out in thinking but demonstrating them by doing. If we are good workmen—be it in the woods or in the shop, country or town—and do not do that work for the glory of doing it well, then we never should have been trusted with ability. For ability is a two-edged sword—if not sharpened for the gallant battle of life, it turns to rend the owner.

Let this year's conscience be nourished by that higher, unwritten responsibility which answers the quiet, inner knowledge of life carried forward with the utmost strength and courage.

Happy New Year to our consciences!

A Good Resolution

One of the New Year resolutions that would mean increase of happiness in many a family is this: Not to speak of mistakes which make no difference. How arguing over nothings mars the home harmony. An erroneous opinion may need correction, but what possible difference does it make whether Aunt Jane came to dinner Tuesday or Wednesday, or whether it rained Friday or Saturday.—Advent Christian Missions.

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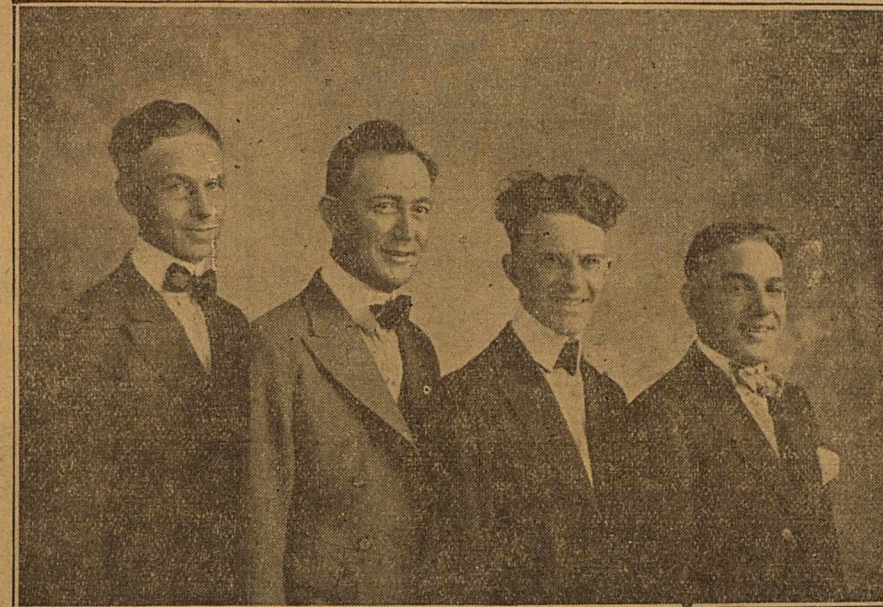
Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Crego, of the city of Dickens, returned this week from Dallas where they spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Gin With Hargrove—
Mrs. T. M. Maples, Miss Redah and Loren, returned the past week from McCamey where they spent Christmas with Mr. Maples and Max Maples and wife.

COMMENCING MONDAY, JANUARY 9. AND ALL THE WEEK SPUR THEATRE
Tom Cofer's Musical Revue



THE REVUE DANCING BALLET
Musical Comedy De Luxe — New Songs — New Dances



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Friends of our have asked us to sell their unimproved land close to Spur. Subject to prior sale, we are glad to offer on terms of one-fifth cash, the balance on suitable time, hte following:

- 1 Quarter Section 2 miles from Spur, at \$25.00 per acre
- 1 Quarter Section 2 1-2 miles from Spur, at \$29.00 per acre
- 1 Quarter Section 4 miles from Spur, at \$35.00 per acre
- 1 Quarter Section 4 1-2 miles from Spur, at \$35.00 per acre
- 1 Quarter Section 2 miles from Spur, at \$29.00 per acre

acre (90 acres in cultivation).
1 Quarter Section 5 miles from Spur, at -28.00 per acre
1 Quarter Section 5 1-2 miles of Spur, at \$22.50 an acre
Also a few well improved places.

S. M. SWENSON & SONS

CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager — Spur, Dickens Co., Texas

SPUR REALTY COMPANY

C. L. MARTIN, Manager

IF you really want to sell your land list it at a price that will sell—

WE WILL DO THE REST

We are in touch with buyers from the East interested in Dickens Co land.

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A Good Yard in a Good Town

Let us Serve You in the New Year!

We are equipped with expert workmen and mechanics, the best tools and materials with which to overhaul or repair your car. Our charges will be moderate and legitimate in every instance, and we will be glad of the opportunity to serve you.

RAMSEYS GARAGE
GAS, OILS, ACCESSORIES

JOPLIN & GIBSON

We have resolved to do a bigger business and a better business during the year 1928—and to do so we will give better service and better Groceries—if that can be possible. We invite you to call on us for anything desired in Groceries, and if it should happen that we do not have what you want, we will get it for you.

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE, AND WANT TO SERVE YOU!

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Davis, of Quitaque, spent Friday and Saturday of last week in Spur with his mother, Mrs. Nellie Davis, and other relatives and friends of Spur. Rob is now associated with Olen Arthur in the drug business at Quitaque, and the business, we understand, is prospering.

Gin With Hargrove—
Mrs. Minnie Matthews and two children, of Red Land, New Mexico, have been spending the holiday season with her mother, Mrs. C. Fite, of the city.

Curtis McPeters, wife and baby and little Miss Margie, returned the past week from Cross Plains where they spent Christmas with relatives and old time friends. Mr. McPeters formerly lived at Cross Plains, he and wife coming to Spur from Arizona where they resided a number of years.

More Lint at Hargroves—
Cleone Newberry returned this week to Fort Worth where he is attending high school, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Newberry at Afton.

Lee Davis, who is now road working and located in a "road camp" just up on the Cap Rock, was in the city the past week, and while here called in at the Texas Spur office and favored us with some advertising business.

Gin With Hargrove—
Herschel Jackson and Leon Lawson, of Afton, left to enter McMurry College Monday at Abilene.
More Lint at Hargrove—
L. B. McMeans, of southwest of Spur a few miles, was in the city the first of the week.

WE ARE STILL HERE — With A Large Stock of —
HARDWARE, FURNITURE, AND IMPLEMENTS

— WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS —

SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY

"HOME OF ORTHORPHONIC VIC"

"SPUR'S OLDEST STORE"

Last Chance

T Buy a REAL BARGAIN in Used Cars From Me

LOOK WHAT I HAVE TO OFFER:—

One '26 Chevrolet touring, new tires good paint and upholstery, equipped with bumpers, motor meter, sun shade and large steering wheel ----- \$200.

One '26 Ford Coupe, 5 good tires, good motor, new seat covers, Duco paint, in A-1 condition ----- \$200.

One '26 Ford Coupe, 4 good tires, a good motor, new seat covers, in good shape all over ----- \$200.

One late '24 Ford Coupe, motor just over-hauled, good tight body and glass, new tires on rear, good tires on front and spare ----- \$100.

One good '23 model Ford Touring Car at ----- \$35

JOHN HOLDER

BACK OF QUICK SERVICE CAFE

FOR RENT—Comfortable bedroom, close in.—D. Y. Twadell, phone 247-M.

STOLEN—Winchester pump shot gun and sheep lined coat, from car in front of L. H. Perry's residence, Thursday night between 6:30 and 9:30. \$25 reward for any information leading to recovery of articles and arrest of thief.—Roy Harkey.

FOR SALE—Essex Coupe, practically new, five good tires; will sell at a bargain to responsible person capable of completing payments.—See Si McClure.

TO RENT—4-room house. See J. R. Boothe, 1 mile east Spur. 1p

"THE DENNIS PLAYERS" ARE COMING BACK

Tom McArthur, of southwest of Spur twelve miles, was here Wednesday. Tom is holding a number of bales of cotton for higher prices—and the indication now is that he will profit thereby, since cotton market prices continues to advance at this time.

Don Perrin, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Perrin at their ranch home east of Dickens, returned Monday to Spur to resume his studies in Spur High School.

Mrs. Tom Teague and children, re- and Mrs. Perry Fite at Albany. Mrs. Perry Fite and son, R. P., returned home with them and spent a few of the holidays in Spur.

Rev. A. G. Abbot was in Lubbock Friday

Mr. Gerron of the State Department in Spur on an Inspection Tour

Walter Gerron, of Ellis county, but now of Austin as one of the State Highway Department, was in Spur recently and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. He stated that he had been "snooping" around at points over the country, getting tab on the line-cars now operating under state permits, in order to see if the business is being conducted in accord with state regulations, and making his report later to the highway department. The new law under which motor buses and line-cars are now under state supervision the same as railroads, is yet in its experimental stage. However, the fact remains that line-cars are now carrying the biggest percentage of passengers, and in some instances railway companies are asking permission of the railway commission to discontinue passenger train service where motor buses are taking practically all passenger traffic. This inspection tour of Mr. Gerron also had something to do with the question of granting such requests on the part of railroads.

Misses Johnie Bell and Klemmons Hargrove, Thelma Caraway, Lucile Lucas, Annie Mae Hale, Ludelle Perry, Velma Cudd, Dorothy Williams, Dick and John A. Davis, Ollie Belle Slaton, Ollie Maud and Ita Lassetter, Thelma Marsh, Rachel Langston, Bernice Lee, Helen Newman, Lois Lee, Alton and Joe Bailey Chapman, W. B. Lee, Jr., Tom Newman, Jack Hogan, Ella Mae Hogan, Richard Gibson, Roy Edmonds, Jim Cloud, and possibly others whom we may have overlooked, have returned to colleges after spending the holidays here with parents, relatives and friends.

Miss Velma Cudd, who is attending college in Abilene, returned this week after spending the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen of the Dry Lake community.

Miss Ethel Lawson returned this week to reenter school at Paducah after spending the holidays with her parents at Afton.

Misses Elnora Morgan and Verna Davis spent the Christmas holidays visiting with friends in Anson, Abilene and Cisco, Texas.

"THE DENNIS PLAYERS" ARE COMING BACK

We are Now Showing the New

1928 MODEL HUDSON-ESSEX SUPER-SIXES

You will be charmed with the new and beautiful body lines and improvements and delighted at its performance. Let us demonstrate it to you?

Spur Hudson-Essex Company
M. E. MANNING ROY L. HARKEY

LET US DO YOUR

HATCHING

We are ready to hatch eggs, and will have baby chicks by February 1st. Bring your eggs on Monday.

SPUR HATCHERY

Mr. Kellam, of the Kellam Dry Goods Company, has been spending the past week in Oklahoma looking after unfinished business and visiting among his friends where he formerly did business

C. P. Harris made a trip this week to Tulia and Canyon after a load of meat with which to supply the Central market.

R. E. Dickson and wife have returned from a visit in Greenville.

C. S. Pence, of McAdoo, was in Spur this week, permitting us to add his name to the Texas Spur subscription list.

Austin Frazier, of Red Hill, called in Thursday and had us mark his Texas Spur subscription list up to the year 1929. Thanks. It would make us feel like a "lord" if a thousand more Texas Spur readers were to do likewise this month before the last tax paying days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding and children returned from a visit in Dallas, Houston and Corpus Christi on Wednesday.

Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter, Helen are home after a holiday visit with relatives and friends in Greenville.

Mack Watson is critically ill of the mumps.

Twins, a boy and girl, were born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Adcock

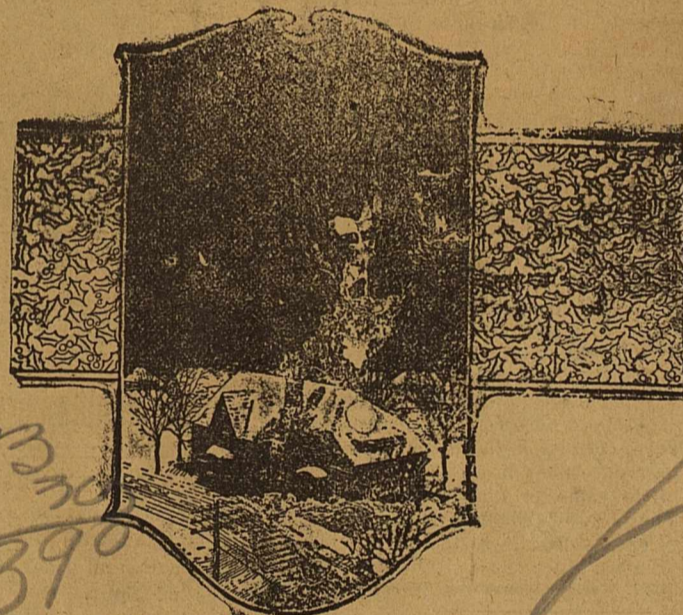
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I am now booking orders at \$2.00 Per Bushel. These seed are first year Machine Culled. In 2-Bushel sacks. 15-16 inch staple and 46% lint.

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CAMPBELL & CAMPBELL

SPUR, TEXAS

Mrs. Luther Cain is in the Nichols Sanitarium, convalescing from a recent operation.

Attorney Wm Clary returned this week from Paducah where he spent Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. C. D. Copeland returned Sunday to Abilene with Beulah and Shorty who are taking college and grammar school courses.

Wilbur Perry and wife returned last week from Dublin where they spent Christmas with his mother.

F. F. Henry, of Afton, was in the city this week.

Horton Barrett is one among the number now suffering of mumps.

A boy was born New Year's morning to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Chick Flournoy and children have returned from a visit in Ft. Worth and Celeste.

Mrs. E. LL. Caraway, Thelma and Bill Caraway have returned from a visit in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis of the Swenson ranch were in Spur Thursday.

Superintendent Cluck, of the Spur Schools, spent the holiday vacation period visiting at his old home in the city of Waco, returning the past week in time to resume school activities Monday morning of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sample, of Matador were in Spur Thursday.

Basil Cairnes and wife of the Paddle ranch are home after a visit in Ft. Worth for a week.

Miss Lucille Smith of Ft. Worth, spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Dick Sampson

Charlie Rooney, of the Paddle Ranch has returned from Chicago where he has been for an operation.

L. S. Bilberry dropped in Thursday afternoon and left another dollar and fifty cents in our subscription till for the Texas Spur another year.

These subscription funds, coming in as they do and at the time, are "life-savers" and appreciated to the full—and no country newspaper in the world has a bigger and better list of paying subscribers than the Texas Spur.

IMPROVED FARMS FOR SALE IN FLOYD COUNTY

I have a number of improved farm homes of one-fourth and one-half section tracts, in Floyd County on the Plains. These farms will be sold for ten dollars per acre cash, and balance at \$1 and \$2 per acre yearly payments. See or write me

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