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**BANK ORGANIZED.**

### A State Bank Was Organized Saturday With a Capital of \$25,000.

Saturday a number of citizens of Spur, Dickens and other places met in Spur and organized a state bank. Two lots were purchased on Burlington Avenue in Block 21. A banking house will be erected immediately and just as soon as the bank charter can be secured and other necessary arrangements made the bank will open for business.

It is not yet fully known who will be the stockholders but we understand that the capital stock will be \$25,000 and made up principally by citizens of Dickens county.

The lots purchased are very valuable and at a later date will be adorned by a two-story brick building.

The stockholders of the new State Bank, so far as is known at the present time, are men of prominence in the county and are held in high esteem in both social and financial circles of the country.

**NICE RAIN.**

Tuesday night the Spur country had a nice rain and as a consequence everything is now looking brighter and lovelier.

While we have had no rain in this section for some time, the ground, with few exceptions, is yet sufficiently moist to plow old land and in many places sod breaking has continued uninterruptedly. However, the rain which came will do much good, and as a result many more acres of sod land will be turned ready for the planting season in April and May.

Some people in the east think it never rains in West Texas, but they are suffering of a delusion. The seasons differ here from the eastern part of the country, and in many instances the farmers here are breaking land for crops when the eastern man is planting or even cultivating a growing crop.

Don't get uneasy about Western Texas. It rains here, the country produces big crops and in variety and prospers its citizens and especially those who depend on tilling the soil for a livelihood.

If you have no home and desire to get one you can't do better than locate in Western Texas and especially in that part of it known as the Spur country.

Mrs. Moore and baby of Lubbock are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bruce this week.

J. E. Sanders was among the many who attended the fat stock show Thursday from Spur.

**MARRIED.**

Tuesday Miss Ola Harkey, of Dickens, and Bob Brown, of Spur, left for Emma where they were united in the bonds of matrimony.

We extend congratulations and wish Mr. and Mrs. Brown a happy and prosperous wedded life.

**UP TO THE CLUB**

One day this week several of the citizens of Garza county, who live some twenty-five miles southwest of Spur, were in the city trading and stated to one of the merchants with whom they did business that many more of the citizens of that community would do practically all of their trading here provided the roads were put in first class condition. We are told that the roads to this section is in good condition with the exception of about two miles of deep sand. This part of the road could be clayed or covered with a layer of cement gravel, which we are told can be secured in abundance and put in first class shape at a nominal cost.

The road proposition is one of the most important and first to be considered by the Commercial Club and this should be attended to at the earliest possible moment, regardless of all other work now being considered by the club. It will take money to build good roads, and it will take good roads to make Spur the trading point and commercial center of this territory.

There are other roads that should be opened up and put in first class condition, and the sooner this road work is commenced the better for Spur and the commercial interests.

In our opinion the first work of a Commercial Club is in caring for the interest of those who are already here, improving the conditions of the country and establishing a superior town, and by so doing the home-seeker, noting our good works and seeing the advantages already attained will desire to locate and become a citizen and worker among us. It is alright to boost and boom a country and bring people to it but it is better to build and improve, put things in first class shape, pave the way and make things brighter and then let the world know what has been done, what the country offers and in more instances will the home seeker and home builder join our boundless resources, be contented in their new home and become prosperous citizens and living advertisements of the greatest country on to of the globe.

W. F. McGill went to Fort Worth Thursday to attend the fat stock show.

**CLUB MEETING.**

### The Spur Commercial Club Will Meet March 18th At Lambdin's Store

The first meeting since the Commercial Club was organized will be held Friday night, March 19th, at J. A. Lambdin & Company's store.

Every citizen of the town has an invitation to attend each meeting of the commercial club, and since a commercial organization is for the benefit of the town as a whole adds especially in furthering the commercial interests. Every citizen should not only become a member but take an active part in the deliberations, discussions and work of the club.

There is much work to be done by a commercial club and unless it is supported by the united efforts of the people as a whole it will be a partial failure.

Everybody attend the meeting Friday night at Lambdin's store.

**SPUR SCHOOL CLOSSES.**

The Spur school closed Friday evening. M. H. Herring and Miss Ruby Walker have been teaching the past several weeks and the term of school throughout is reported a successful one with respect to advancement of pupils and also the school interests in general. It is very probable that within the year an independent district will have been organized, bonds issued and a fine building erected for school purposes another year. We all realize the importance of school matters and are now only awaiting the required limit of time to become voters of the district before asking for an election to create a school district and issue the bonds for building and maintenance.

**FIRE AT DICKENS.**

Tuesday night in Dickens the home of Tom Harkey was completely destroyed by fire.

The origin of the fire is unknown and was discovered too late to save anything from the building.

Mr. Harkey, at the time, was in Fort Worth attending the fat stock show. It is not known whether or not insurance was carried on the house and household goods.

Will Mathis and Miss Lilion Denton were visitors Sunday to Dickens.

Mrs. E. L. Clay visited relatives in Dickens.

Jack Maben returned Wednesday from Fort Worth where he took in the fat stock show. He reports things lively up Fort Worth way.

A. R. Fouts was among those who attended the fat stock show in Fort Worth Thursday.

**PLANT BROOM CORN.**

Many papers of the country are urging the farmers to plant Broomcorn, and as a consequence farmers in several sections of the country are making money out of the crop.

Broom corn is adapted to this soil, climate and the conditions of this country and the price being paid by broom factories will make the industry a paying proposition to the farmers of the country, and no doubt if the farmers of the Spur country will take up the proposition a factory will be put in at Spur and a market furnished here for all the broom corn grown within this territory. Those who grow broom corn report that it pays much more than cotton and other staple crops, and, like maize and kffir corn, produces in abundance with little care and rainfall.

The farmers of the country are requested to consider the growing and culture of broom corn and if agreeably Spur will get a factory to take care of the crop. It will be to the advantage of the farmers, the merchants and the country as a whole. It will mean more work for town people and more money for the

**MARRIED**

Sunday, Henry Haines and Miss Jessie Stone were married at the Royal Hotel. Miss Stone, accompanied by Miss Ethel Haines came over in an automobile Sunday from Floydada, arriving in Spur about one o'clock.

Mr. Haines has been in Spur since the opening of the town, and since locating here has been engaged in the barber trade. He has many friends here who join the Texas Spur in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Haines, a long, happy and prosperous wedded life.

**HOGS ARE MONEY**

S. Dawson made a trip to Spur, the rapidly growing city under the hill, one day last week. He took seven hogs to market, which he sold for \$100.40. These hogs were only eight months old, and were raised by a Crosby county farmer, on feed produced in Crosby county, and the money realized out of these hogs was saw placed in the Crosby county bank, the First National of Elma, to be used by a Crosby county man. Mr. Dawson is only one among many who had hogs to sell this year, in this county. The matter resolves itself into this: Raise hogs and plenty of Kaffir and Maize for feed, and you have a money crop that is sure. Try it Mr. Farmer.—Crosby County News.

Dick Powers and wife left Thursday to spend several days in Fort Worth during the big show.

Dr. J. E. Morris left Thursday to see the fat stock show at Fort Worth and also on professional business.

**PROPERTY SOLD.**

### Valuable Business Property In Spur Changing Hands.

This week J. D. Powell purchased the J. A. Lambdin & Company business property on Burlington Avenue, consisting of the business house now occupied by the firm and two twenty five feet lots, the consideration, we are informed, being forty seven hundred and fifty dollars.

This property is considered among the best located and most valuable property in the town. Mr. Powell, we are further informed, will probably at a latter date build a two-story brick business house to cover both lots, and thus not only add to the material worth of the individual property but also to the town.

**HOG FARMING.**

March 15, 1910.—Hog farming must not go dead in the Spur country. In my last article I said the Texas cotton farmer would not raise hogs, but I did not give all the reasons why he know the farmers have to consult the merchants before they start a new crop that is the merchants have to prop them up a little so that they will come through safe. The merchants all believe in cotton—that's cash. So when the farmer wants to start a new crop the merchants don't back him up, for fear he will make a failure. Now the merchants and the commercial club are one and the same, and if they wish to see the hog industry succeed in the Spur country, encourage it by seeing that the farmers are properly encouraged. How? By seeing that plenty of Spanish Goobers, Big Hog Goobers, clay and speckled peas, with other kinds of seed for hog feed is furnished right here in Spur, convenient to them and then let them know you have got the seed. Let some dealer furnish the seed and in the summer, if he has a few bushels left over, pay him for them. If you are going to donate money to help build up the country, donate it to start the hog farmers and success will be yours and theirs. Just think of hogs at 11 cents gross. That is a world beater. Then there is no reason why this can not be a great country to feed beef cattle in, by running hogs behind cattle part of the time. So wake up and talk hogs and beef cattle along with cotton. Then some of you big ranch farmers, put up a lot of your money in good brooders and help stock the country with good hogs, then you will see the Spur country come.

H. L. OWENS.

# H. K. PRAKS

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## PASSING OF THE COWBOY.

Life, in its similitude to the moving picture machine is kaleidoscopic. We arrive make our bow, become an active force, and pass away.

America has had much in passing. First it was the Indian. Next the scout, and now the cowboy, about whom so many tales of daring deeds have been told in verse and prose.

The passing of the cowboy is but the result of the demands of the times. Once he was the rover of the broad acres and his moments were filled with hazardous tasks, and much dreaming in his solitude.

He is the original song writer, and his tunes were a mournful dirge, in keeping with the confines of his sphere.

Life, to him, was the life of the primal man. From the lonely prairies he drew deep breaths of nature's call to the primal.

"Oh, bury me not on the lone prairie," sprang from the depths of loneliness, occasioned by the expansiveness of his desolate world.

In his passing we are losing a type of the hardy pioneer, but in his place appears the smoke from many chimneys, silent sentinels of civilization's broader, sterner demands. From the effete east we find the cowboy pictured—a monster. We of the west, who know him as he is, respect him for his true manly qualities and in memory's archives he has left an indelible impress that will linger with the years, a hallowed memory, that American manhood is a beautiful, a holy thing, and stands away, and above sinister designs.

Many blushing damsels have paid homage to the cowboy's dashing, dare devil, care free mein. Many men have taken a new meaning from his broad conception of things, terrestrial. In his passing we lose a type of the pioneer and may he ever be held in that esteem to which his environs gave scope for play, and may those of the east who wish to write obituaries, come

nearer to the perspective, and forego further display of an ignorance, which under the circumstances, is little less than criminal.

To the passing cowboy we wave an olive branch and turning to the pages of his life work, are impelled to deep homage, for the record in which he has enshrined himself, an indissoluble link in a nation's history.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Mrs. John Penick, who has been visiting H. P. Cole and family at Dickens and also friends in Spur, returned this week to her home at Lubbock.

Misses Edith Crego and Ann Reynolds and Mrs. Stovall, of Dickens, were visitors in the city Saturday.

Robt. Williams, of Stamford, is in the city spending several days with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fraser.

## TAP TELLINGS.

The pleasant weather we have had the past week has caused considerable fruit trees to bloom and the recent cold snap was quite a chill to the blooms but we still have assurance enough of fruit to ask the Editor to participate in a fruit supper this summer.

Plowing is still in vogue among our farmers and if the weather is favorable for good season this year we shall have much to be gathered by the general harvest time of nineteen and ten.

Miss Minnie Smith who has been teaching the Ellis school in Kent county is at home for a week's rest after which she will begin teaching at Lower Red Mud for a spring term. You have our sympathy Miss Minnie and if you continue thus here is one vote for you to have a pension.

S. D. Smith is the busiest man in this community, he entertains visitors, builds fires, chops wood, feeds the mules, engage teachers, smiles and sends his wife to town all the same day. Thanks Mr. Smith for your urbanity. If we had more like you the world would be more pleasant for all of

# J. B. CONNER,

Dealer in Grain  
And Hay . . . .

WAGON YARD IN CONNECTION. SPUR, TEXAS

## NOTICE.

Have party that will build brick business house for tenant. See H. T. Burgoon.

Just Received a big shipment of White Mountain Ice Ceram Freezers. Barber, Hancock and New.

## The Merchant Who Advertised

The non advertising merchants of this paper do not seek your patronage, your attention or favor—so why should you confer it up on them? The progressive merchant's pay attention to YOU, thus deserving to have your attention in return. They are "on their metal" all the time to secure values for you that will stand inspection—that will stand advertising.

For the fact that he advertises places upon the merchant the necessity to "make good"—to ment live competition—to so wisely buy as to be able to sell to your profit as well as his own.

He is placed under a perpetual test and he must emerge always with your increasing friendship.

He must work for you with your approval ever in mind.

He must find bargains for you—extra value things for you; he must protect you on styles, on qualities, on prices. He is enlisted in your service, and the non advertising merchant is not.

—Ex.

Don't doubt the existence of a just God, or refuse religion simply because some of alleged followers of Jesus are unmitigated hellians. The Devil has his spies in every church and among the first twelve disciples who walked with Jesus every day, there was a Judas who sold his Christ for the pitiful sum of \$15. The Savior is now sold every day by some of His professed followers for a much less sum. This fact, however, is not chargeable to the church or religion, If every member of every church on earth h was sincerely and truly all he professed to be, the world would be Christianized in a short time, and the evangelist would be out of a job.—Harpoon.

Judge McClain was in Saturday from his ranch on Cat Fish.

See us for Posts, Sash, Doors, Lime, Cement

AND HIGH GRADE  
LUMBER

Richardson Lumber Com'y

J. V. McCORMICK, Manager

Barber, Hancock & New, sells Sampson Wind mills.

J. E. Brown, of Waco, was in the city this week prospecting with a view of purchasing property here. He has been looking over the country and is well pleased and no doubt will buy land before leaving.

Mack Powers who has been sick of lagrippe the past several days, we are glad to note is now able to be on the streets again.

R. F. McGill, and J. E. Brown who is here from Waco prospecting, were in Dickens Sunday.

us.

Mr. Burnet, a good looking man of Garza county passed our way Sunday evening enroute to Afton for his mother-in-law, Mrs. Blair whom he will take home with him for the summer. He attended prayer meeting and took part with us in the services. Thus may it ever be with strangers passing through our gates.

T. S. Lambert of our community, after hauling water three years is at last having a well sunk on his place saying he was tired of hauling water, thus it ever is when one tires of a job he will change it. We see where you are right Bro. Lambert.

J. N. Zumwaldt loaded out with post in Spur last Saturday. He will use the same to fence a water melon patch for this year's planting which we hope will do well in maturing as this writer will take pleasure in sampling the melons during the season.

S. S. Alcorn and P. Henson, two of Tap's up-to-date farmers paid Spur a visit Monday and

city is ahead of our home town.

G. S. Greenwade made a flying trip to Tahoka this week to look after his cattle interest while Prof. B. O. Greenwade did the batching. Bernard says he could get all the meals on time except breakfast which he just could not get until he got up.

Ye Editor, accompanied by Mitchell Glenn and Godfrey, Spur's trio of goodlooking men, are expected to appear at our sanctum next Friday evening to scan us, listen to our deliberations, take supper with us and attend the Literary Society that night among a choice people. Please do not fail us.

PENCIL PUSHER.

Spur Grain & Coal Co.

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Grain, Hay, Coal and  
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Highest Prices Paid for

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Fresh Bread, Rolls, Buns and Cakes baked every day in back of Spur Meat Market.

## Wall Paper

A Complete Stock of Wall Paper is now on the road to Spur. Will be located until January 1st in Barber & Hancock grocery store.

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C. C. Tyler

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B. F. EDWARDS,  
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Will be in Spur 2nd Saturday of each month. Bring your horses and have teeth worked over. Examination free. At livery stable or wagon yard. Work guaranteed

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W. G. Sherrod, Cashier. C. G. Chandler, Asst. Cashier.

### DIRECTORS:

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F. S. Hastings, W. T. Andrews, A. J. Swenson, R. C. Forbis, W. G. Sherrod. R. V. Colbert.

Miss Pearl Gunn, of Grosbyton, visited Miss Lillian Denton in the city this week.

T. G. Harkey and little daughter left this week for Mineral Wells where they will spend a few days.

Mrs. W. D. Clay spent Sunday

with relatives and friends in Dickens.

Sheriff Cole was in Spur Saturday from Dickens.

J. E. Johnson, a prosperous citizen of three miles southeast of Spur, was here Monday on business.

## HORTICULTURE



### HORTICULTURAL NOTES.

Another batch of cyclamens should be sown to follow the August sown plants.

Keep freesias quite cool, but water freely and let them have all the light possible.

Turn up all dirty land roughly to expose the weed roots to frost and repeat this at intervals.

Look over caladium, gloxinia and begonia bulbs and do not let them get too dry or they will shrivel.

Put out the new orchard just as soon as winter breaks, but be careful that the roots do not freeze.

An acre of apple trees will pay better than an acre of corn and does not require one-fourth as much work.

Cold fruit tastes better than fruit that has been kept in a warm room. This is particularly true of grapes.

When pruning apple trees cut the limbs as near the trunk as possible, so the wound may heal over quickly.

Always cook apples in earthen or granite ware utensils and use silver, granite or wooden spoons for stirring.

Keep the propagating cases and benches full, as many things can be multiplied at this season, saving room later.

When poor fruit is produced there is a reason. Aim to find it by a careful study of the trees and conditions.

Tree planting must not go on in frosty weather, but the preparation of the quarters for trees need not be delayed.

A grape vine can be purchased for ten cents which may produce several bushels of fruit each year for one hundred years.

Fruit will keep better in a barn

## Spur Float Line

All kinds of dray work on short notice. Heavy hauling a specialty. We came here to stay, and we solicit a share of your patronage.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to action of the July Democratic primary.

For District Attorney:

ISAAC O. NEWTON

B. D. GLASGOW, (Re-election)

For County and District Clerk:

CEPHUS HOGAN

For County Judge

F. C. GIPSON

For Tax Assessor

E. L. HARKEY

J. A. MURCHISON

For County Attorney

ELLSWORTH HAM

## EMMETT LEE

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### WOOD FOR SALE.

See Fred O. McFall 3 miles northeast of Spur.

R. R. Morrison, who spent several days here looking after business interests, returned the latter part of the week to his home at Botan.

## E. J. COWAN

Fire Insurance  
&  
Notary Public

### LEGAL CONVEYANCER

Office next door to New Nat'l Bank Building  
PHONE 36

## The Royal Hotel

East Side Burlington Ave Powers and Son, Proprietors  
NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Table Board \$4.00 a Week  
Board & lodging \$5 a Week

## Confectioneries.

We have not only the swellest Soda Fountain in Western Texas but serve the very best drinks, the best cigars, tobacco, candies and confectioneries.

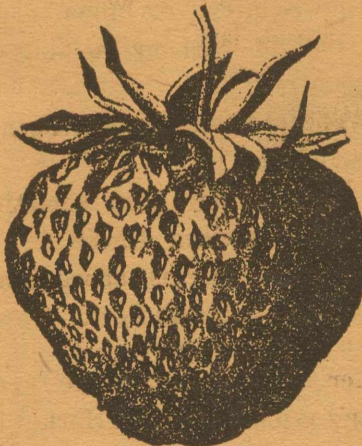
cellar than in a house cellar, for the house cellar is warmed by the heated rooms above.

Preparing stakes and labels and siding up roots of flowers or vegetables in storage makes good work for bad weather.

### CARING FOR THE STRAWBERRY

Plant Will Adapt Itself to Almost Any Garden Soil, But Rich, Moist Loam Is Best.

The strawberry will adapt itself to almost any good garden soil, but a rich, moist and fairly heavy loam is



A Profitable Variety.

best. Anything approaching a light, gravelly, shallow soil is useless; but where such exists it can be improved by the addition of clayey soil and by a goodly portion of cow manure or well rotted horse manure. While the strawberry delights in a rather moist soil, yet it is essential that water should be drained off and not allowed to remain on the surface.

Select good plants. There is no economy in planting cheap or inferior stock. It pays to plant the best,

about them.

Following this method all runners should be cut off as soon as they appear, as they will weaken the main plant. Keep the bed free from grass and weeds; cultivate the soil frequently, but do not stir the soil near the crowns, as this would injure the growth of the plant.

Mrs. J. A. Moore and son, Sam, of Lubbock came over Monday to spend a week in Spur with Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bruce.

Clay Smart returned Monday from Botan where he spent Sunday with home folks.

## P. H. MILLER

# Lumber Company

CARRY AT ALL TIMES A FULL LINE OF  
**LUMBER**  
AND ALL KIND OF BUILDING MATERIAL

We want to figure your bills.

We sell the Devco Paint

The trade of Spur and the surrounding country is solicited and will be appreciated. We carry a large stock in our line and can supply your needs.

# A CAR LOAD OF THE CELEBRATED "ECLIPSE" WINDMILLS

Will Arrive Next Week

OUR second car of P. & O. Implements is already here. Buy the Windmill and Implement that have given satisfaction for more than 40 years; whose merits are already established. You take no chances in getting ECLIPSE indmil ls, CANTON Cultivators and Planters, and SUCCESS Sulkies. WE SELL THEM.

## SPUR HARDWARE COMPANY

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WE are showing new things daily in our Dry Goods and Ready-to-Wear Department.



Fashion Form Corsets

NEW Kiamonas, Dressing Sacks, Muslin Underwear, Petticoats, Hosiery, Laces, Embroideries, Flaming, and Notions of various kinds.

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in New and more designs of stripes and diagonal weaves

NEW LINENS, PERSIAN LAWNS, INDIA LINONS, GINGHAMS

WE assure you that this Store can better serve Ideas.

### It's Our Strong Point To Show First

#### Miss Ruby Rice

an experienced Trimmer, will open for your inspection a full and complete line of NEW and Up-to-Now Line of

#### Ladies and Misses Hats

in our Store about TUESDAY, MARCH 22nd.

WE ask your presence to see the Line in advance of your spring purchase



ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS

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SPUR, TEXAS.

### THE SPUR HOTEL

REGULAR MEALS, 35 CENTS, RATES, PER DAY, \$1.50.

Good rooms and clean beds. Come and see us. "There is always room for one more."

#### C. C. HAILE, Proprietor

Mrs. P. V. Hale is now employed as day operator at the Luzon Telephone Company's.

C. L. Love spent Sunday and Monday with his family at Stamford.

H. F. Clay, a prominent citizen of Dickens City, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Spur with his sons, E. L. and W. D. Clay and families.

#### LOCAL CLIPPING.

Mrs. M. L. Jones of Espula, was in Dickens last Wednesday to see her father, H. T. Garner, who is quite sick.

W. M. Randall of Duck Creek, was in town Monday. He says they are needing rain a little in his section of the country.

The Item representative made a trip to Spur on business last Tuesday. We found our neighbor city still growing and her business men ready to do things for the upbuilding of Spur.

One thing we learned while there that should appeal to our own citizens, that is, each business man or firm, is giving \$15 a month for advertising purposes; to advertise Spur and surrounding country. This is the proper step, and will prove a good investment.

"Toot your own horn or it shall not be tooted"—Dicken Items.

Every town has its advantages and should make the most of them. Every town is peculiarly fitted for some enterprise more than another, and as soon as it is ascertained what would be most conducive to the growth and prosperity of the place the citizens should take hold of the matter and push it for all there is in it. One man cannot make a town. The newspaper cannot do it. But one man or a newspaper with the help of the wide-awake men of the place all pulling together can make a wide difference in the place. Every man who succeeds in a town is a help to it. The more money he makes if he spends it, the better for the community. The larger business he builds, the more he advertises, the more attention is called to the town. A man cannot build up an honorable business in a town without helping the country. A town cannot build up without helping the country.

The interests of one is the interest of all.

The rivalry that sometimes exists between towns in the same country is short-sighted policy.—Paducah Post.

We extend our sincere regrets and sympathy to Mr. Harkey and family in the loss of their home.

Mrs. Jettie Osman left this week for Mineral Wells where she will spend several days with her brother-in-law, Ben Roy, who is there for treatment.

Deputy Sheriff Auderton went over to Wichita Falls this week to deliver a prisoner to the authorities at that place. Mr. Auderton says that Wichita Falls is a fine town. The prisoner whom he carried over was want-

ed on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property. He has a family here, and since he has a number of small children dependant solely on the father his arrest is regrettable.

### MILLINERY!

New Spring Millinery, latest designs and shapes just arrived at the

#### LADIES BAZAAR

A nice line of Oriental Jewelry—the latest fad—on display. Also Novelty Belt Pins, Barrettes, Combs, Hair Goods, etc.

Mrs. Nelle Robertson  
Proprietress

### T. H. ELLIS

Farms, Ranches and City Property

Call in and see me. I may have just what you want. Office in White Front Grocery.

### Barber, Hancock & New

#### For the Next Few Days

we will close out the Grocery Stock for absolutely the Lowest Price ever been offered in Spur. We are compelled to make room for the Hardware line and for a few dollars in CASH you put in a big supply! Read over the following list and

#### See What You Need.

1 Case 6 Gallon, White Swan Syrup.....	\$3 75
1 case 6 gallon, Luv Lix syrup.....	3 75
1 case 6 gallon, Pure Cane syrup.....	3 75
1 case 6 gallon, Swiss Brand syrup.....	3 00
1 case Search Light matches.....	4 50
1 case 2 doz 3 lb. can tomatoes.....	2 35
5 1-2 lb. Waples Platters coffee.....	1 00
3 lb bucket White Swan coffee.....	90
3 lb. bucket elegant coffee.....	90
12 lb. W. N. T. National Leaf Tobacco.....	6 60
12 lb. Drummond Natural Leaf Tobacco.....	6 72
42 lb. Star tobacco.....	5 16
100 lb. fine salt.....	55
25 lb. fine salt.....	20
1 bushel potatoes.....	90

and numerous other articles at Exceedingly Low Prices

Remember the above prices are for Cash only. Come around, supply your needs and save money

### Barber, Hancock & Co.

# NEW SPRING DRY GOODS

At Morrison's

# CASH STORE

Our Spring Stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats, Shoes and Notions is now complete. We have an Up-To-Date stock of Goods which will be sold at the very lowest cash prices. - - - - -

We bought our Staple Dry Goods six months ago when cotton goods were much cheaper than they are now. You get the advantage of our lucky purchases. We quote you a few prices to give you an idea of what a load a dollar will pull at our store.

<p><b>Clothing</b></p> <p>It is not necessary to buy clothes from a tailor shop when we carry the best makes at a saving of from \$5.00 to \$10. per suit. Our best suits from now on, prices at <b>\$10, 12.50, 15.00 and up to \$25</b></p> <p>Our line of odd pants an of the very best make, made of the latest patterns and models, prices range from <b>\$1.00 to \$5.00</b></p> <p><b>Men's Furnishings</b></p> <p>Men's belts..... 35c, 50c and 75c          Boston and Paris garters..... 25c          Monarch shirts, new styles, \$1.00          Cluett shirts..... 1.50          Fine stock arrow collars 2 for 25c          Full line men's underwear, hosiery and soft shirts at rock bottom prices.</p>	<p><b>Boy's Clothing</b></p> <p>We can fit up the boys in the latest style suits or odd pants at prices to please.</p> <p>Full stock of overalls and work clothes. We carry the best brands, Ferks Detroit Specials, and Carhart.</p> <p><b>Shoes</b></p> <p>The new thing in Ladies' Pumps and Oxfords at \$3.50, 3.00, 2.50 and down to 1.50.</p> <p>The newest things in Men's Oxfords and high cuts at \$5.00, 4.00 and 3.50.</p> <p>Kerkendon work shoes, soft with flexible soles, no other shoe on the market like them, \$4.00, 3.50 and 3.00.</p>	<p>New dress shoes for men in Box Calf and Vici Blucher \$2.50          Try our soft leather plow shoes, perfectly comfortable at \$1.75          Children's shoes at correct prices.</p> <p><b>Groceries</b></p> <p>We buy Groceries and Feed in car load lots for Cash and are always in position to save you money on Groceries.</p> <p><b>Staple Dry Goods</b></p> <p>Best Calicoes per yd.....5c          10c Apron Check Gingham 7 1-2c          7 1-2c Cotton Checks.....5c          Good Bleached Domestic.....10c          Best Dress Ginghams.....10c          A. F. C., Red Seal, and all the good brands.</p>	<p>7 1-2c Seath Lawns.....5c          Best Table Oil Cloth.....20c          6 Spools Best Thread.....25c          Lay in your Cotton Goods while you can get them at these prices.</p> <p><b>Novelties</b></p> <p>We are showing all the new things in Ladies Collars.....25c to 50c          New styles in Belts.....25c to 75c          The latest styles in Wrist Bags at.....50c to \$2.00          Hair Turbans.....35c to 75c          Fine stock Ribbons, Laces and Embroideries.</p> <p><b>2000 Yards of Laces, worth 10 to 15c—go at only 5c the Yard.</b></p>
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# OUR POLICY

Is To do a Large Business on a Small Margin

We will always save you money on Dry Goods and Groceries. We appreciate your business and will always give you the very best attention. - - - - -

**R. R. MORRISON**

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The famous Sampson Windmill, Pipe Pipe Fitting Cylinder, Succor Rods, Garden Hose

## Oliver Plows, Etc.

O. V. B. Cutlery, the best on earth

When in need of anything in our line give us a call and get our prices for the are always right

## TO THE PEOPLE OF SPUR

and surrounding country we wish to thank you for your liberal patronage and solicit a continuance of same. We keep everything in Drugs and our prices are right.

COME TO SEE US IF YOU NEED ANYTHING IN OUR LINE

Dr. Meers and Morris' office with us  
Also  
Dr. Bachelor, Dentist.

Yours for Pure Drugs,

**THE SPUR DRUG STORE.**

## A New Grocery Store

**WE** have just opened up a grocery business first door east of post office on Fifth street and will carry a complete line of Staple Fancy groceries. Call in to see us, we will treat you right, and solicit a share of your patronage.

## HISEY GROCERY CO.

## T. H. Ellis

Farms Ranches and City Property

Office in White Front Grocery.

CALL IN AND SEE ME. I MAY HAVE JUS WHAT YOU WANT.

W. J. Maben spent several days this week with his family at Rotan.

Ladies, let us show you our line of Sewing-machines, our prices are right.

Barber, Hancock & New.

J. A. Lambdin came up from Stamford and spent several days here last week.

R. R. Morrison, after spending several days in Spur, returned the latter part of last week to Rotan.

### ADVANTAGES OF THE SILAGE

Experiments Demonstrate That Field of Corn Will Yield \$33 per Acre — Use in Fattening.

(BY PROF. D. H. OTIS, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.)

Of the various feeds which are the most palatable corn silage is without doubt the cheapest and most effective ration. It is a valuable feed for dairy and beef cattle and also for horses, calves and sheep. Many of the leading Wisconsin farmers find that silage can be handled as cheap, if not cheaper, than the corn crop can be handled in the usual manner. Silage furnishes a succulent feed with very little waste and is always ready to use.

In combination with alfalfa or clover, with a mixture of corn or barley for grain, silage furnishes an especially good ration, all grown on the farm and cheaper than mill feeds. The importance of palatability cannot be overestimated, as it increases the amount of feed eaten and, when properly assimilated, the more the animal eats the larger product it will return.

A ton of mixed hay occupies 400 cubic feet of space and eight tons of corn silage can be put in the same amount of room. The ton of mixed hay contains about 960 pounds of digestible dry matter, while eight tons of silage contain 2,560 pounds of dry matter. This one point of the economical storage of the corn crop, when put up in the form of silage, is worthy of attention where a large number of animals are fed.

The advantages of feeding silage during periods of drought is fully appreciated by those who have tried it. During the latter part of last summer Wisconsin suffered a severe drought and corn silage was fed to the university dairy herd. The flow of milk was never kept up so well during the summer as it was by the use of this silage. The summer silo is sure to become a more important factor in successful dairying.

The use of silage for fattening beef cattle has been tested at a number of experiment stations and by stockmen with excellent results. In experiments conducted by the writer it was found that silage fed steers sold at \$4.95 per 100 pounds, while those fed no silage brought only \$4.70 per 100 pounds, a gain of 25 cents in favor of silage fed animals. It was found that for every 100 pounds of gain 471 pounds of silage fed saved 18 pounds of grain and 156 pounds of alfalfa.

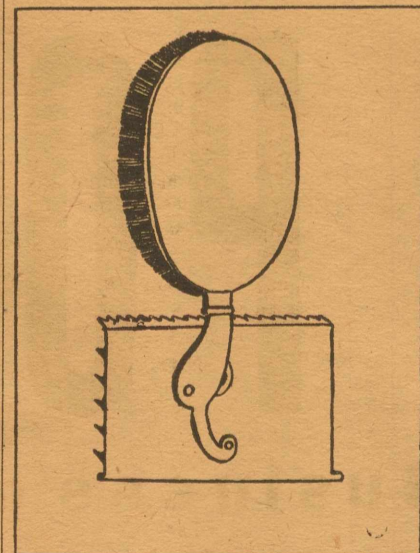
In these tests silage was fed in connection with alfalfa hay, corn chop, Kafir corn chop and cottonseed meal. The average yield, in unusual seasons, will produce 12 to 15 tons of green corn per acre. Even with a yield of 10 tons per acre there is an income, according to this experiment, of about \$33 per acre.

The financial statement of this experiment showed that the silage fed steers made a profit of \$4.10 per head, while the same grade of steers fed on the same feed except silage lost \$1.47 per head.

### GOOD CURRYCOMB AND BRUSH

Does Work with One Stroke, Saving Much Time—Handle is Removable at Pleasure.

The object of most inventions is a saving of time or labor or both. The man who succeeds in doing this usually finds a market for his invention, so it would seem that the California man who designed the combination currycomb and brush has made himself solid with the rural vote. This apparatus consists of an ordinary currycomb plate with a projection ex-



Currycomb and Brush.

tending from the handle, and a brush with a hollow handle. To make the combination all that is necessary is to thrust the handle of the comb into the handle of the brush and one implement is formed. Instead, then, of raking a horse with the currycomb and going over him again with the brush, the whole operation can be performed with one stroke by passing the brush portion of the new implement over the path left by the preceding stroke of the comb when the next sweep of the comb is made. In this way two horses can be cleaned in the time it used to take to groom one.

## Luzon Telephone Co.

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THE UERY BEST SERVICES EXTENDED TO PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC.

Let us put a 'phone in your home or place of business.

## Bargains In Lands

905 A. near Wake, Crosby Co., 80 a. in cultivation, good house, well, windmill, all good smooth land, \$16.00 per a., bonus, part cash, balance terms.

200 A. 16 miles north of Dickens, 100 a. in cultivation, one wells and windmills, good 4-room house 3 a. in orchard, all fenced with 4-wire, \$23 per acre, \$1000 cash, bal. to suit purchaser.

160 A. sandy loam, 75 a. in cultivation, 100 a. more tillable, balance pasture, 2 a. in orchard, 4-room house, good barn, well, windmill, smoke house, buggy house, \$25 per a., \$2000 cash, balance in 3 equal annual payments, 8

per cent.

6316 A., Shackelford Co., river bottom, 3-4 of tract agricultural land, balance fine grass, well watered, large two story, stone residence, fine stone barn, extensive lots and carrolls, tennant houses, \$12-50 per acre; part cash, bal. terms.

36-section-ranch, 14-section-school land, 22-section-railroad, \$15,000 improvements, 300 acres in cultivation. \$6.00 per a. 4 section all in a body, Gaines county, fenced on three sides. \$4 per acre bonus, 4 per acre due State 39 years 3 per cent. Will trade equity for other Texas property worth the money.

H. T. BURGOON,  
Spur, Texas.

## Are You Going to Build?

There are a number of things to consider when you go to build a house The first thing to consider is the place to get lumber, and your selection of a place to purchase material should always be from the very best and most reliable lumber men, a firm that will give you what you need and want. The next consideration is the price, and in price and quality of material we can not be beat anywhere by any firm. we have a large stock of lumber and building material of all kinds and will be glad to supply you in our line and will at all times give the very best service, the very best material and the very best prices.

## CAYLOR-LEARD LBR. CO.

### State Selling School Land.

Austin; Commissioner Robinson sold sixty sections of school land in Upton county on which leases have terminated. The average price at which this land sold was approximately \$7.20 an acre, which is a material increase over the price before the passage of the present land law at which this character of land was sold by the state. The price before the passage of the present land law at which such land would not be over \$1 an acre. The bidding for this land was rather spirited, there being about seven or eight bidders for each section.

White Mountain Ice Cream Freezers. Barber, Hancock and New.

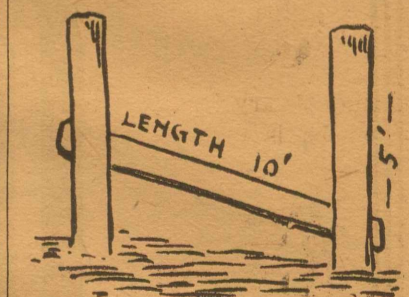
E. L. Clay, Ogletree and another party went over to what is known as the West pasture this week to put up some windmills.

J. E. Sparks was here Monday from his place near Tap. He came in after lumber to build and make additions to his home. There are many of the Tap and Red Mud people improving their homes this year.

### SCRATCHER FOR MANGY HOGS

Log Stretched Between Two Posts, Covered With Oil, Kept Well Saturated, is Excellent.

To construct a practical scratcher for hogs, place two posts, five feet long, firmly in the ground and ten feet



Hog Scratcher.

apart. Get a small log and mortise an end in each post, having one end six inches, the other 12 inches from ground. This will fit both pigs and hogs. Cover posts and log with old grain sacks and tack them on securely. Mix common machine oil and kerosene in equal parts and keep bags well saturated. The hogs will do the rest.

### Care of Animals.

Much is said about the health of hogs, cows and other domestic animals, and there is some ground for the agitation. All will admit that our domestic animals are not as robust and free from disease as they should be, yet we believe that conditions are such that our animals might be as healthy as they ever were in the history of farming.

We employ two of the best printers that we could afford.

# SPUR FARM LANDS

We Offer You a Choice From 673 Square Miles of Texas' most Productive Territory

Sold direct to the homeseeker, perfect title, no selling commission. We give full value for every dollar.

**\$12 to \$17.50**  
Per Acre

With some additions when close to town

## THE FARMERS' OPPORTUNITY.

To Secure a  
**HOME.**

STATE EXPERIMENTAL FARM STATION AT SPUR

Recognizing the great possibilities and wonderful future of Spur Farm Lands, the state has decided to place an Experimental Farm Station at Spur. This will be a great benefit to the settlers in this region, showing them by actual demonstrations on the lands what crops can be most profitably raised; best methods of cultivation, and assisting in all the problems of the farm. This decision was reached after a visit to the lands by Judge Ed. R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, and Dr. H. H. Harrington, Director of Experimental Stations, who recognize the unusual farming value

To the first comers, ready to develop, we are willing to sell one-half our holdings of 673 square miles on easy terms and reasonable prices. We reserve the other half for big increase sure to come with development. We stand shoulder to shoulder with the homeseeker. Cotton, no boll weevil, corn, alfalfa, all feed stuffs, grains, fruits, melons, vegetables. Great hog country—no cholera ever known. The hog farmer is king, and nowhere can hogs be matured so cheaply. Quick run to Fort Worth market. Delightful, healthful climate—altitude 2000 to 2,500. The great extent and variety of land insure the homeseeker such range of selection that the man early on the ground can find exactly what he wants. For further information as to land and lots, with free illustrated pamphlet, see

**Chas. A. Jones, Manager for S. M. Swenson & Sons,**  
SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

### WHAT IS AN EDITOR.

The above question has come ringing down the colonades of time for centuries. It has puzzled the young and old in nearly all the walks of life.

By some people the editor is considered a real human being, who has feelings, just like other people. By a few others he is supposed to be the missing link, whose feelings, if he has any, must be for the other fellow.

Many are of the opinion that if he had sense he would not be in the newspaper business.

Others think that he knows everything and should be a mind reader and should publish things people are thinking about for miles around. If they happen to see the editor and want a little free advertising they believe all that is necessary is to say: "You know what I want; fix it up to suit yourself." Then if, when the paper comes out, it is discovered that the mind was not read right, who is to pay?

Some take the editor to be a public pack-horse for everybody in the diggin's—think that he should at all times be glad to carry their loads; that he should make a specialty of booming individual enterprises free of charge while he must remain unboomed. That he should never hesitate to bring others to the front and take a back seat himself.

One class thinks he should

grind out roasts, run his business and get filled so full of ammunition that it would take six doctors nine days to pick the buckshot out of carcass.

A few believe that he should do everybody's kicking. If he does he is called an ass. If he fails, he is dubbed a cowardly cur.

A number take him to be an information bureau and think he ought to be able to pronounce the titles of all the Russian generals give the dates of their birth, histories of their lives and name the day on which they were killed or captured by the Japanese. They think they should be able to give an idea of the date of the Second coming, and know exactly what time of day it is in China. I have been told that one editor was called up at 4 o'clock in the morning to know whether it was proper to plant potatoes in the dark or the moon or in the ground. His reply was: "Ask your corn. It has ears' or let your potatoes see about it. They have eyes."

Quite a number of persons who get into trouble, and feel sure they are going to get into court and fear they are going to jail, go to the editor to get posted on the law. Fact of the business is an editor seldom studies law and knows no more about it than the lawyers do.

Yet the editor exacts some pleasures from life, for there are hundreds who plant for him here and there a rose and now and then drop a dollar in the slot.—

Glenn Rector, of Rotan, was here Tuesday and Wednesday to figure on the building of two two-story concrete business houses.

Before the year closes many of the temporary business houses erected in the rush of building of the city will be replaced by

substantial brick and concrete houses. Spur can boast today of having more substantial business houses than any town its age in Texas.

## R. J. R. Star Brand Shoes

WE invite you to come  
and see our Line of

**MENS, LADIES AND  
Childrens Oxfords**

In Black and Colors

A pleased customer is the best advertisement. We have received some

**Dry Goods, Notions and  
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Mar. 18 - 1910

# CLOTHES OF TODAY



## The Clothes

Shown by us are styles and fabrics of today We never sell the "has been" lines. The coats are tailored to have the proper swing and keep their shape.

Why: for the sake of a little more price buy cheap made clothes, they cost more in the end, and show their cheapness to your associates. Come in and allow us the opportunity of showing the clothes of 1910 model, made by the following High Class Clothiers: Stein Bloch, Rochester New York, Strouse & Bros., Baltimore, Md., and Eiderheimer, Stein & Co., Chicago.

New Oxfords, Stetson Hats, "soft and stiff," Our Own, Lambdin's Best and other Good Hats, New Shirts, Collars, Socks, Summer Underwear, Ties and other interesting items for men and boys.

P. S. We are carrying the largest line of work and roping gloves shown in this part of Texas. Lines just arrived in Hodkins, Busby and Carson. Let us have the pleasure of demonstrating the worth of this store to the purchaser.

# J. A. Lambdin & Company

AGENT ROYAL TAILORS AND ROSE & CO.

SPUR, TEXAS

"THINK OF THAT EASTER SUIT."

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### A Question That Will Not Down.

This from the Memphis Commercial Appeal is worthy of repetition:

All wealth comes from the soil. You can create wealth only out of the earth, or out of things that come from the earth. The one thing necessary for human existence is food, and all the ramification of men's activities are finely dependent upon this food problem.

We are apt to forget our obligations to the soil and tillers of the soil.

Our cotton, our wheat, our corn, our fruit, our wool, our cattle—these require the care of our existence and particularly of our civilization.

We are assulting the citadel

of all that is worth while when we, through our tax systems, discriminate against the farmer, who feeds us all. There are those who resent the late statement, but it is veritable truth—no farmer, no civilization.

And so we repeat: why should not the American farmer be privileged to buy in the market where he sells.

### A BUSINESS VIEW.

In this age when everybody from peasant to president is in a rush after the dollar, we are constantly taking a business view of everything almost that comes up, and scarcely ever think along any other line. This brings us down to try to get a view of some of the things that will be for the good of our town, in a business way.

First we would mention good roads as one of the greatest town builders know, which are equally good for a country. No county has lost anything by investing in good roads, and where tried we have yet to hear of the citizens, farmers in particular, who regretted the spending the money to build good roads. Is it not

J. F. Vernon, of Haskell, was in Spur this week assisting in the organization of the new state bank at this place. While

the officers and stockholders have not yet been fully determined, it is said probably Mr. Vernon will be cashier of the new bank.

A. E. Anderson, formerly of Cisco, is now one of the Texas Spur force and will move his family here at early date.

## Do Your Building With Concrete!

W. H. MORRISON, The Concrete Man of Spur, Builds Anything of Concrete: Churches, Schools, Stores, Residences, Bridges, Piers, Sewers, Chimneys, Flues. All work guaranteed. Estimates Free.

## Let Me Figure Your Building

business, then, to build good roads? Is it not business to spend money when it brings us more and better business? You will agree with us that it is. —Dickens Item.

A number of the Spur citizens contemplate a trip to Fort Worth this week to see the Fat Stock Show.

## Bartley Seed and Fuel

Corn, Hay and All Kinds of Feed and Fuel

North Side of the Street One-half Block West of

CALL IN AND SEE US. WE WILL TREAT YOU RIGHT.



## There is a Watch Repairer in Spur.

I have located in Spur a branch jewelry store. It is my intention to put in a first-class stock of watches and jewelry in Spur and it will be my endeavor to all times to give you the best quality in jewelry at the lowest prices. We repair watches, clocks and jewelry of all kinds. All work guaranteed. My business here will be in charge of Mr. W. C. Gruben, a first-class watch repairer.

**GRUBEN JEWELRY CO.,**  
Located in Lambdin Dry Goods Store. W. G. GRUBEN, Mgr.

Will Smith was a business visitor in the city Saturday from the Tap country.

Jim Perkins, a prosperous citizen of the Tap country, was among the many who had business in Spur Saturday.

Ed McArthur was here Saturday from Red Mud.

Mrs. T. B. Humphrey returned Sunday from a visit of several days out of the city.

Mrs. Sam Clemmons returned recently from a visit to Stamford.

Tol Merriman was in the city Saturday from his ranch south of town.

J. L. Luce was here from Tap Saturday.

Bill McArthur was in the city Saturday from the Red Mud country. Bill reports everybody in his section preparing land for crops, and while other sections are complaining of the ground being hard and dry, the sandy lands of Red Mud are in fine condition.

J. Y. Phillips was in from his home in the Red Mud country Saturday and pitched us a silver dollar for a year's subscription to the Texas Spur. He is farming right along and expects to make a bumper crop this year.

O. C. Scarborough returned the latter part of last week from Hamlin where he spent several days with Mrs. Scarborough who has been quite sick.

G. L. Barber and C. B. New returned Saturday from a fishing and hunting trip on the Canyon. They report having killed the game all right, and say that ducks in large numbers were found.

Prof. N. L. Clark, who is now teaching the Tap school, was in the city Saturday and invited two or three, including the writer, to visit his school Friday and also the literary that night. The Tap school is progressing nicely and pupils are reported advancing rapidly.

W. G. Sherrod and Miss Jeanette Maynard were visitors Sunday to Dickens.

Mr. A. R. Fouts came up from Rotan the latter part of last week and spent several days in the city with Mr. Fouts.

W. F. Godfrey and C. M. Glenn were visitors Sunday to Dickens. They carried a twenty-two target along and report the slaying of unknown numbers of prairie dogs along the route.

### SOW LIFTED SOME.

A few days ago I met a man who said he would be any reasonable sum that he had an old sow that could lift a ton with her snoot. He said she tore the hinges off his gate with the wagon box of corn backed up against it, so he would be sure to keep her in the yard. Another man stood near and with a grin from ear to ear said, "I'll bet you I've got an old sow that can lift more than yours." They argued for a few minutes and inquisitively the former said, "I wish you would tell me the truth. Mow much did your old sow ever lift?"

### THE WAY TO BUILD

The best way to build up a town is to stand by every man in the place who does right. Whenever a man is doing well do not tear him down. All residents should be partners, not opponents. In all likelihoods the more business your rival does the more you will do. Every business man who treats his customers honestly, courteously and fairly will get his share, and the more business that can be secured by united efforts, the better it will be for all. When a town ceases to grow it begins to die, and the more people try to kill each other's business in their town the more readily will utter ruin come to all. Stand together for the advancement of every citizen. If a man shows ability to prosper do not pull him back through jealousy or weight him down through cold indifference.--Stamford Tribune.

### Nothing Wasted with Sheep.

Nothing need be wasted on the farm where sheep are kept—tufts of grass, weeds and aftermaths and odd bits of feed can all be utilized and converted into wool and mutton.

### Bad Habits of Colts.

Look out for bad habits in your colts. It is so much easier to keep them out than it is to get rid of them if they once get a hold on the young horse.

## W. C. BOWMAN Lumber Comp'y

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DOORS, PAINT,

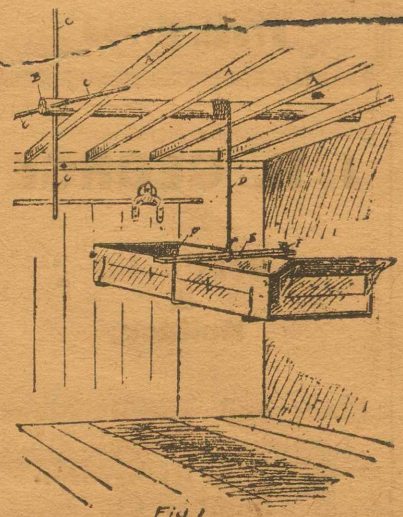
And All Kinds Building Material

It has just been reported to the Texas Spur that Messrs. W. G. Sherrod and R. F. McGill recently had a wreck between Spur and Dickens. While driving along the road home from the latter place the two gentlemen, it is said, became so absorbed in the discussion of recent events that the wheels of the vehicle came violently in contact with an unobserved telephone pole. The occupants were thrown from the buggy and considerably bruised. They came on to town sending back the following day for the remains of the vehicle and other things left in the excitement of the moment.

### HOW TO LIFT A WAGON BED

Illustration Showing How Body Can Be Raised, and Can Be Made by Any Handy Farmer.

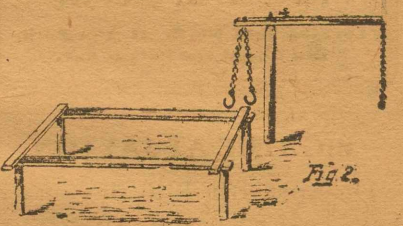
An apparatus for lifting a wagon body is a simple contrivance and may be made by a farmer handy with tools. A A A (Fig. 1) are joists of an ordinary wagon shed upon which is placed a wooden roller B. This is four inches in diameter. D is a strong rope which winds around the roller and is fastened at its lower end to the cross piece E. Through each end



Lifting Wagon Body.

of the cross piece passes a half-inch round bar F, with a bar on top of E. The lower ends of these bars end with square bends of three inches, which hook under the wagon bed and when turned half around will slip off and may be hoisted up and put out of the way. The handles C are four feet long and are mortised into the roller. A man or boy standing on the ground can turn the handles with ease and lift the bed in half the time it would require four men without this apparatus.

Fig. 2 shows a jack for a wagon bed and a platform or frame to receive



Wagon Bed Jack.

receive the bed by driving four stout stakes into the ground, as high as the top of the standards and nailing cross pieces to them. The lifter consists of a stout piece of scantling or timber, which will reach two feet above the wagon bed, the top rounded, and a pin driven into it, which passes through a slot in the lever. Two chains with hooks are fastened at the short end of the lever and a rope or chain at the other end. The arm should be three feet and the lever end nine feet. The wagon is driven close against the side of the platform. The lifter should be placed as shown in the illustration, on a line midway between the wagon and the platform. The hooks on the ends of the chains are then caught under the bed, or on the rod which passes through the rear end of the bed, and by pulling on the rope or chain the bed is easily lifted out and swung around on the platform. The front end may be lifted over. The jack can be used to return the bed to the wagon. The jack may be moved from place to place and is serviceable for lifting other heavy articles.

## MURRAY BROS. ARTISANS

BUILD ANYTHING YOU WANT  
FROM BRICK, STONE OR CEMENT

Houses, Culverts, Chimneys, Cellars, Flues, Cesspools, Sidewalks, Cisterns  
Sewers, Grain Bins, Silos, Henhouse, barns, etc.

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"Well, I tell you honestly," he said, "my old sow lifted a large mortgage off my farm. She is now six years old, has never raised less than seven and never more than ten pigs. This year she raised eight, I kept four and sold the other four for \$550. Altogether I have sold \$1,920 worth of stuff and she is the foundation of my whole herd. I paid \$150 for her when a bred gilt, and I am not sorry either. Last summer feed was very scarce and I turned her and her litter into a rough pasture and she mainly lived on fresh air and scenery." The man who owns this old sow is now recognized as one of the greatest Duroc Jersey breeders or country affords.—Swine Magazine.

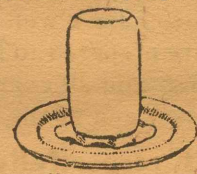
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### SELF-FEEDER FOR THE BEES

Simple Device for Feeding Industrious Little Insects with Sweet Stuffs is Shown.

A very simple device for feeding bees on syrup is shown herewith. Take an ordinary fruit can, fill it full of syrup and over the top tie a thick rag with a string. Then invert the can in a small pan or dish. The syrup will seep out through the rag around the edges of the jar just fast enough for the bees to keep it cleaned up.



### Producing Honey.

A colony of 40,000 bees will require three weeks to produce 50 or more pounds of surplus honey. In some sections of perpetual bloom hives have been known to give as much as 500 pounds of honey. One bee owner on the Pacific coast had 6,000 hives, which produced 200,000 pounds of honey yearly, worth \$40,000.

### Storing Celery.

If your celery is to be stored and held for late marketing it will keep better if not blanched too much in the field. Soil drawn up about the plants will help make the stalks straight and the plants compact, so they will store without necessary loss of space, but it is a mistake to try to complete blanching before storing.

### Care of Cellar.

Everything keeping nicely in the cellar? An iron kettle filled with the hot coals from the kitchen stove and set on the floor of the cellar every night will keep it dry and pleasant, but not too warm.

### The Making of True Men.

The great want of this world is men; men who are honest, sound from center to circumference, true to heart's core, men who will condemn wrong in friend or foe, in themselves as well as others; men whose consciences are as steady as the needle to the pole; men who stand to the right if the heavens totter and the earth falls; men who never flag nor flinch; men that have courage without shouting; men in whom the currents of everlasting life run still, deep and strong; men who do not cry or spoil their voices to be heard on the streets but who will not lie; men who are not too lazy to work nor too proud to be poor; men who hold their places and keep them; men who are willing to eat what they have paid for.—Ex.

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### BIG TIME AT JAYTON

On April 4th, 1910, Jayton will inaugurate her TRADES-DAY, for which purpose she has set aside the first Monday in each month, by having a riding tournament, foot racing, old fiddlers contest, ball games, tennis contests and other interesting feats. Everybody will be there, come and meet your old friends. 3t

Ice Cream and plenty of ice at our fount Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Spur Drug Co.

A baby girl was born to Stump Trawick and wife Tuesday.

Spur Bottling Works is now ready for business and will appreciate your business. Guarantee first class goods.

Oscar Goode, who has been sick of pneumonia the past several days is now up.

John Young, a prosperous citizen of the Afton country was in the city Tuesday, on business.

Judge Morris was here from Albany this week looking after his property interest in Spur.

Have you seen our special prices. Barber, Hancock & New.

Rev. Dr. Brindell, of Luxedo, preached Sunday at the Baptist tabernacle to an appreciative audience. He will be here again the 4th Sunday to fill his regular appointment.

We have plenty of gasoline, Carbon and lubricating oil in stock. Spur Drug Co.

Hon. W. P. Lane, of Ft. Worth, delivered a prohibition lecture Monday night at the Methodist tabernacle. He was followed by Supt. Eiklehurer of the Anti-Saloon League, who also delivered an excellent prohibition appeal.

Don't fail to look up our special-price ad.

Barber, Hancock & New.

R. M. Dickerson, of Stamford, was a business visitor in the city this week. Mr. Dickerson is a member of the Spur Grain and Coal Company firm of this city and also of the Stamford Brokerage Company.

Miss Jeanette Maynard, who has been visiting her brother and friends of Spur and Dickens the past several weeks, left Thursday for her home at Bastrop. She will go by the way of Ft. Worth to attend the Fat Stock show which is now in progress.

If you smoke buy your cigars from the Spur Drug Co.

Miss Kate Mahon, left Thursday for Ft. Worth, where she will attend the Fat Stock Show and also visit her sister, Miss Nell, who is attending a Business College in that city.

Bill Hyatt, was over Wednesday from Dickens and spent several hours in the city.

Mrs. Haile and son, Bob, and nephew of Matador, were in the city this week trading.

Mrs. A. R. Fouts, who has been spending several days with Mr. Fouts, returned this week to home in Rotan.

Dr. Meers went to Ft. Worth Thursday on professional business and also to attend the big show now in progress.

Otis McClure, who has been visiting in the city the past several weeks, left Thursday for his home in Mineral Wells. He

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Just received a nice fresh shipment of chocolates. Spur Drug Co.

Furnished room for rent, see J. E. Shelton at the Spur Hardware Co.

Jeff Harkey passed through Spur this week en route to Ft. Worth to attend the Fat Stock Show.

Z. T. Taylor, of the Duck Creek country, had business in the city Wednesday.

Barber, Hancock & New for cheap Groceries.

L. E. Larche, a prominent business man of Stamford was in Spur Wednesday and Thursday visiting T. H. Ellis and family and looking over the city with a view of locating a business here.