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The Spur Country is Building and Progressing

Farmers Call for Special Legislation Drouth Aid

In response to a called mass meeting of farmers, approximately two hundred farmers met in Spur Saturday afternoon for the purpose of adopting plans and methods of securing financial relief from the effects of the drouth.

A committee was appointed, resolutions drafted and a telegram sent to Governor Moody asking that a special session of the legislature be called immediately for the purpose of appropriating state funds to aid drouth stricken farmers who are not in position to give collateral on loans as required on federal loans.

The meeting was called to order by W. J. Elliot, who, before beginning the business of the meeting, thanked the management of the picture house for the courtesy in letting the farmers meet there, stating that he had been as hard hit as any one, and if he plays the ancient if not honorable game of poker I am sure you will join with me and wish that he will hold many a "full house".

Sister of L. H. Perry Died Sunday at Breckenridge

Information came Sunday to L. H. Perry of the death of his sister, Mrs. Lacy, which occurred that day in Breckenridge, her remains being carried Monday for interment in the family burying ground at Dublin where the Perry family had been reared and were among the pioneer citizens of that section.

Because of the heavy rains and road conditions, Mr. Perry was unable to attend the funeral of his sister, who was also an aunt of W. S. Perry, both of whom are firm members of the Spur Hardware & Furniture Co., the doors of which institution were closed during the time of the funeral.

ERICK NICHOLS RECENTLY DIED AT A LUBBOCK SANITARIUM, OF ANEMIA. Erick Nichols, six years and seven months of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Nichols of the Croton community, died at a Lubbock Sanitarium, September 27th, after an illness of several months suffering of anemia. Five blood transfusions were given to relieve his condition, but without effect.

W. D. Robinson, of the High Way community was in the city Thursday.

Mrs. D. I. McCombs Died Wednesday at Clairmont

Mrs. D. I. McCombs died Wednesday at the family home in Clairmont, following an illness of asthma. Her remains will be interred Friday in the Clairmont cemetery.

Mrs. McCombs was one of the oldest citizens of Kent county, being the wife of D. I. McCombs who settled in Kent county in the early days and for years served the county as high sheriff. Friends and acquaintances from every section of the country will learn of her death with real sorrow. Roscoe McCombs, a son, and family of Spur, are in Clairmont with other members of the family, awaiting the funeral.

Thousands of Acres of Wheat Will be Sown in Country

J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells community, was among the number in Spur Monday. He informed us that he had fifty five acres of wheat sown and now up to a good stand and growing very rapidly following the more than five inches of rain the past two weeks. He has more seed wheat which will be sown on the place as soon as it becomes dry enough to get in the fields.

This is but a single instance of wheat sowing on the part of farmers in this territory since practically every farmer has already sown or will sow small acres for grazing purposes in meeting the existing feed shortage throughout the country.

The local Red Cross organization has secured and distributed to farmers throughout the county, without cost, 2,500 bushels of seed wheat, in five and ten bushel lots, all of which has or will be sown immediately. The Red Cross wheat distributed will sow five thousand acres, while other individual farmers are sowing hundreds of acres independently.

The diversified activities now evidenced in farm management and operation, following the abundant rains of the past two weeks and the resulting ideal seasons, is placing a different face on the situation and giving the whole country a brighter outlook for the future.

DO NOT FORGET FRIDAY

Do not forget Friday, Robinson Crusoe never could, remember how he was shipwrecked on an island thousands of miles away from a human being. And then along comes Friday. Now Friday in his case happened to be a first class, brown skinned, savage—the only thing on earth old Robinson needed—a human being, even if it had to be a savage. Someone to make signs to and share that deserted island feeling.

And now friends WHO HAVE do not forget this coming Friday. It is not a brown skinned savage coming to us on a desert island but it makes us think of old Robinson Crusoe and his condition. Friday which is today is RED CROSS DRIVE DAY. This is not the NATIONAL RED CROSS doing this, but your own LOCAL CHAPTER right here in the county by asking a hard up people to fish around in the pockets and see if you can find a dollar or more to join the local chapter and thus become a member of the National Red Cross.

What becomes of money the local chapter gets from its members? A good question. If you give a dollar, half of it—fifty cents—is sent to the national offices at Washington to be used to relieve suffering elsewhere. The remaining fifty cents remains in the county unit's treasury for work locally. If you give more than a dollar what happens? Fifty cents is sent to the main office and the remainder will stay in the county treasury to be used in relief work. We need it here in the county this winter.

JURORS FOR CO. COURT, MONDAY OCTOBER 27TH

County Court will convene in Dickens, Monday, October 27th. The following citizens have been summoned to serve as jury men for the term:

L. L. Arnold, Duck Creek; W. H. Bateman of Afton; J. A. Bingham of Spur; Robt. Elberry of Gilpin; W. F. Cathey of Dickens; D. P. Christopher of Duncan Flat; N. V. Cypert of McAdoo; J. M. Dawson of Afton; R. L. English of Spur; Clark Forbis of Afton; H. P. Gipsen of Spur; H. H. Goodwin of Prairie Chapel; S. L. Porter of Croton; O. E. Minick of Croton; L. A. Hindman of Spur; R. P. Harvey of Afton; R. D. Hill of Steel Hill.

Decomposed Body of L. L. Harrison Found In Stonewall County

L. L. Harrison, aged about 40, was found dead near a side road about 11 miles north of Rotan by Lee Teague Thursday afternoon of last week. He reported to Rotan officers and a number of persons from Rotan went out to investigate. The body was over the line in Stonewall county and the officials of that county came out that night to hold an inquest and remove the body.

From all appearance the man had been dead for two or three weeks, and the body was badly decomposed. A strychnine bottle was found near the body and immediately rumors of suicide or murder were started.

The deceased had lived in and around Rotan for some twenty years, working on farms and ranches and at various labor. He worked for the Shell Pipe Line Co. last year, but had been living away from Rotan about a year.

J. C. Loving says he had known the deceased for twenty years and from what he knew of his habits and disposition does not believe it was suicide or murder. He says Mr. Harrison was suffering from heart trouble and probably used strychnine remedy when he had attacks of the disease. He thinks it likely that the deceased had an attack of the heart trouble while walking across the pasture and took a dose of the medicine for relief, or that he had an attack and died before he could get relief, with the further possibility that he died from the effects of an overdose of the medicine.—Rotan Advance.

Little Miss Wanda Watson

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Watson, of east of Spur, and who recently was operated on at the Nichols Sanitarium, is now convalescing and will soon be able to be removed home.

Mrs. Newman Underwent Special Operation at Temple

Mrs. Margaret Newman, of the Spur Inn, is in Temple, having undergone a special surgical operation last week at one of the sanitariums of that city. Mrs. Newman is reported doing well following the operation, and is expected soon to return to Spur.

Abilene Woman Seeks Relief Thru Faith Healing Revivalist

Houston, Sept. 27. (UP)—Miss Inmeta Bird, Abilene, invalid who was brought here by airplane to seek aid from Rev. Raymond Richey, faith healing revivalist, is "feeling better, but not cured."

The middle aged West Texas woman was near death when the plane in which she traveled with her sister, Mrs. Laura Lindsey landed early this week.

Each night she is taken on a stretcher to the Richey evangelist services. Each night prayers are said for her and she reiterates her faith.

"She is feeling much better," Rev. Richey said today. "It is not an instant cure, it is slow but the Lord will heal her."

EMERY GREEN, KENT CO. PIONEER, DIED OCT. 7

Tuesday afternoon about 7 o'clock Uncle Emery Green, one of the land marks of this part of Texas passed over the river in to the land from which no traveler ever returns.

Uncle Emery came to this part of Texas from the Carolinas many years ago. For many years he has been one of the most familiar characters in Jayton. He was a bachelor and he had any relatives in this section we have never known of them. He had many friends and they looked after him and cared for him for the last two months, or since his last illness came on him.

The closest friends estimate his age at about 85. He owned considerable property but just what disposition he made of it is not known at this time. He was a Mason and a good citizen but held no church affiliations.

Uncle Emery Green was one of the original settlers of Kent County. The records at the court house show that he carried the chain when Kent County was surveyed and the lines for the county established. He has seen the county develop from the raw wild wilderness to its present position. Truly it can be said of him, "He was a Kent County Pioneer."—Jayton Chronicle.

FIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED NOVEMBER 4th

In the general election to be held November 4th in addition to the election of state and county officers, five constitutional amendments will be submitted for acceptance or rejection on the part of voters.

Usually very little attention or consideration is given to proposed amendments to the constitution. However, in this instance there is a legislative amendment committee organized to push the passage of all five of the proposed amendments.

Texas Spur readers, who take note to such propositions, will recall that the full text of the proposed constitutional amendments were published in the past months and those who read and studied them are in position to determine whether or not they will favor or reject the proposals at the polls November 4th.

One amendment provides that the Supreme Court shall be in session throughout the year; under the present Constitution the Supreme Court must be in session only nine months. The amendment will not prevent the judges, one at a time, to have a vacation period, but will require that the Court be open for business at all times.

Another amendment provides for the taxation for County purposes of lands belonging to the University of Texas. These lands are located in some seventeen west Texas counties.

Another amendment enlarges the field for the investment of the permanent university funds. Under the existing law these funds can only be invested in State or national bonds.

Another one of the amendments increases the length of the present sixty days regular session of the Legislature to 120 days and provides that the first thirty days of this session shall be given over to the introduction of bills, the second thirty days to the consideration of these bills by committees and the remainder of the session to the consideration by the Legislature in open session.

The other legislative amendment increases the compensation of legislators from five dollars a day to the magnificent sum of ten dollars per day and decreases the mileage now allowed members of twenty cents per mile in going and returning from the seat of government to ten cents per mile.

John Goodall and wife of the Grand country, were in Spur Thursday—Mrs. Goodall shopping while John was seeing the sights of the city.

Mrs. Herbert Swan Undergoes Operation Saturday

Mrs. Herbert Swan, of the city, underwent a successful surgical operation last Saturday at the Nichols Sanitarium, and is now reported doing nicely and recovering.

MARRIED

William Dillshaw and Miss Olga Lewis of Duncan, Oklahoma, were married last week at the home of the bride. The wedding was attended by members of the family and a few friends. Mr. Dillshaw has lived in Spur about eleven years, being the son of T. T. Dillshaw, and on whose farm the young couple will live the coming year.

Eustace Dillshaw, son of T. T. Dillshaw, was married last week to Miss Bessie Wright of Kent county. They were married at Roswell, New Mexico, and will make their home in "Arizona."

Mrs. Coker Died Monday at Home Near Wake

Mrs. Lizzie Rebecca Coker, 35, wife of George Coker, of the East Wake Community on the East Plains, died Monday and was buried Tuesday in the Crosbyton cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. M. Johnston with Aynes, undertaker, in charge assisted by Bynum of Lubbock.

RED CROSS DRIVE STARTED THURSDAY, OCT. 16

The Red Cross Drive for members started Thursday. One dollar is the usual membership fee. All who have a dollar or more to spare will contribute without urging. The Red Cross is one of the organizations which helps those in need—and in every sense worthy. Those who have a dollar should "JOIN TODAY."

SPUR TROUNCES RALLS 27-7 IN CONFERENCE OPENER

By ARCHER POWELL

Pos.	Player	Pos.	Player
Spur	Dodge	Ralls	Elen
	Emmert		Starch
	Morgan		Ware
	McCormick		Brown
	Morgan		Wafford
	Hindman		Arthur
	Chapman		Port
	Hahn		Bland
	Rickles		Bryan
	Barrett		Jones
	Laine		Payne

Coach Taylor's second and third string men led by a few veterans from the first string line up outplayed the Ralls Jackrabbits in their first conference game of the season Friday. Spur made 17 first downs to Ralls 2. The Bulldogs went into the lead in the first quarter, scoring two touchdowns in the first few minutes of play. Spur's goal line was not threatened but once, Ralls making her long touchdown when Arthur recovered a fumble in the last quarter.

Rickles, Barrett, Hahn and Stephens were the outstanding gainers for Spur, while Bryan, Jones, and Arthur starred for Ralls.

FIRST QUARTER
Ralls defended the national goal. Jones kicked to McCormick on Spur's 30 yard line who returned it to Ralls' 40 yard line. He was stopped by Starch, Rickles gained 1 yard at left end, Barrett was stopped by Jones. This play was repeated with same results. Spur penalized 5 yards, in complete pass.

Ralls gets possession of ball on downs, Payne failed to gain thru line, Bryan pass to Jones, no gain, Pass, Bryan to Bland 8 yd. gain, Jones punted out of bounds on Spur's 38 yard line. Barrett hit line for 8 yards, Barrett punted line for 20 yards, Barrett gained 2 yards around left end, Laine circled right end for 20 yards, Rickles fumbled, 2 yard loss, Rickles advanced 8 yds. around left end, Chapman follow with 4 yards, Spur's 1st down on Ralls' 10 yd line, Barrett bounced off left tackle for 4 yds, Rickles hit line for 2 yds, Spur loses 1 yd when line fails to hold. It is now 4th-down and 5yd to goal, Rickles ran over left tackle for touch down, Barrett kicked for extra point.

Jones kicked to Spur's 40 yard line, who returned it to Ralls' 35. Barrett got 6 through line and adds 1 more. Barrett gained 9 yards at right tackle, Ralls made a substitution and drew two 5 yard penalties for talking, Joe Hahn followed Dodges' interference around left end for second touchdown. Barrett laddered the extra point in a line buck.

Barrett kicked off to Ralls five yard line; Ralls returns to 25 yard stripe and was stopped by Laine's tackle. Payne was downed behind the line of scrimmage for a 6 yard loss. Payne attempted a pass to Bryan, incomplete. Bland rammed center for 3 yards, Bryan punted to middle of field, Fair catch. Laine gained 30 yards at return tackle. (Laine removed, arm injured.) Albin takes Laine's place., Rickles went over right tackle for 2, Rickles flipped to Chapman for 5 yards. Barrett failed to gain in line plunge.

Quarter ends, Spur 14, Ralls 0.
SECOND QUARTER
Joe Hahn skirted right end for goal. Barrett kicked short but third touchdown. Barrett kicked Ralls beat Spur to ball and cover it. Stephens substituted for Albin. Bryan's pass to Bland incomplete. Bryan hit line for 2. Ralls punts to Spur's 15 yard. Ralls covers ball after series of fumbles. Ball goes to Spur, Joe Hahn forced out on Spur's 23 yd line. Carson goes in for Rick, Barrett plowed line for 1. Stephens added enough for first down. Spur receives penalty for roughing. Ross sub for Emmert, Payne all goes in for Payne (Ralls) Joe Hahn circled right end for 12. Spur's pass grounded. Payne goes in for Morgan (Spur). Stephens plowed center for 7, Hahn added 2 and right end. Stephens hit line for 1 yard and first down. Hahn brushed left tackle for 5. Stephens added 2 and Hahn made 12 yards on a right end run. Chapman followed line but Spur penalized 5 yards, Carson nailed behind line for 3 yard loss. Carson punted to Spur's 45 yard line. Ralls tries aerial attack. First pass was grounded and second was intercepted by Spur. Stephens rammed center for 2 and repeated for 3. Chapman added 4, Stephens failed to gain 2 feet for first down.

Ralls kicked out of bounds on 12 yard line. Albin advanced 5 yards at left tackle Chapman followed for 4 and first down, Stephens went over for 2, Spur's line breaks and Albin downed behind the line of scrimmage for 7 yard loss, Chapman's punt was blocked and Ralls covered the ball on 13 yard. Ralls gained only 3 yards on 3 line plays. End of quarter.
FOURTH QUARTER
Ralls ball on Spur's 10 yard line. Ralls attempt at end run netted only 1 yard. Ball goes over on downs. Albin advanced 2 yards at right end and hits right end again—no gain. Carson punted to Spura 31 yard line. Ralls hit line for 3 and added 8 more on spin play for first down. Ralls gained one through line. Emmert takes Mayfields place. Ralls makes 4 yards on spin play. Spur draws 5 yards penalty for being off side. Vernon Morgan sub for Clinton Barrett. Ralls failed in line plunge. Rickles relieves Carson. Ralls pass was knocked down. Ralls falls in line drive. C. W. Barrett sub for Payne. Barrett splited center for 4 and Rickles passed to Barrett for 17 more. Rickles made 6 at left tackle; Albin adds 1 and Barrett hit line for 7 yards. On the next play Arthur (Ralls) recovers Spurs fumble and runs 38 yards for a touchdown. Ralls kicked goal for extra point. Spur off side. Ralls kicked to Emmert on his 20 yard line, he returned to the 35. Barrett went over center for 1. Rick got 6 and added 4 through the line. Ralls grounded Spura pass. Lateral pass Rick to Barrett netted 3 yards. Rickles circled right end to edge of field and cut back through tackle for 25 yards. Barrett added 1 in line buck. Rickles skirted left end for touchdown. Barretts kick blocked. No point. Barrett kicked to Ralls 3rd line, returned to 24 and stalled by Rogers neat tackle. Ralls lost 1 yard on end run. Ralls pass intercepted by Chapman. Albin brushes right tack for 4 yd. Spur draws penalty for kicking. Rick picked up 6 at right tackle. Spur penalized again. Rickles attempts a pass. Game over. Spur 27, Ralls 7.

Officials: Vaughn of Canyon, umpire; Davis, referee; Brown of Jayton, head line man.

HOGS ENOUGH FOR A WEEK
There are nearly 6,000,000 people in Texas and only 1,028,000 hogs. If pork were substituted for other meats and no hogs were shipped into the State, we would eat up every hog in less than a week.—Farm and Ranch.

Who Said This Bear Was Tame? By Albert T. Reid



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Prof. R. P. Bell, who is now located at Ft. Worth, has just past week met with his numerous friends of this section. Prof. Bell is now selling school furniture and fixtures, stating that he is meeting with liberal patronage from the various schools of the country. His school, with a number of other schools of the county, is now suspended for the cotton picking season.

Mrs. Weldon Grimes is visiting with relatives and friends the past week in Abilene.

More About False Statements on Tax Situation at Ponca

Regarding the propaganda about the success of a municipally operated plant, not at Spur or not in Texas, but in another state, that of Ponca City, Oklahoma, investigation of the Kay County records there disclosed the fact that this city is not tax free. The fiscal year ending June 30, 1929, general taxation of the citizens of Ponca City was levied at the following rates:

State	1.50
County	4.68
School	18.32
City sinking fund	7.43
Total	31.93

And perhaps to impress upon the citizens of Ponca City just how free they were from general taxation the levy for the next year (1929-30) was increased to the following rates:

State	3.50
County	5.70
School	29.78
City sinking fund	9.63
Total	48.61

or \$8.96 per hundred. All the taxes collected from the above levies, with the single exception of the state levy, are used for local purposes. The total levy for local purposes for 1927 and 1928 was 30.4 mills, and for the year 1928 and 29 it was increased to 36.11 mills, but the records of Kay County show that instead of the citizens enjoying "absolute freedom from general taxation" they are suffering an increase of general taxation from year to year, and also paying an additional amount, through their rates even though this oil engine plant itself pays no taxes, the other property in the city must

make this up. The West Texas Utilities Company pays taxes which amount to more than \$7.00 per customer per year.

The revenue from the local levies mentioned in the foregoing paragraph are sufficient to defray only the county and school expenses and part of the interest and principal accruals on electric and water bonds; the balance required for the bond interest and principal accruals and for the expenses of the city departments is levied indirectly through the imposition of excessive rates for electric and water service.

The report gives detailed figures to prove that the city collected during the year ending June 30, 1929, through the imposition of excessive electric and water rates the sum of \$107,627.

The excessive profits of the municipal electric and water plants are admitted by the bulletins of the Public Ownership League, which says:

"This profiteering by the City in behalf of its citizens doesn't hurt the feelings of the citizens."

In a letter published in the Public Ownership League's Bulletin, George Stone, city manager of Ponca City, says:

"We have three times as many light consumers as we have property owners and through the medium of these light accounts we are able to more uniformly distribute the burden of the municipal government."

This, we admit, is a frank statement from the city manager that the municipally owned utilities also collect additional taxes and rates for service, to defray a considerable part of the expenses of the municipality not in an official bulletin of the Public Ownership League, dealing with the Ponca City Utilities will be found this exact statement.

"Of Ponca City's distinguishing features, the chief is that of its citizens enjoying 'ABSOLUTE

FREEDOM FROM GENERAL TAXATION." But the records of Kay County show that instead of the citizens enjoying "absolute freedom from general taxation" they are suffering an increase of general taxation from year to year, and also paying an additional amount through their electric and water rates even though this oil engine plant itself pays no taxes.

Ponca City, a city of approximately 18,000 people, has rates uniformly higher than those of the West Texas Utilities Company at Abilene or San Angelo. On 50 kilowatt hours the rate is 23 per cent higher; on 100 kilowatt hours a 46 per cent increase, and on 200 kilowatt hours, the rate of the Ponca City oil engine plant is over twice as high as the one meter rate of the Utilities Company, and the Utilities Company pays taxes in excess of \$7.00 per customer.

A residence customer with one meter at Ponca City can obtain the energy for appliance rates which is now offered by the Utilities Company through one meter. As an illustration: A residence customer with an electric range refrigerator, and lights uses near 300 kilowatt hours and receives all service through one meter at an average rate of less than 3.50 per kilowatt hour at Abilene and San Angelo, and only 40 per kilowatt hour in the smallest of the 120 communities served by the West Texas Utilities Company.

The Ponca City municipal oil engine plants terms and conditions of serving are:

10 per cent added to all bills after the 10th of the month. Service cut off after the 15th of the month for non payment and 50c for reconnecting meters, and 50c each for re-reading of meters.

This municipally operated oil engine plant is unable to supply power to the industries already established at Ponca City, so anything of offering an inducement to new industries to locate, and even if the City Plant had the capacity to supply industrial power demand, its rates could not be as attractive due to the high unit cost per kilowatt hour output of an isolated or small plant system.

Total annual generation of this municipally operated oil engine plant was only 7,891,400 kilowatt hours while it was necessary for two oil industries alone located there to go outside and purchase 11,331,500 kilowatt hours from a privately owned utility company.

When municipally owned ventures are unable to pay taxes on the same basis as private ones, they become a burden to all tax payers.

Someone pays in the long run, either through direct taxation or otherwise.—Contributed.

Drouth May Bring New Means to Help Credit of Farmers

This year's drouth may be influential in the creation of additional credit corporations to serve the farmer, and to enable established federal agencies to function more fully.

The drouth has served to magnify inadequate credit facilities for the farmer, whose credit already had been limited during the last two or three years by closing of commercial banks in country districts and accumulation of frozen assets in other country banks.

The government's machinery for getting both production and marketing credit into the farmers hands operates through the federal farm loan board and the federal farm loan board, but neither can deal with the individual except through his local credit corporation.

H. Paul Bestor, executive head of the farm loan board, says the maximum usefulness of such corporations has not yet been employed.

It is the farm loan board which supervises the 12 federal intermediate credit banks, primary sources of farm credit banks, primary sources of farm credit for production and marketing purposes. The chief direct service the system has given the co-operative marketing associations has been through advances made on staple commodities secured by warehouse receipts.

Production credit is obtained by a little different route. It is in this field that the greatest need is felt for development of additional credit corporations.

In many instances the drouth has made it necessary for farmers to borrow money to feed live stock and to plant their next

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS ON COUNTY DEPOSITORY BOND

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received up to the thirteenth day of October, 1930, from any bank or banking association in Dickens County, Texas, for both county and school funds till the 15th day of February, 1931.
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seasons crops. Corporations must be formed to underwrite loans obtained for those purposes.

The intermediate credit banks are authorized to advance production credit, but the service has been handicapped by lack of sufficient security.

Legislation bearing on a general revision of the farm loan act is expected to be asked of the next congress by several national farm organizations.—Crosbyton Review.

Tom Cross was on the streets Monday from his farm-home in the Cross settlement to the south west of Spur.

W. L. Hudson, of the Watson section of country, was among the business visitors to Spur the past week. Recently Mr. Hudson was fortunate in finding a purse containing money and other valuables—but he advertised the fact thru the Texas Spur—and the very next day the owner came in and made claim for the lost and found

W. G. Mayfield is reported critically ill at his home in Girard. We sincerely hope that he may soon be completely recovered of his illness.

Mother Leaves Children and Faces Death

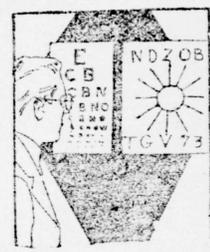
Says Farweell Hard, but Recovery Easy Due to Crazy Water

In May, 1929, I was critically ill with Rheumatism; in fact, I was an invalid and had to be helped around. My husband decided to bring me to Mineral Wells, as it looked as if there was no hope for me if I remained at home. But I had no confidence in Mineral Wells; in fact, I did not believe that anything or any place would relieve my suffering. You can imagine how I felt when I told my children "Good-Bye," when I did not expect to see them again.

I arrived in Mineral Wells on May 10th, last year, and in one week of the Crazy Water Treatment, I was able to walk and thirty days from the time I arrived I was well again, only a little weak.

I heartily recommend to every one suffering from diseases caused by faulty elimination that they spend a few days rest at the Crazy Water Hotel in Mineral Wells, Texas, the home of Crazy water.

Mrs. F. M. Hilliard,
Adv. 47 41c Tullia, Texas
Mrs. H. P. Gibson is reported quite ill at her home in the city the past week.



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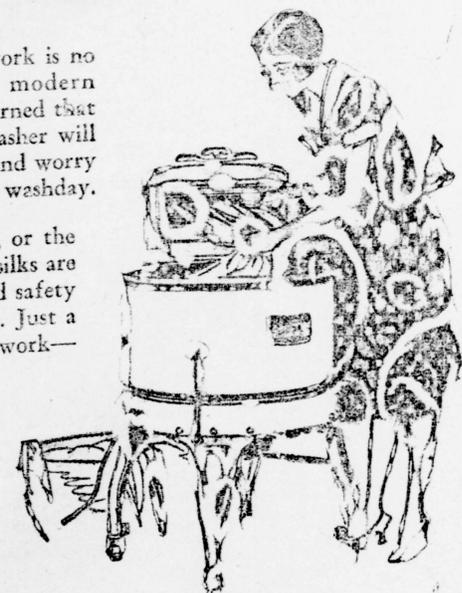


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IN MEMORIAM.
 In memory of our mother, grandmother and dear friend, Mrs. Baxley, gone but not forgotten. Dear mother and loyal friend we will miss thy bright face and sweet smile, kind words and deeds done and said to one and all. Words can't tell how we miss you. Our hearts are made so sad, but it was the Lord's will. We know you have gone on to a brighter home where there is no sorrow, all sunshine and happiness. We will meet thy bright face some sweet day.
 Mrs. Baxley was born and reared in Jackson, Mississippi. There she met and married J. L. Bell and came to Texas in 1875, to Montague county; and then to Sulphur Springs in the spring of 1882. Here Mr. Bell was over taken by death and laid to rest in Sulphur Springs cemetery, leaving a widow and three children, two girls and one boy: Mrs. Emma Ponder, Mrs. Edd Welsh, and G. W. Bell. Afterwards Mrs. Bell met and married Mr. Baxley, and to this union four children were born, two girls and two boys: Mrs. T. J. Seal, Mrs. J. C. Harlin, and Earnest and Cranford, both of whom are dead.
 Mrs. Baxley was a member of the Baptist church, and for 60 odd years was a faithful worker in all things. She came to Dickens county in 1922, and made her home with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Ponder four years, then moving to her new home at Spur, where she died.
 Mrs. Baxley had been suffering for more than a year, having first fell and injured herself, later suffering a stroke of paralysis. She was carried to Marlin, but it did no good. In returning she stayed a few days in Stamford with Mrs. J. C. Harlin, after which she was with Mrs. L. C. Ponder for a long time. All that could be done was done, but it was the Lord's will that she be taken. He knows best. When the death angel called her, it was so that only two daughters and one son-in-law could be at her bedside: Mrs. L. C. Ponder and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Seal. Mr. Ponder was in bed real sick with flu, and could not be there. We regret that all the children could not come. Mrs. Baxley leaves to mourn her death four children, twenty grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and a host of friends. We thank all who came and spoke a kind word to her in her last hours, and we thank all for the nice, beautiful flowers. Mrs. Baxley was laid to rest in the Spur cemetery, her

funeral being held at the Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock by Pastor Rev. F. G. Rogers. May the Lord bless each and every one. Let us all live better and meet our dear friend in that bright and beautiful home, one that was a friend to all. Mother, we will meet you some day.—Just A Friend.

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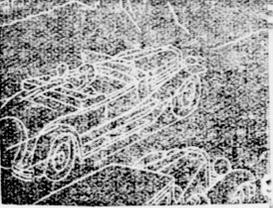


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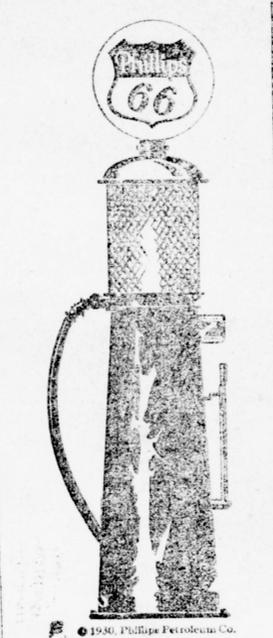
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THERE WAS A YOUNG WRITER AND WHAT DO YOU THINK? HE LIVED UPON NOTHING BUT PAPER AND INK!

Sam Clemmons is spending a few days at the Crazy Water Hotel in Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lea, who have been spending the past several months at Dimmitt and other points, returned the past week to their home in Spur.

J. Z. Smith, of Red Mud, was among the business visitors in Spur the past week. J. Z. is believed of at least one worry—he having grown no cotton this year to market.

Sabe Kennedy and wife, of Colorado, have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. King Kennedy of Dickens.

Mrs. A. Lollar, of east of the city, was a visitor and shopper in Spur the past week end.

Bilious, Dizzy, Drowsy Feeling

"When I was a child I did not feel well, or if I had a cold, my mother gave me Black Draught," says Mrs. Ophelia Hill, of Wofford, Ky. "When I was married, it became a family medicine in my own home, as it was in my mother's."

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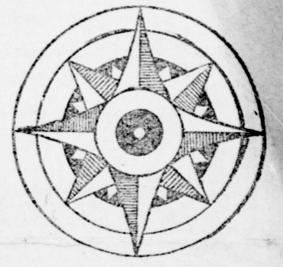
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NOTICE TO SCHOOL DEPOSITORY BIDDERS

In pursuance to Art. 2632, R. S. 1925, notice is hereby given that bids will be received from any person or corporation up to the 5th day of November, A. D. 1930, to act as Depository of the Dickens Independent School District of Dickens County, Texas, until the 31st day of August, A. D. 1931. H. A. C. Brummett, Secretary, Dickens, Texas

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Owing to the drouthy condition that prevail, the resultant condition of our livestock and our ability to furnish protection and game in this locality, hunting and fishing will not be permitted on any part of our ranching property. All permits for hunting wood from the ranch are hereby revoked.

We expect to make a systematic drive against coyotes on our lands presently and take this means of informing those who are accustomed to using dogs in order that they be cautioned.

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MELVIN LANDERS

Cecil Scott, of the Duck Creek country, was in town Tuesday. He, too, has been sowing wheat, and there was never a more inviting nor appropriate season for the sowing of grain. As a harvesting proposition in this territory, wheat may not be a paying crop one year with another, but under the prospects and prevailing situation there is no question

but that it will prove a paying proposition for grazing and the possibility if not probability of an abundant harvest in the end.

The many friends of L. C. Plender will regret to know that he has been sick of influenza and confined to his bed the past two weeks. It is hoped that he may be completely recovered.

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PEACEFUL HILL CLUB NEWS

Members of the Peaceful Hill Club met at the usual time and place at the Club House. We had no special lesson but entertained Red Top Club and two other visitors, Miss Osborne and Mrs. White Moore. The afternoon was spent in playing various games, a social hour and feasting on ginger bread, feed butter milk and watermelon. We have to give our club house up, regretfully, and Mrs. Thurman Moore took the machine and Mrs. Eland Johnson took the rest of the club house possessions to care for until other arrangements are made. At the present we will meet in the homes and next meeting will be with Mrs. Cozby, Oct. 19.—Reporter.

Members of the Peaceful Hill Club met at the home of Mrs. Joe Cozby Oct. 10 at 2:30 p. m.

The lesson was on the care of the orchard. The club members toured and inspected Mrs. Cozby's orchard and cellar.

There was no old or new business so the meeting adjourned, and we ate watermelon during our social hour. We will meet with Mrs. Eland Johnson next meeting day.

IN MEMORIAM

Little Wanda Ernestine Thannisch was born March 28th, 1925, and died October 4th, 1930. She was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Thannisch who live east of Dickens. She was sick only a few, seemingly not in danger. However, the Death Angel relieved her of suffering on Saturday, October 4th. Her little body was prepared for burial by loving friends, and to see her lying in the little white casket, with a blue shroud, reminded you of a beautiful doll. Oh, how sad it was to give her up, but Jesus says, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Now we know it was best for her to go and be with Thee.

Still still with Thee, when purple morning breaketh

When the bird waketh, and the shadows flee;

Foster pen morning, lovelier than daylight,

Dawns the sweet consciousness, I am with Thee,

Alone with Thee, amid the mystic shadows.

The solemn hush of nature newly born;

Alone with Thee in breathless adoration.

In the calm dew and freshness of the morn.

So shall it be at last, in that bright morning.

When the soul waketh, and life's shadows flee;

Oh, in that hour, fairer than day light dawning.

Shall rise the glorious thought—
—I AM WITH THEE.

The floral offerings were beautiful. Flowers speak such a good message, coupled with kindly deeds and acts, often speak louder and more impressively than words. It is so fitting that flowers should be given in the memory of the dead. Jesus was the

Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley. Bro. H. T. Harris, pastor of the Baptist church, conducted the services at the church Sunday evening at 8:30, and the little body was laid to rest in the Dickens cemetery to await the Resurrection Morn. May the relatives not weep but have the glorious thought—I am with Thee.—Fred Arrington.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB
The Twentieth Century Study Club met Oct. 8 with Mrs. Cara way.

At a short business session the time of meeting was changed from 3:30 P. M. to 2 P. M. on second and fourth Wednesdays. The Bible being the subject for study. Roll call was answered with a favorite verse, Mrs. P. C. Nichols gave a splendid paper on "Woman in the Bible." Mrs. Leslie Roberts and Sterman Lee, in their capable way, brought before the Club the stories of Ruth and Esther.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Remington. Child life will be the study for the afternoon.

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Ways Suggested to Beat Drouth

Out in this country there is a lot of mesquite. We have used the mesquite beans for feed. We gather them while they are dry and put them in the barn and use in feeding both horses and hogs.

Lately we have found that we can feed these beans to chickens. We take a short 2x4 board and the hatchet along when we go to feed the chickens. We place the beans on the 2x4 and chop them into small pieces, letting them fall about in the yard where the chickens pick them up. Prickly pear apples can also be used for the chickens. Cut the pears open and the chickens will eat the inside part of the pears. The seed of the prickly pears are like corn and the meat part serves as a green feed.—Mrs. J. C. Casey, Texas.

Once before drouth hit us a hard blow and here we are again in the drouth stricken part of Texas.

The other time drouth hit us we traded our cotton seed for hulls and meal to winter our stock on. We fed the hulls and meal to our mules as well as to our cows and they all did fine until work began again on another crop. We saved what little corn we had raised to feed our stock while preparing for and raising another crop. Our mules stayed fat on the hulls and meal but didn't have the strength that they got from the corn and hay.

We will meet the feed shortage of 1930 in the same way. Try our plan and see if it doesn't help.—Z. Anderson, Texas.

The best way that I know of

beating the shortage of feed is to plant "Cow Horn", or old time winter turnips. This species is hardy and if planted by October 15 is almost sure to make a crop. Some years ago one of my neighbors who had a small plot of ground sowed to this variety of turnips, sold \$75 worth of greens from the plot and in addition sold \$10 worth of seed from the plants the following spring.

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The greens of these turnips are equal to the best. On a morning in mid-winter when everything is covered with frost just as soon as the frost has melted, the owner can gather greens without fear of a frostbitten taste in them. The turnips are very sweet, fine grained, of splendid flavor, but must be dug out of the ground like carrots or parsnips. Since this variety of turnip is more solid than most early varieties it makes a splendid kraut.—Mack Sanda, Texas.

One way to beat the drouth is to never give up. Walk if necessary to keep down expenses and go whistling along your way. Buy only what you can pay for. Bake your own bread. Make the sheets pillowslips, quilt linings and underwear that are needed out of flour sacks and if dresses are needed dye some flour sacks and use them for dresses. Make a substitute for coffee out of roasted wheat. Live within your means.—

Augusta Math, Blaine county Okla.

MRS. STOVALL HOSTESS WITH BRIDGE THURSDAY, 16TH

Mrs. Roy Stovall was a gracious hostess Thursday afternoon at her home in the city, with bridge, there being four tables prepared for the games. Refreshments were served to Mesdames A. C. Hull, Jene Taylor, Homer Schrimsher, Roy Harkey, Hill Perry, F. W. Jennings, C. L. Love, W. D. Wilson, Gran McClure, R. E. Dickson, C. E. Jones, Jack Rector, E. M. Remington, H. O. Everts, Jim Sample, Faust Collier, Blaine of Ohio, and Miss Hickman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PARTY WEDNESDAY

Mrs. W. T. Andrews was hostess to a Sunday School Class party Wednesday, October 8th, at her home. The twelve members of the class were entertained with contests, following which doughnuts and tea were served.

Geo. B. Erath was in the city Monday. He informed us that he and Henry Simmons had just returned from the Amarillo section of country where they had been employed in threshing and sowing wheat. They received a wage of two dollars a day, and following the completion of threshing they were employed in plowing and rearing the wheat lands of a big farm.

Bill Austin, of Atton, was in Spur Thursday, and while here made his annual call in renewing his subscription to the Texas Spur. We appreciate these "calls" more especially during these days of depression.