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4,000 or More Visit Silver Falls Lake on Fourth of July

The biggest celebration ever held in this country on the Fourth of July was held at Silver Falls Lake Wednesday, July 4th, under the direction and management of Webb Brothers, who are now really making the place the "play ground of West Texas."

The crowds attending the celebration from all points of the compass, variously estimated at from ten to fifteen thousand people. The business houses of Spur closed for the day, and practically the entire population helped to swell the "picnicking" crowds at Silver Falls Lake. During the day the entertaining programs consisted of goat and calf jumping contests, bronc riding, ball games, golf tournament, swimming, skating and dancing. In the riding contests several boys were shown while expert riding was also exhibited. At the dance hall the floors were inadequate to stand the strain, and collapsed with the packed crowds.

It was the most orderly crowd of ten thousand people congregated in one place, not a single disorderly happening occurring to mar the pleasures and enjoyment of the day and the occasion.

Webb Brothers are to be congratulated and commended for establishing and maintaining a play ground, such as Silver Falls Lake, for West Texas people.

Wheat Turning Out a Small Harvest on the Plains at This Time

A trip during the week up on the Plains in Dickens county revealed the fact that the Dickens county wheat harvest is now in full blast, numbers of combines being in operation on farms throughout the small grain sections.

In conversation with a number of wheat growers around McAdoo, we were informed that the crop was only averaging a harvest of from two to five bushels to acre, while in instances the yield might be greater.

The seven months drouth following the sowing of wheat in the winter months, discouraged many farmers and hundreds of acres were plowed up and planted to row crops. Following the drouth, hail accompanied the rains, doing damage to hundreds more acres of growing wheat, thus materially reducing the general average production of grain.

In the harvesting of wheat crops further up on the Plains, we are informed, the average production is some greater than in Dickens county, some sections reporting as high as twenty five bushels to the acre, with the probable average of fifteen bushels.

A. Biggs Shows Results Rather Than Merely Tell Fish Stories

A. Biggs, of north of Spur, received a message to join a fishing party on the Brazos River at the old Cockerel Ranch headquarters in Jones county, and with his family left Tuesday of last week in response to the invitation.

The fishing party was headed by Uncle Bill Hollis, ex-sheriff of Jones county, and Messrs. Jobe and Chas. Hill, old time citizens. When the fishermen drew their lines and hauled in their nets, the catch included seven cats averaging 27.7 pounds each, one weighing 33 pounds and another 32 pounds. A party of two hundred people were served a fish dinner and at the conclusion of the feast loaves and fishes remained on the improvised tables.

Fish stories have long been a jest over the land, but A. Biggs had the goods to prove that this was not merely a fisherman's tale. He and family returned home, and he Thursday exhibited the head of a fish big enough to swallow a Jonah, which was conclusive evidence to us that his was a true fisherman's story.

Miss Gordon and Mr. Hubert Wester Were Married Saturday

Miss Daisy Gordon, County Home Demonstration Agent, and Mr. Hubert Wester, were united in marriage Saturday, and are now receiving the congratulations of friends.

Mrs. Wester, we understand, will resign her place as County Home Demonstration Agent, a place she has very ably and efficiently filled the past several years in Dickens county. County club members and many other women of the country with whom Mrs. Wester has been associated and assisted in her line of work, will regret to see her retire from the work, but no doubt wish her happiness in building and superintending a home of her own.

Mr. Wester is a young business man of ability, and integrity, having been associated with Bryant-Link Company a number of years. The Spur joins in extending congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Wester, who will continue to make their home in Spur.

Kyle Rogers and Miss Yaws Married Sunday June 17th at Donna

Kyle Rogers and Miss Lora Yaws were married Sunday, June 17th, at the home of the bride in Donna, Texas.

Kyle Rogers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rogers, and was reared in Spur where he has many friends and acquaintances who will wish him every joy and happiness and much prosperity in the journey over the matrimonial seas.

Kyle and his bride are temporarily residing in Weslaco where he is at present employed in oil field work.

MRS. ELLIS OF ROARING SPRINGS MARRIED TO MR. COLLINS OF FLOYDADA

J. S. Collins of this city and Mrs. Willie Ellis of Roaring Springs were married Saturday morning at the home of R. D. Evans. Mrs. Collins has lived in Roaring Springs several years. Mr. Collins has been a resident of Floyd county twelve years, and he and wife will make their home in Floydada.—Hesperian.

Mrs. Allen of McAdoo Undergoes Operation in Spur Friday

Mrs. G. W. Allen, of the McAdoo country, was brought Friday of last week to the Nichols Sanitarium in Spur where she underwent a very delicate Caesarean operation at the hands of Dr. Nichols. The operation was successful, and the immature child survived until Saturday when death occurred and the little remains were interred in the McAdoo cemetery.

Friends of the family will be glad to know that Mrs. Allen is reported doing nicely and recovering from the operation.

Spur Advancing Into Skyscraper Class of Business Building

We are informed that W. S. Campbell who last week let the contract and started the construction of a two-story brick business building, has now changed his plan and will add another story, making it three stories high, constructed upon a foundation sufficient to carry five stories should such a structure be decided upon in the future.

Such a change of plan of construction for the present and in preparation of the future is concrete evidence of the fact that Spur is not only planning but actually developing and advancing into the skyscraper class of cities.

This building in connection with five other bricks now under construction is also concrete evidence that Spur is building extensively as well as substantially. Come to Spur.

Best Crops Are Observed Within the Spur Country

H. O. and J. J. Albin, joined by their sisters, Mesdames Sandlin and Ballard, went to Comanche county Friday of last week to attend the funeral of a relative and old time friend, Dock Stewart, who died at his home in that county after a residence of many years. H. O. Albin informed us upon his return that in no section of country over which they traveled to and from Comanche did they see as good crops as are now growing in Dickens county. They traveled by way of Cisco going and returning by way of Wichita and other points to the north and east. The best crops observed anywhere were between Dickens and Spur by way of Espuela. Dry weather followed by a cold season, later rains, hails, hot winds and blowing sands have delayed crops in this section, but evidently we are even more fortunate than many other sections.

New Electric Steam Laundry Being Established in the City

Spur is now assured of a modern electric steam laundry in addition to the varied other business institutions being established and seeking a place in commercial quarters of the city.

Messrs. Johnson and James, of Lubbock, were in Spur during the week, secured a building and will install laundry machinery of the latest manufacture and within ten days be ready for business in their line.

The Spur Electric Steam Laundry will be operated by electricity, and will be of sufficient capacity to care for the laundry business of Spur and all of the surrounding territory. Messrs. James and Johnson are experienced men in the laundry business and will establish a plant in keeping with the growth and development of the town and country, and assert that a business will be conducted worthy the confidence and patronage of all the home people.

Feed Planting Proved Successful up to Aug. 1st in Spur Country

In view of the crop problems now confronting a number of farmers who have suffered losses from hails, wind and sands, Superintendent R. E. Dickson of the Spur Experiment Station, advises that experiments at the station during the past fifteen years have shown that the planting of maize, kafir corn, feterita, June corn and higar have been successful when planted as late as the first day of August, the late plantings making excellent yields with favorable seasons.

Mr. Dickson suggests that any or all of these feed crops may be planted any time between now and August first, with assurance of good yields with favorable seasons.

The planting of plenty feed is being urged as the safest method of farming.

West Texas Utilities Cooking School Being Largely Attended

The cooking school being conducted each afternoon by the West Texas Utilities Company at their new office just being completed, has been largely attended by ladies of the city and surrounding country each day.

The instructions are being given by Miss Stella Floyd, an expert home economist.

The cooking instructions are not only educational and appreciated on the part of ladies in attendance, but is doing much in encouraging the use of modern kitchen equipments as well as methods, and the West Texas Utilities Company is to be congratulated in thus promoting community "living interests" as well as advertising its wares.

Al Smith Nominated for President on First Ballot by Democrats

Late Thursday night at the National Democratic Convention in Houston, Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, was given the nomination for President on the first ballot, he receiving a total of 849 and 2-3 of the total convention vote of 1100.

Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, was given the nomination for Vice-President, also on the first ballot, with a total of 1032 and 1-2 convention votes.

The Texas delegation to the convention failed to vote for Smith, because the balloting ended so quickly the opposition was bewildered, but Robinson was given the solid delegation vote of forty, the vote for president being cast for Jesse Jones as a "favorite son" candidate.

At no time was there any doubt but that Governor Smith would be the Democratic nominee, and the anticipated platform fight failed to develop between the "wets" and the "drys" in the convention, it being evident that Smith delegates were overwhelmingly in control and that a fight could not be staged.

The high points in the platform adopted, and upon which Governor Smith as the Democratic standard bearer, will make his campaign, is as follows:

Law enforcement—Honest effort at enforcement of the 18th amendment and all provisions of the constitution, and all laws.

Agriculture—Economic equality by loans to and development of co-operatives, creation of farm boards to assist marketing of surpluses, but avoiding government subsidy and tariff benefits accorded other industries.

Republican corruption—Rescue of government from "those who have betrayed their trust by disgracing it."

Rights of states—Revival of the spirit of local self government.

Foreign policy—Outlawry of war, protection of American lives and rights, non-interference with elections and other internal political affairs of foreign nations, especially Mexico, Nicaragua and other Latin-American nations.

Flood control—Endorsement of flood control act of last May recognizing Mississippi situation a national problem.

Economy and reorganization—Efficiency and economy in administration of public affairs.

Finance and taxation—Further reduction of internal taxes.

Tariff—Equitable distribution of benefits and burdens among all.

Civil service—Maintenance of the merit system.

Mining—Removal of restrictions that hinder its program.

Waterpower, waterways and flood control—Deep waterways from the Great Lakes to the Gulf and to the Atlantic Ocean, improvement of inland waterways, flood control and lowering of flood levels, expeditious construction of relief work on the Mississippi and Colorado rivers, development of such reclamation and irrigation projects upon Colorado river as may be found feasible, and the strict enforcement of water power acts.

Conservation and reclamation—The conservation of natural resources and equitable adjustments with reclamation farmers for mistakes the government has made.

Transportation—Equal opportunity for land, water and rail common carriers, and improved roads.

Labor—Collective bargaining, legislation designed to wipe out evils with respect to injunctions in labor disputes.

Unemployment—Adoption of a scientific plan making available during unemployment periods of appropriations for construction of the necessary public works.

Accident compensation—Legislation making fair and liberal compensation to all government employees injured in accident or by occupational diseases, and to the dependents of dead.

Federal Employees—A living wage based upon American standard wage based upon last page.

Rural Mail Service Was Started July 1st on Rural Mail Line Extension to Red Hill

Rural Mail Carrier Luther Powell informed us that free mail delivery was started July 1st on the extension granted to the Red Hill community on Route 1.

Those along the route extension who have put up the regulation mail boxes are now being given daily free mail delivery service.

Carrier Powell suggests that others along and adjacent to the mail line route immediately secure the regulation mail boxes prescribed by the government and thus without further delay get the benefit of the daily mail service.

Rural mail delivery is one of the greatest conveniences and benefits extended rural people on the part of the government, and when such service is extended and granted a community, every individual should take advantage of the service without delay—especially during a red-hot campaign year when national as well as local political questions and candidates will be closely contested in the campaign.

Farmers Gin Company Organized Last Week at Dickens City

Friday of last week the organization of Dickens County Cooperative Gin Association No. 1, was perfected, officers elected and the work of the organization set in motion.

W. J. Clark, W. L. McAteer, J. P. Koonsman, J. J. Albin, E. V. Watson, Jake Jones, W. F. Neaves were elected as the board of directors.

The full required stock has been subscribed for the association, and the board of directors has purchased the lots and remaining equipments of the Peoples Gin which was destroyed by fire in Dickens during the past fall season, and on which property a new gin plant will be constructed and completed for operation in the beginning of the approaching ginning season.

Farmers Gin Association Being Organized in the Afton Country

In following the trend of the times in the ginning business, farmers of the Afton country are also organizing a Farmers Gin Association with the purpose of building a new gin plant and having it in operation in Afton by the beginning of the fall ginning season.

Another meeting of the farmers of that territory will be held next Tuesday, July 10th, for the purpose of perfecting the association organization, electing officers and a board of directors, and laying definite plans and specifications for the construction of the proposed gin plant.

This is the third organization of farmers for the construction and operation of gin plants in Dickens county, the first having been organized several months ago in Spur, another the past week in Dickens, and now the one at Afton. It is very apparent that farmers propose hereafter to gin as well as grow cotton—and we believe the plan is good. In fact, we believe that the time may come in this country when farmers will not only grow and gin cotton but also manufacture it into the finished fabrics for the markets of the world. Farmers are becoming real business men, and with community gins and cloth manufacturing plants in combination could take up lost commercial motion and place their products on the markets in a finished state. It has been encouraged that live stock producers feed and finish their stock at home for markets—and conditions will also warrant the cotton producer in finishing his product for the market. Let us begin the organization of cotton manufacturing plants in combination with our cotton ginning plants—and thus make a saving to the producer in more than one way.

County Speaking Campaign 'Warming up' and attracting voters

From a number of sources we are informed that the political campaign in Dickens county is now "warming up up" and becoming interesting and even exciting to voters, as a result of the "speaking" campaign on the part of candidates, and especially with reference to the race for county judge and school superintendent.

Up to this time speaking dates have been filled at McAdoo, Afton, Dickens, Dumont, Wichita and Spur.

The candidates are scheduled to speak Saturday night of this week at Midway, at which time voters are expected to attend from other voting precincts in order to hear the warming discussions.

Speaking dates as announced for next week are as follows:

Duncan Flat, Monday, July 10th; McAdoo, Thursday, July 12th; Espuela, Saturday, July 14th; Red Mud, Tuesday, July 17th; Highway, Thursday, July 19th; Dry Lake, Saturday, July 21st; Duck Creek, Monday, July 23rd; Red Hill, Wednesday, July 25; Spur, Friday, July 27th.

Speaking will be held at night at the school houses in the several voting precincts, and every voter is especially invited and urged to attend.

The first heat of the campaign will be concluded on Saturday, July 28.

Hawley Bryant Sells Another Car Jersey Cows in Country

Last week Hawley Bryant, now of Aledo but formerly of the Spur country, shipped in another car load of high grade jersey milk cows and sold them to the people of the Spur country.

Hawley Bryant has been contributing much in promoting and advancing the dairying interests of the country, this being the third car load of jersey cows shipped in and sold to farmers within the Spur territory.

Dairy cows and poultry already contribute much to better home living and general prosperity of the country, and will become more and more a factor in future progressive developments.

L. A. Hindman is Building New Brick Business House in Spur

This week Luther Hindman let the contract to Contractor W. P. Nugent, and the work has already commenced in the construction of a 25x100 foot brick business building on his lot on the east side of Burlington Avenue, located between the new brick by Dr. Hale for the West Texas Utilities Company and the new brick just completed by the Spur Bakery.

When completed the new building will be used as a permanent home and salesroom for automobiles by Mr. Hindman.

Evidences of substantial building progress can be noted on every hand and in every business block of the city.

Bumpus Brothers Purchase Wilson's Interest in Bell's Cafe

This week L. S. Wilson sold his interest in Bell's Cafe to Bumpus Brothers who have assumed full management of the business which hereafter will continue to serve patrons in the most efficient and satisfactory manner by the new management.

Mr. Wilson left Tuesday of this week for East Texas where he will probably locate a business for himself.

Rev. A. G. Abbott and family returned this week from San Antonio and other points where they visited with relatives and friends and also enjoying a summer vacation trip.

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MELVIN LANDERS

Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod Williams and children, of Paducah, spent several days of the week in Spur, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Williams, and other friends of the city. In the earlier days of Spur Sherrod Williams was connected with the Spur National Bank, later engaging in the gent's furnishing business with Hogan & Patton here and at Cisco. He is now engaged in the gent's furnishing business at Paducah and states that he is enjoying a very good business and patronage.

Help Spur Grow

Byron Haney, of Afton, was a business visitor the past week in Spur, spending some time here in greeting his friends and acquaintances of this section. J. T. Haney & Son, with Byron now at the head of the business, has been doing business for years at Afton and is enjoying an extensive trade and business throughout the north part of the county.

Tax Assessor W. F. McCarty called in Thursday to invite us out to the candidate speaking being held over the county, stating that the campaign is now "warming up", especially with reference to the race for judge. Mr. McCarty incidentally informed us that his young son, at the age of four months, weighs twenty one pounds.

R. C. Forbis came down one day the past week from his farm and ranch home north of Afton. We did not talk with him, but understand that the Forbis crops were hard hit last week by the hail visiting a number of sections over the country. Such losses are at least an individual calamity—but it is never too late to plant and grow something in this country—and Bob Forbis is one who never sits down and quits, regardless of the extent of his losses.

Albert Power, of Afton, was in Spur Monday, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Power is continuing to hold his last year's cotton crop for a price of twenty four or twenty five cents a pound. Albert Power is one of the biggest and most noted cotton producers of the country, giving his time and acreage to the production and improvement of Half and Half cotton and the sale of the improved seeds.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bell were again called the past week to Waco to attend the bedside of Mrs. Bell's father who has been critically ill for some time. At this time it is reported that Mrs. Bell's father suffered a stroke of paralysis, he having suffered similar but less severe strokes in the past.

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The earliest Recorded Conflicts Were Those Between Canaanite Kings, Egyptians, Assyrians and Babylonians Carried on the Strife—After Greek Victory Came Rome's World-Wide Triumphs—The Crusades Added their Slaughter to the Turmoil and Finally the World War Excelled All the Rest in Destruction of Life and Property.

For the first time in the annals of mankind extending as legend and history over a period of 10,000 years, the countries which lead the race have indicated willingness to enter into a solemn treaty, forswearing the practice of war.

Taken at its face value this proposed treaty far exceeds in its scope any instrument of peace yet accepted by the nations. The famous Pox Romana, even when it was effective, included only the communities or provinces bordering on the Mediterranean. The truce of God, sometimes imposed during the Middle Ages, was also local and temporary. The peace secured to China by her great wall left the world beyond the wall at war. But what is now proposed is a peace, at once permanent and universal. Flames of local war here and there may have to be stamped out, but war on the great scale is to end.

It is no wonder, perhaps, that there are skeptics who regard any treaty outlawing war as a scrap of paper. In the republic of Rome there was the Temple of Janus, the gates of which were to be held open except when there was peace. In six centuries those gates were closed only once; in eight centuries, only three times, and even then for no more than a brief month or two.

Yet those senators of early Rome surveyed only a limited area. Taking the world as a whole, seldom if ever has there been a day when mankind has refrained from organized bloodshed.

The earliest war, definitely recorded at any rate in popular literature, appears to have been the struggle between the four kings and the five kings of Canaan in which the patriarch Lot, was taken prisoner and rescued by Abraham, writes P. W. Wilson in the New York Times magazine. Over the date chronologists differ, but it was, let us say, about 4,000 years ago.

As a nation the Israelites desired a civilian democracy without a standing army. But leaving Egypt they were pursued by Pharaoh with his chariots and horses, which were overwhelmed in the Red Sea, and they had to fight their way into Palestine, where they were surrounded by military autocracies. In 1,500 years Jerusalem was besieged seventeen times; twice was the city razed to the ground; twice were its walls destroyed.

Destruction of Jerusalem

In due course Jerusalem was restored, but only to be troubled by wars of independence in which the Maccabees played a heroic part. Against encroaching Rome nationalism was no match and in the most appalling siege of all time Titus subdued the city in A. D. 70, the last of the temples were burned. That war cost a small country no fewer than 1½ million lives and 100,000 persons were enslaved.

It was war that determined the fate of Greece. In search of the Golden Fleece, symbolic of the trade of the Black Sea, Jason and his Argonauts passed the Bosphorus. The key of the Dardanelles was Troy and a Trojan called Paris abducted Helen, wife of Agamemnon, king of Mycenae. There followed ten years of war—commercial, romantic—and in the end the besiegers entered the city by a ruse, the wooden horse. Like Nineveh, like Jerusalem, Troy was destroyed.

Over the most trivial pretexts the cities of Greece, Thebes, Sparta and Athens obstinately contended. Yet the real danger to them all was approaching from the East.

Having conquered Nineveh, Babylon was overcome by Cyrus the Persian, who extended his sway to the Eastern Mediterranean. In the fifth century before Christ the Persians, led by Xerxes, threw a bridge across the Hellespont and had to be confronted by the Greeks at Marathon, at the pass of Thermopylae, where a handful of heroes held up a host, and at "seaborne Salamis."

West Overcame East

In the fourth century the tables were turned. Where Xerxes the Persian had marched west, Alexander the Macedonian marched east, crushing Darius and occupying his palace at Susa. Indeed, incredibly active, he marched through the Kyber Pass to the Indus, where, as the story goes, he wept because there were no more worlds to conquer. The Persian dominions became Hellenic.

In the third century before Christ two cities were rivals in the Mediterranean. Carthage was maritime and commercial; Rome was military, and on the island of Sicily they clashed.

The struggle admitted of no quarter on either side. Crossing the Alps, Hannibal forced his way to the very gates of the Eternal City, and in the Roman senate Cato declared that Carthage must be deleted from the map. It was an edict fulfilled to the letter. A magnificent metropolis was added to the deserts of Northern Africa.

From strength to strength Rome advanced. Her principle was definite. The foe resisted it was crushed without mercy. In Gaul alone, Julius Caesar, it is said, was responsible for the slaughter of a million lives. When, later, Queen Zenobia stood siege, her city of palmyra, a splendid outpost on the fringes of Arabia, was left in desolation.

In the fifth century Rome was overtaken by the fate she had inflicted on so many victims. By sea Genseric with his Vandals reached the Tiber and subjected the capital to fourteen days of plunder. On land Attila, the "Scourge of God," ravaged the northern provinces of the empire and even after losing 200,000 men at the battle of Chalons was only deterred from entering the city by the subsidies of the pope.

To the fury of war there was added the fanaticism of religion. In the year 312 Constantine the Great, fighting for his career, had seen in the sky a cross, inscribed with the words: "In this sign, conquer." He accepted Christianity. In the sixth century Mohammed flung over Arabia the flames of militant Islam. The conflagration spread along Northern Africa, wrecking the libraries of culture of Alexandria and so through Spain into France. It was only in the year 732, at Tours, that Charies Martel arrested an incursion, thus saving the holy Roman empire for his son, Charlemagne.

Compared with these tides of passion the successive fury of Anglo-Saxon, Dane and Norman which obliterated Roman culture in Britain were mere eddies in the circumference of civilization. In the eleventh and twelfth centuries was an endeavor by Europe to drive back the Moslem into Asia. Three great crusades, fanned by fanaticism and characterized by unspeakable excesses, were undertaken for the delivery of Jerusalem. For a time the Christians held the city, but the result of a struggle in which Richard Couer de Lion, St. Louis of France, Peter the Hermit, St. Bernard and Saladin all played a part was negative. The Holy City reverted to Islamic control.

Cortez, The Conqueror

The fifteenth century saw Christendom lose Constantinople to the Turk, but it also gave to the world Cortez, the Spanish general, whose desperate duel with Montezuma settled the fate of Mexico. In Europe Spain was less successful. By the heroism of William the Silent and Queen Elizabeth she was defeated. But compared with the Thirty Years' War in Mid-Europe they were mere skirmishes. In 1618 there were 16 million persons living in Germany. By the year 1649 Protestant and Catholic, each acclaiming the same sacred name, had reduced that Christian population to 4 million.

It is when we come to Napoleon that we again encounter conflicts on the great scale. At Yorktown Washington concentrated 16,000 men against 7,000 men commanded by Cornwallis. There was also the French fleet. But in one of Napoleon's operations alone, the advance into Russia, the emperor started with 600,000 men. At Moscow he had only 80,000 left. By his levies France was bled white.

So inaugurated, the nineteenth century was consecrated to war. It was on the field of battle that Greece, Serbia and Bulgaria obtained their freedom, that Italy and Germany were united and that the solidarity of the United States was vindicated.

It has been said that if you want peace you must prepare for war. What happened was that with the preparations the temperature rose until spontaneous combustion in the Balkans finally involved Europe in

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a conflagration that cost her 8 million lives in battle alone and other millions of lives otherwise. A deep change in the attitude toward war is thus to be discerned.

Robt. Reynolds was in the city Saturday from the county capitol, spending some time here meeting with friends and voters. Although he has no opponent in the race for reelection to the clerk's office, Mr. Reynolds is campaigning as if he had a hard race to make.

J. L. Jenkins, of northeast of Spur, was among the business visitors on the streets Tuesday of this week.

F. F. Henry, of Afton, was in Spur the 1st of the week, meeting with voters in his race for sheriff and tax collector.

Mrs. W. W. Flournoy went to Rochester the past week to spend several days with her mother and other relatives. Mrs. Flournoy had been in ill health and confined to her bed several days before her departure, and it is hoped that the visit and the change will contribute to the restoration of former good health.

Edgar Fisher, of west of Spur several miles, was in the city Thursday, and while here was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, stating that his crops continued to grow and do nicely regardless of continued dry weather, hot winds and blowing sands. —Plant Plenty Feed—

Harvey S. Holly, of near Dickens, was among the business visitors in Spur Thursday of this week.

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| 9:30 1:30 Lv | CROSBYTON | Ar 7:00 2:30 |
| 10:00 1:00 Lv | SPUR | Ar 6:30 3:00 |
| 10:30 2:30 Lv | DICKENS | Ar 6:00 12:30 |
| 2:00 5:45 Lv | SEYMOUR | Ar 3:00 9:15 |
| 4:30 8:00 Lv | BRECKENRIDGE | Ar 12:45 ; |
| 6:00 9:30 Lv | MINERAL WELLS | Ar 11:00 ; |
| 7:45 11:30 Ar | FT. WORTH | Lv 9:00 ; |

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W. S. Perry returned last week from Dublin where he had been spending several days with his mother, looking after her farming and other business interests.

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L. D. Davis, of McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday of this week, purchasing of Spur merchants and business interests a few items with which to make improvements on his place—and also to sell a few items of his home produce. In speaking of the crop situation, Mr. Davis said that while it had not yet rained, his and other crops of his section were in good shape and growing and no uneasiness of short row crops anticipated. In connection with his crop interests, Mr. Davis has incubators running and some four or five hundred "fryers" now running on his poultry yard. With the present farming methods generally practiced, this country no longer as greatly dreads a drought. The people are "living at home" and making plans for more comfortable and plentiful living hereafter.

—Plant Plenty Feed—
Ward Harris was in the city last Tuesday from his farm home in the McAdoo country, spending a few hours here meeting with his friends of Spur and surrounding territory. Ward says everything is looking good on the plains, and that no complaint is heard for lack of moisture.

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FARM NOTES

(By E. L. Tanner, Co. Agent)
Dickens County

A careful estimate by a leading dairy authority states that one-fourth of the cows on the farms in our main dairy states do not pay for their feed and care. In other words this means that on the farms where butter fat is the main source of income three cows show a profit and to fourth cow is actually losing money. She is being kept at a loss. It takes the profit of one of the other three cows to help pay her feed bill. All this cow is worth is the price of beef, and a very low grade of beef at that.

Men who keep cows in those districts have found that the only way to find this fourth cow is to weigh her milk, test it for butter-fat, and to know just how much feed she is eating to produce a pound of butter-fat. This is not difficult nor expensive to do. It requires a little preparation on the part of the owner. To weigh and record each cow's milk at each milking takes not more than ten seconds of time. The equipment necessary is a pair of milk scales that costs around three dollars and fifty cents, a milk record card for the names of every cow tacked to the wall, and a lead pencil. This record sheet is good for thirty days. It takes at most about ten seconds to hang the milk bucket on the scales, read it and jot down the weight. At the end of the month you add up the total amount of milk and you know to the pound just what that cow is giving. Once each month you take a sample of the milk and have a test for butter-fat made. It has been found that one butter-fat test per month is enough. You then figure out just how many pounds of butter-fat the cow made the past month.

See the County Agent and we can make arrangements to have this butter-fat test made. The cost will only be a few cents per month. Now for the feed. It has been found that the cow who is making a fair amount of butter and is an apparent profit maker is often the fourth cow. In short more often than not the owner has become suspicious of the low producing cow and has got rid of her, but the cow who eats a lot in proportion to the amount of butter she produces often fools you. The only way to find her is to weigh her feed once each month and find just how many pounds of feed she eats to every pound of butter-fat she produces. You will be surprised to find how much more feed it takes some cows to produce a pound of fat than it does others.

Do not worry about the time you spend in getting the line on each of your cows. You are probably making more money the ten minutes you spend each month weighing a cows feed than you make in any other ten hours you worked during the month. Tested herds are the only herds in which the fourth cow is not found. It has been found by hard experience in our great dairy states that unless they do weigh the milk, test the butter fat percent, and then find the feed costs they are running on two cylinders so to speak. In other words out of every four cows one does not pay her board bill and one of the others must give her profit to pay it. That leaves two paying cows out of the four.

It is Better to Weed 'em While You Feed 'em for a Few Months
If you are ready to find the fourth cow see the County Agent. Give some city feller a chance to have steak off those cows that are not paying their way and you can set the alarm clock back a little when you stop working for the worthless ones.

Roup in Young Turkeys
Young turkeys over a good part of the county seem to be having a time of it this year. Roup seems to be the main trouble. Roup is both a curable disease and a preventable disease. You vaccinate them with a serum. This serum is given under the skin of the breast with a hyperdermic needle just about like you give hog cholera serum or any other animal serum or human serum for that matter. The serum you use in the case of fowls is Mixed Avian Bacterin. The dose you want to give young turkeys for roup is one-fourth cubic centimeter for a sick bird every other day till they are well or on the road to getting well. The dose for the birds which have not got the disease but which you wish to prevent from having it is one-eighth cubic centimeter. I have found this serum at most of the Spur drug

stores. The syringe which goes with this will cost you about \$1.50. One druggist told me that he was going to try to find some syringes which he can sell for about fifty cents as these on hand are intended for use on humans and are a little more expensive than the average farmer likes for using just once or twice as most of them do.

Co-operative Hog Shipment
There does not seem to be much interest in a cooperative hog shipment at present. I have only had about a half car listed in the past week. I am still holding this open and waiting for more. Come in and let me know about yours if you are interested.

The Value of Skim Milk
What is the most valuable use to which skim milk can be put? This is a question which I am often asked. The following is the answer to the question and is not theory but the actual result of practical work. In feeding out ten liters in our state ton litter contests many men have made excellent gains at a very reasonable cost. One of the most successful methods of feeding is that developed by Mr. E. R. Eudaley of the A & M College and used by many of the best feeders. In fact the world's record per pig gain was made by using this method. It is to feed one pound per day of what is called protein supplement to each pig in the form of a thick slop that will just about pour from a bucket. This is fed from the time the pig is weaned or about fifty pounds in weight until he is sold at around 250 or 300 pounds. Never feed more than the one pound regardless of the weight of the pig. It is scientifically balanced to take care of his growth. In addition to this feed all the grain that the pig will eat. This is usually kept before him at all times in self feeders. Many men have made average gains of over two pounds per day per pig for the entire growing time. And this alone on one pound of the protein supplement per day per pig. It takes two gallons of skim milk to replace one pound of this protein supplement. This has been done many times in these ton litter contests. In short from the use of two gallons of skim milk and all the grain they want you can produce two pounds of pork, or it has been done repeatedly. On the other hand this same skim milk is the correct amount to feed to 50 hens plus all the grain they want in order to make them lay at the rate of fifty percent production or two dozen eggs per day. This has also been done many times both in experiment station pens and in practical poultry farm work.

Now we see that the two gallons of milk will produce two pounds of pork or two dozen eggs. The pork will be worth about twenty cents at the most and the two dozen eggs will be worth forty cents at twenty cents per dozen. From the above it is plain that skim milk fed to hens is worth two dollars to one dollar where fed to hogs. Here is the thing to do. Feed your skim milk to your hens at the rate of four gallons per hundred birds per day and all the grain they will use. You then do not have to buy egg laying mash. When you have fed all your hens at that rate if there is any left feed it to the hogs. This is not theory. It is a proven thing in practice.

O. I. Taylor, of Duck Creek, was in the city Thursday, hunting a yearling jersey bull which had strayed away from his place. He informed us that he had just made a business trip to Lubbock and other plains towns during the week. Lubbock, he states, is becoming of real city proportions, so much so that Montgomery & Ward have established a retail business there. For years these big concerns have been depending entirely upon mail order business, but of late years are establishing branch retail houses at various strategic points, to the end of getting the business both by local, personal contact as well as through the mails. A far-seeing business man of Spur recently told us that it was only a question of a short time until chain stores and mail order concerns would crowd out the local independent merchant—and that such "drift" not only applied to merchants but other businesses and occupations.

Diversify
C. E. Austin has been spending some time in Spur the past week. He is superintending a tanking crew in the building of surface tanks for ranchmen of the country, being now located, we understand, on the Half Circle S Ranch in Crosby county.

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 Judge, 50th Judicial District: ISAAC O. NEWTON (of Throckmorton County)
- For District Attorney, 50th Judicial District: "DICK" DRESSER of Baylor County.
- WM. B. COMBEST (Re-Election) (of Cottle County)
- J. DONNELL DICKSON (of Baylor County)
- For County Judge and School Sup't.: W. A. CRADDOCK O. C. NEWBERRY H. A. C. BRUMMETT, (Reelection)
- For Tax Assessor: W. F. McCARTY (Re-Election) A. B. (Shorty) HOGAN J. H. BIGGS
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector: W. M. MALONE H. J. PARKS R. P. (ROSCOE) McCOMBS M. L. JONES (Re-Election) F. F. HENRY G. L. BARBER
- For District and County Clerk: ROBT. REYNOLDS (2nd Term)
- For County Treasurer: MRS. C. C. COBB
- For County Commissioner, Precinct 1: AUSTIN ROSE (2nd Term)
- For County Commissioner, Pre. 2: LUTHER C. STARK E. N. (Nuge) JOHNSON W. J. COLLIER
- For County Commissioner, Pre. 3: H. O. ALBIN (2nd Term)
- For County Commissioner, Pre. 4: CHAS. PERRIN (2nd Term)
- For Public Weigher, Precinct 3: FRED HISEY (2nd Term)
- For Public Weigher, Precinct 1: J. A. AKINS (2nd Term) J. W. JONES
- For Public Weigher, Precinct 2: GEORGE P. SIMS
- For Constable, Precinct 3: L. F. EDWARDS M. L. NICHOLS (Re Election) S. C. RAWLINGS
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3: R. S. HARKEY S. B. RODDY

Announcements For Kent County

- For County Commissioner, Pre. 2: J. J. MARTIN M. F. HAGAR (2nd term)

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Judge H. A. C. Brummett was in the city Tuesday of this week, meeting with voters, securing campaign data and otherwise promoting his candidacy for reelection as county judge and school superintendent of Dickens county.

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W. J. Clark, of Dickens, was in Spur one day during the week on business.

Superintendent Cluck of the Spur Schools returned this week from a visit to Hubbard City and other points.

Frank Laverty, wife and children are spending their summer vacation in the Ozark Mountains and visiting with relatives in Arkansas.

Leslie E. Roberts and family are among those enjoying the summer vacation period in the Ozark Mountains.

POULTRY

CHICKEN BREEDER
MUST PICK BIRDS

"To make progress in breeding poultry for egg production, a poultryman must be able to select breeding stock that will transmit to its offspring the most desirable egg qualities. These qualities are correct size, shape, color, and shell texture of the eggs, and a tendency to lay a large number of eggs," said Prof. G. O. Hall of the Cornell poultry department, speaking on breeding poultry for egg production recently.

"In any breeding program there are three fundamental principles which must be kept in mind. They are first, a standard of excellence or ideal; second, constant breeding toward that ideal; and third, courageous culling from the time eggs are selected for the incubator until the time when males and females are put in the breeding pens.

"Aside from the personal element of the poultryman himself, two sets of factors control results. The first set can be grouped under the term, 'heredity'—those causes which are internal and relatively hard to control. The characteristics of an individual due to this set of factors are possessed by the individual at the time of birth, although they may be influenced a great deal by the second set of controlling factors. Inherent characters are dependent, in part, upon this second set of factors, environmental conditions and influences, under which a bird lives. Feeding, housing, and general care and management fall under environmental conditions and influences.

"The most accurate method of controlling heredity is by the use of a system of individual pedigree hatching and progeny testing. Such a system requires trapping and carefully-kept records. Birds to be pedigreed should be carefully selected and only such mating or lines which show progress towards the desired goal should be continued from year to year.

"When it is impossible to do individual pedigreeing, pen mating may be used. In pen mating, from three to five males may be used in as many pens with 12 to 20 selected females each, and the progeny from each pen may be marked so that the different lots can be identified later. The offspring from each pen can then be observed, and the male lines continued from only those birds which show best results.

"Egg production may be improved also by selecting the best individuals, both males and females, and mating them by the flock or mass method. This is the most common practice among farmers. Progress with it is slow, however, and after a time a point is reached where the average egg production increases little, if any, from year to year."

Skim Milk Is Excellent
Feed for Young Turkeys

Sweet skim milk should be the first feed given to poults (young turkeys), according to "Turkey Talk," a University of Minnesota bulletin on raising turkeys. It is first fed at thirty-six to forty-eight hours of age, and continued as the only liquid for several weeks. No water is recommended. A pound of dry skim milk in four or five quarts of water will give the fresh, sweet product desired.

Best Pig Pasture

Alfalfa pasture is the best that can be furnished for grazing young pigs. An acre of alfalfa pasture will save over 1,100 pounds of corn and nearly 500 pounds of tankage. An acre of pasture will reduce the feed bill by \$25 or more for 15 or 20 pigs and the pigs harvest the crop for nothing. Plan now to have a few acres of alfalfa on your farm if for nothing more than hog pasture.

Farmers' Elevators
Doing Big Business

Grain Handled Had Value
of About \$460,000,000.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
More than 500,000,000 bushels of wheat, corn, rye, and other grains were handled by 3,331 farmers' elevators reporting to the bureau of agricultural economics, United States Department of Agriculture, for the 1926-27 marketing season. This grain had a sales value of approximately \$460,000,000, and was handled for approximately \$40,000,000 in the five important grain-producing areas of the United States.

The 3,331 associations operating the elevators reported paid-up capital to the amount of \$57,000,000 and surplus of nearly \$25,000,000. The total investments in buildings and equipment amounted to nearly \$60,000,000. The associations have about 420,000 stockholders, most of whom are farmers. Many of the associations buy farm supplies for their patrons, this business in side lines totaling nearly \$170,000,000 last year.

The reports show that during the 1926-27 season about 61 per cent of the associations paid dividends on capital stock. In addition, about 28 per cent of those reporting paid out patronage refunds to their patrons. Considering these facts and also the fact that 83 per cent of these farmers' elevators had financial surpluses, while but 17 per cent reported deficits, there is justification for the statement that farmers' elevators as a whole are in satisfactory financial condition at the present time.

Raising Dairy Heifer
Outlined in a Leaflet

Keep them growing and developing! This general advice to live-stock growers is emphasized particularly in regard to the dairy heifer after it has reached the age of six months, in "Raising the Dairy Heifer," just published by the United States Department of Agriculture as Leaflet No. 14-L. Since the heifer does not yield an income until she has freshened, the department advises that she be fed liberally in order that she may develop rapidly and be bred for freshening at the normal age for the breed.

The leaflet gives suggestions for summer and winter feeding, for pasturing and for supplemental rations of legume hay, silage and grain under various conditions of dairy farming. It also gives the proportions desirable in mixed-grain feeds for calves, suggests the proper summer and winter quarters, and advises as to the proper age for breeding. In conclusion it mentions the desirability of handling the young heifer occasionally and teaching her to lead so that she is not likely to be shy and fearsome when she enters the dairy herd. It is wise to accustom her to the halter and stanchion. A little care at this time often prevents considerable trouble after calving and usually tends to make the cow gentle and tractable. Leaflet No. 14-L may be procured free on application to the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Good Yellow Corn Very
Needful in Mash Feed

Good yellow corn is very important in mash and scratch feed. Difficulties experienced with coarsely cracked grains have caused some people to not use it as much as would otherwise be the case. When corn is cracked, it should be sifted and the finer parts put into the mash. The remainder should then be used as scratch grain. Moldy grain should always be discarded. If fine parts of cracked grain are not fed in the mash, it will not be eaten and will mold on the floors and other damp places where fed. Corn can be used liberally when properly balanced with other feeds. It is rich in vitamins, oil and carbohydrates but lacking in protein and minerals.

Hints for the Farm

Be sure to tie your wool clip with paper twine.

Prepare comfortable shelter for all classes of live stock.

Sow a row of summer radishes and learn how good radishes can be in August.

Fertilizer may be put on lawns, rhubarb, asparagus and around perennial plants.

Watch for the first flight of plant lice and shoot them quick with nicotine preparations. Get the first ones and the rest will be easy.

Onions, the vegetable that was once the outcast of society, have at last been restored to the high position they should occupy. Plant plenty of them.

What tastes better than the first few meals of new potatoes? You can have 'em two or three weeks sooner by starting 40 to 50 hills in the hot bed, in berry boxes.

Plant onion sets or the young green onions that you can buy most everywhere now for that purpose, to use early. Plant seeds for your own crop. Those from the sets don't keep so well.

Notions About
Seed Potatoes

Doubtful Whether There Is
Any Difference in Value
of Each "End."

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Much experimental work has been done with the potato to determine the best methods of treating the seed to secure the most satisfactory yields. The results have varied to the point of confusion in many instances. In technical bulletin No. 5-T, "Source, Character and Treatment of Potato Sets," just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, William Stuart reviews the results of noteworthy experimental work and in addition presents the results of the department investigations on the source, character and treatment of potato seeds.

Value of End for Seed.

The relative value of the seed and stem end of the tuber for seed purposes has served as a basis of numerous studies, both in this country and in foreign countries to determine which portion of the tuber will ordinarily produce the larger yield. Some growers are so firmly convinced that the seed end of the tuber is undesirable for seed purposes that they clip it off and discard it. Other growers are equally convinced that the seed end is superior to the stem end for planting. These different viewpoints have been responsible for repeated efforts to demonstrate the superiority of one over the other.

After a study of the literature in which each "end" of the potato has proved superior to the other in different tests, Mr. Stuart concludes that it is doubtful whether there is any real superiority of one end over the other for seed purposes. The data as a whole, however, seem to indicate that as the weight of the set increases there is a greater response from the seed end than from the stem-end set.

Greening Process.

Sprouting seed potatoes in the light before planting them, a process known as "greening," has long been practiced by growers of early potatoes in most European countries in an effort to hasten the development of tubers of marketable size early in the season. Greening is not yet a commercial practice in the United States. In fact, the department studies, covering a period of years in four different localities, show rather conflicting results when yearly comparisons are made, or when the average yields for the period are considered. Detailed discussion of the subject is included in the bulletin. Consideration is also given to the advisability of planting immature rather than mature seed.

A copy of the bulletin may be obtained by writing to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Sensible Idea to Want
to Own Only Pure Breds

It is a fine and sensible ambition for every farmer to want to own nothing but pure bred, and the ambition can be gratified. By starting with pure-bred sires, and then securing an occasional good pure-bred female, satisfactory progress is possible. The young man who is at the present time embarking upon the perilous enterprise of farming, may console himself with the idea that if he uses good judgment, and has at least a fair amount of "good breaks," he will enter into the serene and mellow years of retirement with a splendid live stock equipment and some money in the bank. His sons, carrying on where he leaves off, have the priceless opportunity of fixing blood lines and building up families of stock.

Beans All Summer

When a garden runs out of beans it seems like it is about done for. Maybe that is why a good gardener most always sees to it that he has a succession of beans coming on all the time. Pole beans planted in early June should give a steady supply of beans throughout the late summer and fall. Bush beans ought to be planted at intervals of two to three weeks in order to insure enough. One thing about beans that is in their favor is that any that are not used can be kept over.

Agricultural Hints

Measurement is the foundation of all engineering work.

The house worn feeds itself almost entirely on harmful insects.

Popcorn that is too dry to pop can be put in popping condition by adding a little water.

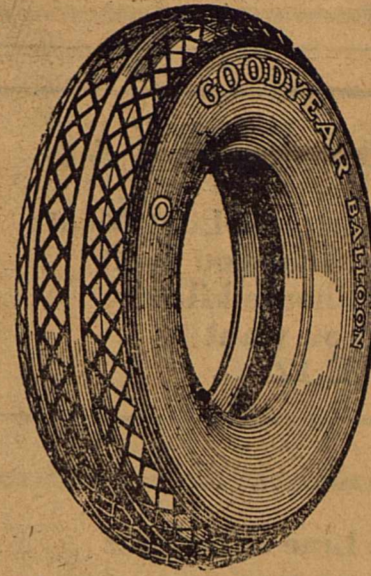
Best results are obtained when lime for alfalfa is applied before the seed is sown if the soil is sour, for lime acts slowly.

Sow seeds of cos lettuce for a summer crop. It is the most heat-resistant and surest cropper of all the lettuces. No use trying to start head lettuce this late.

Good tools and equipment may mean the difference between a good, clean, well-cultivated garden and one full of weeds. A little time spent in overhauling garden tools will bring ample payment.

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MORE PEOPLE RIDE ON GOODYEAR TIRES THAN ANY OTHER KIND

O. C. Newberry was in the city Spur Theatre—Monday & Tuesday the first of the week, campaigning. Judge H. A. C. Brummett was in Spur Thursday, campaigning.

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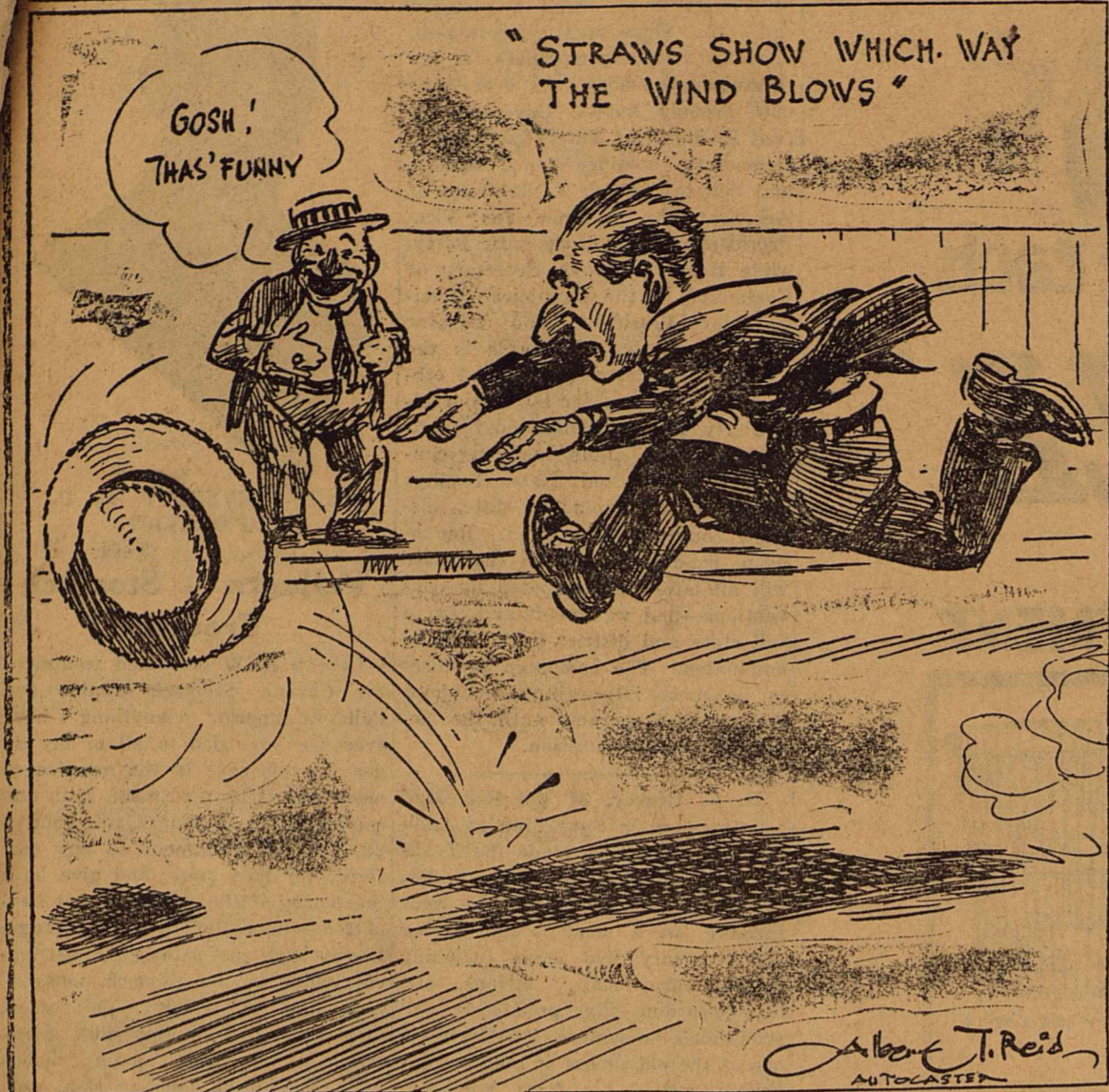
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The Straw Hat Days Are Here

By Albert T. Reid



JOI DE VOI CLUB
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Powell entertained with bridge Thursday evening honoring Mrs. Ellis, of Baird, Mrs. Powell's sister. Tables were attractively decorated with red, white and blue, each refreshment plate bearing a tiny American flag. Those enjoying the occasion were Messrs. and Mesdames Carl Wester, H. P. Schrimpsner, Weldon McClure, W. L. Gibbs, Jim Edd Hall, Horace Hyatt, James O. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Brannen, Mesdames Floyd Barnett, Dan H. Zachry, Mr. W. E. Flint, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Powell, and guest of honor, Mrs. Ellis.

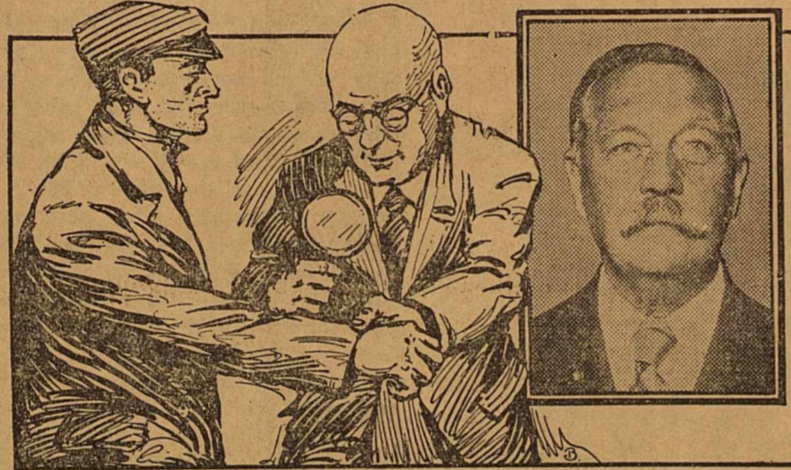
AVERAGE HEN LAYS 60 EGGS.

According to the census, the average farm hen lays less than 60 eggs a year and most of these from March to June when prices are lowest. If you have a flock of mongrel hens, the chances are good, they belong to the 60 egg class. There is only one way to make such a flock profitable and that is to put all of them into the soup bowl. Study of egg prices shows that in April, prices are lowest, they begin to go up in July and August, by September they have gone up in price a good deal and by December the price is as a rule the highest. Here then there is a great opportunity to increase the egg-production of our farm flock, especially fall and winter egg-production. The ability to lay is inherited. I believe I am safe in saying that the average flock of white leghorns will produce better than 120 eggs a year. This is twice as many as the average farm hen. A well bred flock of White Leghorns or any other breed will produce 180 eggs per hen per year. This is three times as many as the mongrel hen. In figuring profit, however the well bred hen laying 130 eggs is at least two times as profitable as the 60 egg hen. The well bred hen lays many of her eggs at least around 90 to 100 when they are up in price. Well bred hens are profitable investments. Poorly bred hens are money losers.

S. M. Thomas, who was operated for appendicitis at the Nichols Sanitarium last week is reported doing nicely.

SCIENCE SHOWS SLEUTHS OF FUTURE MAY OUTDO EVEN SHERLOCK HOLMES

Particles on Clothing May Show Man's Occupation and Home Town—French Investigator Paves Way With Microscopic Examination to Convict Slayer.



The Modern Sleuth Examines Suspect's Clothing With Microscope. Insert Shows Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Creator of Sherlock Holmes.

WHEN Sherlock Holmes looked at a man's shoes and saw red on them, the great detective of fiction could tell instantly the locality from which the man came. Detectives of the future will be able to go Holmes one better, if one may judge from some of the scientific studies now being made upon dust particles.

Physicians have long known that dust flying in the air may cause certain ailments and city officials have seen to it that children's health on city playgrounds is protected against dust by certain dust-laying chemicals, such as calcium chloride.

Researches show that a man's occupation may be determined from the dust particles found on his clothing and, further, in many cases, police may learn the name of the city in which he has his home. The matter seems simple enough, too. A steel worker will have fine particles of steel clinging to his clothing, no matter how often he may brush them. Such particles might be removed by brooms, vacuum cleaners or even magnets, but a sufficient number remains for determination by a microscope.

E. S. Lee and family are in the Ozark Mountains enjoying a summer vacation.

Spur Theatre—Monday & Tuesday "DESERT BRIDE"

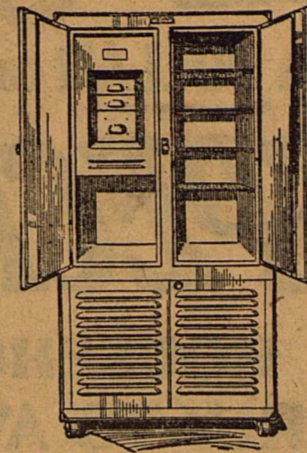
So likewise might other occupations be determined: a school teacher, from chalk dust; a jeweler from gold and silver particles; a druggist from chemical specks; a lumberman from minute fragments of wood, and so through most of the scale. In the same way a man's city may be determined by analysis of dust found in his clothing. If it contains much carbon or coal, he probably comes from Scranton; if copper, from Butte, Montana; if bits of minute coral, from St. Augustine, Florida, whose streets are paved with coral, and similarly down the list. No one pretends that the list at this time is accurate. But some patient investigators in the future may compile a list of occupations, as well as of cities, with all the precision that the advance of science may bring to it and then the job of the detectives promises to be easier.

A few years ago a French scientist was able to help the police to convict a man suspected of a certain murder in a quarry. The suspect said he had been sleeping in the fields. Microscopic examination of the man's clothing revealed the presence of quarry stone traces. The man then confessed.

Mesdames A. C. Hull and T. J. Seales are visiting with relatives and friends in San Angelo.

Plant Plenty Feed—Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hyatt were in Abilene for the 4th.

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Besides pruning and spraying, it is important to keep up the fertility of the orchard in proportion to what is taken out. Here again, in many ill-kept orchards, the manure or fertilizer has been piled closely around the trunk of the tree, often causing tree rot and preventing the roots from getting access to the food material. When fertilizer is applied it should be distributed on a larger area. If the grower could see the arrangement of the roots on the tree he could easily grasp the idea of distributing the fertilizer on a larger area for better results. The roots and root hairs are distributed in a large space around the tree and it is evident that the fertilizer must be placed similarly.

Chestnut Tree Blight

To show the enormous damage done by the chestnut tree blight, which was introduced into America only about 30 years ago, quite a stir was created recently when a chestnut tree was discovered in New England that had survived the blight. This tree may be the source of blight-resistant chestnuts. It is to prevent the introduction and spread of scourge such as this that quarantines are maintained against plants from other countries.

Floyd Johnson and wife, of Abilene, Texas, have moved to Spur to make their home here. Mrs. Johnson is a son of G. T. Johnson of this city.

A boy baby was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Wilson of north of Spur.

Mrs. Con Hargrove, nee Miss Lorine Ledford, returned recently to her home in Fort Worth after a visit in Spur to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ledford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ledford are leaving next week for a trip thru the Davis Mountain country and Southwestern Texas. Mrs. Ledford now travels with Mr. Ledford representing the Busby Glove Co.

Harry Schwarz, of Hempstead, is in the city visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Golding, and looking after the B. Schwarz & Son business in Spur. Mr. Schwarz stated that he came out merely to be in dvnce of the big rain sure to follow. Let it pour.

The people in general are just beginning to talk and take an interest in politics, and from now to July 28th, interest will increase.

W. H. Crouch is here this week.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS
(1½c word or 10c per line.)

FOR SALE—Registered Jersey Bull. See Ott Denson or Dr. J. E. Morris. 29tc

FOR SALE—Three houses and lots in Spur.—J. P. Wilkes. 13tc

FOR SALE—Corner residence lot with east and north front, east part of Spur. Call at Texas Spur office.

For Rent—A Nice front room for sleeping purpose. Near Church of Christ.—Mrs. Pearl Franklin. 3tc

Wanted—Stock to Pasture, plenty water and good grass.—G. B. Eratin, Spur, Texas 33-4tc

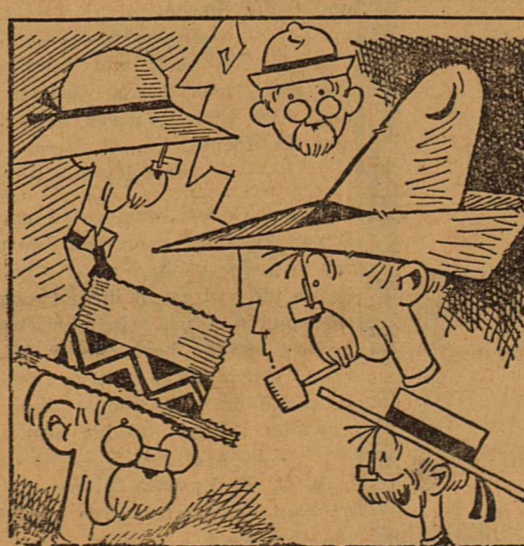
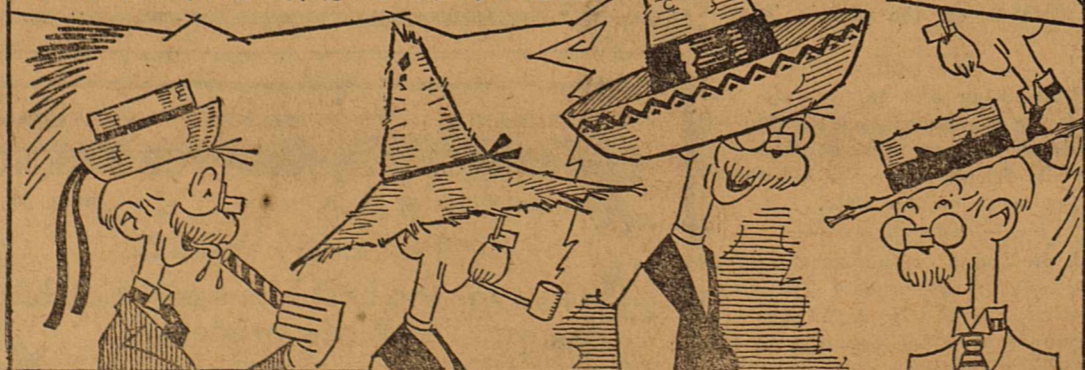
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Miss Alice Wright, of Anson, is in the city the guest of Misses Tona and Gillie Slaton.

Diversify—
 S. H. Twaddell and family left the past week for a vacation trip and visit with relatives in Arizona and California.

Diversify—
 Hamp Collett was called over to Silver Falls Lake on the Fourth to try to save the barbecue. The barbecue pit had caved in and much of the meat was lost. In fact we don't believe enough barbecue could have been provided to satisfy the ten thousand or more people there that day—but Hamp did his best.

Diversify—
 H. J. Parks was among the out-of-town candidates here campaigning this week.

County Commissioner Chas. Perin, of the Wichita community, was in Spur Thursday, meeting with his friends, and incidentally talking politics.

Diversify—
 John D. Hafstedler, of the Dockum Valley Stock Farm, was greeting friends on the streets Thursday.

Diversify—
 Willis King and family left this week for a summer vacation trip to Waco where they will visit parents, and also friends there and elsewhere in the part of the state.

Diversify—
 G. H. Slaton, of northeast of the city, was on the streets Thursday, greeting friends. He says crops are beginning to suffer for rain in his immediate section.

E. B. Shaw, of Croton, was in Spur Saturday and while here paid the Texas Spur office a pleasant call. Mr. Shaw was interested in knowing the party nominees for the several high offices. As every one now probably knows, Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York was the Democratic nominee for President, and Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas the nominee for Vice-President, for the Democratic Party, while Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, is the Republican nominee for President, and Senator Chas. A. Curtis of Kansas is the Vice-Presidential nominee. All other party nominees for the Democratic Party will be nominated by primary election ballots, including candidates for United States Senator on down and including state, district, county and precinct. Republican candidates within the state will all later be nominated by conventions—and we understand that a full state and district ticket will be nominated. The campaign promises to be most interesting throughout the nation from now until the November general election.



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H. C. Cravey, of the Red Mud country, was in Spur Monday trading and while here made the Texas Spur office a very pleasant call. Mr. Cravey stated that he was this year farming on a small scale, having about twenty five acres including cotton, corn, maize, melons, etc., thus affording him productive and profitable employment. Mr. Cravey is one of the old timers of the country, having settled his farm home on Red Mud thirty odd years ago, and where he has continuously lived and prospered since those early days. He is a citizen of the old school, one who makes his word as good as his bond. He is strictly honest, fears no man, will walk miles to pay a debt or meet an obligation. With such men making up our citizenship, notes and mortgages are unnecessary.

A. K. McAlister, of the Afton section of country, was in Spur Tuesday of this week, and while in the city was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, reporting everything in good shape in the north part of the county. Mr. McAlister informed us that a farmers cooperative gin has been organized at Afton and that a new plant will be built and ready for operation for the beginning of the fall season. This is the third farmers cooperative gin company to be organized in the country this year, and three cooperative plants will be in operation for the fall ginning season, at Spur, Dickens and Afton.

L. W. Davis and wife returned last week from an extended summer vacation trip over Southern Texas and the Coast country. They made the trip through in their car, taking in San Antonio, the Valley country, Corpus Christi, Houston, Galveston, and Mineral Wells. The trip, Luke states, was made pleasant by camping along the way and fishing as well as taking advantage of comfortable hotel facilities.

Diversify—
 Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller have been spending the past several days in Spur with friends and looking after their interests. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are planning to leave again this week to spend the hot summer months up in Cool Colorado.

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The DAIRY

GET RID OF ALL
BOARDER COWS

Get rid of the boarder cows and make the good ones produce more milk is the advice of Prof. H. A. Hopper at the State College of Agriculture to New York state dairymen.

The milk situation is largely in the hands of Empire state producers, he says, and if they take a few steps to insure plenty of milk during the next few weeks, the usual shortage period, they can do much to meet the demands of the New York market.

To increase milk production, dairymen should feed their cows more, especially more protein; they should dispose of boarders and give their feed to the good cows; stable the cows when the weather is cold or rainy; be sure the cows get plenty of water, and take good care of cows that will freshen soon.

Cows that are on short pasture should have green fodder. Good second growth in meadows may be pastured if the cows are managed carefully. They should have a feeding of dry hay before they are turned into the meadow, and the grass, of course, should be dry, for they may bloat if they eat wet green grass.

To increase the protein cows get, they may be fed a mixture of 200 pounds corn or hominy, 100 barley, 300 wheat bran, 200 cottonseed meal, 100 linseed oil meal, and 100 pounds gluten feed. Dairymen who have peas, oats and barley may mix 1,200 pounds of the ground mixture with 400 cottonseed meal, 200 gluten feed, and 200 oil meal.

Cows that will freshen soon should be in good condition; grain fed to them is well invested, Professor Hopper says.

Nothing helps more nor is a better investment than a good supply of drinking water for cows. Milk is mostly water, but cows can't make milk without it. Buckets in the barn quickly pay for themselves.

Progress Being Made in Dairy Industry Is Good

Not so many years ago the milk production of the average cow was around 3,000 pounds a year. Now it is over 4,000 pounds a year and it will go higher. Last year 12,200 cows owned by 700 Illinois dairymen averaged 7,596 pounds of milk. The average feed cost of these cows was \$77.53 and the average value of the product \$187.65. These cows were "owned and operated" by men who were interested in their business, for they were members of dairy herd improvement associations. How would it do for some of our orators to go and tell them that we know enough about production, and that prosperity lies in something else?—Ohio Farmer.

Feed Green Soy Beans to Improve Milk Flavor

Experiments just reported by the United States Department of Agriculture show that feeding green soy beans to dairy cows just before milking them tends to improve the flavor of the milk. The soy beans were fed in quantities up to 30 pounds per cow. The soy beans were first fed when the plants began to form pods and were continued until the beans had reached full size, but were not hard. While soy beans improve the milk flavor, rape fed green just before milking had the opposite effect, imparting an objectionable flavor to the milk.

Dairy Facts

Always feed grain according to the amount of milk produced.

When calves are fed grain in stanchions, each gets its share.

Alfalfa has a high feeding value in that it is palatable and nutritious.

Three-leaf clover is as lucky as four-leaf, if the dairymen have enough of it.

Dairymen should feed all the legume hay and silage that a cow will eat up clean.

A good dairy cow probably consumes more water than any other domestic animal. The more feed consumed, the more water the cow requires.

Provide silage for the herd. No dairymen can reach real permanent prosperity without a silo, or at least the silo will materially increase his stability and prosperity.

One form of garget is chronic and "catching," and if you get that into your herd, the only cure is to sell off the affected cows.

The important thing for the dairymen is to provide a convenient place and an abundance of hot water for washing and rinsing all utensils.

W. A. Craddock was among the candidates campaigning in Spur on Thursday.



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A. D. Ensey, who is now employed at Hamlin with Bryant-Link Co., came up the Fourth, spending the day in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Ensey, and at Silver Fall Lake meeting with his many young friends of this section. A. D. states that he is pleased in his home and employment at Hamlin, and that Billie Bryant, who is manager of the business at Hamlin, is also pleased and commands an extensive and liberal trade in his business capacity.

—Diversify—
W. H. Cartwright, of north of Spur two or three miles, was on the streets Tuesday of this week, greeting his friends. He reports everything all o. k. with farmers in his immediate territory.

—Diversify—
Sam Derr, of near McAdoo on the plains, was among the business visitors in Spur Tuesday of this week.

—Plant Plenty Feed—
Mrs. Clyde Rhodes, of the Cat Fish country, was shopping and visiting in Spur Tuesday afternoon of this week.

—Diversify—
Mrs. Clyde Weaver, daughter of Mrs. Raldo Newman was here this week visiting her mother.

Nearly the entire town of Spur, as well as surrounding country, attended the big Fourth of July celebration at Silver Falls Lake.

—Diversify—
Fred F. Henry, of Afton, was in the city during the week, pushing his campaign for sheriff.

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ENDS

MONDAY JULY 9.

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MONDAY

4 WONDERFUL DAYS OF CLEAN-UP SELLING

When store closing time comes Monday night, this Sale becomes one of our past achievements. It has been a Big Event. Big Values always makes one. The keenest satisfaction we realize in this sale is the number — the hundreds of people — who responded to its announcements.

The Biggest 10 Days of The Year!
The Biggest Values of the Year!
The Biggest Crowds of the Year!

That was the story of our JUNE CLEARANCE SALE. Every item in our big store is a guaranteed bargain, and you can add to them thousands of others not advertised in our big circular, which you will find displayed throughout the store.

After Monday, July 9th, all merchandise reverts back to its original price, with the exception of short lots and odds and ends, which we wish to close out.

PLEASE COME.

W. S. Hunter, wife and daughter and grand daughters left Tuesday for Seminole, Oklahoma to visit with a daughter and family of that city. Mrs. Hunter and the young ladies will remain a month or more in Oklahoma, while Mr. Hunter will return after a few days visit, and assume continued management of his business in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pennel of Post City were in Spur last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lisenby. Miss Nig Lisenby returned home with them for an extended visit.

Leonard Jopling and family are this week arranging to make a trip through the country to Corpus Christi. They expect to be gone a month or six weeks, enjoying the Coast breezes and extreme Southern climate.

—Plant Plenty Feed—
W. J. Young, of Red Hill, was in the city the past week, trading and meeting with his friends and acquaintances.

G. W. Day, of the Elton community, was in Spur trading and on other business the past week. Mr. Day reports everything in good shape at this time with prospects for good crops.

—Howe for Car Parts—
Miss Ila Bowman returned this week from a several weeks vacation trip spent in different sections of the country visiting with friends and relatives.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES—

The pillars on which great characters are built: Absolute Honesty, Unfailing Reliability, and Kindly Courtesy, are the principles which guide us in the conduct of our banking business. If you are interested in doing business with this kind of bank, we invite you to come in, get acquainted with our personnel, and our complete facilities for serving you.

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Club News of the Steel Hill Community

The Womens Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, June 26th, with Mrs. H. L. Underwood. A lesson on "club etiquette" was discussed. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Steward, July 10, on "Women of the Bible."—Reporter.

The Womens Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, June 12th, with Mrs. J. R. Mimms. An interesting lesson on "a tray for the sick." The vice-president gave a demonstration on a "home made tray for the sick," due to the fact that Miss Gordon was away on her vacation. Next meeting will be had with Mrs. H. L. Underwood, June 26th, subject "club etiquette."—Reporter.

Speaking Dates for the Candidates in Dickens County Campaign

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| Midway, Saturday, | July 7 |
| Duncan Flat, Tuesday, | July 10 |
| McAdoo, Thursday, | July 12 |
| Espuela, Saturday, | July 14 |
| Red Mud, Tuesday, | July 17 |
| Highway, Thursday, | July 19 |
| Dry Lake, Saturday, | July 21 |
| Duck Creek, Monday, | July 23 |
| Red Hill, Wednesday, | July 25 |
| Spur, Friday, | July 27 |

Speaking will be at the above named places and dates, and at the school buildings in each place. The time for each speaking held will be at 8:30 at night.

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L. S. Scott, who spends much of his time out on his farms, was in the city Thursday.

K. Combs and wife, of Lubbock, passed through Jayton Wednesday night on their way to Wichita Falls where his half brother was killed in a storm Tuesday night.—Jayton Chronicle. K. Combs formerly lived in Spur and Jayton.

FOR SALE—Good player piano for \$100. Call Mrs. Trantham at the Rainbow Cafe.

Mr. Ellerd came up from San Angelo last week to have Dr. Blackwell perform a mastoid operation. Mr. Ellerd formerly lived in the Spur country and has many friends here. He will remain here a month or more recovering and recuperating from the operation.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McCloud and daughter, little Miss Dorothy Marie of Wichita Falls, are visiting Mrs. McCloud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Johnson of Spur. Mr. McCloud is employed by the Nunn Electric Co., of Wichita Falls.

Clyde Johnson of Stamford, spent the week end in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Johnson.

Heberbert McCarty, son of W. H. McCarty, is here from Amarillo, recuperating from a protracted illness of influenza, while visiting his father and other relatives and friends of Spur and the Spur country. Herbert has been employed in the Plains section of country, and this is his first visit home during the past four years.

Diversify—Miss Estelle Ponder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Ponder, underwent an operation last week at the Nichols Sanitarium, and is reported doing nicely.

Austin Frazier, of the Red Hill community, was among the business visitors here during the week.

Al Smith Nominated on First Ballot by Democrats at Houston

Continued from first page)

Veterans—General appropriations and honest management, removal of complications in administration, sympathetic assistance for veterans of all wars.

Women and children—Equality of women with men in government, protection of children against exploitation.

Immigration—Preservation of limited immigration, opposition to separating husbands from wives and parents from infants.

Radio—Prevention of monopoly and guarantee of equitable distribution and enjoyment thereof.

Coal—Constructive legislation allowing capital and labor fair share of prosperity with adequate protection to public.

Congressional election reform—Elimination of "lame duck" congresses.

Campaign expenditures—Condemnation of improper use of money in elections, promise to record and give publicity to contributions.

Merchant marine—Gradual transfer of government ships to private hands and remodeling and replacement pending such transfer.

Armenia—Fulfillment of promises made by United States and allies to Armenia and her people.

Education—Government advice be made available to states for improvement of schools to meet national needs.

Monopolies and anti-trust laws—Treatment of dishonest business without influence and fostering of all legitimate business enterprises.

Canal zone—Employment of American citizens in operation and maintenance of canals.

Alaska-Hawaii—Development of these through self government.

Philippines—Granting of immediate independence.

Porto Rico—Such territorial form of government as would meet present economic conditions.

Public health—Appropriations necessary to keep disease to a minimum and enlargement of bureau of public health.

The message of acceptance of the presidential nomination and the platform adopted, sent to the convention by Governor Smith from New York, follows:

"The happiness and welfare of the millions of men, women and children who constitute the nation was the greatest driving force behind the doctrines enunciated by the immortal Jefferson, Cleveland and Wilson.

"I am convinced that our platform voices that doctrine. I stand committed to the platform, and will welcome an opportunity to recognize and make more efficient the agencies of government, to the end that the burden of taxation may be lightened.

"Our platform lays at rest the absurd claim insidiously put out by Republican propaganda that the Republican party has a monopoly upon the mechanics of prosperity. Our platform in its tariff and financial policy gives assurance to every legitimate business man, wage-earner farmer and taxpayer, that prosperity will not only be conserved but fairly distributed among all.

"The definite declaration of the convention to aid agriculture, and the planks dealing with the labor problems are sound, progressive and sincere, as is also the party commitment to the development of our power without alienating our God-given resources. Our plank on the foreign policy states the simple truth that the divine command to 'love thy neighbor as thyself' contains no limitation, and was intended to apply as between nations.

"The equal and even enforcement of the law is the corner-stone upon which rests the whole structure of democratic government. If it is the will of the people of this nation that I am to make an oath as president of the United States to protect and defend our constitution and laws, I will execute that oath to the limit of my ability without reservation or evasion.

"It is well known that I believe there should be fundamental changes in the present provisions of national prohibition, based, as I stated in my Jackson day letter, on the fearless application to the problem of the principles of Jeffersonian democracy. While I fully appreciate that these changes can only be made by the people themselves through their elected legislative representatives, I feel it to be the duty of the chosen leader of the

people to point the way if his opinion leads to a sane, sensible solution of a condition which I am convinced is entirely unsatisfactory to the great mass of our people.

"Common honesty compels us to admit that corruption of law enforcement officials, bootlegging and lawlessness are now prevalent throughout this country. I am satisfied that without returning to the old evils that grew from the saloon, which years ago I held and still hold was and ought always to be a defunct institution in this country, by the application of the democratic principles of local self government and states' rights, we can secure real temperance, respect for law, and eradication of the existing evils.

"In my formal acceptance of your nomination, I shall give to the people of the country my views in full upon all of the issues of the campaign. In the way I know that you can do it, give the delegates my warmest thanks for the confidence they have reposed in me, and my assurance that with their support I confidently expect to lead the historic democratic party to victory in November.—Alfred E. Smith."

While there may be numbers of "bolters" in the Democratic ranks of Southern States, because of Al Smith's religion as well as his stand for modification of the 18th amendment in following principles of local self government and states rights, yet the selection of Senator Robinson who is a Protestant, Southerner, "bone-dry," and a friend and fighter for agricultural recognition and interests, will to a great extent discount dissatisfaction in Democratic ranks and an effective bolt is not likely nor anticipated. In fact the general impression prevails over the country as a whole that the best and most available men have been selected to head the democratic campaign battle, and those who keep a political ear to the ground and analyze the political situation and conditions, can see and safely predict victory once more for the democratic party in the November election.

Foreign policy—Maintenance of the Coolidge policies in Latin-America and China, and endorsement of multilateral treaty renouncing war.

Public debt—Continued reduction as rapidly as law permits.

Tax reduction—Further reduction of tax burdens as condition of the treasury permits.

Tariff—Reaffirmation of party's belief in protective tariff and support of legislation to give farmer full benefit under it.

Foreign debts—Continued opposition to cancellation of war debts.

Mining—Stabilization of the coal mining industry which will work with justice to miners, consumers and producers.

Highways—Continued appropriations for road building commensurate with needs and resources.

Labor—Continuation of efforts to maintain present standard of living and high wage scale and means provided to prevent excess of injunctions in labor disputes.

Railroads—Modifications or amendments of regulatory laws to meet changes in public demands trade conditions and character of competition.

Merchant marine—Maintenance of American built, owned and operated merchant marine and sale of shipping board fleet to private owners, with replacements provided.

Radio—Assignment of broadcasting channels in interest of all classes.

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High Lights of the Republican Platform Adopted by Convention in Kansas City

Following are the high spots of the platform adopted by the national Republican convention recently held in Kansas City, and which also nominated Herbert Hoover as president, and Senator Chas. Curtis as vice-president:

Agriculture—Reorganization of marketing system on sounder and more economical lines, and creation of farm board with power to set up farm-owned and controlled corporations to prevent and control surpluses through orderly distribution.

Prohibition—Observance and vigorous enforcement of 18th amendment.

Honesty in government—Appointment of officials whose integrity can not be questioned.

Campaign expenditures—Economy, honesty and decency in the conduct of political campaigns, with contributions for common good only.

Public economy—Pledged to live up to high standard set by President Coolidge.

Foreign policy—Maintenance of the Coolidge policies in Latin-America and China, and endorsement of multilateral treaty renouncing war.

Public debt—Continued reduction as rapidly as law permits.

Tax reduction—Further reduction of tax burdens as condition of the treasury permits.

Tariff—Reaffirmation of party's belief in protective tariff and support of legislation to give farmer full benefit under it.

Foreign debts—Continued opposition to cancellation of war debts.

Mining—Stabilization of the coal mining industry which will work with justice to miners, consumers and producers.

Highways—Continued appropriations for road building commensurate with needs and resources.

Labor—Continuation of efforts to maintain present standard of living and high wage scale and means provided to prevent excess of injunctions in labor disputes.

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Dick Deen former Spur Boy Killed at Pecos in Accident

Friends and relatives were made sad Saturday, June 23rd when news came that Dick Deen had been seriously injured by a horse falling with him. Dick lived until Monday morning, dying in a hospital at Pecos City, where the doctors gave medical aid and surgical skill in every way possible in an endeavor to save his life, but without avail.

Dick had lived in this country the greater part of his life, with his mother and three brothers, he leaving here about one year ago for the Rock Pile Ranch near Pecos, where he was working at the time of the accident.

The remains of the deceased were shipped to Post, Texas, awaiting the arrival of a brother from California. Funeral services were held at Red Top Thursday, June 28th, by Rev. Hibbert.

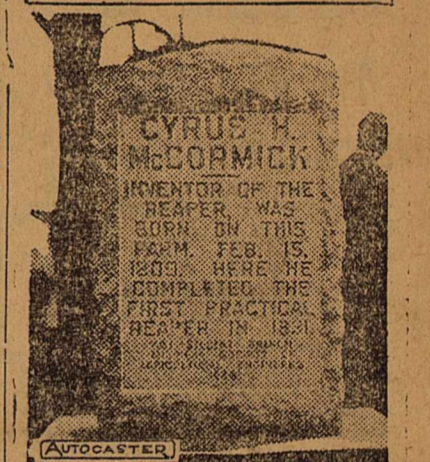
Dick was 28 years of age, being born in Hamilton county, August 18th, 1900. The highest tribute of respect and confidence was paid the deceased in many sweet words of consolation offered the bereaved. A beautiful floral offering added a sad but pretty touch to the service, and the words and flowers from many friends were a true witness to the high esteem in which Dick was held in the hearts of the people.

Few men can live twenty eight years without making an enemy, and few men can live that long and make a friend of every person whom they meet, but such was the case with Dick Deen. If he had an enemy it was not known. One can hardly understand just why the Grim Reaper should call away one of our flowers—but we can only live to learn of such things in a newer and greater world, and we must remember that the Great Giver takes away that which is best of times and we must submit to his wishes—even the bitter now, they will be sweeter at his least command.

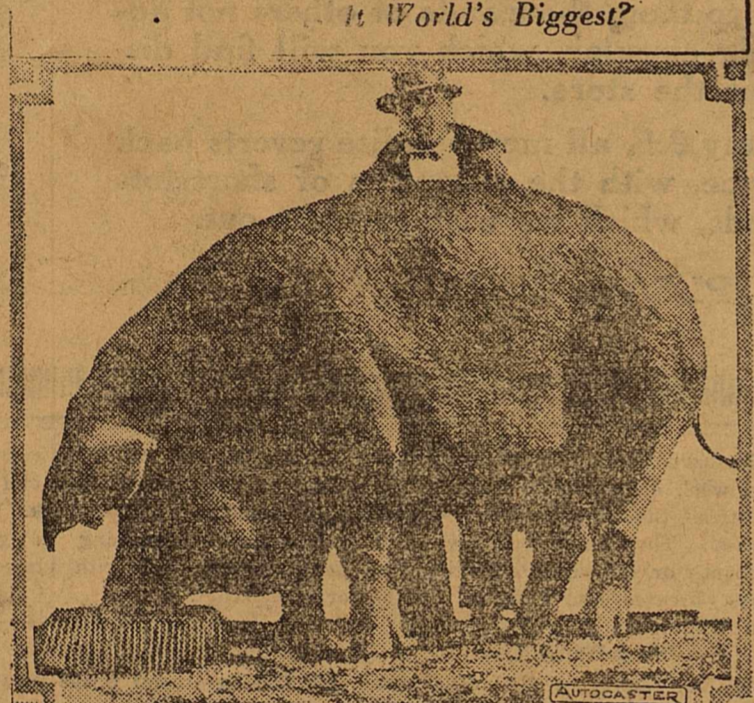
Our deepest sympathy is extended to mother and brothers.—Written by a Friend.

Little Miss Denzil Davis, of Stamford spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Johnson of this city.

A Tribute



The first monument to Cyrus H. McCormick, inventor of the first practical reaper, has just been unveiled at Raphine, Rockbridge County, Virginia, only a few feet from the old workshop where he created his first machine in 1831. The monument was erected by members of the student branch of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.



"Dazzler", a hog owned by William Deichmann of Leigh, Nebraska, is believed to be the largest porker in existence. The animal is a pure bred Poland China Stag and weighs 1,235 pounds. The owner believes he can make it even heavier. "Dazzler" measures 7 feet 2 inches from tail to nose and is 51 inches high. He is very active. There were nine pigs in his litter, of which five boars and three sows were raised.

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