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they're **SENSATIONAL!**

GRAND SELLING RUSH! COST SALE

NOTICE!

Store will be closed Thurs. from 2:30 p. m. to 8 p. m. getting ready for this grand selling event. Doors open Thursday nite 8 o'clock.

Doors Open 8:00 p. m. Thursday Nite

We went stark mad when we priced merchandise for this sale, but its got to be sold and sold quick. Costs are entirely forgotten in every department—lowest prices in years. Be here at the hour of 8 Thursday night!

"AND WE DON'T MEAN MAYBE"

5 POUNDS SUGAR

LOOK! FOLKS!

A 5 pound sack of pure granulated sugar for only 2 cents. Does this look like we mean business? It does—Limit one sack to each customer! To adults only! Be here on time!

2 PACKAGE

LOOK!

WHY NOT SAVE!

It's your own fault if you don't take advantage of this mighty selling event. Merchandise cut to the core! And a 5 lb. sack of sugar for only 2 cents. 8 o'clock Thursday night. Be here!

<p>Thursday Nite 40 inch SILKS</p> <p>No need to go into details—it won't be here long anyway. Better be on time. PER YARD— 29c</p>	<p>Thursday Nite Ladies-Childrens SHOES</p> <p>Large assortment Ladies' and childrens shoes. All far below cost. Values to \$4.95. \$1</p>	<p>Thursday Nite Silk DRESSES</p> <p>Just 20 to be sold to the first 20 lucky ladies to enter our store on the opening night of our sale. You will not be disappointed. \$1.99</p>	<p>Thursday Nite Boy's LUMBER JACKS</p> <p>Boys pull-over lumber jacks made of suede. Colors in tan, blue, red. Less than cost. Sizes 6 to 16. 50c</p>	<p>Thursday Nite Men's DRESS SHIRTS</p> <p>Genuine broadcloth in colors. All sizes. Limit 2 to each customer. Worth 3 times this price. 29c</p>
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5c yd.

Ladies' COATS
Ladies, we are going to sell every coat in stock this week, regardless! So if you are interested in a coat, be on hand when the doors open and save over one-half
AT COST!
At your own Price!
Less Than 1/2!

PROFIT IS A THING OF THE PAST!
LADIES' HATS
Less than 1/2 price! Less than cost. 100 ladies hats going and going fast. Values to \$2.98.
50c
All our better hats—all at one low price, \$1.00! Every hat in this group is worth three times this price.
\$1.00

Silk DRESSES
Bring a friend and get two of these lovely dresses for only \$5.00. They formerly sold at \$5.95. Now get two for only \$5.00.
2 FOR \$5.00

Silk SOX

REMNANTS! REMNANTS!
At Your Own Price!
500 in selection!
LESS THAN COST!

Bleach - Brown DOMESTIC
Limit 10 yards of each to each customer. Good grade—the kind that you ordinarily pay 8c to 10c for. Be on hand early.
5c yd.

Men's OVERALLS
Leadall Brand. Regular \$1 and \$1.10 values. All carpenter and painters overalls included.
50c

Work SHOES
Mr. Working Man: now is the time to lay in a supply of good work shoes. Sizes 6 to 12 in a value that's worth twice this amount.
\$1

Men's Suits
Just 16 to be sold and we're going to sell them all in two days, at a price that will make you wonder! See them.
At Cost!
\$5 - \$10

MEN'S HATS
Close-Out price on one group felt hats for men. Hurry!
\$1.00

Better hats for men at prices far below the ordinary!
\$1.88

Men's O'Coats
About twenty left and out they go at far below cost! If you need an O'coat—Buy now!
At Cost!
\$4 - \$8

Stone Department Store
Incorporated

SPUR, TEXAS Open 'till 9:00 every evening until Christmas

NEWS FROM THE ELTON SECTION

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wright are entertaining a new baby boy, born Sunday, December 4th.

Elton school opened last Monday morning with a short attendance. Quite a few are still helping gather the huge cotton crop.

C. E. Pipkin and family are moving from Elton the first of the year. They have farmed here several years and number their friends by their acquaintances. We regret to see these good folks leave our community.

Miss Jewel Giesecke is visiting her brother, C. W. Giesecke, of Afton, this week. She is holding down a double job—teaching at Elton and helping take care of the Giesecke children while Mrs. Giesecke is in Lubbock with Charlene, who is in the Lubbock Sanitarium.

Leon Lawson was a business visitor to Elton last Monday.

Quite a number of Elton citizens were trading in Spur last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burns, of Tulla, are visiting his father, C. T. Burns, this week.

NEWS OF DOBBS CITY CITIZENS

Jim Tom Ernest went to McAdoo last week to Gene Embry's birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Middleton spent the day, Sunday, with Mr. Middleton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Middleton, of Afton.

Mr. Chas. Pryor was in Spur Saturday night.

Mrs. Dobkins, Joyce and Carmen Dobkins and Mrs. Joe Rose and Madje Rose were all shopping in Spur Saturday night.

Miss Francis Lay and little Gene Embry of McAdoo spent Sunday with Mrs. M. R. Ernest.

Cecil Lawson of Spur spent the week end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lawson.

Mr. Henry Pipkin of Matador was a Dobbs City visitor Monday morning.

Mrs. L. D. Norris and little son spent the week end with Mrs. Norris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winfield, of Afton.

Miss Joyce Dobkins and Miss Madje Rose were dinner guests Sunday, of Miss Ethel Husley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clementts, and Mrs. J. D. Henry were Spur visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Henry and son were shoppers in Spur Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Glenn, of Prairie Chapel, were Dobbs City visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Hall and Clara Hall were in Spur Saturday night.

A large crowd attended singing Sunday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hughes.

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McAdoo Locals

Jack Mason and W. Womack of Roaring Springs, were McAdoo visitors Friday.

Edd Lieske, of Crosbyton, was visiting in our city Friday.

The Citizenship committee of McAdoo young folks, is sponsoring a league program at Afton Sunday afternoon, December 11, at 3:30 p. m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Robertson L. E. Bass and C. C. Neely, made a business trip to Spur Monday.

J. W. Jones, of near McAdoo, had the misfortune of getting his collar bone broken last week when he lost balance and fell off a trailer loaded with cottonseed. He was taken to the Nichols Sanitarium at Spur for attention and was reported resting as well as could be expected late Saturday night.

Mrs. Bob Stevens and daughter, Corene, of Waka, were visiting here Friday.

Miss Thnie Lou Johnson is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. C. Byrd, of Vernon, this week.

Extension Class Is Organized Monday

Mr. McDonald, head of the Extension Department of Texas Technological College, was in Dickens Monday night when an extension class for Dickens County teachers was organized with 24 teachers enrolled for the course.

The class will meet every Tuesday night at the Dickens High School building from 6:30 to 9:00 p. m. Mr. Shaver, head of the department of education at Texas Tech, will conduct the course.

Afton Happenings

Among those on the sick list this week are Mrs. Leon Lawson, Uncle Jack Hickman and C. W. Giesecke.

Leon Lawson visited in Elton, Monday.

Miss Fannie Sue Newberry was awarded a diamond ring last Saturday night by Garmon Bros. tent show for being the most popular girl in the Afton community.

Quite a few of the sons of Old Mexico are headed back south now that the cotton picking is nearly over.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Lawson entertained several of the younger set of Afton with a party last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Day entertained quite a number of the younger set with a party last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Reece Formby and J. G. Vandiver, brother to Mrs. Formby, came in from Long Beach, California, last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Lawson. Mr. Vandiver and Mrs. Formby are brother and sister of Mrs. Lawson.

Mrs. Jno. McCluskey, of Floydada, is visiting her mother, Mrs. P. J. Hext and family this week.

Jno. Stokes returned from a visit to Dallas last Friday.

Clarence Alexander visited in Spur Sunday.

Little Miss Charlotte Giesecke who recently had a serious mastoid operation performed at Lubbock Sanitarium, will be home in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Giesecke celebrated their 6th wedding anniversary last Saturday night when they entertained a few friends with a supper. The occasion was also Mrs. Giesecke's birthday. Guests present were Mrs. Carl Randolph, Miss Jennie Lou Jackson, Lubbock, and Miss Mary Green of Roaring Springs.

Mrs. A. M. Allison is visiting in Wichita this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Randolph were shopping in Lubbock last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Newberry are moving back to Afton soon. They will make their home on the old O. C. Newberry place.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hale spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Christopher at Spur.

Dickens Items

Mr. Joe Thannisch, of Wichita community, was transacting business here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Fowler, of Dallas, visited their son, Z. W. Fowler and family the week end.

Messrs. Jack and Odus Lusk, of Meadow, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lusk, Sunday.

A number of cases of flu is in the city. Most everyone is improving.

Mrs. Jack Gibson and daughter, Donna Lou, are visiting in Lubbock and Meadow this week.

Dick Jackson, of Espuela community, was here Tuesday.

Mileage Added To Afton Rural Route

Effective December 1st, Rural Route No. 1 out of Afton was changed to cover 30.5 miles instead of 18.2, thereby serving approximately forty-five additional families.

Carl Randolph is carrier on this route. The car now leaves Afton at 12:00 noon instead of 1:00 p. m. which gives the patrons much better service.

AFTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McCarty were called to Dublin this week on account of the death of Mrs. McCarty's mother.

Prof. and Mrs. C. W. Giesecke and children, Miss Jewel Giesecke E. L. and Neva Hooker, were in Lubbock, Sunday.

J. G. Vandiver of California is here visiting his sister, Mrs. J. N. Lawson.

C. A. Aldredge is on the sick list this week.

N. S. Morris and family were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Mr. Day and children were in Spur, Saturday.

J. B. Willmon and sons, Clarence and Ray, were trading in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Halle were in Spur on business Saturday.

The Gorman Bros. tent show has been in town for the past week.

ESPUELA

Several people of this community are sick with influenza. Among those are Mrs. W. E. Ball, Justie McMahan, Nina Faye and Ralph Neaves.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ball and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ball and family.

Misses Opal Karr and Wilma Morgan visited Carmen Shockley Sunday.

Miss Pauline Foreman was a dinner guest of Miss Beatrice Spivey Sunday.

Misses Leona and Emma Lee Earnest were dinner guests of Cora and Bill Messer, Sunday.

S. L. Benefield made a business trip to Stamford Tuesday.

R. C. McMahan and W. C. Messer were in Spur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Watson and daughter Georgia, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Messer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Delisle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dutton and children.

Mrs. Lola Booth spent Saturday night with Miss Flora Lee Messer.

Walker Schoonover was operated on Saturday at the Nichols Sanitarium and is reported better.

Miss Blanche Sizemore and Bud and Ralph Ethridge of Elton were in our community Sunday afternoon. They and Miss Lillian Messer visited in the Holloway home in the Highway community.

Mr. and Mrs. Seales Earnest spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff James.

Misses Carmen Shockley, Opal Karr, Wilma Morgan and Beatrice Spivey spent Sunday afternoon with Pauline Foreman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivey McMahan and Mrs. Lee Delisle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dutton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McMahan spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ball and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Jackson and sons visited with relatives in East Texas the past week end.

Mr. Bob Dill left Saturday for his home in Memphis after a few days visit with his uncle, Mr. W. C. Messer and family.

Saturday night and Sunday will be the regular church time. Everyone is invited to attend.

There will be P. T. A. at the Espuela Baptist Church house on Friday night, December 9. All parents are urged to attend.

23 YEARS AGO IN SPUR, TEX.

The following news items are taken from The Texas Spur under date of December 3rd, 1909.

Oran McClure, editor and proprietor.

Before enumerating the news items let us give you a list of those having display advertising in the paper. See now many of them you can recall and compare for the number in business here today:

W. T. Burgoon, real estate; W. G. Gourey, realty Co.; J. B. Conner, grain and hay; E. A. Sewell, carpenter; Spur Furniture Co., millinery and millinery, dry and notions; Clayton-Lee Dr. Co., lumber and hardware; groceries, the Citizens Club of Spur, signed by 20 business concerns advertising Spur as "An infant in age but full grown in strength"; J. A. Lumbard & Co., general merchandise; Scofield Paint and Wall Paper Co.; J. B. George, contractor and builder; Emmett Lee, carpenter and contractor; J. J. Gipson, (Dickens) drugs and sundries; Gunn, Love & Co., dry goods (Dickens); R. L. King, tin-ner; H. K. Parks, livery and feed stable; Murray Bros. artisans who built anything; Campbell and Campbell, furniture; W. C. Bowman Lumber Co.; Spur Farm Lands, Chas. A. Jones, manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons; Silver Moon Cafe, W. D. Clay, Prop.; Brazelton-Fryor & Co., lumber; The Western Hotel, Mrs. Mahone proprietor; Jordan & Rone, painters; Jackson Realty Co., Wm. and Oscar Jackson; Clingham & Douthitt, second hand goods; Spur Grain Co.; Spur Hardware Co.; The Bryant-Link Co., general merchandise; East Side Barber shop, Tidwell & Lee, proprietors; P. C. Maynard, attorney; E. E. Morris, physician; E. J. Cowan, insurance and notary public; J. T. Meers, physician; J. H. Barber, wood yard; R. O. Owen, jewelry.

As a result of the enterprise, immediate action and business sagacity of the citizens and business men of the town, Spur is now recognized as the cotton market of this territory. Cotton is coming to this market every day and from every direction and being sold to the cotton buyers of Spur for the very highest prices. Up to date more than one hundred and fifty bales of cotton has been sold in Spur. The prices paid range from thirteen to fifteen cents.

Commissioner Carlisle, of several miles southeast of Spur, was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Thursday. He said the Commercial Club of Spur was starting out on the right proposition with respect to roads, and that he intended to meet with them next Monday night and render what assistance possible along that line. He said that there were a number of crossings and small bridges that should be put in at once to give Spur first class roads from every direction.

The foundation has been laid for the Bryant-Link building on the southwest corner of Burlington Avenue and Harris Street.

Dirt was removed this week for the foundation of the First National Bank building.

Under Tap Tellings: The dance at J. C. Day's recently was enjoyed by young and old alike, there being seventeen young lady dancers with twenty-eight young gentlemen dancers. The box supper netted \$4.50 for the purpose of purchasing a blackboard for our school. J. M. Bumivaldh is staying at the S. Ranch; we understand he has position of straw boss. Say, Mr. Editor, do you like birds? If so come over and join the Nimrods of our community and we will have a big time. Signed, Pencil Pusher.

C. W. Lowry came up from Cisco Tuesday and is making preparations to open up a drug business here this week.

F. W. Jennings has our thanks for a subscription to the Texas Spur.

Mrs. Tidwell and children arrived in Spur Saturday from the eastern part of the State and will make this their permanent home. Mr. Tidwell is one of the proprietors of the Eastside Barber Shop.

N. V. Speer, of Rule, was in Spur last week and organized a Sunday School and a Woodman Camp at this place.

R. S. Holman, of the Afton country, was in Spur Tuesday.

Mark Hardin moved his family here this week from Post City.

J. D. Powell spent Saturday and Sunday at his home near Oranna.

Judge W. T. Andrews of Stamford, attorney for S. M. Swenson & Sons, was in Spur Monday.

Martin Gay has opened up a restaurant on Burlington Avenue.

Sheriff Cole was here this week from Dickens on official business.

IMPORTANCE OF DAIRIES TO FARMING INDUSTRY

The importance of dairying to agriculture as a whole during hard times as well as good is shown forcefully by a recent analysis of the industry made by dairy leaders in Chicago.

Standing in the group of the first four leading agricultural industries in the country, dairying has felt the effects of the depression less than any other branch of our national industry, it was stated by J. L. Kraft, who, as president of the largest cheese business in the world has been responsible for expanding the industry throughout the country, introducing dairying for the first time into many parts of the Southwest, Southeast, and Pacific Coast territory.

This fundamental agricultural industry during even the most trying period of the past year, paid to farmers in the United States more than five million dollars per week in cash for their milk crop, the analysis shows.

Milk is a crop for which the farmer has a steady and regular cash market, a crop which is not affected by the boll weevil, the rain, or the frost. The market is steady, and has over a long period of time been increasing steadily in this country. Milk is a prime essential to human life; dairy products are vital to the health of the nation at all times, but during the times of stress and privation they are more important.

The advance made by dairy industries during the past ten years is one of the most encouraging signs of the future of dairying for farmers everywhere. Our national consumption of dairy products has increased steadily in that time. Methods of production of dairy products have been improved, dairy cattle have been improved, dairy standards thruout the United States have been raised to a uniformly high level. Pioneers in the industry have shown that dairying in practically every state in the union can be carried on successfully.

Dairying, because of its fundamental nature, is one industry which can be and will be strengthened by intelligent direction. Mr. Braff believes, that it will stand against all assault of "hard times" in the future, a crop that cannot fail, destined for a market that is sure, an unfailing profit source for the farmer who so often is burdened by the failure of seasonal crops.

Kalgary News

Farmers of this community will soon be through pulling cotton.

S. B. Scott has a bunch of hands hauling cane to the ranch this week and most of last week. He had quite a bit of cane.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hammons, of Portales, N. M., have moved back to this country. They arrived at her mother's, Mrs. Henry Lynch, early Sunday morning, having driven all night Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Hammons visited his parents near Spur Sunday and enjoyed a wedding dinner of one of his sisters. Mr. Hammons will farm in the lower Red Mud community.

Mr. Ballo is reported on the sick list this week with pneumonia.

H. C. Parsons is on the sick list with a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Binom Barclay and little daughter, Pauline, of near Afton, were in the community the past week end visiting her mother, Mrs. Henry Lynch and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Witt and little daughter, Donna Lee, of Salt Fork, was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Witt, the past week end.

Jimmie Jr. Cross, who is attending Spur High School, spent the week end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cross.

Gilbert Pope of West Kalgary, has been at Spur for a week or more confined to his bed with a cold or flu. We hope he will soon be able to come home.

Aubry Havis of West Kalgary was a Spur visitor Tuesday. (LAST WEEK)

Rev. Dock Love, of Red Mud filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night and a good many were out to hear him.

Charlie McClain of Cat Fish, attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. S. B. Scott and children, of Spur, spent the past week end on the farm and Mrs. Scott and daughter, Willie Maud, attended church at this place Sunday.

The pie supper at the school house Friday night was a success in every way and a nice sum was received from the pie. It will go to pay for the necessary things for the playground. The school is progressing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Math Hays, of East Texas, who have been out here picking cotton and visiting with her mother, Mrs. Henry Lynch returned to their home the

SPUR BARBER SHOP

Several members were absent from the Club Friday evening, but we had a jolly time learning to do hemstitching etc. Members present were Misses Velma Chisum, Verna Chisum, Margaret Shipp, Mayrene Baxter, Marla Baxter, Ruth Rogers. We regret that the remaining four members could not be with us.

Our next club meet will be on Thursday night, at the home of Misses Bettie Mae and Virginia Whitford. We will learn a bit about remaking cast off garments. Miss Ruth Rogers will have a dress remade.

We wish to announce that soon the club will give a cake supper to raise needed funds. The exact date has not been set.

We will be glad to have visitors at any and all meets.—Club Reporter.

ANOTHER BIG DANCE

AT Silver Falls Lake SATURDAY NITE, DEC 10 ADMISSION FREE! PRICE TO DANCE — 50c

Not Long 'till X-mas!

PLAN NOW TO EAT YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER TURKEY AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS AT Bells Cafe SPUR, TEXAS

Spur Barber Shop

HAIR CUT — 25c
Tonic and Oil — 25c
Plain Shampoo — 25c
Other work in proportion.

EARNEST GEORGE, Prop.


CLEMMONS INSURANCE AGENCY

Insurance - Loans - Bonds

11 years of reliability!

Phones 84 & 122

Special GENUINE Wolverine SHELL Horsehide



Goodyear Wets

Now only \$2.95

Men—here's headline news! For a short time only, we offer Genuine Wolverine Shell Horsehide Goodyear Wets for \$2.95 a pair! These famous work shoes with all their unmatched features, at this unheard of low price! But this is special—for a short time only. Call at once and pick out your pair, for you'll wait years for another bargain like this.

Henry Alexander and Company

WOLVERINE WORK SHOES WORK GLOVES

FISH!

READY TO SERVE SATURDAY FRESH OYSTERS EVERY DAY!

Regular Meal Family Style Drink and Dessert 25c

Highway Cafe

W. W. FOX SPUR, TEXAS

We'll Come Clean With You!



Settling the Question

He: "Has the exterminator called at your home yet?" She: "No, drop around any time, you'll be perfectly safe."

Settle your laundry question now by phoning for our route man to call for your weekly bundle. Our modern washing methods relieve you of that youth destroying labor and worry. What's more, they preserve your laundry by substituting thorough rinsing operations for scrubboard rasping. The Thrift wash way is the only economical way.

PHONE 344

SPUR LAUNDRY

ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY HAS MADE THIS THE WIFE SAVING STATION

Smilin' Charlie Says



"These shicks ain't as shiffless as y' might imagine -- think o' th' work it takes t' get that patent leather hair that way--"

REWARD!

\$25.00

For arrest and conviction of thieves that stole two wheels, tires and tubes off Model A Ford, Saturday night, December 3rd, at Silver Falls Lake. One Pennsylvania Vacuum Cup tire and one Goodyear All Weather tire.

\$10.00 REWARD FOR THE RETURN OF WHEELS, TIRES AND TUBES

Perce Webb

Eat With Slim!

PLATE LUNCHES SHORT ORDERS HOME-MADE PIES!

One of the oldest restaurants in town.

SLIM FOSTER CAFE

SPUR, TEXAS



Here's The Gift Ideal!

The ideal Christmas Gift makes the recipient happy... and the donor remembered. The longer the recipient is happy... and the longer the donor is gratefully remembered... the more successful has been the gift.

That being true, the ideal Christmas Gift for this year is a new model Frigidaire. For not only will it bring joy and happiness, but it will safeguard health... reduce household expenses... ease cooking and food preparation tasks... and prepare delicious yet inexpensive frozen salads and desserts!

—Which will make the recipient happy and the donor remembered for years to come!

This "Ideal Gift" for the entire family is most reasonably priced, and is available on the Convenient Payment Plan. Make your family's Christmas happiness last through the years... Give them a Frigidaire!

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule... and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities Company



SANTA CLAUS, Himself

Will probably visit the Spur kiddies December 25th, but the

Electrical Santa Claus

CAME TO

See The Spur Folks

WHEN THE

Municipal Light Plant Came!

Talk is cheap, you know, and many can use it in a flowery way—sometimes in a way to divert thought from actual facts. But when facts and figures are placed before intelligent people in black and white—then that's different. Before Spur's Municipal Light Plant was installed Spur citizens were paying for electric light electricity—

16 CENTS PER KWH.

(Less 1c per kwh. for prompt payment)

Now, electricity is available for residence lighting as low as—

2½ CENTS PER KWH.

(Plus \$1.00 Service Charge)

Another comparison that may interest you. We recently rendered a bill to a Spur home owner for \$1.63 for 25 kwh. of electricity. 25 kwh in Abilene, Texas, would have cost this man \$2.25 (providing he had paid promptly). Similar bills rendered recently, one at Spur and one at Abilene, for 203 kwh shows the Spur price \$6.03 and the Abilene price \$8.67. (And some of the electricity used in Spur is generated at Abilene and brought to Spur on high-priced transmission lines.)

We could talk for an hour (or a week), giving comparison after comparison of the savings effected here through municipal ownership.

Are you, as a citizen of Spur, appreciative of the exceptional service your own plant is rendering and of the many benefits derived through well-lighted streets, homes, and places of business at electrical prices in keeping with other prices wrought by depression? Electricity in Spur was a step ahead of Old Man Depression in **LOW PRICES!** Do your part to—

**KEEP THE HOME LIGHTS
BURNING!**

CITY OF SPUR

Fox Gets Three Years and Fine

Rox Fox, 27 years of age, of Paducah, Texas, was tried on a counterfeiting charge in federal court at Wichita Falls last week before Judge Wm. H. Atwell and received a sentence of three years in the federal penitentiary and a thousand dollar fine. He was tried on four counts and the jury deliberated only ten minutes before rendering a verdict of guilty on all four counts. The maximum sentence for crimes of this nature provides for fifteen years and a \$15,000.00 fine on each count which would total 60 years and a \$60,000.00 fine. Fox received the minimum sentence, it is stated, due to the past good record of himself and family.

Counterfeiting charges against Combs, Overstreet and others will be tried in the federal court at Lubbock December 12th.

Teachers Meeting Date is Postponed

The County Teachers Association which was scheduled to meet Thursday night, December 8, has been indefinitely postponed due to the present epidemic of influenza over Dickens County. The meeting date will be announced later in this paper.

Afton Schools Will Start Next Monday

The Afton Schools will open Monday, December 12th, after having been closed the past two months for cotton picking.

Superintendent Giesecke states that the Afton school is not far behind with the regular work as the session opened early in August in anticipation of the cotton picking recess. He states that it is hoped the schools open with full attendance but hardly expects with such a large amount of this year's crops yet ungathered.

Notice to the People of Dickens County:

A number of times lately the word has been brought to me from all sources, that the general public over this county have gotten the idea that the Dickens County Chapter of the American Red Cross, or the Chamber of Commerce at Spur, has great quantities of food and clothing to be distributed to the folk in the hail area or elsewhere where it may be needed. Nothing is further from the truth, and the purpose of this article is to correct this mistaken idea.

It may be after January 1st, (and not until then) that we will be in position to help a few of the very worse cases as the occasion arises. Please do not listen to tales going about relative to this relief work. Whatever we have after January 1st to be distributed to the needy, along with the date, time, place and manner of distribution, will be published in three newspapers circulating in this county. In the meantime, it will be the best policy for people to make plans to take care of themselves and not depend on this assistance, because it might not come.

D. L. GRANBERRY,
Chairman Red Cross.

Mr. Byrd and Miss Hale Are Married

Mr. Haskell Byrd and Miss Lillian Hale were happily united in wedlock Saturday night, November 26th, by the Rev. A. P. Stokes, pastor of the Afton Baptist church.

The groom is the son of John Byrd, who moved to Afton recently from Mount Pleasant, Texas. Mrs. Byrd is the daughter of J. T. Hale of the Prairie Chapel community.

These young folks are quite popular in their communities and are now receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

Injunction Granted Ferguson Set Aside In Appeals Court

The injunction recently granted Jas. E. Ferguson and others restraining the State Highway Commission from letting contracts on a large highway building program was dissolved by the Third Court of Civil Appeals at Austin Tuesday. The Highway Commission is at liberty now to go ahead with the expansive building program it had carded.

It is expected that the Dickens County east-west highway will be included in a contract soon to be awarded.

F. L. Bloomquist, district supervisor of the Safeway Stores was a business visitor in Spur this week.

What Shall I Give This Christmas?

(CLARA PRATT,
Co. Home Demonstration Agt.)

How many times a day do you wonder about that Christmas remembrance for some member of the family or friend, or unfortunate neighbor? Has it ever occurred to you that Christmas birthdays, and other things have a way of coming when you have the least amount to spend? At this season of the year we begin to get "Christmas minded" and wonder what we can do about it. What we give needn't be a worry to farm folks this Christmas. All they need to do is look about the farm and pantry and any number of ideas will be suggested.

There never has been a year when farm produced gifts will find such a welcome. However, to make these gifts doubly welcome they should be attractively packed and wrapped. But that can easily be achieved.

As for gifts, the resources of the farm and home are unlimited. There was a time, perhaps, when a package of good homemade sausage wouldn't have received such a rousing welcome from city friends or farm neighbors. But not this Christmas, granted of course that the sausage is the kind that make folks wish for more. Fruit cake and plum pudding make ideal Christmas gifts and they need not be so expensive as was once thought necessary. Quite often canned fruit may be substituted for lots of the more expensive fruit cake nuts; for example watermelon rind preserve may be used in place of citron; dried fruits make delicious fruit cakes too. A favorite recipe for using dried fruits is as follows: 2-3 cup dried apricots, 1 cup dried apples, 1 cup cooked prunes, 1 cup raisins, ¼ cup of fat, 2 1-1 cups sugar, 3 eggs well beaten, 3 1-4 cups flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1 ½ teaspoon each of cloves, cinnamon, and allspice, 1-2 cup water. Wash apricots, cut into small pieces. Wash apples and put apricots and apples in sauce pan with 1-2 cup sugar and 1-2 cup water, cover and simmer for ten minutes, allow to cool. Remove pits from prunes and cut in small pieces. Wash raisins in hot water and drain. Cream fat, add the remaining sugar gradually. Add eggs, sift dry ingredients together three times and add alternately with the milk. Add the fruits and mix carefully. Pour into greased paper-lined pans and steam. If you have a pressure cooker, steam your cake in it and you not only shorten the cooking time but you have a more delicately flavored cake. For steaming cover pans with oil paper and put in cooker having

the water in the cooker come half way up on the pans in the bottom layer. Put the lid on but do not clamp down; cook for 55 minutes at boiling temperature. Then clamp lid and close pet cock, bring the pressure up to 15 pounds and hold for 15 minutes. Set off the stove and allow pressure to go down then remove pans from cooker to oven to dry out a bit. If you are doing to decorate your cake with nuts of candied fruit put it on before placing in the oven.

Plum pudding is similar to fruit cake and may be more or less expensive. One need not wait until Christmas time for plum pudding but make it anytime by simply opening a tin can. Mrs. W. G. Hinson of Red Top club makes gifts of her plum and date puddings she has canned. Let's make plum pudding as follows: 2 cups stale bread crumbs, 3-4 cup of milk, 1 cup beef suet, 1-3 cup sugar, 1-3 cup molasses, 1½ teaspoon salt, 3 eggs, 3-4 cup raisins, 1-2 cup citron, finely shredded, 3-4 cup currants, 3 tablespoons flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-4 cup of lemon juice, 1-4 cup water. Scald the milk and pour it on the bread crumbs. Chop suet and work with the hands until creamy, then add gradually the sugar. Add syrup, salt, and eggs, well beaten. Add raisins, citron and currants mixed and dredged with flour mixed with baking powder, combine mixture and add lemon juice and water. Turn into a greased mold and steam as for fruit cake or steam in boiling water three and one half hours. Reheat in steamer for serving. Serve with lemon juice.

What is better than a box of homemade candy? If several friends are being remembered with candy an assortment of various kinds may be made and boxed attractively. Perhaps you are fortunate enough to raise pop corn that really pops. Several pounds of this accompanied by a pop corn ball for every member of the family will make a gift that will be enjoyed by young and old.

You are wondering why canned foods have not been mentioned. Be patient; after seeing all those lovely gift suggestions during the pantry achievement day there is no limit to the gifts in the pantry. Of course your neighbor has a full pantry too but perhaps she likes your chow chow, or jelly, or special jam better than hers or perhaps there isn't any canned meat or chicken or turkey on her shelves. A jar of home grown molasses or honey or a dressed chicken or turkey all will make gifts that will bring Christmas happiness to the recipient, and remember that the gift without the giver is bare.

NOTICE!

During this time of year I need to be out in the schools most of the time. Ordinarily you can depend on finding me in the office on Tuesday and Saturday. (When possible, it would be most convenient for trustees and others to come on Tuesday and leave Saturday for Teacher's day. However, if you have pressing business on Saturday, come on that day as well.)

MADGE D. TWADDELL,
County School Supt.

Jesse Reynolds, of Albany, was in Spur Thursday to ship out a carload of cattle he had purchased from Bob Westerman.

A. A. Smith of the Smith Drug store transacted business in Dallas this week.

Collection of Taxes Are Slow, is Report

W. B. Arthur, sheriff and tax collector of Dickens County, reports that tax collections are starting off mighty slow. Only five license plates for automobiles had been issued to Tuesday of this week.

A. B. "Shorty" Hogan, efficient accommodating and jovial county tax assessor, returned Monday from East Texas. He attended the Assessors' Convention at Longview and visited with his sister, Mrs. Etta Denson, at Palestine. He reports a most enjoyable trip.

Layton Randolph left Monday for his home at Thalia, Texas, after a visit here with his brother, Wright Randolph.

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