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National Representatives Of Red Cross Are High In Praise Of Work Of The Local Chapter

The Relief Committee met Saturday with Miss Ruth Alice Smith, national Red Cross representative, to discuss the general retrenchment program. Miss Smith, in reviewing the work done in Dickens County, spoke very highly of the wonderful way this stupendous relief had been administered. All praise is due to the loyal workers in the County everywhere who have given their entire time to keep their more unfortunate brothers. Surely they have been the great pride of the Red Cross in this great task of disbursing food, clothing and medicine in such a creditable way.

Mr. Robert Adkins, national Red Cross auditor, also visited the Chapter recently and found the book keeping records entirely satisfactory and every penny accounted for. These records will also be audited by the War Department.

The great motto of Red Cross, "Lighting the Way to Service and Goodwill," has been carried out to the highest degree by this splendid group of volunteer workers who have given continuous service to feeding the hungry folks in the County.

WELL PLANNED GARDEN FEEDS WHOLE FAMILY

By A. D. Hefley in Farm N Ranch

There is a pot of gold in almost every back yard in this state, and right now is the time to start digging for it, according to Mrs. Elizabeth Ward, Pittsburg county, Oklahoma, home demonstration agent, who has demonstrated, not once, but in numerous instances that even during a year like the one just closed, the driest in history, a plot of ground 140 feet by 100 feet carefully planned and planted in a variety of vegetables is worth \$300 a year in supplying food for the family table. Think of that! Cut \$25 a month from the grocery bill on just the garden alone. Add to that the milk, butter, eggs and pork which are within easy reach of anyone who cares to raise them and you will see that the pot of gold is not so difficult to reach after all. And then one has the privilege of sleeping in his own bed at night which is far better, I fancy, than sleeping under a tree with only the blue sky for a blanket and being greeted by the boss of some industrial establishment the next morning with, "I'm sorry, but I have all the hands I need, and am planning to lay off half of what I already have."

The garden which Mrs. Ward has planned includes a possible variety of fifty-five vegetables and is outlined as follows:

Plot of ground 140x100 feet, sufficient for a family of five, one year.

Rows to run lengthwise, affording easy cultivation.

Three rows of tomatoes (sufficient for table use and canning).

Two rows of cabbage planted at different times. Two half-rows at a time is better so fresh cabbage will be had all summer.

Two rows of beets. Pickle when small and tender.

Six rows of onions. Valencia or sweet Spanish variety preferred as these will not rot. Grown from seed, not from the plants.

One row of New Zealand spinach. This is almost a perennial and remains green and tender until hard freezing weather.

Two rows of summer spinach.

Two rows of carrots.

One row of spring turnips.

One row of tender green-tastes like mustard; remains

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Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gray Died Friday

Joyce La Nell, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gray, died Friday of pneumonia.

Funeral services were held at the home a few miles northwest of Spur. Interment of the little remains took place in the Spur cemetery.

The Texas Spur joins the many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

Sunday Register Coldest At Spur

SPUR, Texas (Special).—Chilling four days of cold north wind and light snow flurries, the coldest night of the season was experienced Sunday night, March 8, when the thermometer registered was 17 F. The new coldest was January 14 when the registration was 19. The lowest ever recorded here was January 18, 1930, when the thermometer registered 8 below, according to R. E. Dickson, local weather bureau man. No estimate of the amount of fruit damage done has been made but it is expected to run unusually high, as the peach and apricot trees were nearly all in bloom.

DEATH PENALTY FOR KIDNAPERS

STERLING SIGNS LAW; CISCO BILL REPEAL PASSED BY HOUSE

By Associated Press
Austin—Governor Sterling today filed with his signature the bill making kidnaping punishable by death.

The new law was proposed by Representative Petch of Fredericksburg after the kidnaping of Robert Cerf, son of a wealthy Corsicana banker. It went into effect immediately since it was enacted as an emergency.

The senate cleared its large calendar of ten house bills, most of them of minor or local nature. One of the bills approved would provide that insanity trials for convicts be held in Walker county, where the penitentiary is located, rather than in the home counties of the convicts. This bill was introduced by Representative Burns.

The house passed a bill by Representative Gilbert of Cisco to repeal the law permitting holders of a bond of city or county government to throw the unit into receivership for failure to meet payments on bonded obligations. The vote was 112 to 2. Gilbert said that threats had been made to place Cisco in receivership.

A bill to allow the Gray county commissioners to hire three additional deputies for Sheriff Lon Blansett, whose life was threatened a short time ago, was passed by the house. The bill was offered by Representative Young of Wellington.

The house adopted a resolution authorizing friends of J. T. Robison for 20 years land commissioner, to erect a bust of Robison in the state land office building.

STORE TO RE-OPEN UNDER STONE DEPARTMENT STORE

C. Reid returned this week from Wellington where he attended a meeting of officials of the C. E. Stone Company stores.

The Spur store will be re-opened under the name of Stone Department Store.

C. Reid has been retained as manager of this store in Spur.

Poley Williams was in town Tuesday of this week.

Baptist Revival To Begin Sunday, 15th

A revival meeting will be conducted at the First Baptist Church by Rev. W. Y. Pond, of Waco, beginning Sunday, March 15th.

Rev. Pond comes to Spur very highly recommended for his ability and experience.

The public is cordially invited to attend the revival.

50 Pounds Melon Seed To Be Given To Farmers Here

Beginning at 9 A. M. Saturday March 14th the Spur Chamber of Commerce will give one pound of Parker County grown Tom Watson watermelon seed to the first fifty farmers reporting to the Chamber of Commerce office in person to receive them. No seed will be given out by proxy. The farmer intending to plant them must report himself in order to get the seed.

The only condition necessary in order to get these seeds are that the person receiving them will agree to plant them for shipping purposes provided they make a car load market can be secured. He must have suitable land for watermelons and live in the Spur trade territory.

Arrangements are being made to get a car load market here this coming season for those desiring to plant a good shipping melon. It is hoped that a great many farmers will plant from one to several acres of melons. Parker County finds that the Tom Watson is the best for shipping purposes. There are several other varieties that are better for home use which are not good shipping melons.

The Parker County folks plant their melons in from ten to twelve foot checks and fertilize each hill with barn yard manure. Each farmer will have to use his own judgement about fertilizing in this country. Some say it will work and some say it is dangerous business due to dry weather and danger of burning the plants.

The Chamber of Commerce wants the name and address of every farmer who intends to plant melons for the market whether they get the pound of seed given to them or not.

DON'T FORGET THE FIRST FIFTY FARMERS REPORTING TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICE SATURDAY MORNING MARCH 14 BEGINNING AT 9:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

BAPTIST CHURCH

The First Baptist Church has training which was very successful just closed a week of B. Y. P. U. More than one hundred persons taking different study courses, and the greater number of these passing examinations and receiving diplomas or seal to apply on diplomas already received.

We are holding prayer meeting every day this week. There will be a prayer meeting near you, and we trust you will join with some group and pray for revival which is to begin Sunday March 15th. We are striving for a great number in Sunday school Sunday morning to begin the meeting with. We want this number to hear the Gospel Message that will be brought by Bro. W. Y. Pond, and there will be services morning and evening every day while the meeting continues. We will welcome every body who can possible come to these services and know that you will receive good from being there.

Don't forget Sunday School Sunday morning at 9:45.—Rep.

R. R. Wooten left Thursday of this week for Fort Worth with a load of sheep. This makes the second shipment he has made recently. He has received top prices so far and we hope he receives more for this shipment.

Special Meeting Of Merchants Is Called For 13th

All the merchants in the Spur Trade Territory are called to meet in a special called meeting on Friday night March 13th at the Federal Seed Loan office adjoining the Chamber of Commerce office in Spur at 7:30 p.m.

This meeting is being called for the benefit of all merchants and those merchants in the outlying towns of Afton, Dickens, McAdoo, Kalgary, Elton, Gilpin, and Girard are especially invited. Your being or not being a member of the Retail Merchants Association of Spur has nothing to do with it. It is proposed to discuss the problems of the merchants freely and openly in this meeting. If you have something on your chest you would like to unload be there on time. If it is cold come anyway as the building will be warm and comfortable.

Faculty Play To Benefit Athletic Association

"The Poor Married Man," a 3-act comedy, will be presented by members of the faculty of Spur Public Schools on Friday, March 13th, at East Ward Auditorium.

Members of the faculty who participate in the play are: B. Neilson, O. L. Kelley, Sisto, H. T. Barber, Miss Buster, Miss McNeil and Miss Haralson.

The proceeds are for benefit of the Athletic Association.

"SPUR MOTOR COMPANY" WILL SELL CHEVROLETS

E. L. Caraway recently signed a new contract with the Chevrolet Co. and will resume the sales and service of the new Chevrolets.

The name of the company has been changed and will be "Spur Motor Co." hereafter.

A number of sales have already been reported.

NOTICE

Percy Jones will hold service in Spur Sunday March the 15th, at eleven o'clock A. M. in the Directors Room of the Spur National Bank.

The public cordially invited to attend.

C. P. HARRIS SAYS 'GOODBYE'

Goodbye, everybody—folks, we are leaving Spur and we must confess to you we wish it wasn't so.

We have lived among you for these thirteen years and it is with aching hearts that we now leave you.

We have hundreds of you dear friends that we wish we could see before we go away, but as we cannot do so, please accept this.

Goodbye and God bless you, C. P. Harris and family.

Start the New Day RIGHT!!

Read The Morning Avalanche FIRST

We deliver the Morning Avalanche to you before Breakfast each day!

Rural readers can get the news the same day printed, on mail routes out of Spur—special rates made to rural subscribers by year.

MRS. DUNN and boys

RED CROSS AID IS TO TERMINATE

We are requested to announce that Red Cross assistance to those eligible to the Federal Loan will be discontinued March 15th, and that nothing can be promised to drouth sufferers beyond April first.

This decision is made imperative because of depleted funds not because those in charge have grown indifferent or unsympathetic to the large existing need for assistance.

We must remind ourselves that the American National Red Cross is an emergency organization and cannot be expected to support communities longer than a reasonable length of time. As a matter of fact Dickens County has been assisted to a far greater extent than many other sections in drouth affected territory, and we should be, and we are, deeply grateful.

The gratitude of this entire section extends not only to National sources which furnished large sums of money for distribution here, supplemented by the generous local contributors, but extends also to the various agencies which made this assistance available.

Particularly should grateful public acknowledgement be made to the women and men of Spur who gave, and are giving, so largely of their time and effort in this crisis, at great personal sacrifice, and of course without compensation.

Many there are to whom this community is indebted in this respect, but especial mention should be made of Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, Mrs. E. L. Tanner and Webber Williams, Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Relief Chairman respectively, of the Dickens County Chapter.

Countless others have helped in many ways. The use of the buildings occupied as office and as warehouse was donated by their owners; the draymen of Spur donated the drayage; our Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company gave free movement to our cars of vegetables and clothing; the Telephone Company made no charge for its 'phone service; supplies in carload quantities were donated by distant Red Cross Chapters, and the churches, organizations and various committees all gave valued help.

Except for its war service, this County has never shown such complete cooperation and unity—town and county working side by side exactly as it should be.

And the results have brought their own reward. Families have been fed and clothed, and in illness have been supplied with medicine. Those who were interested have been taught relative food values.

More than \$13,000 in cash has been spent here, in addition to all of the supplies donated. 682 families have been assisted, representing about 3,150 people. 400 garden seed packets have been distributed. A carload of clothing is now en route for distribution.

But the available Red Cross funds have been spent, and the rehabilitation program must now be assumed by Federal, State and County Agencies in support of self effort. We must exert ourselves to the utmost in the way of home gardens and the home canning of meats and vegetables. We must recognize and profit by the "live-at-home" program which has been emphasized for years by our banks, County Agent and Home Demonstration Agent.

Let's remember the Red Cross in the prosperous time which will come again. It isn't charity you have accepted. Consider it a loan if you will.

On behalf of those who have been assisted we express the gratitude of an appreciative community for all the Red Cross has done, and for what it would be glad to continue to do if only it had the means.

Dickens County Public Health Association Organized Past Week; Miss Buresh Ends Work

At a meeting this past week of interested parties a Dickens County Health Association was organized. Miss Olga Buresh, State Health Nurse, who has been in this county for the past several weeks making a survey of health conditions among the school children, sponsored the organization and aided in its organization. The following was outlined as its purpose and officers:

The official name of this organization shall be Dickens County Public Health Association. It shall be representative, co-operative and advisory. To study the health problems in various communities, promote general health education, co-operate with all organizations interested in child welfare, and having for its goal a full time county health nurse.

To elect every two years a general chairman, vice-chairman and a secretary-treasurer, whose duties shall be similar to those of other organizations.

To have an executive committee composed of the chairman, vice-chairman, secretary-treasurer, county and city health officials as medical advisors, dental advisors, county and city superintendents of education; a representative of civic organizations, and four elective members; said members to be selected by the general chairman to serve as chairman of each Commissioners' Precinct. Names of members of executive committee shall be presented to the Commissioners' Court for appointment.

The chairman of each commissioners' precinct shall appoint five members the first year for two years respectively. This sub-committee shall assist the precinct chairman in the conservation of public in their various communities. The precinct chairman shall conduct monthly meetings with her sub-committee to receive reports, the chairman shall make this report at the executive meeting.

The executive committee shall meet monthly for the purpose of carrying out such a program that would be beneficial to the health interests of the county, receive reports of precinct chairmen and give consideration to any other matters which come before the Association with the approval of the executive committee.

The following executive committee was appointed:

General Chairman—Mrs. R. Wooten.

Vice-Chairman—Mrs. D. Twaddell.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. M. Foster.

Chairman of Precinct 1—Chas. McLaughlin.

Chairman of Precinct 2—Mr. Bob Littlefield.

Chairman of Precinct 3—Mr. Mace Hunter.

Chairman of Precinct 4—Mr. Blassgame.

Chairman City Schools—Sup. Sam Z. Hall.

Chairman Civic Organization—D. L. Granberry.

Chairman 4-H Clubs—Miss Jennie Osborne.

Chairman Medical Advisors—Dr. T. H. Blackwell.

Chairman Dental Advisors—Drs. M. H. Brannen and D. H. Zachry.

Miss Buresh has practically completed her month of health work in Dickens County which has proven of great benefit to the school children.

The project of the Association this term will be to put on a county-wide health program at Spur Friday, April 3, 1931, at the Fair Park Dr. Paul W. Horn, of Lubbock, President of Tech, and Mr. Bennett, State Health Supervisor, have been invited to this meeting, and other interesting speakers of state importance will be on the program.

The executive committee will meet at Kelley School (Spur) March 17 at seven o'clock. The schools are urged to outline their programs for the county-wide meeting and present them at this executive committee meeting so that there will not be any two alike.

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Mr. Dunwoody of Aspermont

was in Spur Monday of this week

and while here was a pleasant

caller at the Texas Spur office.

During the early days of Spur

Mr. Dunwoody worked for the

Texas Spur. He later went into

the newspaper business for him-

self. He is now in the grocery

business but still has a desire to

get his hands in the ink again.

See Henry Gruben the Jeweler,

at Sander's Pharmacy. 181f

S. B. Boykin was in town Wed.

of this week having repair made

on his car and meeting friends

Bill Edwards of Girard came

in to see us Tuesday of this week

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable

of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to

cause to be published once each

week for a period of ten days be-

fore the return day hereof, in a

newspaper of general circulation,

which has been continuously and

regularly published for a period

of not less than one year in said

Dickens County, a copy of the

following notice:

The State of Texas

To all persons interested in the

estate of B. F. Yeates, deceased,

W. F. Ragland was by the County

court of Dickens County, Texas,

on the 7th day of February A. D.

1931, duly appointed Temporary

Administrator of the estate of

said decedent, which appointment

will be made permanent should

the court be of the opinion that a

permanent Administrator is nec-

essary, unless the same shall be

successfully contested at the next

term of said Court, commencing

on the third Monday in April A.

D. 1931 the same being the 20th

day of April A. D. 1931, at the

Court House thereof, in Dickens

County, Texas, at which time all

persons interested in the estate

of said decedent may appear and

contest such appointment if they

so desire.

Herein fail not, but have you

before said Court, on the said

first day of the next term there-

of, this Writ with your return

thereon, showing how you have

executed the same.

Given under my hand and the

seal of said Court, at office in

Dickens, Texas this 18th day

of February A. D. 1931.

ROBT. REYNOLDS, Clerk,

County Court Dickens County,

18-51c Texas.

See Henry Gruben the Jeweler,

at Sander's Pharmacy. 181f

WANTED—Reliable man to

succeed J. M. Wood as Rawleigh

Dealer in Dickens and King Coun-

ties. Selling experience unneces-

sary. Everything furnished except

car. A splendid opportunity to

step into a permanent and profit-

able business. Good profits for

bustlers. Address W. T. Rawleigh

Co., 324 Rawleigh Bldg., Memphis,

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For Sale—1929 Blue Wagon

Mebane Cotton seed. Government

tested. High per cent germinat-

ion. \$100 per bu.—Spur Grain &

Coal Co. 11c

Lost—Brindle Bull dog with

white left front foot. \$5 reward.—

Mrs. W. I. Simmons. 21c

For Sale—Mules and milk

cows. See J. W. McDaniel at

Spur Power Machinery Co. Can

fit you up with any kind of mule

team desired, and at any price. 11c

STRAYED—A light, yellow

Jersey cow, 3 years old, heavy

springer or has young calf. Re-

ward for return to F. B. Croc-

ckett at Crockett Produce & Hatch-

ery, Spur, Texas.

COTTON SEED—100 bushels

of Harper Mebane seed to sell at

\$1.00.—Tom Andrews, 2 miles

north and 2 west of Dobbs gin. 3p

West Texas Chamber Of Commerce

Stamford, March 12.—Every

correction suggested by the West

Texas Chamber of Commerce for

"Advanced Geography," textbook

used in the sixth and seventh

grades of Texas public schools,

has been accepted by Rand Mc-

Nally Company, publishers of the

book, and will be included in a

reprinted edition now being made

ready for the press.

This marks the second suc-

cessful accomplishment in the

effort of the WTCC to secure

justice for Texas in the school

books and officials of the organi-

zation are much gratified at the

cooperation given the undertaking

by the publishing concerns and

by members of the Texas state

textbook commission and board

of education.

Corrections and changes pre-

sented by the regional chamber

have already been made by the

McMillan Company in "Elementary

Geography," the fourth and

fifth grade text. Now an effort

will be launched to get similar

corrections in all school geogra-

phies used in the United States.

Proof sheets of the pages in

"Advanced Geography" on which

the changes were requested have

been received at the WTCC office

here and reveal that Texas, and

especially West Texas, is much

more fairly and accurately treat-

ed than in the heretofore dis-

tributed editions of the book.

Now the student who uses "Ad-

vanced Geography" will be told

that West Texas produces wheat,

We Invite You to Dine With Us When in Town. The Best Meals In The City At "Hard Times" Prices! HIGHWAY CAFE Spur, Texas

Dire Emergencies Only Should Increase Public Debt. Com spend the week end. The modern, courteous (and surprisingly inexpensive) way to extend out-of-town invitations is by telephone.

IMMIGRATION PATROL INSPECTOR EXAMINATION ANNOUNCED AT CAPITAL. Washington, D. C.—The United States Civil Service Commission has announced that until March 24 it will accept applications for positions of immigration patrol inspector at an entrance salary of \$1,800 a year.

Eat Everything without Fear of Indigestion. Are there kinds of foods you can't eat—for fear of gas, bloating, pains in the stomach and bowels? Do you have to pass up favorite dishes—while the rest enjoy them? That's a sign you need Tanlac! For more than 10 years Tanlac has restored to vigorous health thousands who suffered like you do.

J. T. BILBERRY, TRANSFER. PHONE 169. The next time you have anything to move give us a trial.

Look Over Our HOUSE PLANS

In the varied array of plans you will be certain to find a house that exactly fits your needs. And when you have decided upon the plan you like, we can tell you to a dollar just what the material will cost. Stop in any time and look them over.

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In his private practice, Dr. Carl Weschcke first perfected the simple mixture now known as Adlerika. Unlike most remedies, Adlerika acts on BOTH upper and lower bowel and removes old poisons you would never believe were in your system. Stops GAS bloating in 10 minutes! Relieves chronic constipation in 2 hours! Let Adlerika give your stomach and bowels a REAL cleaning and see how good you feel! It will surprise you!—Spur Drug Co.

If the best words in our language are "Enclosed find check" then the worst are "Please remit".

The fellow who goes through life afraid of making a fool out of himself is one.

SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY. Wants to sell more goods and we are making cheap prices to do that. Come look over our prices and supply your needs in our line while our prices are low. We have some good maize and bundle feed to sell. Let us show you. SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY "SPUR'S OLDEST STORE"

Cardui. A new years ago, I found that I was very weak and nothing I ate seemed to give me any strength. writes Mrs. R. B. Douglas, 704 South Congress St., Jackson, Miss. I suffered intense pain in my head and back. At times I would have to hold to something to steady myself, as to do my little work. I was worried about my condition. My mother told me that I should take Cardui. After taking two bottles, I felt stronger, but I kept on taking it until my head and back quit hurting. I took about six bottles in all, and have never quit praising Cardui. USED BY WOMEN FOR OVER 50 YEARS. Take Theford's Black-Draught for Constipation, Indigestion, and Biliousness.

WELL PLANNED GARDEN FEEDS WHOLE FAMILY

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green and tender all summer. If you've never tried this, do so.

Two rows of bunch beans.
Two rows of bunch limas.
One-fourth row of hot peppers.

Two rows of sweet peppers.
Two rows of cucumbers.
One row of eggplant.
One row of cauliflower.
One row of lettuce.

One row of radishes—plant one-fourth of a row at a time far enough between times to insure a fresh supply until freezing weather.

One-half the perimeter of the garden planted in vine lima beans

—vines will run upon fence and bear until frost.

Other half of the perimeter of the plot planted in Kentucky Wonder beans—will run on the fence and bear all fall.

Then the long-lived vegetables should all be arranged on one side of the garden so the other side may be replanted when the short-lived vegetables such as English peas, mustard, radishes, lettuce, kale and summer spinach are taken off.

By all means every garden should contain a sufficient amount of perennials which supply green vegetables throughout the winter. This is the time when they are needed most in supplying the proper vitamins to the body. Rhubarb supplies a high percentage of minerals, and asparagus comes in early spring and affords a fresh succulent vegetable at a time when no

others are to be had. Winter onions if hay-mulched will remain green all winter. Onions contain a large amount of iron. Every family should have two vegetables daily and these should be eaten raw in their leafy state to insure good health.

It must not be overlooked that the above garden is designed for a family of five and will supply the table with vegetables throughout the growing season and yield enough besides for canning the winter supply.

The matter of storage is another item that ought to receive more consideration than is usually given to it. In many instances, especially on the rented farm, the winter's canning is done in the summer only to be frozen and spoiled in the winter. There should by all means be a cellar or other place where fruit can be stored and kept without fear of loss. Mrs. Ward observes that there is a far greater volume of stored vegetables and fruits this year than in previous years, but advises that there is plenty of room for expansion in this matter yet.

Radishes, carrots, turnips, potatoes, etc., may be buried in the ground with a straw lining and kept through the freezing weather. The Chinese rose radish grows to about 12 inches in length, is frost resistant, and does not become pithy. It remains in the ground all winter.

A fatal mistake is often made. Mrs. Ward said, in the matter of transplanting young plants in the spring. They should not be taken directly from the hotbed and planted in the garden. When the young plants have two leaves they should be removed from the hotbed and planted in flats one inch deeper than they were in the hotbed. When they have had time to grow sufficient roots they should be removed from the flats and planted in a cold frame, seasoning there for a growth of more sturdy roots. They are then transplanted in the open and by this time many of the plants like tomatoes have blooms and are strong enough to withstand the weather.

The cold-natured vegetables

should be sown in beds about February 22, to insure an early supply of young plants.

Just a word about the construction of flats: They should be 18x24 inches, and five inches deep. This arrangement makes them easy to lift in moving from one place to another. About one inch of gravel or broken crockery should be placed in the bottom so water will not settle and chill the plants.

Last year Mrs. Ward reports 110 women in Pittsburg county entered the garden contest. In June ninety-one gardens were scored. There are four divisions in the score card. The first is devoted to a check-up on the varieties of vegetables grown, the second deals with arrangement; third takes into account the state of cultivation of the plot and the fourth has to do with yield.

The extension division of the A. & M. college offers \$500 in cash prizes for the best gardens in the state, \$75 for the best individual garden in the state, \$25 for the best in the district, and \$50 for the best group of gardens in the district.

During the past year thirty-one women in this county reported a production of 410,537 pounds of vegetables. Mrs. Marie Autrey had one-fourth of an acre in garden and reported 20,988 pounds of vegetables. On November 18 she had collards, cabbage, winter onions, turnips, parsley, radishes, lettuce, endive, carrots, parsnips, Chinese celery and mustard in her garden. Mrs. Autrey is just one example in many right here in Pittsburg county who have vegetables even now green and delicious. One lady who works under Mrs. Ward's garden plan has a family of eleven, yet her grocery bill for three months amounted to only \$35, or a little better than \$11 per month.

Think of the vacant lots in McAlester on which nothing but weeds grow; think of the fertile land in this county that would produce enough food for every inhabitant of the county with a surplus and you will have a vision of the possibilities that lie before numbers of men and women during the early spring months.

Some complain that, living in town, they have no horses or tools with which to break the gardens, but this is no excuse. The ground can be spaded up and cultivated with a hoe in the spare hours after the regular day's work is done.

It is my opinion that Mrs. Ward offers with her plan of garden arrangement and culture a better solution to the food problem than any state legislature or national congress can possibly offer. But to make it effective, the opportunity must be met within the next sixty days. If this situation is met as it should be there will be no cries for bread after the month of June. Even the poorest of the poor can plant and cultivate a good garden.

Your plan is a good one, Mrs. Ward, and we take great pleasure in bringing it to the attention of the public at a time when we hope it will bear fruit.

C. L. Love and daughter, Mrs. P. A. Watson of the Love Dry Goods Company are in Dallas buying new Spring creations in ladies-ready-to-wear and other goods to add to their stock. Mrs. Love and master Pat Watson accompanied them as far as Mineral Wells where they will visit her sister Mrs. Fred D. Whiting and family.

Duck Creek News

Several people in the community are suffering from colds and flu. The bad weather of the past week has caused much of the ill health.

Miss Durham spent the week-end at Jayton with her folks.

Mr. Arthur Webb has been suffering with a case of the flu. He is reported better at this writing.

We still are enrolling new pupils in the school.

Henry Gregory, of Detroit, Michigan, is spending his vacation with his father, T. E. Gregory.

Miss Cudd spent the week-end with her folks at Dry Lake.

Misses Ethel Lee Shockley and Oleta Houston spent Saturday night with Auden Simmons.

Misses Helen and Velma Cudd visited Mrs. Jack Simmons Sunday afternoon.

Nellie Watkins has been real sick.

Mary Wells, of Dickens, spent the week-end with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Wells.

Miss Nadine Jordan spent the night with Bertha Thomas Saturday night.

Bro. Bilberry will preach at the School house Sunday after Sunday School.

The school is getting up a play which will be staged in the near future. The date of the performance will be given as soon as plans can be completed.

Quite a bit of preparation is being made for the county meet. Mrs. Swarngen has been sick for the past week.

Overburdened Tax Payer Turns On Exhaust Pipe

Recently an Oklahoma banker wrote a letter to one of his customers relative to a request for a check, says an editorial in the New Orleans States. The letter apparently was the last straw. It broke the camel's back. This was the reply the banker got: I wish to inform you that the present condition of my bank account makes it impossible for me to send you a check in response to your request.

My present financial condition is due to the effect of federal laws, state laws, county laws, corporation laws, by-laws, brother-in-laws, mother-in-laws, and out-laws, that have been foisted upon an unsuspecting public. Through these various laws, I have been held down, held up, walked on, sat on, fattened, squeezed, until I do not know where I am, what I am and why I am.

These laws compel me to pay a merchants tax, capital stock tax, income tax, real estate tax, property tax, auto tax, gas tax, water tax, light tax, street tax, school tax, syntax and carpet tax.

In addition to these taxes, I'm requested and required to contribute to every society and organization that the inventive mind of men can organize: To Society of St. John, the Womans Relief, Navy League, the Childrens Home, the Policemans Benefit, the Dorcas Society, the Y. M. C. A., the Boy Scouts, the Jewish Relief, the Near East, the Gold Diggers' Home, also every hospital and charitable institution in town. The Red Cross, the Black Cross, the White Cross, the Double Cross and the Purple Cross.

The government has so governed my business that I do not know who owns it. I am suspected, expected, inspected, disrespected, examined, reexamined, informed, required, commanded, compelled until all I know is that I'm supposed to provide an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire or hope of the human race, and because I refuse to fall and go out and beg, borrow and steal money to give away, I am cursed, and discussed, boycotted, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, held down and robbed until I am nearly ruined, so the only reason I am still clinging to life is to see what in the hell is coming next. —Exchange.

Luther Hindman left Wednesday for Marlin where he will take special treatments along with the baths. Luther has been suffering from rheumatism the past few months and we hope he will be well and able to return soon.

See Henry Gruben the Jeweler, at Sander's Pharmacy. 18tf

Dry Lake News

The Dry Lake School is still going fine. We have been practicing for County Meet.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Osborne and little children visited Mr. and Lee Delisle and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and family visited Mrs. Smith parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Henderson of near Gerard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Barnes are the proud parents of a seven and a half pound baby boy. They gave him the name Thomas William.

Miss Lorene Stanley spent Wednesday night with Miss Ruby Mae Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Euren Smith and children and Bernard Smith visited relatives at Lamesa this week-end.

Miss Atha Joy Kidd spent Monday night with her sister, Mrs. Ola Miller.

Mrs. R. F. Rogers and daughters, Meiba, and Kathryn, spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Coy Dopson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Moore, of near Lubbock, visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Stacy this week-end.

Mr. J. L. Hutt, visited his folks this week-end.

Mrs. C. N. Kidd and Mrs. Elza Armstrong visited Mrs. Casey Alldredge Saturday.

Little Billie Jo McMahan has been ill.

Miss Lois Smith spent Tuesday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. T. Smith.

Mr. Bill Ballard was attending to business in Lamesa this week-end.

Miss Ovie Warren spent the week-end with her uncle, Mr. Lon Bass.

Mrs. W. L. Thanisch is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Barnes.

Mrs. C. N. Kidd, Joe and Atha Joy, visited Miss Naomi Turner, who has been ill, Saturday night. Mrs. W. T. Smith and daughters Lorena Mae and Eula, visited Mrs. J. H. Smith, of Spur, Saturday.

Miss Vivyan Kidd spent Saturday night with Miss Vergie McMahan.

Little Miss Elizabeth Lewis Powell spent Saturday with Misses Cleo and Iva Smith.

Mr. R. B. Stanley was in Spur Saturday.

We, the players of the Dry Lake basket ball team, wish to thank the many who have been so kind as to take us to Dickens and other places to play ball.

See Henry Gruben the Jeweler, at Sander's Pharmacy. 18tf

Bad Case Arthritis Responds Readily To Crazy Crystals

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I was on crutches for three years with Arthritis Rheumatism. I was told by my friends I'd never walk. I secured a package of your Crazy Crystals. I am on my third package now and am feeling better than I have felt for years; walking without crutch or cane. Your Crystals are also fine for constipation and indigestion. Mrs. George Orr, 103 Adkins St., Knoxville, Tennessee.

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Attorney Alton Chapman left Tuesday of this week for South Texas on official business as well as a pleasure trip.

See Henry Gruben the Jeweler, at Sander's Pharmacy. 18tf

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland of east of Spur were in town Sunday visiting with friends.

Sam J. Ousley of Abilene was here this week visiting with his friends and relatives.

WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Womans Missionary Society had their regular monthly social at Mrs. S. H. Twadell's; Mrs. M. A. Lea assistant hostesses. Sewing for the Red Cross and the new game of Bible Dominoes were the diversions of the afternoon.

A St. Patricks color scheme was carried throughout the house decoration and service plates. Dainty three leaf clovers marked places for twenty six members when the refreshments consisting of hot chocolate, cake, salad and crackers were served.—Reporter.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank Dr. Nichols for his untiring efforts, our pastor for his words of comfort our relatives, our neighbors and friends for each and every word of kindness spoken to us during the illness and death of our precious baby and sister, Joyce La Nell. May Heaven's richest blessings be yours.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gray and children.

Small Breeders' Dairy Show

Editorial from Plainview Daily Herald of March 4

The proposal of the Panhandle-Plains Dairy Association to give free T-B tests of dairy cattle to be exhibited in the annual show to be held in Plainview April 6 to 9 is thoroughly in keeping with the policy of dairy development which the show and the association sponsoring it have pursued from the very inception of the show. It goes further than merely testing the animals to be displayed, but includes all animals in the herd of the exhibitor. This will be expensive to the association, but the work can be done at less expense by it than by the individuals.

It is often the case that the small breeder or the individual farmer with a few head of good dairy cattle is not convenient to a veterinarian who is qualified to give the test. By grouping the breeders a circuit can be arranged for the veterinarian and the expense greatly reduced.

Thus the dairy show adds to its other instruction activities that of warning and advising of the danger of tuberculosis infection in dairy cattle. It brings the progress of the most advanced dairy areas of the Panhandle-Plains to those areas in which dairy development has just begun.

The assistance offered by the association in T-B testing is removing one of the greatest obstacles to the small breeder's showing.

Interest in the small breeder and a sane program of dairy expansion have been the outstanding characteristics of the Panhandle-Plains show. The whole scheme has been to encourage the beginning breeder. Its success is shown by the fact that one hundred one exhibitors showed cattle at Plainview last spring.

There were fourteen different breeders who won the first awards in the fifteen classes for individuals. The four championships were won by four different breeders from four different counties and both junior champions were won by exhibitors who had only one animal in the show.

Surely there was never a show that had such a wide representation and a show where the awards were so widely distributed.

The Texas Panhandle-Plains Dairy Show is fulfilling well its purpose—a show where the small breeder or the man who is just beginning may have an opportunity to exhibit his cattle in strong competition, yet not have to compete with the established breeder. No wonder it has become one of the three leading cattle shows of the nation. There is nothing of exploitation about it. It is educational in the extreme and is the greatest factor in extending dairying in Northwest Texas and its influence is felt even in the adjoining states of New Mexico and Oklahoma.

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GRUBEN BROTHERS

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West Texas is a land rich in natural resources and vital materials. In the near future, far-seeing manufacturers will locate their plants in this territory where they will benefit by cheap land, moderate operating expense, low living costs, an abundance of native-born and intelligent workers, splendid shipping facilities, ideal climate conditions and an adequate and elastic supply of inexpensive and dependable electric energy.

When these industries survey West Texas for the most attractive factory sites, first consideration will be given those progressive small cities which offer the constant power supply of a transmission line system serving a wide area from strategically located main generating stations and further stabilizing its service through interconnection and auxiliary plants.

One hundred and twenty prosperous cities and towns throughout West Texas are interconnected by the 2,500 mile trunk transmission line network of the West Texas Utilities Company. Receiving service from three major generating stations—supplemented by the twenty-two auxiliary or stand-by plants—leading citizens of these towns confidently anticipate the rapid industrial development of this vast empire, truly called "The Land of Opportunity."

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