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Three Cream Routes In Spur Territory

Through the work of the Chamber of Commerce of Spur, three cream routes have been established in Spur Territory. These take in McAadoo, Duncan Flat, Afton, Dickens, Espuela, Dry Lake and High way communities. These routes are working now and all the farmers have to do to dispose of their cream every day is to place it at the roadside of one of these routes.

Also, the information goes out that farmers are being paid the same price for their sweet cream at their homes on these routes as they have been receiving in town. This gives them the town market at home. The Chamber of Commerce foresaw this advantage which was one of the main reasons for establishing the routes.

The Chamber of Commerce feels that to cream business will mean a great deal to our country. It is for this reason that they are fostering the idea of registered cows on each farm. Also, they have the assurance from the local creamery that just as soon as the supply of milk will justify it there will be a whole milk plant established in connection with the creamery. This will mean a great deal to the farmers in particular and the country as a whole, and will enable the people to hedge against cotton shortage and low prices. But the supply of milk must be built up to where a milk plant can be supported. The Spur Creamery has this plant in mind now and is willing to work in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce when the supply of milk is enough to justify putting it in.

The cream industry is growing in Spur country. It is now five or six times as much as it was three years ago. Many farmers have paid most all of their running expenses the past year and some have been able to more than pay their current expenses during the summer. It will require just a few more years to make this one of the leading industries of the Spur country.

Crouch Mill Installs New Mixer

That the Crouch Milling Company are to be a manufacturing firm is no longer a question. This business has just installed a new feed mixer which will prepare balanced feeds for stock either plain or in the sweetened formula. We desire to call attention to the advertisement in this issue of the Times where the management explains all about these feeds.

This mill is using a great deal of the feedstuffs that is raised in Spur country. These feeds are being manufactured and shipped to other points as well as supplying the local needs. This new molasses feed is a wonderful thing for dairy cows. It is said to increase the flow of milk around fifty per cent under proper conditions. Many dairymen have tried out the feed and have found it very satisfactory.

There are many farmers who are bringing in their feed and getting it ground and mixed. This mill grinds feed in any form—maize heads, whole maize, kaffir, ear corn, and the entire line of grain sorghums. It is a great help to our community.

PIONEER WEST TEXAN PASSES AWAY

Lon Barkley one of the founders of West Texas died in Fort Worth last Friday. Mr. Barkley is known by a number of early settlers of this country and once rode the range with such men as "Uncle Bill Hyatt" W. R. Stafford, Tol Merriman and others of county. He was once postmaster at Fort Worth where he learned many of the early cattlemen of this country. Then he served as ranch manager for Kaz Edwards on Red Mud in the early 80's.

Funeral services were held and interment was made in Fort Worth.

S. T. Battles, of Espuela, was in our city Tuesday doing some trading and stated that he was still looking for that end gate for his truck which he lost a few days ago.

FOR SALE—6 heads of mules. See Bryant-Link Company.

BULLDOGS TO PLAY ROTAN TODAY

Probably the best game of the Bulldogs' schedule will be played at Fair Park at 2:30 this afternoon. It will be the closing game of the season and the record of the Spur team for 1928 will be history after this game.

The Bulldogs have made a good record this year. They have not won every game but they have made the enemy realize they were in a battle and had to fight for what they got. Rotan has a good team, and the Bulldogs need our support this afternoon. Let's not fail them, but be there and do our bit.

HOW WE SHOULD WRITE "CHRISTMAS"

Often we have found the word Christmas written in this for "Xmas". This should never be done by people who believe in the event for which this day is dedicated. This abbreviated term is the result of a people who did not believe in the Christ that came and wrote the word: "Xmas".

The X is an algebraic term and means the unknown quantity. Hence you can readily see why it was originally used for the term Christmas and what it means today. The term Christmas is not an unknown quantity to the civilized and should be written "Christmas."

Poultry Show For Spur Country

The poultry raisers of Spur country are to have a poultry show at Spur December 14 and 15. The object of this poultry show is to stimulate interest in the poultry business of our country. It is to be under the work of the Chamber of Commerce and the agricultural Extension Department.

There are many fine flocks of farm birds throughout the country that will make a good showing at any poultry show. Again, there will be birds exhibited from other counties which will enable our people to learn of the qualities of birds raised there. The educational feature of the poultry show should be the greatest factor to the people.

It is hoped to secure the services of Col. R. L. Penick of Stamford, who is at the head of one of the greatest co-operative marketing systems in the state. Col. Penick has been able to organize the farmers of Jones County into this association and they have been receiving from three to five cents per dozen more for eggs than farmers who sell on local markets. Col. Penick will lecture to the people

DR. LEMMON TO SPEAK AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Next Sunday, December 2nd, is Missionary Day at The First Christian Church at 11:00 A. M. Dr. W. N. Lemmon, a returned Missionary from the Philippine Islands will speak at the evening hour the ladies will tender a Missionary program.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services. You will receive a blessing by coming.—A. G. Abbott, Pastor.

FOR SALE—6 heads of mules. See Bryant-Link Company.

In regard to the poultry industry and systems of marketing. This will be very valuable to our people since it will give them an idea of plans in the business.

Farmers will be able to compare their farm birds with birds of other counties and learn where they are falling in the business. It might be that the farmers of Spur country may have as good birds as farmers of other counties. It is not so much, how pretty is the bird but how many eggs can she produce and how much these eggs can be sold for is what interests the farmers. Let's put the poultry show over in a great way and see how much good we can derive from it.

Excitement In Contest Circles Mounts To Fever Pitch As The End Draws Near

One of The Seven Leaders Certain to Win a \$562 Whippet Saturday night. All the Others Are Sure of Good Prizes, Least of Which is \$25 Cash. Two Will Win Prizes of \$150 and \$75 Respectively.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES
J. H. Reynolds is building a nice 4-room residence in Dickens at this time. M. L. Borden has charge of the work and Brazelton Lumber Co. is furnishing the material.

The Texas Oil and Gas Company is building a new wholesale distributing station in Spur. It is located near the railroad tracks convenient for shipping. B. Williamson, of Williamson Bros. Gin, will have charge of the business in Spur. Seale & Thorp have charge of the work and Brazelton Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

Sheriff M. L. Jones is remodeling the Tom Harkey place just west of town. Mr. Jones purchased this property recently from Mr. Harkey and expects to make it his home soon. Edwin Morris and J. B. Richbourg are doing the work and Tri County Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

W. M. Randall is building a new nice 4-room home on his farm just east of town. Mr. Randall married a few days ago and is building his wife a nice home to care for. O. R. Booth has charge of the work and Musser Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

Lon Puqua is building a 4-room home on his place just over in Kent County. He is doing his own work and Musser Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

R. V. Colvert is building a nice camp house on his ranch twelve miles west of town. This is known as the Putman Ranch and the building will be used by Mr. Colvert when he visits the ranch. J. A. Marsh is doing the work and Brazelton Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

Work on the foundation for the new city light plant began Tuesday morning. W. P. Nugent & Company have the contract for the foundation, and Musser Lumber Company is furnishing the material. We understand the contract for the main structure has not been awarded yet.

M. E. Pastor Goes To Canadian

Rev. A. B. Davidson, who has pastored the First Methodist Church here the past year, is moving to Canadian today where he assumes his duties as pastor of the First Church in that city. Rev. Davidson is leaving our city with a host of friends, not only in his church but in the town at large who regret to see him leave us. He is broad in his views, not only religiously but in matters of community interests as well.

During the past year under his leadership, the church here paid off a debt of about \$7,000.00 of long standing, there were some valuable and expensive repairs made on the church building, a new bell was installed, all salaries and conference assessments were paid in full. Rev. Davidson looked after the financial part of the church business in a very commendable manner.

In addition to these, he is an excellent speaker and a good preacher. He always has an interesting message for his people, delivered in an interesting manner. He seems glad to meet his people all the time and has a cordial welcome for everybody. Friends join in wishing Rev. and Mrs. Davidson the best of success in their new field.

GINNERS REPORT

According to reports turned in by ginnings there had been 5382 bales of the 1928 crop of cotton ginned in Spur. This report was turned in at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon. All gins seemed to be reasonably busy, but the day was a comparatively light run on account of the damp weather Monday and Tuesday.

Cotton was selling from \$16.00 for snaps up to \$19.55 for the best cotton. Spur markets have always been good for cotton and it is the object of the buyers to hold it on a good basis this year.

Spur gins are giving the farmers good service in ginning their cotton,

At nine o'clock sharp, Saturday night the Times contest will come to a close. As soon as all who are in the office at that hour have been given a chance to fill out their final subscription blanks and enclose them, with money to pay for them, in sealed envelopes and drop them in the ballot box, the final count will start in the presence of contestants and friends who care to be present.

The final count will be made by a jury of awards composed of three prominent, disinterested business men, and as each envelope is opened and the contents tabulated all who are present will hear the total number of votes earned by the subscriptions enclosed in those envelopes. Next the reserve votes held by the various contestants will be counted and results announced and those totals will be added to the scores of the various contestants at the time the last published scores were made.

Contestants present will then all be asked if they are satisfied with the correctness of the count and if any are not satisfied the entire volume of business turned in by each contestant can be checked up from the beginning of the contest.

On the last day contestants will turn in their final subscriptions, together with cash to pay for same, in sealed envelopes. Each one may have an unlimited number of envelopes, and any of the envelopes may contain an unlimited number of subscriptions. No one will know the contents of any of the envelopes except the contestant concerned, herself.

This method of closing insures absolute fairness to all.

As announced at the beginning of the contest, cash commissions will be paid any contestants who have remained active until the end and who have turned in an average of at least \$10 a week during the last two weeks of the contest.

SCORES

Mrs. S. Derr, McAadoo	152,900
Mrs. W. L. Gibbs, Jr., Spur	144,200
Mrs. J. W. Jennings, Spur	157,600
Eola Lambert, Wichita	135,100
Mrs. Ola Miller, Dry Lake	162,000
Sammye Nalley Afton and Star Route	47,900
Mrs. R. L. Russell, Girard	27,900
Mrs. Oree Moore Smith, Spur	88,000
Mrs. Will Smiley, Duncan Flat	164,700
Mildred Terry, Dickens	83,900

VOTE SCHEDULE

Time	Price	Votes Allowed	
		New	Old
1 year	\$1.50	2,000	1,000
2 years	3.00	6,000	3,000
3 years	4.50	10,000	5,000
4 years	6.00	15,000	7,500
5 years	7.50	20,000	10,000

NOTICE TO THE CHILDREN

We want to call your attention to the fact that just three more weeks after you read this issue of the Times you will be looking for Santa Claus to come. Have you outlined your letter to him yet? We want to start publishing these letters next week and let Santa Claus know what you want for Christmas. Get your letters in to us as soon as you can. Address them to Santa Claus, Care Dickens County Times, Spur, Texas. We will see that he knows your wants, and if you have been good children he will be delighted to answer your letter with the presents you ask for. Don't fail to let us have your letters soon. And let's make this a great Christmas for Santa Claus.

O. R. Lambert, manager of the Pitch Fork Ranch, returned from Fort Worth the first of the week, where he had been looking after business for his company.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, of the north camp at the Pitch Fork Ranch, are the proud parents of a new baby born Monday.

and the various accommodations afforded farmers by Spur gins are fine.

Dickens reported 1162 bales ginned and cotton selling at \$16.50 to \$19.00. Croton reported 715 bales ginned.

C. A. JONES, PRESIDENT
W. B. LEE, VICE PRESIDENT
CLIFFORD B. JONES, VICE PRESIDENT
W. T. ANDREW, JR., CASHIER

F. G. COLLIER, ASST. CASHIER
E. S. LEE, ASST. CASHIER
W. K. WILLIAMSON, ASST. CASHIER

THE SPUR NATIONAL BANK
Capital and Surplus \$125,000.00
SPUR, TEXAS

Dear Friends & Customers:

During this Thanksgiving season, our minds revert to the pleasant business relations we have had with you in the past. Wish we could see each and every one of you so that we might tell you how much we appreciate the business you have entrusted to our care and how thankful we are for your friendship and loyalty.

We have a lot to be thankful for. We are thankful to those of you who have found it necessary to borrow money, for the prompt and splendid manner in which you are taking care of your obligations as your crops are harvested. You seem to get as much pleasure from paying your notes as you did from receiving the accommodations. This responsive and appreciative attitude makes business a pleasure instead of a drudgery.

We are thankful for the interest so many of you are taking in stocking your farms with good milch cows and pure bred poultry, because this means that independence and prosperity are sure to follow. We are thankful for the privilege of co-operating and helping along these constructive lines. We are thankful also for the hearty co-operation our farmer customers are giving towards the establishment of cream routes out of Spur. These routes will mean not only added conveniences to those of you who live at a distance, but it will help to stabilize the dairy industry in this section through increased cream production and cream prices.

Dickens County will be just what the citizens and the business firms make it. As we have stated many times before, we believe in Dickens and neighboring counties and the good folks who live therein and we seek any and all opportunities to be of service to them.

Yours very truly,

SPUR NATIONAL BANK.



MID-SEASON SALE OF FINER COATS AND HATS BEGINS THURSDAY

Continues Through Week
Coats of Cloth Lavishly Fur Trimmed

These are the Season's Smartest Styles—from our most outstanding values. We quote only a few prices—but our entire line of finer coats and hats are included.



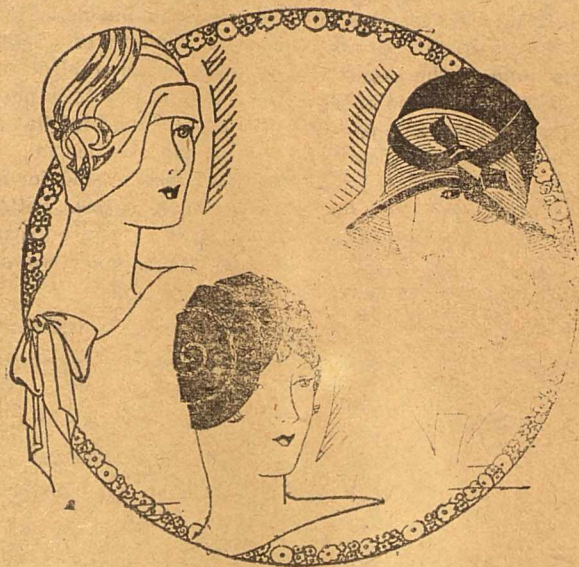
\$69.50 Coats, for	\$49.75	\$39.50 Coats, for	\$29.75
\$59.50 Coats, for	\$42.75	\$32.50 Coats, for	\$24.75
\$49.50 Coats, for	\$36.75	\$24.50 Coats, for	\$19.75
\$19.75 Coats, for	\$16.50	\$16.50 Coats, for	\$13.50
\$13.50 Coats, for	\$10.75	\$10.75 Coats, for	\$8.95

..... All Pattern Hats

1/2 Price

Other Hats greatly reduced

Dress Up For Holidays



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BIG SHIPMENT OF LIVING ROOM FURNITURE RECEIVED

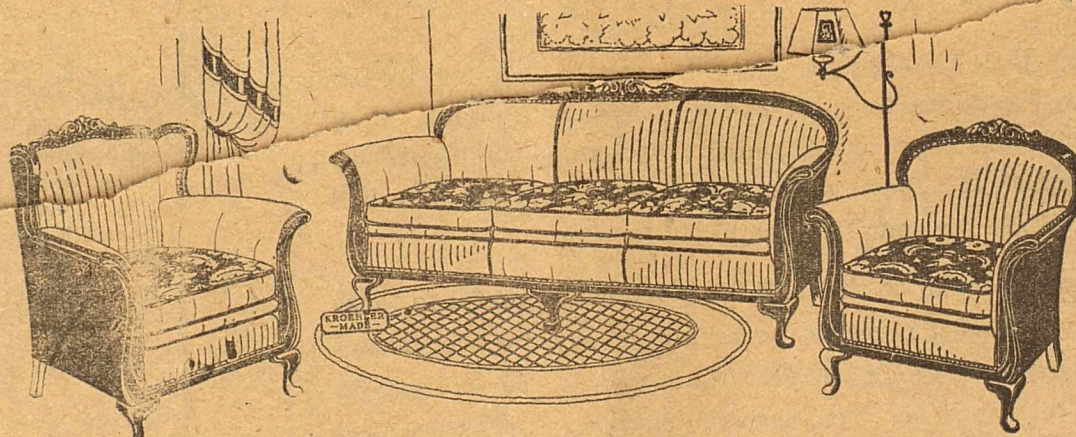
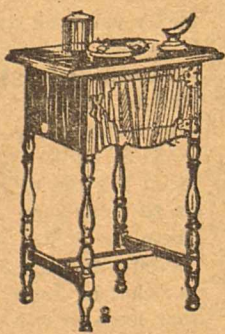
Just received six (6) Kroehler Living Room's Suits. These Suites are guaranteed. They are well constructed for long wearing and they cost no more than others.

Our Department is full of nice gifts. Why not give something nice for the home.

TWO PIECE MOHAIR LIV- ING ROOM SUITE

SMOKERS

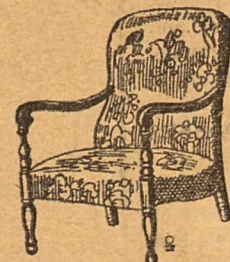
Stands, humidor cabinet and trays of every kind—bronze, iron, pocelain and wood.



Antique Brown, Mahogany Finish, Harwood Frames, Covered in Plain Taupe Mohair with Rose black ground, reverse sides of cushions covered in figured damask, gold predominating, outside arms and back of both pieces covered in plain velour to match. Loose springs, filled cushions with seat supporting springs of Premier quality high tempered steel supported on a spring steel understructure. Sterilized moss and felted cotton filling. Makes full size bed when opened.

ODD CHAIRS

For comfort and a bit of color. Many people select these little overstuffed chairs covered in cretonne.



SPUR'S DEPARTMENT STORE BRYANT-LINK CO.

COME ON WITH THE CROWDS AND BRING THE CHILDREN

WANT ADS

When in need of a monument see me, I represent one of the best companies in the land, and guarantee the work to be according to the contract. Telephone 180. Rev. J. B. Hibbert, 200 tlc.

FOR SALE—Coleman bath heater, 30 gallon tank, with gas tank and all line connections.—West Texas Utilities Co. 207-3c

FOR SALE—2 well improved farms east of Spur to sell. For price and terms write or phone, J. E. Sanders, 1233 Palm St. Abilene, Texas, Phone No. 6430. 205 tn.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Business lot north of Ford Station and large duplex house near town. Phone 247M. 204-tn.

FOR SALE—Good teams, cows, two-row implement. See B. F. Simmons, 4 1-2 miles north on the Dickens road. 210 p

WANTED—Light user car as part payment on new Baldwin Grand, 30 months on balance.—Lewis-Darden Music Co. Abilene, Texas. 208 2tp

STRAYED—One mulley Jersey cow. Reward for return.—W. G. Johnson, box 535. 208 tn

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

LOST—A coin fold purse, leather faced, between W. B. Lee's home and town. Will give reward, call Dickens County Times office. 208 tn

WANTED—Furnished or unfurnished light housekeepink rooms. Will lish a house. See Mr. Harris at Gambill's.

FOR SALE—One Fresh Jersey milch cow. Is a No. 1, four gallon cow, lots of butter.—H. H. Hawley, Piggly Wiggly Meat Dept. Spur, Texas.

LOST—One Chevrolet truck casing, between Dickens and Spur. Reward, call Dickens County Times office. 210-pd

FOR SALE—A good farm, 2 miles south of Spur. See J. J. Albin 209tn

STRAYED last Sunday evening, Nov. 25, 1928, one four months old

German Police pup. Had a thin dog collar on. Answers to Ranger. Also his mother, answers to the name of Lady, were last seen Sunday evening in north part of town. If you have either of these dogs, notify H. H. Hawley, Piggly Wiggly, Spur, Texas.

FOR SALE—Prize winning black bronze turkeys. If you want the best see me before the Xmas holidays.—Mrs. T. J. Fuller, Jayton, Texas. 209 2tp.

W. W. FLOURNOY IS INJURED—Sunday, while enroute to Mineral Wells, W. W. Flournoy, our theatre manager, met with a very painful accident just west of Sagerton. While making a turn another car rounded the point and collided with Mr. Flournoy's car hitting the left rear fender. Mr. Flournoy was thrown from his car and landed on his left arm, dislocating his left shoulder. He also suffered the fracture of three ribs. The man who ran into him was driving a Buick. Mr. Flournoy stated he did not know whether it was a roadster or coupe as he was stunned by the collision. The Buick never stopped but proceeded on toward Aspermont. After resting a while and then making a strong effort Mr. Flournoy was able to get up. A neighbor came along and assisted him on in to Stamford where he spent the night in the Stamford Sanitarium. He returned home Tuesday, but is in a very painful condition.

B. F. Simmons, north of town, was in Saturday doing some trading.

A. M. Allison, of Soldier Mound, was transacting business in our city Saturday.

D. P. Morgan, of Afton was attending to business interests in our city Saturday. Mr. Morgan stated that he is expecting to move near Spur soon. Good, we want a lot more good people in our community.

J. P. Goen, north of Dickens, was transacting business in our city Saturday. Mr. Goen is one of our successful cattlemen and has done much toward advancement of our county.

E. C. Thomas, of Duck Creek community was looking after business affairs here Saturday.

D. W. Pritchett, north of town, was transacting business in our city the first of the week. Mr. Pritchett is one farmer who believes in raising good chickens on the farm. He will have a pen at the poultry show we wager.

A. J. Shackelford of Red Mud was looking after business affairs in our city Saturday.

Harvey S. Holley, of Dickens was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

L. J. Hurley, of Dickens was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

Mrs. J. V. Powell, of Highway community was in our city Saturday, shopping with our merchants.

B. J. Howell of Espuela community was in our city Monday doing some trading.

O. I. Anderson of Roaring Springs was buying merchandise from our merchants Monday.

R. E. Slough merchant and farmer at Dickens was greeting friends and trading in our city Monday.

FOR SALE—6 heads of mules. See Bryant-Link Company.

T. L. Rape was in Monday trading with our merchants.

WHAT A BANKER THINKS

It is only natural to want to know how the other fellow's business is run and when it comes to lending money a banker must know.

Here are some of the thoughts that run through the banker's brain when a man applies for a loan:

Has this man been depositing money with us?
Will this man ever have a considerable deposit account with us?
How much does he owe elsewhere?
How much property does he own including real estate and personal property?
Has he a dependable source of income to pay off the loan when it comes due?
How could the loan be collected if this man should die before the note becomes due?

All of these things are important considerations in the making of every bank loan.

All loans are made with the idea of holding and attracting deposit accounts to the bank.

The banker wants to know what a man owes elsewhere—in other words—what his total indebtedness is—because a man whose debts run too high can not weather the storms of hard times which come at irregular intervals.

It is necessary to know that there is a source of income to pay off the note—otherwise the bank would be forced to renew or to foreclose.

Men do not think that they will die before their notes come due, but many of them do.

Doctor bills, funeral expenses, expenses of probating an estate, and other things make it much harder for heirs to pay off loans than it would have been for the man who made the note. No loan is made with out consideration of these facts.

NEW BEAUTY PARLOR

Mrs. Carl Peninger, of Oklahoma City, has located in our city and has opened up the Prim Rose Beauty Parlor in the Campbell building.

Mrs. Peninger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Ponder of our city. Mrs. Peninger is a graduate of Lamie Training School of Oklahoma City. We welcome her in our city and wish her well.

G. C. Byrd of Dickens, was attending to matters of interest in our city Saturday.

COAL—Good Colorado Lump at \$13.00 at the gin.—Swifts Gin.

FARM NOTES

By E. L. Tamer, County Agent Dickens County

There seemed to be two crowds in the county this week. One must have been District Court in session as every time I passed the square was full of cars like Saturday afternoon. The other crowd was the cream crowd. It seemed that every company which has a cream buying station in Dickens County rushed a field man or two into the county just because the cream routes which were started two weeks ago are beginning to have a little success. All stations have put the price up to 47 cents for any old

kind of cream. All it has to be is cream from all I can find out. That is the price which the Spur Creamery has been paying and the centralizers are determined to meet the price.

My personal opinion is that the big buyers of cream are not now paying any more for cream than it is worth and that they have been buying it for five cents less than it was worth all the time. It is up to the thinking farmers of Dickens County to stay behind the routes and produce sweet cream for them. The jumped-up price paid at the local stations is only temporary and is made in order to break up the attempt I am making to get a cream route service for the farms which will lead to more production for all concerned.

LIKE OUR TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hamilton, of O'Donnell, were in our city the last of the week. Their chief object in Spur was to get some pictures made and they drove 160 miles to get the advantage of having work done with Mr. and Mrs. Shugart, who are in our city now photographing many people, and doing splendid work.

They complimented our little city and are thinking of establishing a "Dress Up Shop" here.

COAL—Don't pay more, its \$13.00 at Swifts Gin.

MRS. CON MOORE HONORED

Mrs. Con Moore was entertained Tuesday P. M. by the members of her music class, with a Hobo Party. The pupils all came in masked wearing paper bag caps and carrying paper bags filled with sandwiches, fruits, etc., of every description.

The party were seated Hobo fashion in a circle on the rug and interesting games and contests were enjoyed for an hour. A "pot" of chocolate was made which was a fitting compliment to the bounteous repast spread on the floor.

The occasion was Mrs. Moore's birthday and there were also lovely gifts in paper bags including embroidered squares for a bed spread, dainty lingerie and exquisite handkerchiefs.

W. W. Dozier, of Dumont, was transacting business in our city Wednesday. Mr. Dozier reported conditions good in his community, stating that both cotton and feed are

good. He believes in diversified farming.

W. D. Robinson of Highway, was a business visitor in our city Saturday.

Mrs. C. H. Floyd, of McAdoo was doing some shopping in our city Saturday.

W. L. Farmer, northeast of town, was in Monday doing some trading.

R. S. Mobley, of Afton, was in our city Monday looking after business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Terry of Croton community were in our city Saturday.

R. B. Cozby, east of town, was in doing some trading Tuesday.

Piano Bargain

Practically new player piano, standard make, can be bought at a bargain and on terms. See Mrs. W. E. Flint or phone 30.

ARMY GOODS

House Full of Army Overcoats, infact any and all kinds of Army Goods for sale at

J. P. Wilkes & Son

Dangerous Business

Our stomach and digestive systems are lined with membrane which is delicate, sensitive and easily injured. It is dangerous business, then, to use medicines containing harsh drugs, salts or minerals, when we are constipated. In addition to the possibility of injuring the linings of our digestive system, these medicines give only temporary relief and may prove habit forming. The safe way to relieve constipation is with Herbine, the cathartic that is made from herbs, and acts in the nature intended. You can get Herbine

ALL DRUGGIST

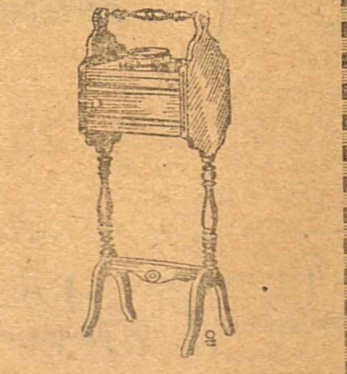
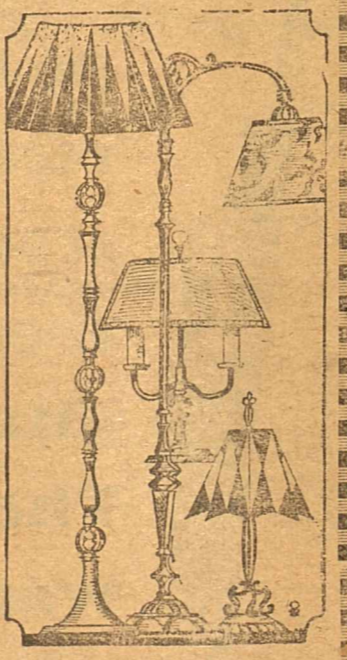
FURNITURE
-the Gift to the Family from the Family

You really should do your Christmas shopping early and why not do it this Week End. Making your gift a substantial one. We have many charming and interesting gifts arranged and it is a simple matter to select from this one or that one, just a small payment down and the rest can be arranged later.

- Tea Carts
- Smokers
- Secretary Desk
- Console Tables
- Odd Settees
- End Tables
- Windsor Chairs
- Rugs
- Magazine Racks
- Bed Room Suits
- Floor Lamps
- Living Room Suits

Our Furniture Stock is very complete and beautiful, as we have just received Two Big Cars of furniture. See our display before you buy.

Campbell Furniture



MOLASSES MIXER

Following our usual plan of pioneering since organizing our establishment the first of 1927. We have installed a complete mixing unit with our Grinders and Feed Mills.

We are now in position to **GRIND ANYTHING IN THE FEED LINE**

To thoroughly mix feeds according to the best formulae and by adding **MOLASSES** Make **SWEET FEED** From your Farm Products

Grinding and Mixing is an essential and the most valuable asset to the Growing Dairy Industry in this community. The molasses increases palatability, aids digestion and eliminates the dust from dry feeds. The creamery will pay more by far for your feeds than any feed dealer. Let us explain our proposition

Crouch Milling Company

Quality and Service
SPUR, TEXAS

County Home Demonstration Club Work

BUSINESS SHOWING FROM CLUB GARDEN

Jewell and Claudia Mimms are both 4-H Club members and they believe that it pays. Jewell made the following business showing from her garden:

Rent of land	\$5.00
Fertilizer	5.00
Hot bed	.40
Seed	1.00
Expenses	

Cans	3.00
Class jars	2.50
Number hours spent in garden	19.90
76 at 25c per hour	19.90
No. hours using horse 12 at 10c per hour	1.20
231 containers of canned products put up at 2c per container	4.62
Total Cost of Crop	\$40.72
Value of Products	
300 lbs. tomatoes from club garden.	
25 lbs. of other vegetables.	

50 lbs. of beans.	
24 qts. of tomatoes canned in glass @ 50c a qt.	12.00
12 qts. beans canned in tin @ 50c a qt.	6.00
12 qts. of other vegetables @ 50c a qt.	6.00
50 qts. of fruits in glass @ 50c a qt.	25.00
6 qts. of fruit juices @ 20c per quart	1.20
7 qts. of preserves @ 90c a quart	6.30
18 qts. pickles @ 50c a qt.	9.00
15 qts. relish @ 50 a qt.	7.50
20 qts soup mixture @ 50c qt.	10.00
Total value of products	\$82.00
Profit	\$41.28

Jewell and Claudia Mimms live out at Croton and Claudia made an even better record than Jewell, making a net profit of \$50.00 on her garden.

1929 IMPROVED LIVING ROOM CONTEST

There is great interest being shown in the 1929 Improved Living Room contest that is open to all women in the county. This contest is under the direction of the Extension Service of the Texas A. & M. College, the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Semi-Weekly Farm News.

- The aims of the contest is to:
1. Encourage interest in more comfortable living rooms by making them more livable and attractive.
 2. To teach the best use of what is on hand.
 3. To teach wise expenditure of money.
 4. To teach wise selection and arrangement of furnishings.

Several women have entered the contest and others are thinking of entering. In order that they may know better how to begin the improvement of their room the questionnaire is given below:

Questionnaire

Name _____ Address _____

I. Ventilation, 30 Points

Are there windows to the outside on at least two sides of your living room? _____ Are they arranged so that there are cross currents of air without drafts? _____ Would the ventilation be improved by transoms over the doors or letting the

windows down from the top? _____

Are the openings grouped so as to leave wall spaces for furniture? _____

II. Lighting, Natural, 65 Points

Is the total window lighting surface equal to 1-5 the area of the floor? _____ Are the windows arranged so that you can work without nerve strain or eye strain at the various working centers? _____

Would the lighting be improved by the addition of a glass panel in the door? _____ By lightening the color of the walls and wood work? _____

By changing the height or color of the porch ceiling? _____

By trimming the trees and vines near the house? _____ By using window shades that allow the light to pass through? _____

Is the light that comes into the living room a softened light rather than a glaring one? _____

Are shades kept rolled high in day time so that the room is cheerful and pleasant if you have only a few minutes to enjoy it? _____

III. Lighting, Artificial, 45 Points

Are the lights in your living room sufficient in number and size and nature of burner to provide light at the reading center? _____ The writing center? _____ The center for quiet games? _____ The sewing center? _____

If all these were in use at the same time? _____ Are the lights softened by shades that are practical? _____ easily cleaned? _____

attractive that reflect a soft amber light? _____ that create no fire hazard? _____

IV. Screening, 75 Points

Are all the windows completely covered by screens? _____ Are the screens on frames, swung on hooks or hinges so that they can be removed for cleaning? _____ Do strong, well braced screened doors fit the openings closely? _____ Are they fitted with springs that hold them tight?

V. Cleanliness and Ease of Cleaning, 30 Points

Is the finish of your floors and woodwork smooth and hard and thus dirt resistant, and easy to clean? _____

Is the color of your floor dark enough to be a good foundation and yet not too dark? _____ Are the rollers on your furniture of a type that work easily? _____ Are they broad enough not to press into the soft wood of your floor? _____ Have

you removed dust catchers from your table? _____ piano? _____ mantle? _____ Do you have equipment for cleaning, as mops? _____ dusting cloth? _____ carpet sweeper? _____ light weight broom? _____ long handled dust pan? _____ wall brush

VI. Heating Facilities, 110 Points

Do you have the type of heating system that keeps the whole room comfortable? _____ Could it be improved by reshaping the back of the fireplace, or using a different fuel? _____ Do you have a substantial, convenient, attractive container for fuel? _____

VII. Walls and Ceilings, 70 Points

How are your walls finished? _____

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calmimed? Are they soft and cheerful, instead of dark and dreary? Is the ceiling a lighter shade than the walls? Do you have a wood moulding or a narrow divider in a shade of color between that of the wall and the ceiling? Are the designs of the paper small and indistinct?

VIII. Woodwork, 30 Points
How are the doors and wood work finished? painted? stained? varnished? enameled? Does the color harmonize with the color of the wall?

IX. Floors and Floor Coverings 75 Points
How is your floor finished—un-finished? painted? stained? varnished? waxed? Is it darker in color than the wall? What kind of covering does it have? small rugs? home made rugs? art square? uncovered?

X. Furniture Adequate for Family Activities, 20 Points
Does your living room have books and magazines with storage space for them? comfortable chairs and a light for reading? Does it have stationery and writing equipment with storage space for these; a writing surface, light and a chair for writing? Is there a musical instrument with storage space for music? Is there a folding table and equipment for games? Is there sufficient table surface and comfortable chairs for study for the children? Is there equipment for light sewing?

XI. Furniture Appropriate for Living Room, 20 Points
Is your furniture such that your living room is a family center, or does it give off the idea for company only? Is it free from pieces of furniture that belong in other rooms such as beds, and dressers? If you must have one of these, can you make the bed into a day bed, and the dresser appear a chest of drawers?

XII. Comfortable Furniture, 30 Points
When you purchased your chairs did you sit in them to see that they were the right height, shape, depth? Are the backs free from ridges or ornaments that are uncomfortable? Have you increased the seating space by a broad, deep comfortable couch? Have you added to its comfort a few useful simple pillows?

XIII. Design of Furniture, 10 Points
Are the lines of your furniture plain, graceful, attractive, or are there a lot of ornaments that are dust catchers? Do your chairs have substantial legs or are they the kind that look as if they would break if you sat in them? Does each piece of furniture present a graceful balanced appearance or is it top heavy, or clumsy, or awkward? Is it finished so as to preserve the beauty of the grain of the wood? Is the finish soft and velvet-like instead of being glossy and glaring? Is your furniture of a type that will never go out of style?

XIV. Condition of Furniture, 20 Points
Does your furniture need cleaning? waxing? varnishing? painting? mending? reseating? upholstering?

XV. Arrangement of Furniture
Is your furniture arranged so as to give a balanced effect to the room? Are the pieces in the various groups placed close enough to appear to be on friendly terms instead of being detached and lonesome? Are the lines of traffic easy, or do you stumble over furniture in crossing the room? Are the pieces of furniture that are used together grouped together, or do you have to move furniture from place to place when using the living room?

XVI. Books, Magazines, Music, Games and Storage for them 50 Points
How many books do you have? Name those that the family enjoy most? Do you have book shelves? magazine rack? What magazines and papers do you take? What ones do you read? What ones do your children read? Do you have

storage for sheet music? Victrola records? Batteries for radio, etc. What games does the family play? Is there a closet, or a window box or a box, or chest for the children's toys?

XVII. Curtains and Draperies, 25 Points
Are window shades necessary in your room to soften the glare of light and to secure privacy? Are your window shades in good condition? Will they roll? Have you ever taken them off the rollers and put the bottom at the top? Do you have sunfast draperies of a color and design that all the family will enjoy living with for a long time? If you have a tall ceiling have you cut the height with a valance over the windows?

XVIII. Pictures, 25 Points
Have you moved the family portraits out of the living room? In selecting pictures, have you chosen those that are appropriate in size of your wall spaces? Have you chosen pictures with cheerful subjects? Have you tried grouping several small pictures similar in size, color and theme? Are your pictures hung so that the wires do not show? Are they at a height so that the center of the picture is about on the level with the eye? Are they hung so as

to be related to other pictures or furniture?

XIX. Attractiveness, 55 Points
Does your living room present an orderly, inviting, cheerful appearance? Do the colors harmonize? Does it appear livable?

XX. Restfulness, 55 Points
Are the most restful spots in your house in your living room? Do chairs and davenport invite you to rest? Can you relax or do glaring colors, large designs, and over crowded spaces cause confusion?

XXI. Accessories, 5 Points
Have you eliminated all accessories that are neither useful nor beautiful? What accessories do you have that are interesting for their color, their line, or design? Are the color spots very small? Do you have any growing plants?

XXII. Outlook, 15 Points
Is the outlook from your windows attractive? Is the outlook from your door attractive? What do you see in your yard? attractive flowers? lawns? shrubs?

XXIII. Suitability to Needs of Your Family, 100 Points
Does your living room meet the needs of your family as a family center? As a social center? Is there a place where each can carry on his duties without disturbing others? Does the family use

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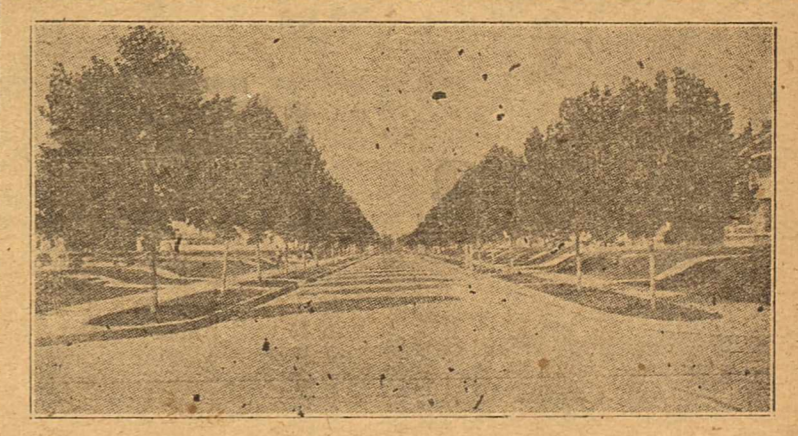
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I am sure that many of the readers of the Dickens County Times would like to know about the six Spur boys that attending the A and M College. I went over to the mess hall, a large building of brick and stone where 2600 boys eat their meals at one time. The building cost probably as much as all of the brick buildings in Spur and covers very near a block. I waited for the boys to file out. I had just witnessed them marching into the mess hall, a column eight wide and over one half a mile long. Finally they started out, the first one I saw was W. B. Lee, Jr., then came Durward Woodard, Sam Tarver Clemmons, who was a little late as he was "Table Bound" and he carried with him a bunch of grapes and an orange then came Ray Brasher, a son of Doctor Brasher, Tom Newman and Fullie Horn. The boys sure looked fine and were all pepped up over school in general. They are out drilling with their guns at day light every morning and are put to bed at 10:00 o'clock at night. It seems to agree with them as they are getting fat.

The boys are calling for a big Thanksgiving box and request that that every one in Spur that has some thing to eat bring it to either Mrs. Clemmons or Mr. Lee's office next Monday so that it can be shipped out in time to reach College Station on time. The box must be shipped to W. B. Lee, Jr., as it will fall into the hands of upper class men if it is shipped to a freshman. They are expecting a big box.

Yours very truly,
R. E. DICKSON.

TWIN WELLS CLUB NEWS

The Twin Wells Club was organized almost a year ago and up to this time has not failed to meet every second and fourth Thursday of each month. If each member continues to show as much interest in home improvements great progress will be evident in years to come. Now I have a suggestion to make to our club members. That each member put out at least one fruit tree as there is a good season in the ground and the time of year is here to put trees and let us leave remembrance that we have lived in Dickens County. If you do not own your home plant the tree any way for some one else will live there after you are gone and how much we admire. A place if it has fruit tree on it and if you would ask your Land Lord to furnish you a tree he would probably be glad to do so.

The Ladies of Twin Wells Home Demonstration Club will serve sandwiches and dainties in front of Spur Drug Store, Saturday, December 1, 1928. Your patronage will be highly appreciated and you will be helping a good cause.

Mrs. Buelah Hill was hostess to the Ladies Home Demonstration Club on November 22, 1928. There were nine members present and one visitor.

Miss Osborne gave a demonstration on jelly making which was very instructive. Our next meeting will be December 13, 1928 at the home of Mrs. P. J. Hooper. Subject will be Customs of Foreign Countries.

Italy—Mrs. Yeakley.
Sweden—Mrs. J. H. Hooper.
France—Mrs. Elizabeth Watters.
Mexico—Mrs. M. P. Duncan.
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—Club Reporter.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

Ross C. Battles, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Battles of Espuela community, is home on a furlough from the Navy. Mr. Battles stated he would be with friends here only about ten days after which time he would resume his duties on his ship. He is on the U. S. S. Florida, with headquarters in New York, City.

In speaking of his life as a sailor Mr. Battles stated that it is a great life. In referring to the hardships of a sailor he said that the hardships came to those who were not willing to do their part. For the man who wanted to shoot square that there are no more hardships in a sailor's life than would be found in the life of an ordinary private citizen.

In referring to the educational side of his travels he said, "I believe I have acquired as much knowledge in my two years of travel and study as a sailor as I received during my four years in high school". He then stated that in addition to the knowledge acquired in travel that there were certain courses of study that one could pursue which would greatly benefit him as a citizen of the country. He spoke about the vocational courses and named a number of useful ones.

People in the Spur Community who know Mr. Battles are proud of his record in the Navy and for the fine young man that he is.

A. K. McAlister, of Afton, was in our city Monday taking advantage of the many bargains offered by our merchants. Mr. McAlister stated that he and his sister expected to leave next week for Georgia where they will visit friends about their old home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Blakely, of Elton, were in our city Monday doing some trading. These are two people who believe in letting the cows and chickens help make the living.

J. J. Barton, of McAdoo, was in our city Monday looking after business affairs. Mr. Barton stated that conditions were very good on the Plains and he hoped cotton would open up before Spring.

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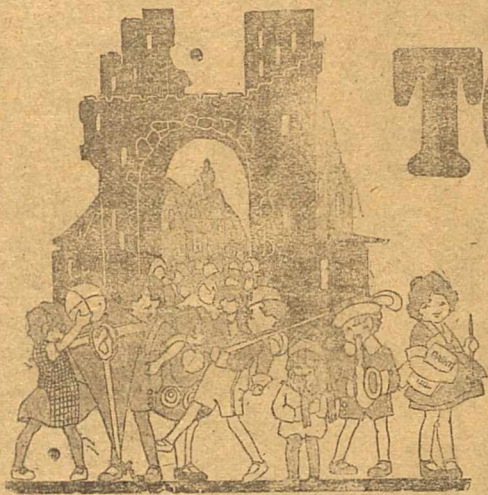
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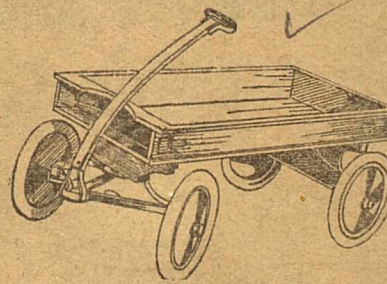
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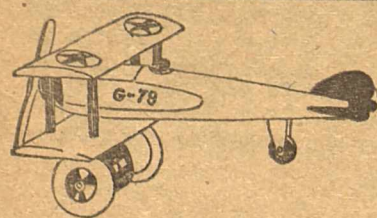
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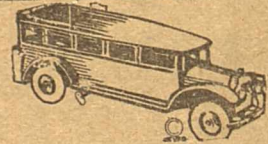
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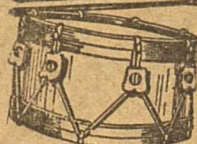


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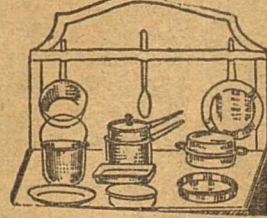
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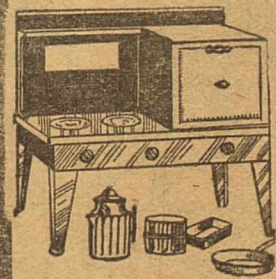
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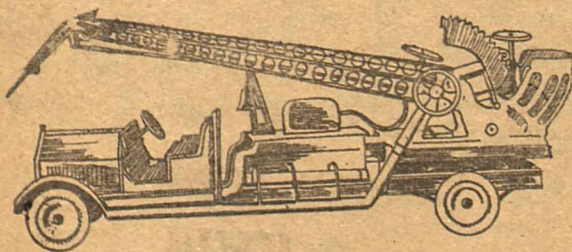
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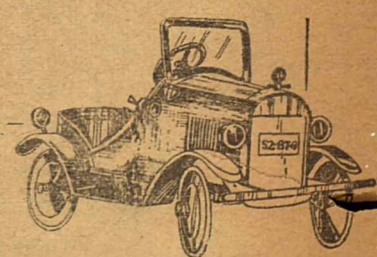
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