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## THREE BANKS FOR SPUR.

Three Banks With A Total Capital of \$175,000 Will Be Among the Assets of Spur

Aside from the Spur National Bank already established in the city with a capital stock of \$100,000.00, two other banks, the First State Bank and Farmers and Merchants State Bank, have been organized and are now making preparations to open up for business at the very earliest possible moment. The First State Bank will have a capital of \$50,000.00 and the Merchants and Farmers Bank will be capitalized for \$25,000.00.

Lots have been purchased by these institutions and banking buildings will be erected at an early date.

With the three banks here in operation the farmers and general public will doubtless have little trouble in securing the necessary funds with which to improve and tide over the dull season that may come later, at any rate with the three strong institutions in operation Spur and the Spur people will not be lacking in the banking line, and whether or not the town at the present time is sufficiently large to support the institutions in this line, it is predicted and firmly believed by this writer that within ten years at the longest, street cars will be in operation over the main streets of the city and we will have a population of many thousands and sufficient to maintain any and all character of institutions and industries that are here now and sure to locate here within that time. Spur is the coming town of this western country and these statements are being more fully realized every day by the general public. Today she has no superior considering age and has no pattern to go by, and at the end of ten years racing in town building and agricultural development Spur and the Spur country will lead everything in sight.

## VOCAL MUSIC NOTICE.

We want every singing class in this Great South Plains country to organize and elect their delegates to meet with "The Great South Plains Singing Convention" which meets with the Prairie View class at Prairie View school house in Dickens county Texas, on Saturday at 2: o'clock P. M. before the first Sunday in May 1910. Located on Floydada and Dickens City about 6 miles south-east of Wake, Texas, and just upon the plains. Singers get busy and meet your "Own" Convention, lovers for more and better vocal music.

J. A. Freeman Pres. Crosby-

ton Texas; P. H. Leatherwood, Sec. and Treas. Wake, Texas.

## EASTER.

The term "Easter" is supposed to have been derived from Ostera, or Eastre, the goddess of spring, and the personification of the morning. The feast of this goddess was celebrated by the ancient Saxons in the spring of the year.

This ancient pagan festival was utilized by the early Christian fathers and by them turned into the Christian observance now known throughout Christendom as "Easter." There was a difference among the eastern and western churches as to the date of this observance, but in 325 A. D. the council of Nice declared that the Easter celebration should be held on the first Sunday following the full moon, on or after March 21. If the full moon should happen on the Sabbath, then Easter should fall on the following Sabbath.

The Christian Easter commemorates the most vital fact in Christianity. In these days it has been made an occasion for the display of flowers and millinery, but underlying all else is the resurrection of Christianity's founder.

Christianity, as a divine revelation, stands or falls with the establishment or overthrow of this fact. If the resurrection of the prophet of Galilee was not actual and accomplished fact, then his claims to the spiritual leadership of mankind are spurious. He based the success of his mission on the fact of his resurrection. If he did not rise, as he predicted he would, then the seal of divine truth was upon all he taught and all he wrought.

There are many who cannot believe in the miracle of the resurrection. For them the Easter celebration is all foolishness. But multitudes believe with unflinching faith in this triumph of the God-man over death and the grave.

To them Easter is a day of cheer, hope and joy. The basal fact of Christianity gives foundation and force to their faith and their hope. More joy bells will peal forth their notes of victory to-day, more glorious anthems and oratories will break forth from human hearts and voices, more human tongues will speak and sing the praises of humanity's Christ than at any time since the angels said to the affrighted woman at the gateway of the tomb: "He is not here, he is risen, as he said; come, see the place where they laid him."

The Christian faith is too deeply rooted in the heart of humanity ever to die away and the annual Easter celebrations serve to strengthen that faith.

## A TRIP TO DICKENS CITY.

The Business Men Have Well Stocked Stores, and The Citizenship Progressive.

Tuesday the Texas Spur representative, accompanied by Dave Gray, hooked up old Printer and headed for Dickens City and after an hour's drive arrived at our destination. This was our first visit to the city since Spur was created, and we want to say that we never met with a heartier welcome and a more friendly class of business men and citizens than the people of Dickens.

During our stay of several hours in the city, we first visited the large mercantile establishment of T. G. Harkey and judging from the large and varied stock of goods carried we are confident the customers get not only what they want in the mercantile line but meet with a cordial reception on the part of the management and affable clerks.

We next called at the Bank and met Cashier Wilkerson who informed us that money matters at this time was nearly as tight as during the panic of 1907. However the bank had a little matters become expected within thirty days. We found that Mr. Wilkerson was not only pleasant gentleman but willing, ready and anxious to do anything for the betterment of his town and the condition of the people.

We next called on A. S. Jackson, the hardware man. He carries a large stock of shelf hardware, farm implements, etc., and his large warehouse is filled with goods in the hardware line, and no doubt he enjoys a liberal patronage.

The drug store was next visited, and Messrs. F. C. Gipson and J. B. Yantis who have charge of this place of business are not only expert and experienced druggists but are most pleasant gentlemen. They carry a complete stock of drugs and all kinds of medicines and are prepared to fill any prescription entrusted to them.

We also called on Mr. Hyatt, the liveryman. He said that he was figuring on closing out his business by a sale or trade at an early date.

From here we crossed over to the court house, and here we wish to say that Dickens county can boast of as fine and handsome court house as any Western county. It is built of brown stone, two stories in height and handsomely finished. Here we met C. B. Ferguson of the Dickens County Land and Abstract Co., whom we found most accommodating. Mr. Ferguson is also secretary of the Commercial Club of Dickens which evidence

of the progressive spirit of the town and its citizenship. He among other things informed us that he would be a candidate for county judge at the coming election. Aside from being a retired newspaper man, Mr. Ferguson is well informed and fully competent to fill the Judge's office. In the office was also Mr. Maynard who is a member of the firm and also that of Bouldin & Maynard attorneys.

In another part of the court house we found Cephus Hogan, the clever and accommodating Deputy County Clerk, who gave us information concerning his official department.

We then crossed over the street on the east side of the square and called in at the restaurant operated by B. F. Brock, and finding him away we went on up the street to the boot and shoe shop of B. A. Crego. Here we found Mr. Crego and Mr. Shields and another workman busily engaged in making boots and shoes, and from appearances they had plenty employment and were turning out up-to-date and first-class work. Mr. Crego is the present county treasurer and it is very probable that he will have no opponent since he has served the people well and faithfully in the past.

The Dickens Item was the next stop, and here we met Editor Cobb and his assistant, Mr. Mullinix, busy as is the case in all print shops. They were putting in several fonts of new type and other material which is further evidence that printers material and printers ink is in demand, and if properly used will prove the biggest investment, considering the amount, that a town or individual business concern can make.

Next place visited was Gunn, Love & Co. Here the proprietors were out but we noted that they carried a large stock of dry goods, notions and general merchandise, and from appearances were able to supply the trade in their lines.

J. H. Stradley, on the north east corner of the square was the next stop, and we found him pleasant and agreeable. He carries a complete stock of groceries, etc., and enjoys a liberal patronage.

E. L. Harkey was found in his place of business, he having a confectionery stand and barber shop in connection, serving his patrons with tobaccos, cigars etc. shaves and hair-cuts. Mr. Harkey is a candidate for Tax Assessor and also makes it a part of his business to solicit votes in the coming election. He has been here a long time, and aside from being a fine citizen he

## AN OLD TIME SPELLING BEE.

The Old Blue Back Speller Brought Into Requisition and A Very Entertaining Program Rendered

A spelling Bee was had Friday night at the Asher building in the city, there being somewhere near one hundred present who took part in the spelling and program for the evening.

After choosing the spellers for each side, M. H. Herring was appointed to give out the words from the old Blue Back spelling book, and during the hour in which the contest continued much merriment was indulged at the simple words and mistakes made. Dr. Bachelor was the first to go down and out, and because of his deficiency in the art of spelling he was awarded the booby prize consisting of Easter candies, upon the delivery of which he was proclaimed the sorriest speller in the house. Miss Box, of the Ladies Bazaar, received the grand prize for being the best speller, she having spelled down the house, and the prize was a box of fine stationery. Recitations by Misses Ima Baker and Cleola Richburg were highly entertaining and by all. Throughout the evening light refreshments were served and delightful music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. New with the violin and piano.

The entertainment was given by the ladies of the Methodist church and the proceeds, amounting to about twenty five dollars, will be devoted to church work.

## NOTICE TO MASONS.

All Masons residing in Spur or the neighborhood are requested to attend a meeting to be held at the Spur National Bank Monday night, April 11th, for the purpose of taking steps to organize a lodge at Spur. Be sure to attend.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the people of Spur for their kindness and sympathy during the sickness and death of our beloved father and husband.

Mrs. C. R. Hamill and children.

## FIRE AT SWENSON.

Tuesday night about 10 o'clock fire consumed the Swenson Townsite office. Loss about \$500 with no insurance—The true property belonged to Green Harrison. Cause of fire unknown. This is the first fire at Swenson.—Aspermont Star.

knows the conditions and values in this section and is fully competent to fill the office he seeks.

On the whole our trip to Dickens was enjoyed and we wish the people of that town and country much prosperity.

## 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.

**Ross & Pollock, Props.**

## 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.**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Skinner were recent visitors to Spur.

Mr. Lowery was a recent business visitor to the city.

Misses Pearl and Lottie Richards were visitors Friday to friends at Dickens.

The highest market price paid for butter and eggs at the White Front Grocery Store.

Mrs. J. B. White and children returned this week from Rotan where they spent several days with friends and relatives.

Cashier Wilkerson, of the Spur Monday in route home from a business trip down the railroad.

P. Henson was in the city Monday on business from the Tap country. Mr. Henson has just completed an addition to his residence near the Red Mud school house.

R. R. Morrison, who has been here several days looking after his business at this place, returned the latter part of last week to his home at Rotan.

Mr. Riter, of the Riter Hardware Company of this place, returned Monday from Hamlin where he spent several days with his family.

Chas. A. Jones made a business trip the latter part of last week to Stamford, looking after details of the sale of the Spur ranch cattle which was made recently to W. J. Lewis of Clarendon.

T. B. Danforth, a prominent citizen of the Tap country, was here Saturday and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office. Mr. Danforth informed us that he would be a candidate for Tax Assessor on the Socialist ticket. He reports that he came near having a very painful accident Friday while moving a house. One of the rollers ran over his foot, but being in deep sand the foot was not seriously injured.

R. S. Holly, who recently moved from Spur to near Gilpin, was in the city this week and reports that they had a good rain in that part of the country recently. He is making a crop this year and says he has fine prospects at the present time. The rain, he says, was sufficient to enable the people of that section to continue to brake sod.

Quite a number of the young people attended the school entertainment and dance Friday night of last week at the court house in Dickens. The entertainment was given for the benefit of the library fund and we understand that a nice little sum was realized.

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### NOTICE.

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

### LOCAL CLIPPINGS.

F. C. Gipson made a trip to Spur last Tuesday.

Mac Taylor and Mrs. Griffin of Spur, were in Dickens last Saturday.

Messrs W. M. Brown and Lane of Paducah, spent Tuesday night in Dickens, the guests of Rev. W. A. Wilson. They were on their way to Spur.

Messrs McGill and Chandler, of Spur, were in Dickens last Sunday.

S. S. Allcorn of Red Mud community, was in the city last Wednesday.

Messrs Bryant and Baker, of Spur, were in Dickens last Saturday making an effort to get the commissioners to put the cap rock, west of here, in good condition. We don't know what will be the outcome of their efforts.

Rev. W. A. Wilson made a trip to Spur Wednesday on church business.—Dickens Item.

Just received a car of Poultry netting and barbed wire.

Barber, Hancock & New.

S. A. McCombs returned Monday to Luzon after spending several days in Spur looking after the telephone business here.

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

AND HIGH GRADE  
LUMBER

Richardson Lumber Com'y

J. V. McCORMICK, Manager

S. S. Allcorn, a prosperous citizen of the Red Mud country, was a business visitor to the city Monday.

A. O. Barnard was here this week from his home near Girard. He reports everything in fine shape in that section of country.

J. E. Brown, who is here from Waco, called around this week and had his name added to the list of subscribers to the Texas Spur. Mr. Brown has purchased farm land near the city and also residence property in the city and expects to move here soon to make this his home. We are glad to welcome Mr. Brown and family as citizens of the Spur country and wish them much prosperity here.

We are informed that Crawford Cobb, editor of the Dickens Item, recently made a trip to Mississippi and it is further stated that while in that state he was married to a charming young lady. We extend our heartiest congratulations to Editor Cobb and wife, and may their life together over the matrimonial seas be pleasant sailing.

N. Q. Brannen and family were recent visitors to relatives at Aspermont.

Mr. Priddy, a prominent citizen of the Croton community, had business in Spur Monday.

Phone No. 70, White Front Grocery Store, when you want the best at a moderate price.

Mr. Farmer don't fail to see our line of Oliver plows before buying.

Barber, Hancock & New.

H. P. Cole and family were visitors Sunday to friends in the city, returning in the afternoon to their home at Dickens.

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**Supply and Demands in Meat.**

According to government statistics of the number of meat animals marketed during the past fifteen years, the number of them marketed during the past few years doesn't vary to any great extent more than these numbers did years ago; but the figures show that the supply is behind the demand of the increased population of the country.

There must be taken into consideration, in this connection, the fact that the number of meat consuming people in the United States is increasing each year by about two and a half millions, and a large number of those already in the country are becoming more independent and are consuming more meat diet than they formerly did. It will take two years, at least, according to the best calculators on this subject, for the pork supply to be brought back to a normal con-

dition, even if moderate priced gain could be fed, but working against this condition is the fact that pork producing grains are high, curtailing, in an immense degree the feeding proposition.

On top of that the price of pork being high is too tempting for farmers and feeders to keep even the supply of sows for breeding purposes they should keep. It is quite likely that the coming summer will see more sows marketed than have ever been marketed during a summer season, simply because a price of 10c will draw them from the farm to the shambles in spite of all the argument. This fact, and it is a fact, should stimulate hog raising in Texas, for it will yield big returns for several years, properly conducted.

The sows that will be rushed on the market during the coming summer and early fall should under all circumstances be bred

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**Mrs. Nelle Robertson**

Proprietress

Deputy Clerk Cephus Hogan, of Dickens, was a business visitor in our city Friday of last week.

Have those pictures framed, we have received our moulding and can frame any size or style picture. Campbell & Campbell.

**Watch Spur Grow!**

**WE COME TO GROW  
UP WITH THE CITY**

Our business has exceeded our expectation, so we are able to give you some Matchless Values in Spring Footwear for the entire family. Baby size 25c and up. Some extra values for boys at 90c up, and others. The Flaxon Spring Dress Goods in colors for 15c per yard. We invite you to come and let us show you.

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Linen, Dress Linen Etc., Etc.

In our ready to wear department we  
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Ladies Tailored Suits and Seperate  
Skirts in Linen, Tailored Skirts, Waist,  
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The Hippocratic oath is a solemn oath said to have been administered by Hippocrates himself to his disciples when they were about to enter upon the practice of medicine. According to the term of this oath, the asseverator pledged himself to absolute purity of morals, and solemnly promised to practice his profession in accordance with the principles of humanity and honor. The novice further pledged himself to the most disinterested brotherhood with all persons legitimately connected with the healing art, and to deeds of kindness toward their offspring.

**AT THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY**



"What! You here again? Why I got you a situation only yesterday!"

"But I don't want to stay there." "Why? Have you had a quarrel with your mistress?"

"O, not a word! I merely locked her in the bathroom, and took my things and left!"

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

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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

For Sheriff

H. P. COLE

FOR RENT—Lots 3 and 4, block 27. State business and give references. F. W. Klinkscapes, Plainview, Texas.

Just received a nice fresh shipment of chocolates.

Spur Drug Co.

Everything fresh and of the best quality at the White Front Grocery.

### TAP TELLINGS.

The weather conditions in our community the past week have been lovely and farmers are about all ready to plant as soon as a season comes. The rain the past week did very little good. Our pastures are green and pretty.

Stock have wintered remarkably well and when the census enumerator comes around we are glad to say our community can make a good average showing in crops, stock, poultry and babies for 1909 and 1910.

P. Henson has greatly enlarged his residence this week having annexed a room which materially helps in improved conditions of his premises adding comfort to his home, and just here we mention Johnny Sparks being in the improvement circle he having gone to Spur today to get lumber to finish his plan of bed room and gallery on the south of his residence.

Miss Ollie Smith, her mother brother and two cousins took their departure for New Mexico last Monday. They have been at Jeff Smith's and they desire the Texas Spur to follow them to Red Land.

Copeland brothers are drilling a well on E. Luce's place in the shinnery north west of Tap. When this is completed Mr. Luce will be equipped for furnishing

water on his different places and the public in general since he has an excellent well at his store at Tap.

Greenwade Brothers have gone to Stovall's place to keep house for them while Mr. Stovall's go to Snyder trading, visiting and viewing the growth of the Queen city of Scurry county.

S. S. Allcorn and wife, made Dickens a visit Wednesday and report the quiet city by the hill side all O. K. with splendid suit of county officers and excellent business men, a blooming set of clerks and some men who can give the old time candidate grip fully up to-date.

M. M. Young preached at the Tap church last Sunday and at night, his subject, John 3-5 which he premised in conjunction with another scripture and delivering a very able discourse therefrom.

Grandma Sparks says she can not think of any news for us as she just lies in bed and coughs. Grandma you have our sympathy.

Tom McArthur threatened to take our best girl (which is a widow) away from us last Sunday and he is hereby notified to lookout lest he get into a life long trouble for we have trained our gatlin gun on him already. Tom you are in unknown danger.

Uncle Bose Brantner is the best cistern builder in Texas as

his work plainly shows at several places around Tap and the joke thrown in with his work is it always rains plenty to fill the cistern after he has finished it.

Uncle Jimmy Sparks got tired of working with men this week and went to help the women folks. He says he was best in the trade and will hereafter stay at his work with men.

R. S. Booth of Red Hill spoke to a fair sized audience last night at the school house on the subject of Farmers Union. Mr. Booth's discourse showed that he had studied the question with that profoundness to which every American citizen should awaken. Here is to equal rights to all and special privileges to none

PENCIL PUSHER.

Judge A. S. Forrester, a prominent citizen and business man of Rotan, was in the city last week on business and also to visit his son-in-laws, Allen Askey and H. E. Johnson and families. Mr. Forrester thinks Spur is a fine town and since he has made several trips here no doubt each trip he notes the substantial growth and naturally he will want to join us in the building of a modern and substantial city. At any rate we give the Judge a cordial invitation to come over and help us.

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# SPUR HARDWARE COMPANY

### The Effect of Declaration.

In Chestnut street in the City of Philadelphia, stands a building known as the Independence Hall, but in the colonial days it was called the State House. This is one of the scenes of the American patriotism, for it was in one of its low-roofed, quaint old rooms that the Declaration of Independence, which made the United States a nation, was debated and decided.

In the month of May, 1775, the second Continental Congress, which had the authority of a general government over the colonies, met in Philadelphia. Lexington and Concord had been fought the previous April. In June congress chose as commander-in-chief of the American army George Washington, who was present as a delegate from Virginia. Setting out in the latter part of that month to take command in Massachusetts, he heard of the battle of Bunker Hill.

There was thus war. But the colonists were in arms, not for separation from the British government, but for their rights under that government.

To a large portion of the American people, the idea of a final separation from England was at this time distasteful. Even after months of fighting, they clung to the hope of a friendly settlement of the difference. Franklin was an advocate of reconciliation, and so was Washington who at a later period wrote, "when I took command of the army I abhorred the idea of independence." When the Americans saw their respectful petition to the British government treated with dishonor and fleets and armies sent to compel them to submit to unjust laws their eyes were opened to the fact that submission was slavery.

Washington who in July 1775 had (abhorred independence) wrote less than a year afterwards "Reconciliation with Great Britain is now impossible, and I am fully convinced that nothing but independence will save us." Of course this feeling among the people soon found voice in congress. On the 7th of June Richard Henry Lee, one of the (delegates from Virginia) of a resolution that these united colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States. This resolution was at

once seconded by John Adams of Massachusetts, and he was afterwards called "glorious old John Adams."

When a vote was taken on this resolution it was seen that congress was not yet prepared for a measure so decisive. Seven of the thirteen colonies voted for the resolution and six voted against it. As a greater majority than this was necessary it was agreed that the matter should stand over for two or three weeks. In the meantime it was thought the people of the colonies would show whether they were ready for independence or not. And they did show it very clearly.

Before the end of the month the people of every colony but one had either held meeting and voted that they wished for independence or else had instructed their delegates to vote for it. During this time of delay congress had appointed a committee to draw up a declaration of independence, for it was thought very important that Lee's resolution should be prefaced by what is called a preamble: that is an introduction setting forth the reasons that led congress to adopt the measure. The committee consisted of Thomas Jefferson of Virginia, John Adams of Massachusetts, Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania, Roger Sherman of Connecticut and Robert R. Livingston of New York.

Jefferson, though very young, was known as a very able young man and as John Adams tells us had the reputation of a masterly pen and he was requested by the committee after discussing the topic to make a draft of the declaration of Independence.

In a few days Jefferson was able to lay before the committee a document which proved that he indeed flourished a masterly pen.

This was the immortal Declaration of independence—the most famous political paper ever written.

With the exception of two or three verbal changes suggested by Franklin and Adams, the declaration was adopted by the committee just as Jefferson had written it and on the 28th of June it was presented to congress.

On the 2nd of July the resolution to declare the colonies independent was adopted by con-

gress. The draft of the declaration was at once taken up and debate on it began. The discussion was very long—lasting through the 2nd and 3rd and into the 4th of July. There was still some opposition to voting for independence at all. And the Declaration was considerably changed or amended. Those who favored it were the leading minds of congress and they urged its adoption with masterly eloquence and power.

Fortunately while congress engaged in the discussion on other argument was brought to bear on the minds of the people. For just at this time news came that a large British force under General Howe had arrived at the entrance of New York Harbor. The united action was now felt to be essential and most of those who had faltered

pendence. It was two o'clock in the afternoon of the 4th of July, 1776 when the final vote was taken and deep silence pervaded the assembly when Secretary Thompson rose and announced to Congress that the declaration was adopted by the unanimous voice of the thirteen states.

during the forenoon of the 4th, thousands of anxious citizens had gathered in the streets of Philadelphia—for it was known that the final decision was to be made on that day.

From the hour when congress met in the morning the old bell ringer had been in the steeple ready to peal forth the joyful tidings. At the door below he had placed his boy to give him notice when the announcement was made. As hour after hour passed by and no word came the gray-beard shook his head and said "They will never do it."

Suddenly a loud shout came up from below and there stood the lad clapping his hands and shouting, to ring. Grasping the tongue of the bell the old man swung it backwards and forwards a hundred times or more: its loud voice proclaiming liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.

The Declaration was signed sometime after its adoption by every member present who voted for it. When the delegates came up to sign Franklin was as every ready with his cheerful wit.

John Hancock, who was the

presiding officer of congress, headed the signers—said to the others, "We must be unanimous, there must be no pulling different ways—we must all hang together."

"Yes," said Franklin, "We must all hang together are else we will all hang separately."

We can imagine the members smiling at Franklin's fun, yet grave thoughts must have been in the minds of those who had taken this step.

For what was this Declaration? It was a solemn announcement that the connection with Great Britain was at an end and the colonies were free and independent.

The vigorous action of Congress nerved the colonies for their great enterprise. It was seen that the quarrel must now be openly won or shamefully lost. Everywhere the Declaration was hailed with joy.

It was read to the army amidst exulting shouts. It gave them the inspiration of a great cause and sustained them in dark days of the long revolutionary struggle till that which was declared in the Independence Hall in 1770 was acknowledged by all the world in 1783. Children who are enjoying the priceless blessing of that liberty which cost our fore fathers so much treasure and so much strife.

Have you read the declaration of Independence? If you have not read it. If you have read it again, study it, make its noble sentiments your own and do not fail to grave deep in your memories these immortal lines. We hold these truths to be self evident. That all men are created equal that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, and to secure the rights government is instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, that whenever any form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to effect safety and happiness.

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The Statement in the last issue of the Texas Spur referring to an operation by Dr. Standifer on Mr. White in which it was stated Dr. Standifer removed one point of the spinal column, was to some extent misleading—but was an error on the part of the gentleman who reported the case and not error of the Texas Spur. I did remove the lower segment of the spinal column—called the coccyx or tip end of the spinal column, and wish to thank the Texas Spur for her kind reference to my surgery and assure her that I do not make this correction for any other reason than that I do not wish to claim more for my work than is due. Thanking the Texas Spur for her kind mention to my efforts  
I. E. STANDIFER.

W. W. Waldrup, a prosperous citizen of near Casco, was in the city last week and called around at this office and had the paper sent to his address, for which he has our thanks. Almost daily we are adding new names to the subscription list, and which is not only appreciated but is evidence that our efforts to publish a newsy and readable paper is appreciated at least by a majority of the people of this section of the country.

J. B. Morrison was here Saturday from his home in the Red Mud country. He reports the people of his community all busy preparing to farm this year with fine crop prospects.

Editor Crawford Cobb and wife passed through the city Monday on their return from Mississippi to their home at Dickens.

I have four or five more good milk cows to sell, five miles north of Dickens. 1tp  
W. J. Clark.

### GARZA COUNTY GOES DRY.

The election held Saturday in Garza county to determine whether or not whiskey should be sold in the county, resulted in a victory for the prohibitionists. Elections were held in all precincts, except No. 3. A total of 126 votes were cast, 94 for and 32 against prohibition. This probably settles the question for all time to come as regards this county.—Post City Post.

### MARRIAGES.

W. D. Rose and Miss Florence Stephens were married last week in Spur and are extended congratulations and good wishes by their many friends.

Ted Darden and Miss Eula Beedle were married last week in Dickens. Their friends extend congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy and prosperous wedded life.

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### COMMISSIONERS COURT

A special called session of the Commissioners court was held Tuesday at the court house in Dickens for the purpose of considering the jail proposition. It seems that a contract had been made for the building of a new jail, and that for some reason the contractors have been delayed in the building. A representative of the contractors was present and explained the delay but whether or not the explanation was satisfactory to the court we have not heard. At any rate some think an explanatory only will not be satisfactory.

A petition was also presented by Wm. Randall and 34 others asking for a road to be opened east of Spur, beginning at the S. E. corner of section 169, H. & G. N. survey and ending at S. E. corner of section 165, intersecting with the Spur road at Gilpin. The petition was granted.

### HASKELL DRY.

As a result of the local option election in Haskell county last Monday the county went pro by a large majority. There were cast 1336 votes for prohibition and 665 against.

### FIRE AT SWENSON.

Tuesday night about 10 o'clock fire consumed the Swenson Townsite office. Loss about \$500 with no insurance—The true property belonged to Green Harrison. Cause of fire unknown. This is the first fire at Swenson.—Aspermont Star.

Tom McArthur was in the city Saturday from his home in the Red Mud country.

## Riter Hardware Co. Ready For Business

**WHILE we have not yet received our complete stock, we have and will be glad to show you our goods in these lines.**

We will give you the very best prices and the very best goods. We also have a well equipped and first-class tin shop in connection and are prepared to furnish patrons and the public with tanks, guttering, and all character of tin and sheet metal work of the highest class and at the very best prices to be found anywhere.

**WE respectfully invite the public to call in and see us, inspect our goods and become customers and friends of the**

## Riter Hardware Co.

Spur, Texas

Mark Hardin, Jr., who is now serving as one of the deputies in the County Clerk's office at Dickens, spent Sunday in the city.

### DIED.

Thursday night of last week the infant of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Upshaw died and the remains were interred Friday in the Spur cemetery. The infant lived only six days, and friends extend condolence to the family in their loss.

We are not in a position to see every man and ask him to subscribe for this paper, but we want it understood that we desire every citizen to subscribe for it, and if you come in without a personal solicitation it will be doubly appreciated. Come in and let us put your name on the list.

Clarence Day was here Saturday from his home in the Red Mud country, and was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Felix Gipson and family visited friends and relatives in the city the latter part of last week.

J. H. Fox and wife were in the city Friday from their home several miles southeast of town.

## Ice Ice Ice

Just received 1 car of Stamford Ice and will continue to keep ice through warm weather. Free delivery from 7 to 11 a. m. Phone your wants to No. 76

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



## Blooming of Spring!

### EASTER IS THE OPENING BUD OF SPRING

The day set apart and looked on as the proper time to comfort in New Spring Dress The showing of Clothes for Men this spring is very different in many ways from that of previous seasons. Good Style garments are minus of the frivolous trimmings. The pants are easy cut and several other conservative ideas are noticeable.

### Our Showing Represents The Best Made Clothes in America

This is recognized to a wide range of buyers Come in and let us show you the difference. The price is no greater. New Shoes, Oxfords Hats, Hosiery, Underwear, Summer Caps, Neckwear, Duck Gloves and any item required for man or boy is shown at this store.

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Work Clothes is Extensive. Overalls, Work Pants and such requirements are

SHOWN EXTENSIVELY

T. A. Smith was in town Wednesday from his ranch on Cat Fish and was a pleasant caller at the Spur office. He says they had little rain in that section but that nothing is yet suffering on that account. The fruit crop is very promising and he has some apricots as large as quail eggs on his trees. Mr. Smith reports the political campaign warming up in Kent county and that candidates are so numerous that he has piled up in his front yard a stack of rocks and put up a sign for the benefit of candidates. Mr. Smith hauled out wire with which to do fencing on his place.

Geo. S. Link and family moved last week to Spur from their former home at Rule. Mr. Link is having a nice residence built in the city and will make Spur his permanent home and business headquarters. He will be the buyer and general superintendent of the several stores of Bryant-Link Co., Mr. Link will be quite an addition to our citizenship and Texas Spur welcomes he and family to Spur.

Mrs. E. E. Patterson returned last week from Abilene where she had been to carry her little child for medical treatment. The little child has been a patient sufferer for some time and it is hoped that a cure can soon be effected.

Mrs. P. V. Hale has been sick this week and as a consequence has not been able to fill her position as operator for the Luzon Telephone company this week.

Miss Ollie Adams, who was operated on by Dr. Standifer Monday, is reported doing nicely at this time, but will remain under the care of a nurse in Spur for several weeks. Mrs. Adams came up with her daughter from Gilpin and will remain with Mrs. Smith in the city during Miss Ollie's stay in the Standifer Sanitarium.

R. C. Morrison made a business trip Wednesday to Dickens.

### How Many Windows Need New Shades?

Your whole house suffers in appearance if your windows are not dressed. Shades that hang awry, that are streaked and faded have no place in your house. They do not protect your rugs and other furnishings: they are plain, bad insurance.

What every window really needs is a Victor Hand Made Shade. It is sun proof, will not fade, is guaranteed for years of service, looks well all the time and ends your shade troubles for a long, long time.

The manufacturers guarantee and ours is personal protection. From shade cloth to brackets Victor Shades Spell Quality.

On sale at this store in regular and special sizes in complete Unit Package.

When you buy shades say Victor.

**Campbell & Campbell**  
PHONE 33

#### A SQUIRREL BAROMETER.

A merchant in Ottawa, Kan., has a unique barometer. It is a domesticated fox squirrel. He keeps the little pet in a big paint barrel, all inclosed with the exception of a small round hole for a door in one end. Inside the barrel is a good supply of straw, old paper and leaves. During a run of weather of any kind, hot, cold, wet or dry, the little animal is in and out of his house, keeping an open door. But should there be a change coming, say 12 or 24 hours off, he plugs up that hole with the stuff from his bed and keeps it closed until the change comes. "He never makes mistakes," says the owner. "There are no false alarms with him."

#### REQUISITE HOURS FOR SLEEP.

As a race we sleep too little, says a writer. An infant's life is nearly all sleep. Gradually, as the child grows older, the hours of sleep are shortened to half the day, or about eight hours. Youth until the age of 20 is reached requires fully 10 hours sleep. Although nature demands less hours of sleep in summer than in winter, it has been proved that eight hours of sleep is required for the average male adult in good health. By this is meant not simply eight hours in bed, but that amount of good, sound, restful sleep night after night. Our power to work is intimately related to our ability to sleep and there is no more reliable indication of sound health than the capacity to sleep naturally and the more active and energetic the waking life the deeper the sleep.

#### YOUNG FOR HIGH OFFICE.

Gen. Leonard Wood, now chief of staff, is the youngest American general officer, with the exception of Gen. Funston. He still has 13 years of active service before him. Only two general officers of 1906, Miles and Merritt, are living, and they are both on the retired list.

Mrs. Maggie Caylor, wife of Floyd Caylor of the Caylor-Leard Lumber Company, who had a serious surgical operation performed by Dr. Standifer Friday, is reported doing nicely and it is thought she will be able to be moved home in a few weeks.

Mrs. Austin and daughter, Miss Ruth, of the Afton country, came to Spur Monday, Miss Ruth leaving on the train for Piote where she will visit her relatives.

Miss Callie Smith is suffering of the measles at the home of W. N. Blackwell. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, her parents of the Red Mud country, were in to see her one day this week.

**FOUND.**—A pocket book containing money on the streets of Spur. Owner call on Deputy Sheriff Anderton.

T. S. Lambert and family, of Tap, were in the city trading Wednesday.

Allen Askey made a business trip to Aspermont latter part of last week.

H. H. Hazlewood made a business trip to Albany last week.

W. J. Clark and daughter, Miss Grace, of five miles north of Dickens, were in the city Wednesday and while here were pleasant callers at the Texas Spur office. Miss Clark has been appointed to take the consus in this and adjoining precinct and will begin her labors about the fifteenth of April.

C. L. Love visited his family in Stamford Thursday and Friday.

YOU get what you BUY at RICHARDSON LUMBER Co.

#### WOMEN IN BALLOON RACES.

Miss Genevieve Shaffer and Miss Margaret Miller were two young women who took part in the Portala balloon races at San Francisco. Miss Shaffer went up in the "Queen of the Pacific" and Miss Miller in the "City of Oakland." Miss Shaffer was with Capt. Ivy Baldwin, representing the San Francisco Aero Club, and Miss Miller from Oakland. The two balloons started off together and the sight is said to have been a very inspiring one.

#### THE TEST.

"I have always been able to paddle my own canoe."  
"But can you take your automobile to pieces?"

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50c Colored Lawn, 25c 25c Colored Lawn, 12½c 15c Colored Lawn, 8½c 10c Colored Lawn 6½c  
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Nothing goes but the colored lawn. Everybody come, you will be treated nice and carefully shown through our new stock of goods. You can't afford to miss. Our Motto: No Trouble to Show Goods

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Full line of Carhart and Ferks  
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We have on display all the new  
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### Full line of Gents' Furnishing Goods at prices to please

Dress and soft shirts 50c to \$2.00  
Men's underwear of all kinds  
at 25c to \$1.00  
Newest things in ties 25c to 50c.  
Big showing of hose, hose sup-  
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Best calicos all styles per yd. 5c.  
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Summer dress goods of all kinds  
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Milo in the head can be fed to hogs when first put on feed. For the final finish, when fattening hogs, the milo should be threshed, the grain placed dry in troughs at the time of feeding, and enough water poured over it so that a small quantity will be left in the trough after the grain is eaten. It is doubtful if it pays to grind milo for hogs.

"Milo has an excess of starch and much larger gains can be made by feeding with it a small quantity of skim milk or of green cured, leafy, alfalfa hay. From seven to eight pounds of alfalfa hay should be fed with each bushel of milo, or thirty to thirty-five pounds of skim milk.

"Stock melons will yield from ten to twenty tons per acre on the plains, and stored above ground and covered with straw and dirt can be kept through the winter. They will add materially to the gains made when milo is fed."—Ex.

J. A. Jackson, a prosperous citizen of the Afton country, was here last week on business and trading with the merchants of the city.

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E. C. Edmonds, who has been spending several days here in the interest of establishing the First State Bank, returned the latter part of the week to his home at Eastland. Mr. Edmonds will move his family here at an early date and make Spur his permanent home, since he will be cashier of the bank.

Mrs. Dave Gray and mother, Mrs. Piercy, left last week for Breckenridge where Mrs. Gray will remain with her mother indefinitely. Mrs. Gray has been suffering of rheumatism the past several weeks, and it is with the hope of being benefited by the mineral water of Stephens county that she will remain in Breckenridge. We wish her a speedy recovery and an early return to her home in Spur.

We are unloading the finest car of implements this week ever brought to Spur—the "Oliver" line.

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## Let Me Figure Your Building

J. F. Vernon, of Haskell, spent several days here last week in the interest of establishing the Merchants and Farmers State Bank. Mr. Vernon, we understand will be cashier of the bank and will move here at an early date.

G. H. Connell, promoter of the First State Bank of Spur, who has been in the city several days, went over to Clairemont the latter part of last week in the interest of securing stockholders at that place. It is understood that this bank will be in operation within thirty or sixty days.

S. R. Davis, a prominent business man of Dickens, was in town Monday looking after his property interests here and possibly considering the proposition of putting in a business on his lots between the new bank and hotel buildings on Burlington Avenue.

W. M. Stovall was here last week from Dickens and had his name added to the growing subscription list of the Texas Spur. Thanks, we are glad to put names on the list and have plenty room for all who will honor the list with their names.

The Texas Spur \$1. per year.

Tom Harkey and wife returned this week from Dickens and are now making their temporary home with J. B. Conner and family. The Harkey residence and contents were recently totally destroyed by fire and until a new house is built Spur will be their home.

### BUILT THEIR CITY TO LAST

Ruins of Ephesus To-day, Centuries Old, Still Attract the Traveler and Archeologist.

Albert Bigelow Paine writes of the ancient city of Ephesus in Harper's Weekly. "There are inscriptions everywhere," he writes, "and some of them are as cleanly cut out to-day as they were when the tool left them. This library was built in honor of Augustus Caesar and Livia, and it must have been a veritable marble vision. St. Paul doubtless came here to study during the three years of his residence, and before him St. John, for he wrote his gospel in Ephesus and would be likely to seek out the place of books. The great theater where St. Paul battled with the wild beasts stands just across the way. It seated 25,000 and its stone benches stretch upward to the sky. The steep marble flight that carries you from tier to tier is there to-day exactly as when troops of fair ladies and handsome beaux climbed up and still up to find their places from which to look down on the play or the gladiatorial combat or the massacre of the Christians below."

### HIS LAST JOKE.

The following incident occurred at a Liverpool bar the other night, says a London exchange:

There were three men standing at the bar, when a peddler entered and called for a drink. The manager was just leaving the premises at the time, but, spotting the peddler, he whispered to the other customers that he would play a trick on him by giving him a bad two-shilling piece.

Going up to his victim, he purchased a knife.

"Oh, never mind the change, I'm in a hurry," he said, as he rushed out of the bar.

The peddler scrutinized the coin, and, with a merry twinkle in his eye, ordered drinks all round. The manager's wife supplied the refreshments called for, and, taking the bad two-shilling piece, handed over the change. The peddler then departed.

Two minutes afterward back came the manager to see how his little trick had worked.

He never played any more tricks after that one.

## The Best Watches and Jewelry

In establishing a jewelry business in Spur it has been our object to carry in stock and sell to the trade only the very best and standard makes of Watches and Jewelry, and in repairing watches and jewelry of all kinds we do only first-class work and guarantee every job turned out. We are expecting a new stock of goods to arrive and respectfully invite the public to call in and inspect our stock.

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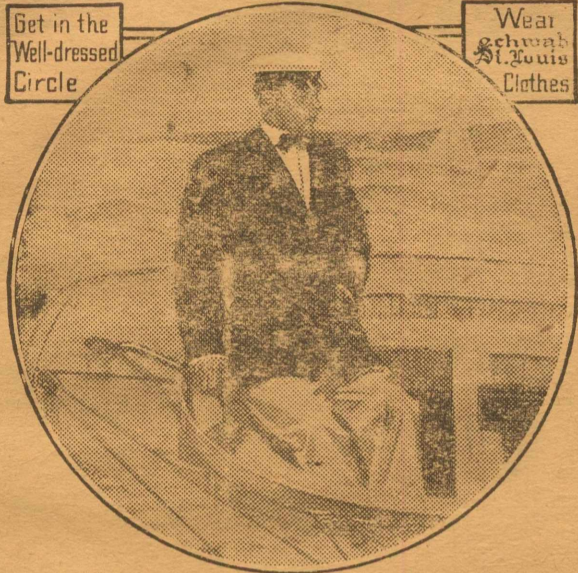
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Clothes

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For The Well-Dressed Man—  
The Man Who Wears Our Schwab Clothes

**I**F YOU have the appearance you get the attention—in business—in social circles—everywhere. And appearance is mostly a matter of clothes.

You owe it to yourself to be well dressed—especially when you *can* be at a reasonable cost.

You are assured of attention if you wear our Schwab Clothes. They give you an air of distinction and refinement. They place you at once in the well-dressed circle.

You don't have to pay an exorbitant price for and fabrics—the best tailoring—for the cost of the ordinary clothing.

*Come in tomorrow and select your style from the large variety we are showing. Lots of good styles at \$15, \$20 and \$25.*

## Just Received a Car of Flour!!

ONE OF THE BEST FLOURS FOR BISCUITS  
EVER PUT IN SACKS IN LONE STAR STATE

### "Try One Sack"

In our grocery department we keep on hand a large and complete stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries, canned goods, confectioneries, buy and sell country produce of all kinds and not only pay the highest market prices for produce of this character but sell everything carried in this department at prices that can not be beat anywhere when clean stocks and standard goods is one of the considerations.

Just unloaded a car of Baker Perfect Barb and Cable wire and can satisfy you in the prices.

**WE SELL JOHN DEERE IMPLEMENTS. Best Made**

Also have an up-to-date line of Builders Hardware in our shelves Handle Lilly and Famous Darling Stoves and Ranges. The Best.

In our Hardware and Implement departments we carry the very best grades and standard brands and recognized the world over as having superior. In price and quality of goods we lead all others, and especially is this true with respect to our hardware department. Come and see

### Our Millinery

Our Millinery is up-to-date in every respect, and in this department we can please the most fashionable and fastidious. Our spring stock is now on display and we respectfully invite the ladies to call in and see our nice line.

**Florsheim & Hamilton Brown Shoes  
Are on Sale Today at Our Store.**

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE:

We have the Neck Ties  
Cigars and Chewing Tobacco  
Laces and Embroideries  
Shirts and Skirts  
Syrups and Molasses  
Curtains and Curtain Goods  
Nails and Staples  
Tacks and Wax  
Overalls and Jumpers.

Sugar and Coffee  
Collars and Suspensers  
Pants and Hats  
Bacon and Lard  
Canned Goods and Beans  
Oil Cans and Water Coolers  
Catsup and Pepper Sauce  
Pickles and Vinegar  
Granite and Tinware

**OUR WHITE  
...Waist Goods...**

In our ladies white waist goods we are strong this season and can please you in goods and prices. Ladies, Mens and Childrens Hose at the right prices.

We are now located in our new brick building on the corner of Burlington Avenue and Harris street, and when in town we invite and want you to make our store your headquarters. Our goods are clean, fresh and of high standard brands and quality. Our facilities for caring for the trade of this territory is unsurpassed in this section, and our prices are right.

# BRYANT-LINK COMPANY

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"Merchandise of Quality"

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