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New System to be Inaugurated in the Spur Public Schools After Christams

Junior High and Senior High Division System is Organized

The rapid growth of Spur has resulted in an over-crowded school from the first grade through the eleventh grade. To meet these overcrowded conditions we have built a new school building. After considering all suggestions and plans we have decided to use the new building for the first four grades, the old grammar school building for a Junior High School, which will include the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, and the present High School building for a Senior High School. There are many advantages in this arrangement.

The advantages in having the first four grades in the new building are: First, the smaller pupils will be separated from the larger pupils. This will avoid quarrels between larger and smaller children; dirty jokes, profane language, bullying, and abusive conduct will be greatly eliminated from the daily life of the very small children. Second, by having the first four grades in the new building we will not have to have a man principal in that building, thus saving the school from \$600 to \$700 each year. Third, an other advantage is the fact that none of the smaller children will have to face a north wind going to school every morning. Fourth, just as many have to cross Main Street going to school in the old building as will have to in going to the new building. Fifth, no more children will have to go through town under the new arrangement. Sixth, under this plan teachers of the same grade will stay in the same building, thus giving them the advantages of planning their work together and making their work more parallel and harmonious. Seventh, this plan will make for better and more suitable playground devices and games. Teachers really can put into practice supervised play. Eighth, the last and most important advantage of this new plan is that it will give us a chance to organize a Junior High School out of the old grammar school building.

Occasionally school systems take up something new just because it is fashionable and called progressive. We are not adopting the Junior High School in Spur for any such reasons. There are urgent and distinct needs for a Junior High School in our system of schools. First, we need a Junior High School to relieve overcrowded conditions both in the Junior and Senior high schools. Second, it will enable us to have high and low divisions. Many times new students come to us in September who have been promoted to for example, the high seventh grade. Under the present arrangement this pupil will have to repeat the first half of the seventh grade, or skip the last half which in either case, is detrimental to the pupil's school progress. Likewise, the students that are unable to attend school the first half of the school year will now be able to make a half grade instead of losing the whole year's work as is usually true. Again, some pupils make such poor grades the first half of the year that it is impossible for them to pass their grade. Now they will be able to repeat the first half and make at least a half grade a year. Third, a Junior High School will make possible mid-term promotions. As it is now we have Seniors staying in high school an extra year while with the proposed system they could finish in a mid-year graduating class. Fourth, under the old plan grammar school pupils are promoted by grades and not by subjects. This meant if a boy failed in English he had to repeat arithmetic, geography, history and all other subjects.

According to statistics in 1926-27 there were three times as many failures in the grammar schools of Texas as there should be. This was due in a large measure to the old system of promotion by grade instead of promotion by subject. Is there any good reason why a grammar school pupil should not have equal chances to promotion as a high school pupil? Fifth, in a Junior High School, classes will be 45 minutes instead of 20 minutes.

BELLE BENNETT MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. Leonard Joplin was hostess to the members of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society on Monday afternoon.

After the devotional services, a most inspiring lesson from the study book, "Women and the Kingdom," was discussed.

Concluding the study a social hour was held at which time games were played such as "Fruit basket turned over," "Fortune Telling," etc. Then Mrs. Joplin held up a pint jar filled with beans and allowed each one to guess at the number of beans in the jar. Mrs. A. O. White guessed nearest to the number and was presented with a big stick of peppermint candy wrapped as Christmas package. Mrs. Jack Rector guessed the lowest number and also received a pretty Christmas package containing a box of gum.

Mrs. Joplin served lovely refreshments of salad with tea and pie to those present who were Meses. Jack Rector, Mack Tidwell, Barrow, A. O. White, G. H. Stack, Irl Joplin and D. H. Zachry.

The house was attractive with Christmas decorations.

Texas Fee System Declared Outlawed

The Texas fee system of paying justices of the peace from fines and costs they collect was declared unconstitutional Wednesday by the Court of Criminal Appeals, because the justices have a direct personal and pecuniary interest in convictions.

The ruling is in line with one by the United States Supreme Court which knocked out the municipal fee system in Ohio. Under the decision Wednesday, A. R. Keller of Nueches County is ordered released from Sheriff's custody, where he has been because of failure to pay a \$1 fine and costs in Justice of Peace B. G. Moffett's court at Corpus Christi.

The law allowing justices to be paid from the proceeds of fine costs was held to be in contravention of both the State and Federal Constitutions.

Because of the hundreds of justices in Texas who have been paid for many years through fees, the decision will have a far-reaching effect, and may involve the rights of other county officers to be paid through fees, if they have an interest in conviction.

Jno. A. Bell Assumes Management of the East-Side Market

A deal was consummated this week where Jno. A. Bell assumed the management of the East-Side Market. Emmett Haigrove, former manager and owner of the East-Side Market will take charge of the market run in connection with the Piggly-Wiggly Grocery.

These grades demand as much time spent in recitation as high school. Sixth, this plan will enable us to have one large study hall instead of many small study halls. This will enable one teacher to keep four or five small study halls, thus saving the time of one teacher which means adding another teacher free of cost. Seventh, the new arrangement will place pupils together who have more in common. Most causes of discipline in our grammar school come from differences between large and small children. Eighth, the extreme change from grammar school to high school will not result in as many failures as it did in the past.

Almost the same advantages gained by the Junior High School will be gained in the new Senior High School. Our overcrowded conditions will be relieved, pupils will have more in common, and especially will it give us room to add new courses. This year we could not add Home Economics because we had no place for the course to be taught. Under the new plan we will be able to add Home Economics.

W. C. Benson Died at Home on Croton Saturday, Dec. 8th.

W. C. Benson, 89 years of age, and for over thirty years a resident of Dickens County, died at his home on Croton last Saturday evening. Mr. Benson had been in ill health for several months, his death however being immediately brought on by the shock of hearing of Mrs. Benson's death, which occurred in New Mexico several days ago, and being unable to survive the overland trip in accompanying her body here for burial.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. S. Bilberry in Dickens Sunday afternoon and interment made in Dickens cemetery. Mr. Benson is survived by nine children, six of whom were present at the funeral.

Prevention of Floods and Soil Erosion Studied by Lions in Nov.

(The following is a clipping from a news letter issued by the A & M College at College Station.)

During the month of November Dr. F. D. Fuller, who is a member of the Bryan Lions Club was in charge of the weekly program of the club wherein at each meeting it is the custom of the Lions to have some important topic of public interest discussed. Dr. Fuller chose for his topic for the month the subject of "Prevention of Floods and Soil Erosion." At the first two meetings of the month Mr. A. D. Jackson discussed the whole subject of flood prevention and water conservation, in both the State and National aspects. At the third meeting, Mr. W. T. Carter, chief of the division of soil survey, discussed the relation of soil survey work to the problem of soil and water conservation, and at the last meeting November 27th, Director A. B. Conner, delivered a complete resume of the activities of the Experiment Station including the Water run-off experiments at Spur and the growing interest of the public in general in securing simlra studies to those being made at Spur in every important soil region of the country.

He pointed to the tremendous losses being sustained on practically all of the unterraeed farm lands in the State as revealed through the measurements of these losses taken in the Spur experiments, and he called attention to the comparative ease with which these losses may be reduced to a minimum and to the necessity of measuring more accurately these losses in the various sections, saying that as the public becomes aware of their extent, vigorous means will no doubt be taken to stop the losses.

After the first meeting of the month after the address of the subject was delivered, the Lions Club passed resolutions calling upon Congress to appropriate \$300,000.00 for the establishment of Stations similar to the one at Spur in various sections of the United States, and forwarded copies of the resolution to every Lions Club in Texas and to the District Governors of Lions International Correspondence reported to Mr. Fuller indicates that the idea was enthusiastically received by the Lions Clubs everywhere, and that Congress will be emphatically memorialized to give the matter attention.

Recital in Music and M. E. Church, Dec. 19 Expression Be Held at

Mesdames Dan H. Zachry and W. B. Williams will present their pupils in Expression and Music in Recital at the Methodist Church, Wednesday evening, December 19th.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Attorney J. T. Sanders Establishes Office in Spur This Week

Attorney J. T. Sanders, of Matador is this week moving to Spur where he will establish a law office. Mr. Sanders is well known in this community, having lived for several years in the adjoining county.

DICKENS ITEMS

After several months of silence we will let you know the news from here.

Mrs. L. G. Crabtree of a few miles east of town was transacting business here Tuesday.

Miss Bennie Worswick is attending the American Business College at Spur.

Paul Akin has opened up a cafe south of the hotel and is now serving the public. It is a nice clean place to eat and is also the stopping place for the terminal bus lines.

Dickens is still building in the residence section. Uncle Shorty Reynolds is building a modern residence in the northwest part of the city, and is contemplating building several more. O. C. Newberry is remodeling the Nichols' house which will be ready for him by the first of the year. Barney Nichols is having plans made for a modern house in the north part of town. W. C. Youngblood is building a house in the east part. There are several more planning on building soon.

L. A. Durham is improving since he has returned from Mineral Wells.

Mrs. J. D. Harvey is in Marlin Wells for her health. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Bob Brown of Falls. We hope she will improve and return soon.

The Junior Class of the High School went on a picnic at Roaring Springs Saturday evening. All reported a good time except Grady and Edgar who ate so much it made them sick.

Miss Iris Borden who has been attending the Fall Term at the Texas Tech College at Lubbock, returned home last week. She is now teaching the Spring Creek school.

Miss Danny Street, who is teaching school in Kent County, visited friends and relatives last week end. The O'Brien High School Basketball Boys will meet our boys here Friday night. Let's go and boost for our school.

We are very sorry to report the death of our good friends, Grandpa and Grandma Benson, who lives east of town. Grandpa Benson died December 1st at Tucumcari, New Mexico, at one of her son's home, where she had been living a few months. Funeral services were held there at the Baptist Church and is was said over a thousand people attended it. Then her remains were shipped here for burial and was interred in the Dickens cemetery Wednesday evening with Brother Bilberry officiating.

Just one week from her death, Grandpa Benson passed away to the Great Beyond. Grandpa Benson has been living here managing his farm, and the trip to New Mexico and Grandpa's death, no doubt, brought on his death perhaps sooner than would have been. His remains were interred by her grave Monday evening.

A large crowd was present at both funerals and the floral offerings were beautiful.

Grandma Benson was eighty years old while Grandpa was ninety. They leave a large family of sons and daughters and friends to mourn their passing.

Two Weddings on Sunday Past Week

Sunday afternoon of last week Miss Viola Randall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Randall, and Mr. Wallace Warren Newby were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

Miss Lee Stinnett and Mr. Nicholas, also of this community, were married immediately following the first ceremony.

The many friends of the young people join in wishing them much happiness and success in married life.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS!

I will be at the following places to collect taxes and register cars: Spur, December 14 and 15. McAdoe, December 18th. Afton, December 19th. Dobb's Gin, December 20th. Spur, December 22. Spur, December 29.

M. L. JONES, Tax Collector.

Mrs. Hill Perry and Mr. Frank Beverly left Thursday for Carlsbad.

J. D. McWaters Loses Leg From Seemingly Minor Injury

J. D. McWaters, a carpenter of this city, suffered the amputation of his leg in the local hospital Tuesday evening. Mr. McWaters and another carpenter were building a house northeast of Dickens, when a piece of lumber fell against his knee and leg bruising it slightly. He thought little of the incident at the time but by the next day the pain was so intense that he was brought to Spur for treatment, the infection, however, had become such that amputation was necessary.

HARKEN, YE SHOPPERS!

Shopping is one of the oldest of human activities—as old as the Garden of Eden, where the serpent proved himself an expert salesman and the first woman as keen a bargain hunter as the last. Man is not a shopper by nature, but only so by grim necessity, stern duty and frequent cajoling. Even he labors under many handicaps, the most serious being the obsession that he is a poor fish and out of water to boot.

"Ordeal by Fire" is one thing, ordeal by shopping is another, but scarcely a different thing. Too bad there are no medals for shoppers who have braved a bargain day without nursing a pet peeve or wearing a worried look. Also that there are no decorations for folks who can hold their own in a rush at the holiday season without holding back several hopeless but infuriated fellowshopper at the same time. Tell us how you shop and we will tell you what you are.

There is a fine art of shopping as everybody ought to know, and 5 simple rules are fundamental—first know what you want and list your items before you leave home, otherwise your expedition may be farcical and a failure. Second, know where to go for what you want, which means a careful reading of the advertisements in the papers. Third, go after what you want as early in the shopping season as possible and thereby lighten the burden of pushing, elbowing, nerve-racking crowds.

If there be a fourth rule it is this—let courtesy constrain your actions and speech the while you bargain, since civility helps to make shopping as well as love "one long sweet song."—Ex.

Barrier Bros. This Week Establishing Branch Store Here

Following an announcement made earlier in the year that they would establish a branch store in Spur this fall, Barrier Bros. of Lubbock, are this week remodeling the Davis building preparatory to their opening which will probably be next week.

A. E. Coffman, who will be manager of the store here, and Bob Barrier of the general office at Dallas, are in Spur this week, superintending the work and making arrangements for the opening.

Barrier Bros. is a well known establishment in this section of the country as live wire merchants and we are glad to see them located in this city.

W. M. Ledford Gets Deer in Mason Co.

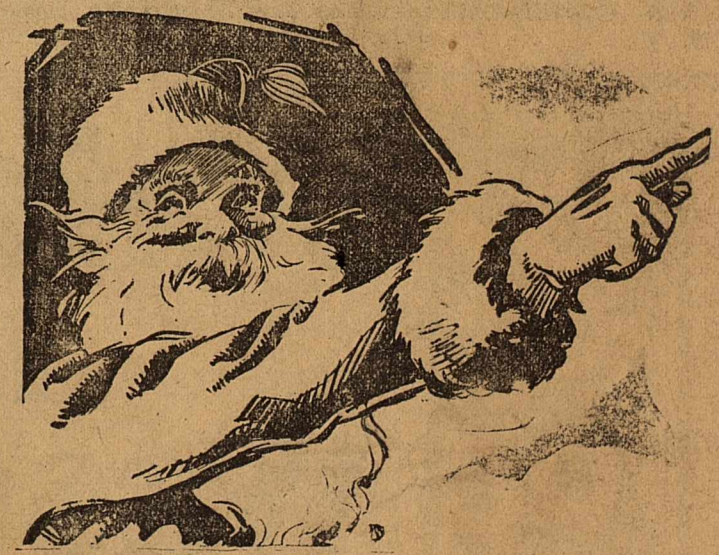
W. M. Ledford returned last week from a hunting trip to Mason County. Mr. Ledford was accompanied on the trip by his son, J. V. Ledford of Coleman and H. J. McDonald, also of Coleman.

The party bagged four bucks in as many days and being afraid of being tempted beyond the limit of two bucks to each man that the law allows decided break camp for this season. In fact Mr. Ledford says that the deer in that section are so gentle that it a simple matter to walk out two or three hundred yards from camp and sit down and shoot the deer as they walk by.

West Texas Utilities Co. vs. City of Spur Trial Held at Lubbock This Week

The case of the West Texas Utilities Company versus The City of Spur in which the Utilities company seeks to restrain the building and operating of an independent light plant here, came to trial Monday in the Lubbock branch of the United States District Court. At time of the latest reports testimony of the witnesses for plaintiff and defense had not been completed.

Among those attending the trial from Spur are Joe Crystal, L. A. Hindman, S. H. Twaddell, Oran McClure, Mayor Hogan, Geo. S. Link, D. W. Baker and others.



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One of the secrets of time saving is to use canned meats or fish. Vienna sausage, roast beef, corned beef, veal loaf, salmon, tuna fish and others come in cans. Canned vegetables and fruits, too, will save many minutes of laborious peeling and cooking. Their use means that the main ingredients of your menu are already prepared.

A Half-Hour Menu

The following menu can be prepared easily in half an hour and is filling enough for even the hungriest little boy: Tuna Fish au Gratin, Buttered Peas, Boiled Potatoes, Hot Biscuits and Jelly, Tomato and Let-

tuce Salad, Fruit Compote, Cookies. The peas are heated in the juice from the can, and then seasoned with butter, pepper and salt. By slicing the potatoes thin and boiling them in a tightly covered vessel they will cook in ten or fifteen minutes. And biscuits, of course, take only a few minutes to prepare.

To prepare the fish, shred contents of a large can of tuna. Melt two tablespoons butter, stir in two tablespoons flour, one-eighth teaspoon paprika, one-eighth teaspoon pepper and one-half teaspoon salt. Add one cup of milk gradually and stir until thick; add one cup grated cheese and stir until melted. Combine with the fish, pour into a buttered baking dish, cover with one-fourth cup buttered crumbs and brown a few minutes in a very hot oven.

A can of fruits for salad can be left to chill in the ice box during the day and will make a delicious compote for dessert. Or you might use a pudding or pie that had been made in the morning.

"OLD CLUB FOOT" KILLED NEAR RALLS PAST WEEK

G. W. Worrel, who resides several miles northeast of Ralls, was doing business in this city Saturday and called to inform the Banner that "Old Club Foot," a noted coyote that had depredated upon the poultry flocks, killed young calves, and otherwise molested the farmers and stockmen in the northeast part of the county for many years, had finally been killed. Will Duprey, who resides on one of hte P. B. Ralls' farms, spied five coyotes while driving along in his car; it is an open prairie country, so he took after them, opening fire with a shotgun as soon as he was in range. When the smoke cleared away "Old Club Foot" was dead. Numerous attempts had been made to catch "Old

Club Foot" by the dog men of the country but he would always walk right away from the pack. It is presumed his club foot was caused by getting into a trap when a pup.

Mr. Duprey skinned Club Foot and threw the carcass away. Later in passing the carcass he noticed that the hogs had torn open the coyote's stomach and upon investigation found that it contained fourteen cow teats.

Mr. Worrel states that the coyotes are pretty numerous over near the canyon and are depredating on the farmers to the extent that it is a nuisance. He seems to think that it would probably help to exterminate the pests for the Commissioners' Court to offer a bounty. Ralls Banner.

WOMAN HUNDRED YEARS OLD MAKES VISITING TRIP ALONE

People who feel old at forty, who become tottering at sixty and wholly incapacitated at seventy or seventy-five should have seen and talked with Grandmother Robinson when she visited in De Leon. She was born on May 5th, 1828—being 100 years and six months old.

And she is not lying flat on her back in despair, waiting for the Good Lord to call her home, bless your life no. She was traveling from her home at Cisco, to Victoria Texas, where she will visit—traveling absolutely alone, on a public bus. She rode with W. S. Black from Cisco to Dublin, where she took the train for Victoria.

"I buried my husband last January at Sherman" the old lady said. "He was 97 years of age. I have now outlived all my relatives and nearly all of my old friends." She has no living relatives, that she knows of. Grandma Robinson was born in "Old Galveston" and was reared in Houston. Grandma as a little girl remembers the string incidents of San Jacinto and the Alamo. She was some seventeen years old when Texas became a state.

She has lived in many parts of Texas and once operated the Frisco Hotel at Dublin.—Dublin Freepress.

NOTICE

Percy Jones of Stamford will hold services in the Presbyterian Church at Spur on Sunday, December the 16th, at eleven A. M. and 7:00 P. M.

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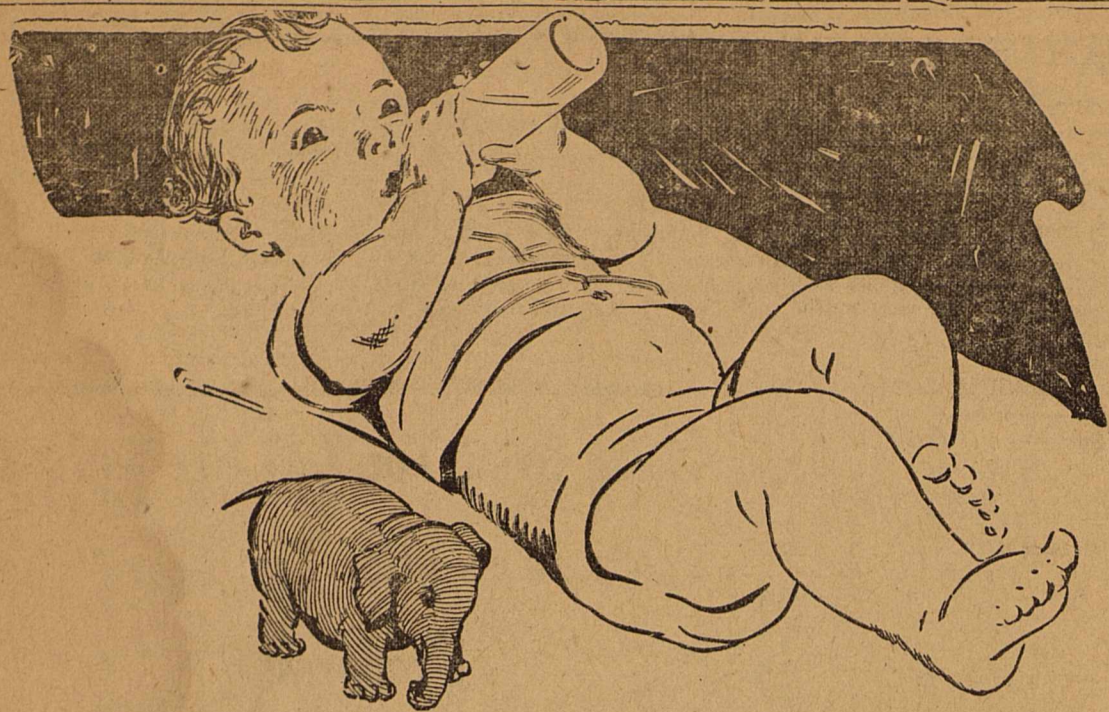
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The Best Way To Feed Baby

THAT'S probably the most important question in the world, as all mothers will agree. The simplest and best feeding for the normal baby is the breast milk from a healthy mother, according to McKim Marriott, M. D., in an address delivered before the American Dietetic Association, and he places evaporated milk second and cow's milk third.

"When taken in sufficient amounts by the infant," he said, "breast milk from a healthy mother fulfills all requirements. It is the simplest and the best feeding for the normal baby. It is not necessary to assume any peculiar or mysterious qualities of breast milk in order to explain its superiority over artificial food. It is clean, as it comes direct from producer to consumer, it contains all the necessary food elements, and, when taken in amounts up to the infant's stomach capacity, is digestible and supplies sufficient calories or the infant's needs."

Three Important Requirements

Dr. Marriott then went on to a discussion of the requirements for successful infant feeding, and enumerated these as (1) giving the baby the right amount of food to supply a sufficient number of calories or fuel units, (2) that the diet must contain certain essential elements (protein, carbohydrate, mineral salts and vitamins) in sufficient amounts, and (3) that the food must be uncontaminated by harmful bacteria. In discussing this third requirement he said:

"A satisfactory way to accomplish this is to boil all milk given to the infant. The boiling also renders it

food more digestible and does not impair its nutritional value. Pasteurization is somewhat less effective. Raw milk, should under no circumstances, be fed to babies. Unsweetened evaporated milk is of especial value because of its absolute sterility.

Cow's Milk Indigestible

"In general, cow's milk is not as readily digested by young infants as is breast milk, although many infants can take undiluted cow's milk in approximately the same amounts as breast milk without digestive disturbances. As there are many infants who cannot digest such an amount of cow's milk, it is usually necessary to feed smaller amounts at a time, and this is accomplished by diluting the milk with water. This insures the baby's taking a smaller actual amount of milk, even though the stomach be filled with the dilute mixture.

"The relative indigestibility of cow's milk is largely due to the presence of a 'buffer substance' capable of neutralizing the gastric juice and intestinal secretions. An effective means of eliminating the influence of the butter substance in cow's milk is neutralization with some form of acid. Lactic acid is especially suitable for this purpose. If cow's milk is soured by the growth of lactic acid producing organisms, such as the *Bacillus acidophilus*, or the *Bulgarian bacillus*, or if sterilized cow's milk is acidified by the addition of a small amount of pure lactic acid, the milk becomes approximately as digestible as breast milk, and can be fed safely without dilution even to young infants up to the stomach capacity."

Dr. Marriott then gave some feeding formulas which we do not quote because your own doctor should always prescribe the feedings best adapted to the requirements of your own particular baby, and went on to say:

Evaporated Milk More Digestible

"Unsweptened evaporated milk possesses a number of advantages over ordinary cow's milk for the preparation of the milk formulas mentioned. The chief advantage of evaporated milk is that it has already been completely sterilized and because of the heat treatment it forms very fine curds in the stomach. The fat present has been homogenized so as to form very fine globules. It is of uniform composition, easily obtainable and is cheap, and when used in the preparation of formulas does not require further sterilization. Evaporated milk is whole cow's milk from which a little more than one-half of the water has been separated. In making up the formulas, therefore, the evaporated milk should first be diluted with an equal volume of water to give the equivalent of whole milk and then used exactly as ordinary milk. Or, putting it in other words, one-half as much of the evaporated milk should be used as whole milk and the difference made up with water. Because of the easier digestibility of evaporated milk, the formulas can safely be made somewhat stronger than in the case of ordinary milk. Evaporated milk should not be confused with sweetened condensed milk, which latter is prepared by the addition of a considerable amount of cane sugar and can, therefore, not be used in the same way."

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. C. L. Love was hostess to a number of guests on Friday afternoon of last week, at her home. Four tables were attractively ar-

ranged for bridge. The tallies and room lovely.

score cards carrying out the holiday. Mrs. James O. Smith received effect in designs of plain settas and high prize, a linen vanity set. Mrs. holly baskets. Beautiful bouquets Elzy Watson received high cut a of wine cysanthemums made the dainty castor set and Mrs. Barron

Chapman consolation.

A salad plate, each bearing a bit of chocolate candy of dairy mold, was served to those present.

Mesdames W. B. Chapman of Borger, Jack Rector, Newman, S. R. Scott, Jr., William Manaing, Elzy Watson, Ed Ripley, James O. Smith, Houston Scarborough, Weldon McClure, Horrace Hyatt, Dan H. Zachary, Dorris Doty and Tracy Gorham.

A WEST TEXAS EDITOR GETS HIS BACK UP.

A West Texas editor weary of giving free puffs of undeserving publicity adorned with flattering references to a lot of individuals and organizations in his town, published the following editorial.

Here you will find a schedule of prices from which no deviation will be made, but we hope to donate a certain percentage of our earnings toward founding an asylum for those feeble-minded people who believe we are running this paper as a philanthropic enterprise.

For referring to some drug store shiek as a talented young man with a promising future when everybody knows he never earned a dollar in his life and will wind up in the penitentiary—\$10.18.

Referring to one as a hero and a man of courage who will stand by his convictions when it is common knowledge that he is a moral coward and would sell out for a dime—\$4.13

Referring to some gossip female as a charming lady whom it is a pleasure to meet and know, when any man in town would rather see Satan coming—\$8.10.

Calling an ordinary preacher an "eminent divine"—54 cents.

Lambasting the daylighters out of John Barleycorn at the behest of the local dry forces—\$6.77.

Referring to a local merchant who never advertises and who is too stingy to contribute a cent toward needed public improvements as a progressive business man and leading citizen—\$344.99

Whooping it up for the repeal of the Volstead Act in the interest of the local White Mule Club—\$6.77.

ADVERTISING

There are some people who think advertising will perform miracles all of itself. This is an erroneous idea. Advertising of itself will not do so; it is only a vehicle in which to ride to greater sales.

You can compare it to an automobile. An automobile of itself is as dead as a door nail, but fill it with gasoline and lubricating oil, put a driver at the seat and you have a vehicle in which you may travel fast and far. So it is with

CITY MARKET
Hamp Collett, prop.
SPECIALLY BARBECUED MEATS
All kinds of fresh and cured meats.

OUR SERVICE Will Help With Your HOLIDAY SHOPPING

Busy days are these for Madam Housewife with all the Christmas shopping yet to do and the perplexities of what to get for him, and what will she like, occupying her mind. So this is where our service comes in most convenient. Just phone the order for good things for the Christmas dinner and you may be sure of uniformity in quality and promptness in service.

THE GIBSON GROCERY
Phone 148 Spur, Texas

SPUR FARM LANDS AGAIN OFFERED FOR SALE

We are glad to announce that we are again offering for sale (at no increase in price) farm and small ranch tracts in Dickens, Kent, Crosby and Garza Counties.

Terms: One-fifth cash. Balance on easy terms.

S. M. SWENSON & SONS
CLIFFORD B. JONES, Manager

advertising when harnessed to energetic sales and effort, backed by good merchandise, you have a vehicle which will carry you to commercial heights and place you in the realm of the elect.

W. K. Walker was here Saturday and while in town had us shove his subscription up another year.

Spur Hardware and Furniture Company

Big Anniversary Red Tag Sale Now In Full Swing

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

- BOY'S ALL-STEEL COSTER WAGON \$4.90
A dandy bargain for the boys
- 30x3 1/2 CORD CASING \$4.65
- A REAL GOOD DRUM OVEN \$1.90

WE HAVE MANY BARGAINS TO OFFER ON HEATING STOVES

We are going to Close Out all Heaters in This Big Red Tag Sale!

- A GOOD SET OF WHITE PLATES 89c
Good quality
- SET OF WHITE CUPS AND SAUCERS 89c

- We have a Special Sale on WHITE WARE for only 95c
- A GOOD INNER TUBE, 30x3 1/2 95c

- 5 GALLON OIL CAN 69c
- NO. 0 WASH TUB only 39c
- NO. 1 WASH TUB, only 59c
- NO. 2 WASH TUB 69c

FURNITURE DEPARTMENT

- SIMMONS 2IN. POST STEEL BEDS \$6.35
Complete with Slats
 - A GOOD HEAVY SIMMONS SPRING \$4.65
 - A GOOD BED SPRING, only \$2.95
 - A GENUINE SIMMONS DAY BED \$24.75
Complete with Mattress
 - 4-PIECE BED ROOM SUITES \$59.00
3' colors to select from
 - 3-PIECE FIBRE LIVING ROOM SUITES \$47.15
A Bargain!
 - A GOOD KITCHEN CABINET \$19.45
 - \$95.00 Three Piece LIVING ROOM SUITE, only \$77.45
 - 9x12 FELT BASE RUGS \$6.75
with 18x36 mats, for only
 - GENUINE GOLD DSEAL CONGOLEUM 55c
in 9 foot widths, at, per square yard
 - FELT BASE YARD GOODS 37c
 - 9x12 ARDSLEY AXMINSTER RUGS \$29.85
 - 9x12 GENUINE GOLD SEAL RUGS \$9.45
First Quality, to close out at only
- We have only a limited number!

Sale Of Sales!

WILL CONTINUE UNTIL XMAS
LOOK FOR THE BIG RED SIGN!



CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Hose for men, women and Children	Initial Handkerchiefs for Men
Lounging Robes	Ties in Xmas Boxes
House Shoes	Belts
Bed Spreads	Shirts
Gloves	Silk Underwear for Men and Women

**ALL LADIES WINTER COATS
AT HALF PRICE!**

And for Monday
**ALL WOOLEN DRESS GOODS
AT HALF PRICE!**

CURLEE CLOTHES

—THE NATIONALLY KNOWN CLOTHES—



\$45.00 SUITS, 2 pants, \$34.95
 \$25.00 SUITS, 2 pants, \$19.95
 \$27.50 SUITS, 2 pants, \$21.95
 GOOD HEAVY OVERALLS ... 89c
 MEN'S WORK SHOES \$1.95

**C. R. Edwards &
Company**

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

McAdoo, Texas, Dec. 10.
 Dear Santa:
 I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll, a ball and lots of fruit and nuts. I guess you know I want to see you very much. I am hoping to see you at the Christmas tree.
 MARCELLE MILLER.

Spur, Texas, December 13.
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy and I want some toys for Christmas. I want a little car and truck and a big rubber ball and also candy, apples, oranges and nuts. I am in the third grade. I go to the Highway School.
 Your loving friend,
 CLEO RAY THOMASON.

Spur, Texas, December 13.
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl and I want some toys for Christmas. I want a doll with eyes that open and close. I want a set of dishes and a big rubber ball also candy, apples, nuts, and oranges. I am in the fourth grade and go to Highway School.
 Your loving friend,
 RUBY LEE THOMASON.

Spur, Texas,
 DER SANTEY
 I guse U wil B surprise 2 her from me this yere. Santey I dont want nothin hardely cept one thing. I am in the coton bisnes and buyin lots of it now but santey I cant sel it. Now santey I want U to send me somebody to by it. I have ben gud al yer you mite also send me a cotton nife as Red sims borreyed mine and I havent seen it sints.
 Il thank you in advance
 Master Jimmie Smith.
 P. S. Santey if anyone tells you I am a hel dont you believe them —always santey i love you best of all.
 Jimmie.

Miss Milder Terry and Mrs. Lexie Davis of Dickens left the past week for Pecos where they are employed by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.
 Mrs. Will Underhill and son, of Chicago, are here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Kate Senning and family.

Mesdames Con Moore and Brown Smith will present their music and expression pupils in recital at the Baptist Church Thursday evening, December 20 and 21st.

Ralph Jackson is again located in Spur, being here with C. E. Stone Company. Mr. Jackson lived here several years ago, being at that time with the Layne-Yates Company of this city.

12 O'CLOCK LUNCHEON
 Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller entertained with a 12 o'clock luncheon Sunday. Those enjoying the occasion were Messrs. and Mesdames W. P. Nugent, Joe Kellam, and W. D. Starcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Powell are in Dallas where their little daughter is undergoing treatment at the hands of a specialist.

*Look What You Can Get With
Spark's Butter Kist Bread
Wrappers!*

**With 10 Spark's Butter Kist Wrappers
Plus 89c in money we will give
1 Boys and Girls Scooter**

This Scooter is standard size, sturdy built and will delight any boy or girl.

**With 10 Spark's Butter Kist Wrappers
plus 69c we will give**

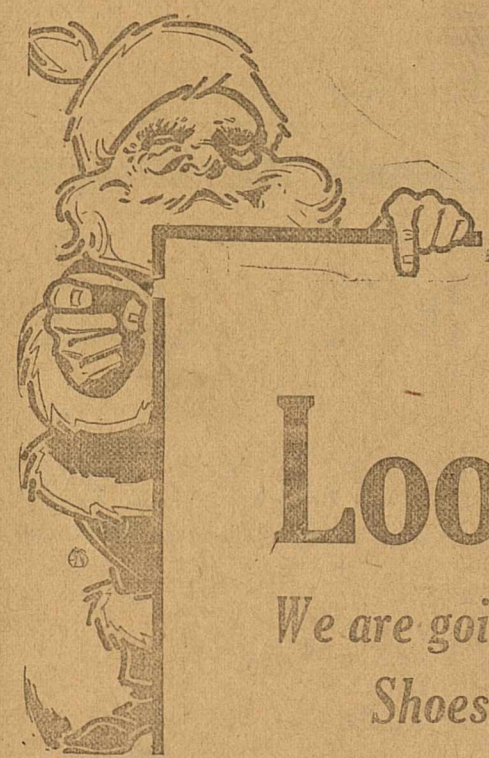
1 Beautiful Silver Fruit Bowl

A very pretty piece of silver for the home and will make a delightful Christmas gift.

DEMAND SPARK'S BREAD!

**WE HAVE EXCELLENT FRUIT CAKE
AT 75c AND \$1.00 PER POUND
ALSO OTHER CAKES AND PASTRIES
Place your Christmas orders early!**

SPUR BAKERY
 Sam Sparks, prop.



Look! Big Sale

*We are going to Sell at Cost our Dry Goods
Shoes, and Notion During Xmas!*

We are doing this to raise money. Come in for Christmas Goods and while here buy Shoes and Dry Goods at Cost! You know when we say COST, we mean COST!

*We Have a Big Line of Christmas Goods
And they are priced right, as we always do.
Come in — We are Ready to Serve You.*

THIS SALE IS NOW ON!

**DO NOT MISS IT! WE HAVE A SURPRISE
FOR YOU, COME AND GET IT!**

J. P. Wilkes and Son

"THE OLD XMAS STORE OF SPUR."

**SPECIAL PROGRAM
LYRIC AND SPUR THEATRE
ALL NEXT WEEK**

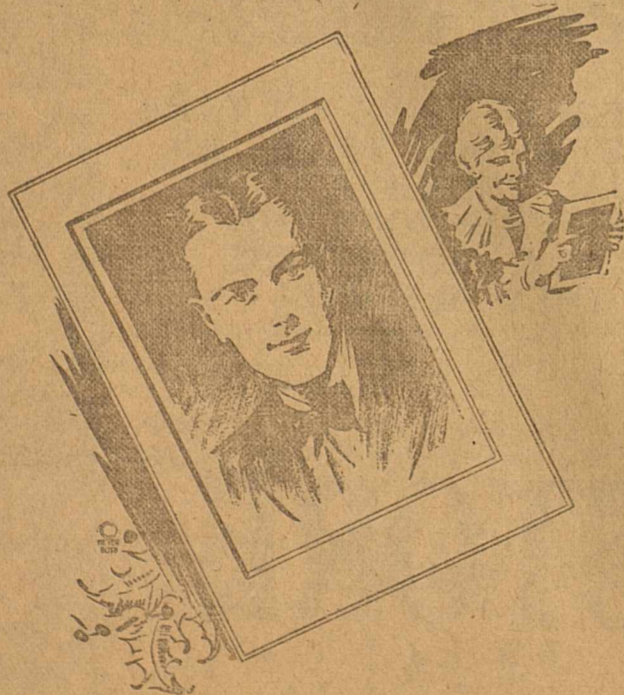
<p>LYRIC</p> <p>Monday & Tuesday 17-18 WILLIAM HAINES IN "Telling the World"</p> <p>Wed. & Thurs. 19-20 NORMA SHEARER IN "The Actress"</p> <p>Friday Nite-Sat. Mat. 21-22 TIM McCOY IN 'Morgan's Last Raid'</p> <p>Saturday Night 22 A Special Western Picture</p>	<p>A SPECIAL PROGRAM AT SPUR</p> <p>Monday & Tuesday. 17 - 18 Laura La Plante IN "HOME JAMES"</p> <p>Wed. and Thurs. 19 - 20 "STOLEN LOVE" WITH Owen Moore AND Marcelene Day</p> <p>Fri. Nite - Sat. Mat. 21 - 22 "Crashing Through" WITH JACK PADJAN A new one—See him!</p> <p>Saturday Night: Dec. 22 "Taking a Chance" WITH REX BELL IN A SPECIAL WESTERN.</p>
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*Make Your Appointments Early
For the Holidays!*

We Will Be Glad to Take Them Now!
OUR WORK IS NOT CHEAPER
—ITS BETT R!

**SIMPSON BARBER &
BEAUTY SHOPPE**
PHONE 177

**AN APPRECIATED GIFT!
YOUR PHOTO**



A Photo is the ideal Christmas Gift in that its only expression is that of remembrance.

ADAMS STUDIO
Wendell Building
SPUR, TEXAS

WANT ADS

(10c per line, 6 words to line)

LAND FOR SALE—I have for sale several sections of both grazing and farming land. Prices and terms reasonable.—Dr. T. H. Blackwell, Spur, Texas. 46tf

WANTED—To buy a farm worth the money. Call 247M at once. tfe

Call 203 for fresh fish and oysters each week—Joplin Grocery.

For Rent—Two large unfurnished rooms.—Mrs. H. G. Draper, B634.

For Sale—Twenty White Leghorn Cochons of Tom Barron Strain; \$2.50 each.—Mrs. O. F. Scott. 4-4p

For rent—Two large unfurnished rooms.—Mrs. H. G. Draper, B634.

For Sale—60 acres 1 mile north of Spur, all in cultivation, 7 room house (water piped in house, yard and garden), corn shed, crib, garage, chicken house, brooder, car shed; all clear of debt. Also Fordson Tractor with cultivator and latest machinery.—A. Biggs.

For Sale—Brick Business House in Spur, rents for \$90 per month.—A. Biggs, Spur, Texas. 2tc

For Sale—6-Room House, garage, on street running west of bank, rents for \$30 per month. Also lot on south side same street.—A. Biggs.

For Sale—Business Lot, 25x165 feet.—A. Biggs, Spur.

FOR SALE—Pedigreed Cash Cotton Seed.—J. J. Cloud, Spur. 5-tfc

For Sale—5-Room House, bath and garage. Also 3-room house, bath and garage.—H. E. Blendin, at Spur Produce Co. 6-2c

80-acre farm with house and well, for rent, selling teams, tools and feed.—Edwin Morris, Spur, Tex. 1p

For Sale—House and lot at McAdoo.—Call at Bryant-Link Co. 1c

For Sale—Newly and well improved farm 2 miles south of Spur, at bargain for quick sale.—J. J. Albin. 7-tfc

For Sale—White Leghorn Hens.—J. J. Randall, Spur. 7-4c

For Rent—5-Room house, garage, now occupied by A. B. Hogan, for rent Jan 1.—E. J. Cowan. 1c

Wolf Hounds for Sale—7 as good as can be found anywhere, nothing over 2½ years old.—W. R. Gannon 7-4p

Large (laundered) Flour Sacks for sale, \$1.20 per dozen.—Good Eats Bakery. 1c

Rev. and Mrs. Vaughn were honored guests of the Methodist Church membership Wednesday, December 4th, at an informal reception in the parlors of the Methodist Church. The following program was enjoyed:

1. Reading "She 'Displains' It" Riley —Frances Manning.
2. Reading Peggy—Jane Hogan.
3. Saxophone Solo—Jacob Paul Twaddell.
4. Reading, "Don't", Wtberman —Bonnie Campbell.
5. Vocal Solo, "Keep on Hopin'" —Mrs. D. H. Zachry.
6. Reading—Tenny Glasgow.

After the program everybody enjoyed a real old time "get together" hour and delicious refreshments of sandwiches, tea cakes and olives were served by the Woman's Missionary Society.

CHRISTMAS CAKES

We are now keeping a supply of Mrs. Baird's Cakes, including—

FRUIT CAKES
in
GIFT BOXES

We have these on display in our Bakery—call and see them. We will take orders for cakes until Saturday, December 22 — an order will assure you getting one.

GOOD EATS BAKERY
Phone 66 Spur, Texas

**FURNITURE
THE APPRECIATED**

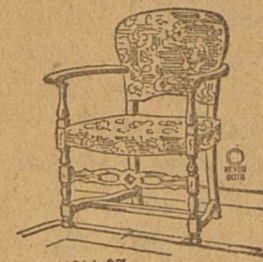
Everybody Needs Furniture

Here are Just the Gifts You Want

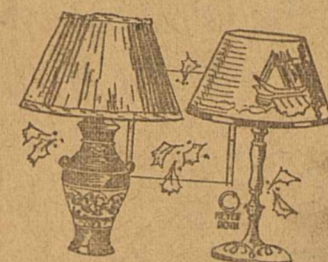


Men and women alike are delighted to receive some article of furniture.

See our complete exhibit of attractive gift pieces, all specially priced.



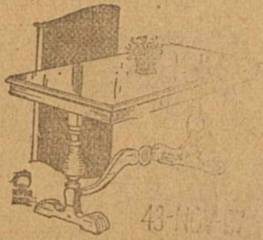
PULL-UP CHAIR
Pull-up Chair, covered in Tapestry or Velour, well finished.



SPECIAL SELECTION OF LAMPS
Choice of Junior or Bridge Lamps, complete with geometric shade. Newest bases in wrought metal.



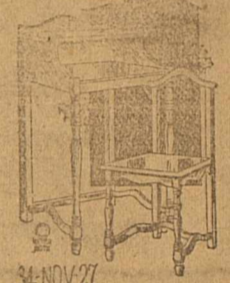
MAGAZINE CARRIER
Magazine Carrier, in red or green laquer, beautifully decorated.



LIVING ROOM TABLE
Beautiful Living Room Tables finished in walnut or mahogany. A good gift suggestion.



DROP-LEAF TEA CART
Drop Leaf Tea Carts with glass tray; mahogany or walnut finish.



DESK SET
Has all necessary interior conveniences, strongly made finished Mahogany, convenient size.

Campbell Furniture Co.

WE HAVE AN UNUSUALLY LARGE SELECTION OF FINE FURNITURE AND INVITE YOUR INSPECTION.

1925 BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Oran McClure entertained the 1925 Bridge Club and guests Wednesday afternoon. Six tables were attractively arranged. Bridge favors in the games went to Mesdames Reed, Jimmie Smith, Dickson and Hubert Wester, being a set of beautiful glass plates and china mats. The tallies and score pads was cupid ringing a bell, announcing the approaching Xmas.

A plate of dainty refreshments was served consisting of diamond shaped sandwiches, fruit cake, olives and hot tea. Plate favors was a miniature Christmas tree. Those enjoying the happy occasion were Mesdames F. W. Jennings, H. Perry, Laverty, Scarborough, E. A. Russell, Horace Hyatt, Mack Watson, Shirley Robbins, R. R. Wooten, J. B. Reed, Jimmie Smith, Tanner, Townsend, Jim Edd Hall, Cecil Fox, Joe Kellam, Bowman, Hubert Wester, Weldon McClure, Nell Davis and hostess.

Beecher Airhart is here this week from Big Spring visiting with his sister, Mrs. Alva Smith and family.

W. W. Fox was called Monday to the bed side of his father-in-law, Mr. Woods, at Waco, who has for several weeks been suffering with paralysis.

Mr. Earl Webb made a business trip to Dallas the past week.

Mrs. Barron Chapman and son, Stewart Richbourg, spent last week end in Spur visiting her sister, Mrs. Jack Rector and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Hubert Wester returned last week from an extended visit with her sister who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harkey returned this week from Dallas.

HOKUS-POKUS

SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

For your information we have the best and most complete line of Christmas Candies, Fruits, Cigars and Everything that goes to make the stocking most attractive to the youngster on the morning of Christmas.

WE WILL QUOTE YOU THE LOWEST PRICES ON FRUIT BY THE BOX!

- COMPOUND, 8 lb. White Cloud, \$1.10
- ALMONDS, per pound, 33c
- APPLES, Delicious, per doz. 30c
- WALNUTS, large size, per pound, 33c
- RAISINS, Seedless, 4 lb. package 27c
- FLOUR, Kan., guaranteed, 48lb, \$1.50
- BANANAS, ripe and firm, dozen 28c

HOKUS - POKUS STORE
WE WANT YOUR TRADE.

Early SHOPPING and SAVINGS Opportunities

For SISTER

- CAMERAS
- PHOTO ALBUM
- PICTURE FRAMES
- COMPACTS
- VANITIES
- WEEK END BAGS
- WRITING COMPANIONS
- TRAVELING SETS
- ATOMIZERS
- BATH SALTS
- PERFUME SETS
- CANDY
- WRIST WATCHES
- DIAMOND RINGS
- BAGS
- MANICURE SETS
- IVORY
- POTTERY
- PORTABLE PHONOGRAPHS
- PEARLS

We Offer You the Greatest Opportunity Ever
Offered this community to buy Seasonable
Gifts at the Right Prices!

For BROTHER

- CIGAR LIGHTERS
- FLASH LIGHTS
- PIPES
- CIGARETTE CASES
- SHAVING SETS
- BRUSH AND COMB SETS
- FOUNTAIN PENS
- LEATHER SETS
- CHAINS
- WATCHES
- LETTER CASE
- CHARMS
- FOOT BALLS
- MILITARY SETS
- TRAVELING SETS

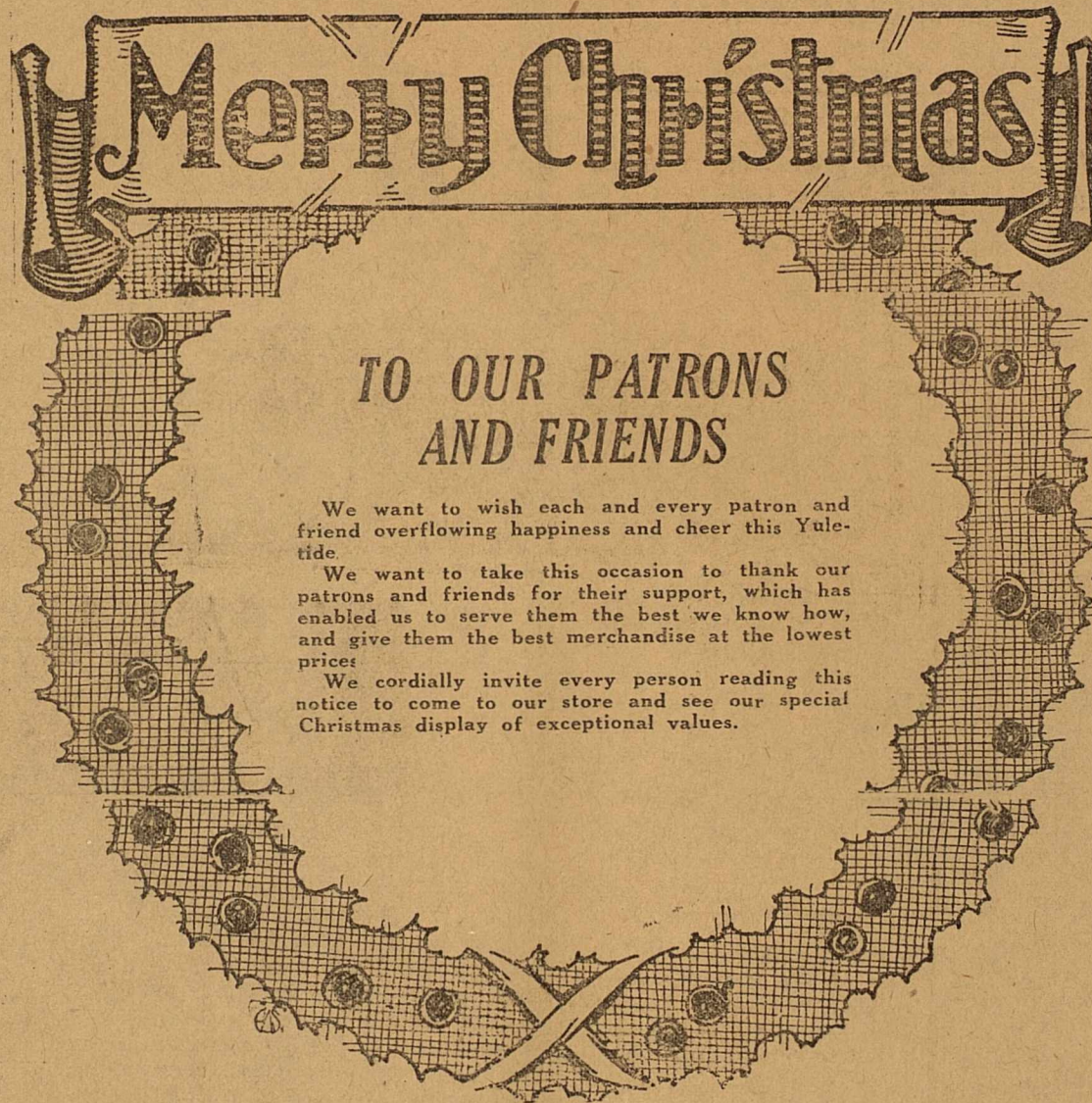
Our buyers visited some of the largest importers in New York City, buying from them direct—from their immense stocks—enabling us to have the latest assortment and also at the Lowest Price (the jobbers profit being eliminated). Our stock is complete and you will find gifts for every one — much time and care was used in selecting them. We cordially ask you to call and see this display. We offer you a few suggestions to consider:

For FATHER

- CIGAR HOLDERS
- RAZORS
- BILL FOLDS
- WATCHES
- EMBLEM JEWELRY
- FOUNTAIN PENS
- DESK SETS
- TRAVELING SETS
- ASH TRAY
- PIPE SETS
- CIGARS
- CHAINS
- BOOK ENDS
- EDISONS
- SMOKING STANDS

For MOTHER

- STATIONERY
- TOILET WARE
- MANICURE SET
- PERFUME SET
- PURSES
- BRIDGE SETS
- BIBLES
- WRITING SETS
- BRACELETS
- DIAMOND PINS
- JARDINERS
- VASES
- FERNS
- NIGHT SETS
- CANDIES
- BULB DISHES
- FRAMED PICTURES
- RADIOS
- POTTERY



For BABY

- RATTLES
- BATH TOYS
- BOOKS
- COAT STRAPS
- TALCUM
- RUBBER NOVELTIES
- TOYS
- DOLLS
- RINGS
- NECKLACES
- BRUSH SETS
- BLOCKS

WE HAVE IN OUR— SPARTON RADIO

ONE, WE ASSURE YOU, CANNOT BE EXCELLED BY ANY OTHERS AT THE PRICE— FOR TONE ESPECIALLY VOLUME-SELECTIVITY

- WREATHS — XMAS CARDS — SEALS — PAPER
- TOYS — BLOCKS — BOOKS — TESTAMENTS
- GREETING CARDS — SANDWICH TRAYS
- SHERBETS — FRUIT BOWLS — DRESSER SETS — VASES — SALT AND PEPPER SETS—ICE TEA SPOONS
- SALAD FORKS — SUGAR AND CREAM — HAND TOOLED BAGS & WEEK-END SETS

DON'T FORGET

WE WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR TRADE AS USUAL AND GIVE YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS THE CARE & PROMPTNESS THEY DESERVE!

RED FRONT DRUG STORE



If you have anything to sell or buy, Advertise it!

A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO FATHERS & MOTHERS

At this season you think much about gifts and giving. This spirit of giving is prompted by the finest motive of the human heart, and is one to be highly commended. With all this, however, should we not seek to give wisely?

Your Son or Daughter

You have given your life thus far largely in doubt to the interests of your children. Aside from the good name, the moral teachings of the home, the education of the public schools has your gifts to them been of the nature that will endure and prove helpful and increasing in value as the years pass?

If you give liberally to them this Christmas of material things which will be consumed, or grow old and worn, or which will deteriorate rapidly as time goes by, may we ask, have you given wisely?

There is a gift which grows more valuable with age and use—only one—

EDUCATION! EDUCATION!

A BUSINESS EDUCATION GROWS IN VALUE
WITH AGE AND USE.

Buy a Scholarship for Son or Daughter, and let them start in our January classes. In three to six months, this gift can become the most valuable thing you could have given—one which grows in value with age and use—one which no one can take away from them—one which they will possess and be able to use to earn a livelihood and profit when all the material things you could bestow are gone from them.

Come in and talk it over—if you are not in position to pay for the Scholarship in full we have a plan whereby you may make a deposit and secure the Scholarship and be able to present it as a Christmas Gift.

American Business College

Third Floor Campbell Building,
"AN INSTITUTION DEDICATED TO THE TRAINING
AND SUCCESS OF WEST TEXAS' YOUTH."

SPUR, TEXAS

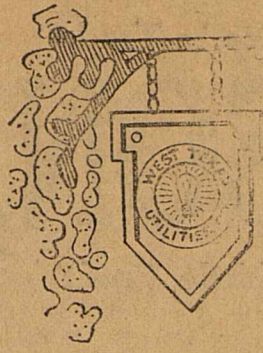
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COLD WEATHER SPECIALS!

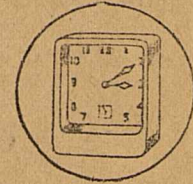
BACK BONE & SPARE RIBS AND
PURE PORK SAUSAGE

Call for Gold Band Brick Chili!

CENTRAL MARKET



She Knows
She Really
Wants This
Christmas

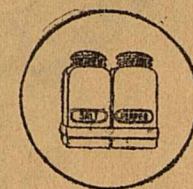


A
Hotpoint Automatic
Electric Range

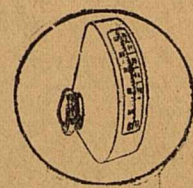
All family life, health and happiness revolve around Mother and the meals she prepares on her kitchen range. She spends more of her time preparing and cooking meals than most of us realize.



The one great gift that will make Mother happiest this Christmas, is this modern Hotpoint automatic electric range with its many amazing conveniences and time-saving features.



We show here a few of the many conveniences of the Hotpoint Electric Range. Sold on easy monthly terms.



\$5.00 Down—Balance in 17
Months



West Texas Utilities
Company



STOP! Go no further! This is
the store of Real Xmas Values!

FOR HER:

RINGS — WRIST WATCHES
NECKLACES — POTTERY
VASES — LEATHER SETS
BREAKFAST SETS
TRAVELING SETS
DRESSER SETS — PEARLS
VANITY CASES — PURSES
COSMETICS — CUT GLASS
BAGS — FLOWER BOWLS
FOUNTAIN PEN SETS
NOVELTY CLOCKS — CANDY
PICTURE FRAMES
STATIONERY — MUSIC

FOR HIM:

RAZORS — WRIST WATCHES
KNIVES — SHAVING SETS
WATCHES — CHAINS
FOBS — RINGS — BELTS
ASH TRAYS — BUCKLES
READING LAMPS — PIPES
LEATHER GOODS — COMBS
FOUNTAIN PEN SETS
DOLLS — BRUSH SETS
CLIPPERS — STROPS
GOGGLES — CIGARS
CIGARETTES (In Xmas pkg.)

BOOKS! BOOKS! LARGEST SELECTION IN TOWN!

GRUBEN BROS.

PRIMROSE BEAUTY PARLOR

ALL KINDS OF FANCY CURLS AND HAIR TINTING

MARCELLING, FINGER WAVING, SHAMPOOING

VAPOR MARCEL SCALP TREATMENTS

IMMIGRATION PATROL IN- SPECTOR EXAMINATION TO BE HELD DEC. 31.

The Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for immigration patrol inspector, applications for which will be received until December 31.

The examination will be held in numerous cities in this state. The entrance salary is \$1,800 a year. Higher-salaried positions are filled through promotion.

Appointees will be required to perform guard duty in coast and border territory for the purpose of detecting and preventing the illegal entry of aliens into the United States.

Full information may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or from the secretary of the United States Civil Service Board at the post office or customs house in any city in this state.

MRS. BRADDOCK ENTERTAINS THE PRAIRIE CHAPEL SCHOOL FACULTY

Mrs. Eva Braddock entertained the faculty of the Prairie Chapel School with a turkey dinner Sunday December 3rd.

The menu consisted of baked turkey with cream gravy and dressing, vegetable salad, pickles, green beans, roast pork, corn muffins, fruit cake, gelatined bananas, milk and coffee.

All present were profuse in their compliments to the hostess as a culinary artist.

After luncheon the guests were entertained with a delightful radio program in the very spacious and well appointed living room of the hostess.

The following guests were present: Prof. Lance Webb, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bell, and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Blassingame, daughter and son and Eddie Hale.—Reporter.

Among those who attended the district and federal court at Lubbock this week were, L. A. Hindman, C. L. Love, Geo. S. Link, S. H. Twaddell, Jim Ed Hall, Oran McClure, Hon. W. D. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harvey returned Wednesday from Dallas.

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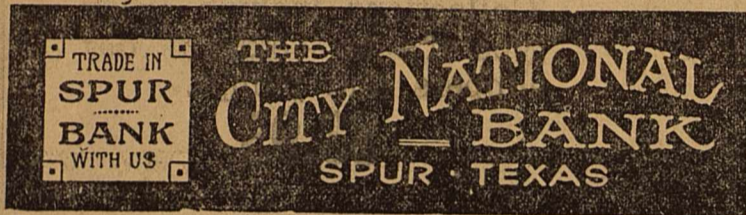
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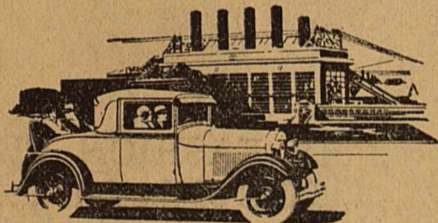
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been taken to make the distributor water-proof, thus preventing short circuits from rain, etc.

The entire electrical and ignition systems of the new Ford are so simple in design and so carefully made that they will give you surprisingly little trouble. Yet that doesn't mean they should be neglected. Certain little attentions are needed from time to time.

The storage battery should be given water and the connections kept clean. The generator charging rate should be changed as indicated. Spark plugs should be cleaned at regular intervals. Distributor points should also be kept clean and the distributor cam given a light film of vaseline every 2000 miles.

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Synopsis of the Results and Significance of Run-Off Water and Soil Erosion Experiments

(By R. E. DICKSON)
Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

1. In nearly every section water or soil fertility, or both, are limiting factors in crop production. In 1926 the Texas Station established experimental plats for studying the amount and character of water losses and practical methods of holding till it has had time to penetrate.

2. Rainfall data over a seven-teen year period shows an annual average of 21.68 inches with 85 per cent occurring during the growing period of summer crops, April to October inclusive. The summer rainfall is fairly well distributed with the exception of a 69 day depression centering in July. The water loss as run-off during the torrential spring rains is needed for crop growth during this dry period which intervenes before the fall rains begin in August.

3. An analysis of the effectiveness of the rainfall in this region shows that approximately 25 per cent of the total comes in scattered showers not exceeding one-half inch, and is, therefore, largely lost through evaporation and of little or no benefit growing crops. Approximately another 25 per cent of the total rainfall is lost as run-off leaving about 50 per cent, or 11 inches annually for absorption by the soil and subsequent plant use. These studies are concerned with the control and conservation of run-off water, which if caught and stored in the soil would increase the annual effective rainfall from 11 to 16 inches.

In a slope of land of 0% in cotton, losses of 1.87% inches of water and 15.87 tons of soil; and on a slope of 3% in cotton, a loss of 9.47 inches of water and 38.35 tons of soil. Averages are higher on fallow cult, and highest on fallow not cult and lowest on grass land.

4. Analysis of the data collected over the three year period indicates clearly, that heavy water losses occur on land with little slope; that water and soil conservation practices are necessary on practically level land as well as land with a large gradient; and that greatest beneficial results, at the least cost, can be secured from terracing land that has a fall of less than one per cent.

5. Crops that have a large vegetative growth have been more effective in preventing water and soil losses than crops having less growth. The water and soil losses from cotton land have been approximately twice as heavy as from land planted to feed crops. Well sodded grass is practically perfect in preventing water losses and soil erosion.

6. Water and soil losses are concomitant. From a number of plats

there has been an average loss of approximately three tons of soil to the acre with each inch of water lost.

7. Prevailing cultural methods can undoubtedly be improved so as to more effectively prevent run-off water and soil losses. Future tillage experiments should consider the storage of water in the soil as well as its retention after storage. A clod mulch should probably replace the dust mulch.

8. Following practices have resulted in the heaviest water and soil losses. On fallowed plats one-third of the rainfall has been lost as run-off carrying with it twenty-one tons of soil per acre annually.

9. Materially increased yields have been secured from areas with level terraces over other terraced areas where a fall of 3 inches to 100 feet; or 1-4 of 1 per cent slope, was given along the terrace. In 1926 an area terraced on level cotton tours produced 15 per cent more cotton than a similar area with terraces having a fall of 3 inches to 100 feet and 42 per cent more than an area not terraced. Level terraces in regions with an annual rainfall under thirty inches are rapidly replacing terraces with a fall, and the fall given terraces in more humid sections are being materially reduced.

10. A ten-acre block of land diked on the borders and a system of cross terraces constructed so as to hold all of the water that falls on the land has produced materially increased yields. A large portion of the cultivated land in semi-arid sections can undoubtedly be handled so as to conserve the entire rainfall.

11. With a better understanding of the nature and character of the rainfall and with the development of practical methods of holding the water on the land where it falls, there will be more permanently anchored acres and the risk element of crop farming will have been materially reduced.

MARGARET JANE BOYD CELEBRATES 5TH BIRTHDAY

Little Miss Margaret Jane Boyd celebrated her fifth birthday with a party on Friday, December 7, at four p. m.

After the arrival of guests, each of whom presented the hostess with a little token in honor of the occasion, many amusing and exciting games were enjoyed.

A delicious refreshment of hot chocolate and cake was served to Little Misses Ruby Cowan, Ruth Cowan, Emily Cowan, Jane Godfrey, Julia Jo Reed, Miriam Reed, Francis Johns, La Fern Hazelwood, Dorthea Rogers, Archie Nell Hogan, Virginia Evans, Ruby La Vern Harlin, Estelle Gibsin, Wynell McClure and Margie Joplin; Masters Fike Godfrey, Billie Scott Edwards, Jack Edwards, Henry Johns, John Hazelwood, Jr., Gilbert Wayne McClanahan, Billie Cecil Addie, Ray Bowman Sanders, and Douglas Boyd.

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1925 BRIDGE CLUB

One of the prettiest parties of the season was last Friday evening when Mrs. C. L. Love entertained her club and other guests.

Four tables were attractively arranged for bridge. The Christmas motif was carried out, the house sending forth radiant light and good cheer from candle and chandelier.

Mrs. F. W. Jennings scored high receiving luster salad dressing set. Miss Mildred Williams, high guest received limon plate and fork. Mrs. Shirley Robbins received consolation, which was a pepper and salt set in a dainty basket. Others enjoying the occasion were Mesdames Hill Perry Roy Harkey, James B. Reed, W. D. Wilson, F. Laverty, W. W. Wooten, M. C. Golding, W. D. Starcher, Oran McClure, Weldon Grimes, Horace Gipson, W. L. Gibbs, Tracy Gorham, Sol Davis, Ruby Watson and Miss Dorothy Love. The hostess served a delicious course, plate favors of fancy candy in the most unique forms.

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Low First—Curtis Dickenson 95.5; Wynell McClure, 95; Dorothy Don Flynn, 94; Marion Hale, 93.5; Billy Joe McCrary, 92.7; Chloe Slaton, 92.5; Muel Richie, 92.5; Hulbert Peters, 92.2; W. D. Blair, 92.2; Charles Cunningham, 91.5; Muri Howze, 91.2; Kathryn Perry, 91; Newman Hutto, 90.5.

Second Grade—Billie Gruben, 97; Charles Wolfe, 96; Hazel Ann Wilson, 96; Helen Hale, 95.8; Mary Louise Lisenby, 95.8; Mildred Gardner, 95.3; Ernestine Hale, 95; Adnan Jenkins, 94.8; Jack Keen, 93.8; Finyard Ensey, 93.4; Dot Taylor, 93; Drawood Stockton, 93; Helen McKay, 92.6; Ruth Cowan, 92; Raymond Basham, 91.8; Billie Jean Foster, 91.2; Lewis Crouch, 90.3.

Third Grade—Norris Russell, 95; Carson McCormick, 94; Sybil Schrimsher, 94; Ruth Culbert, 94; Cherrand Dunn, 93.1; Cleo Murray, 92.7; Inez Teague, 91.3; O. T. Arthur, 91.3; Eva Albin, 91; Joyce Ray, 91; Clifton Pope, 90.5; John Murray, 90.5; John Nichols, 90; Bill Craway, 90.

Fourth Grade—Lorene McArthur, 94; Marion Busby, 93.85; Evelyn Head, 93.77; Winifred Bell, 93.22; Delta Louise Pritchett, 93.22; Nedra Logan, 22.33; Hez Hawley, Jr., 91; Mary Blackmon, 91; David Reddell, 91; Francis Springer, 90.87; Aleane Dickinson, 90.77; W. C. Presley, 90.71; Jane Godfrey, 90.11; J. W. Franklin, 90.

Fifth Grade—Annie Laurie Lewis, 92; James Moore Busby, 90.

Sixth Grade—Eloise McCrary, 92.5; Lola Dee Blue, 90.8.

Seventh Grade—Mary Belle Ensey, 91; Beatrice Spivey, 92.33; Nancy Westerman, 92.28; Myra Moore, 92; Betsy Wilson, 90.28; Opal Stubbs, 90.

SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Spur National Bank of Spur, Texas, will be held in the Directors' Room of the Spur National Bank of Spur, Texas, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 12 P. M. on the second Tuesday in January 1929, the same being the second day of January 1929, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business properly coming before said meeting.

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2. A Song of Joy—Eleanor Ensey.

3. A song of Peace and Goodwill—C. W. Barrett.
4. A Song of Thanksgiving—Nelda Shields.
5. Where did Caroling Begin!—Spencer Browning.
6. Hark, the Herald Angels Sing—Harvey Giddens.
7. Joy to the World—Horton Barrett.
8. Good King Wencelas—Edith Ince.
9. O Come Ye Faithful—Faye Church.

Jameson.
10. Silent Night—Mary E. Hogan.
We especially all League members to be present Sunday night, as we must plan for our Christmas entertainments.
Our program will be unusual and interesting, so let's all be out to League Sunday night at 6:15 in the basement of the Methodist Church.

H. D. CLUB MEETS

The Red Top Home Demonstration Club met Dec. 3rd. with Mrs. Howell. The club met at 11 o'clock instead of the usual hour and each member brought a dish of food that she had prepared. All these together with Miss Osborne's demonstration on a new way to serve oysters, made up a very appetizing noon day meal for the club.
When roll was called each member answered by telling which dish

she brought, the cost of making and the number it would serve.
Some business was attended to then officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Fuqua; Vice President, Mrs. Thornton; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Harrell, Club Leader, Mrs. Howell, Reporter, Mrs. Rhodes.
The next meeting will be with Mrs. C. A. McClain the first Monday in January. Visitors are always welcome.