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3-CAR CRASH ENDS LIFE FOR 6 OF 16

Hijackers Will Be Returned To Dickens

Stalkup And Brown To Face Robbery With Firearms Charge

Sheriff W. B. Arthur made a quick trip to Lawton, Oklahoma Monday, returning Tuesday afternoon, where he states that he made arrangements to have two of a trio of criminals returned to this county for trial on a charge of robbery with firearms.

Following a gun battle staged at Medicine Park, near Lawton, last Sunday between a trio of gunsters and peace officers of that place, in which O. B. Stalkup, 51, was killed, and Virgil Stalkup and Clarence Brown, after the former was wounded in the shoulder, were captured and jailed. Sheriff Arthur received communications from the Sheriff's department of that place and proceeded there, in company with M. D. Brock, of Lubbock, and deputy Jim Williams of Crosby county.

Last Wednesday afternoon about three o'clock, Brock, truck driver for Lubbock Dr. Pepper Co., was held up and robbed of more than a hundred dollars and then tied near his truck off the highway about five miles west of Dickens. He accompanied Sheriff Arthur to Lawton to identify the men jailed there.

Complaints are made and charges being filed against the surviving two members of the trio for hijacking and robbery with firearm in this county this week. They probably also will be charged in Crosby county with kidnaping and car theft on the same afternoon, and in Wichita Falls with kidnaping and hijacking. The wounded man, young Stalkup, was unable to be moved now, but as soon as he recovers sufficiently, both will be returned here to face the two charges.

Mrs. T. G. Bass Died At Dry Lake Monday, June 18

Mrs. Fannie Eldora Bass, wife of Thomas G. Bass, died at their home at Dry Lake, Monday morning at 6:00 o'clock following an illness of two weeks.

Mrs. Bass moved with her husband and family to Dry Lake, January 6, 1916, and has resided there since that time. She was the mother of six children all of which are living. They are J. C. and Albert Bass of Brownfield; Arthur and L. G. Bass of Spur; two daughters, Julia, of Alabama; and Cora of Spur.

Funeral services were held at the Dry Lake Baptist Church at six o'clock Monday afternoon with Rev. A. P. Stokes, of Afton officiating. Interment was made in the Spur Cemetery.

We join the numerous friends of this estimable family in extending sympathy in the loss of their wife and mother.

Miss Zell Ellis Will Represent Spur At Cowboy Reunion

Miss Zell Ellis has been selected to represent Spur at the Cowboy Reunion at Stamford, July 2, 3, and 4th. Out of the hundreds of West Texas towns and cities expected to send sponsors, only a few had been reported last week but there will be many more added by this week's report.

Zell Ellis was reared on the Rocking Chair Ranch, about twenty-five miles south west of Spur. She is a real cowgirl and we are going to be disappointed if she doesn't bring back the saddle.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Karr were business visitors in Lubbock Wednesday of last week.

Pioneer Families of "Old West"

Graves Inundation of Beauty

Legions Attended The Last Rites

From far off hillsides they came, lending all to those sacred hours, And with them a fragrance of friendship and love - - - Sentiment, kindred beauty to the loveliest of the flowers.

Nothing is more beautiful than the sacred intent of mankind to pay homage to the last rites of its fellowmen. It is the tenderest of sentiments resting dormant—unconsciously abiding in friendship and love, ever present—a time honored respect that has not been spoken because it could find no exit from the human heart.

One of the greatest processions paying tribute to the memory of man or woman in the history of this county was witnessed Sunday afternoon, June 17th, when the last remains of Joe Collier, Spur, Mrs. Harvey Holly, and her seven

Joe Collier

Joe Collier, the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Collier, was born at High Point, Alabama, the 5th of October, 1887. At the age of 8 years he came to Texas with his parents, first settling in Jones county, and later moving to Haskell county. Here Joe grew to young manhood, well trained in honor and integrity.

On the 9th of August, 1914, Joe Collier was married to Miss Blanch Loe at Rochester, Tex., and to this union five splendid daughters were born, Mildred, Clytee, Mary Jo, Joyce and Norma Jean.

In 1928 the Collier family moved to Spur from Munday, Knox county. During their residence in this county their every acquaintance has become a friend. For some years Mr. Collier was a partner to M. L. Rickles in the Central Market, selling his interest in that firm about two years ago and entering into the cattle and dairying business. In his business dealings, as well as in social, he never ceased to make friends.

Joe Collier was a man that stood for magnificent ideals; he was courageous, firm, and always tread upon the paths that honor has elevated just a step above the regular plain. He trampled on the foibles that came before, always reaching higher and planning for his family and the welfare of his home. He kept step with a mate in marriage that shared his aims and his ideals.

Now Joe has returned . . . but he has left behind him an influence that shall walk in his stead—a memory that will live long and lend its accomplished traits for the betterment of all who knew him.

Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ, Spur, Sunday afternoon at six o'clock, Rev. Albert Smith, pastor, officiating—with Rev. Bishop, Baptist minister of Post City assisting with his tenderly dropped rose-petals in the form of living words.

The little flower girls were Nellie Sue Knight, Carlbad, N. M., Regina Lee, Spur; Ranell Chanev, Post; Oneta Loe, Afton; Claudie Mae Tuttle, Edmond, Oklahoma; Winona Chaney, Post; Billie Dean Collier, Abilene; Velma and Vera Williamson, Brownsville, and Ann Lee, Spur.

Pall Bearers were M. L. Rickles, H. O. Albin, E. L. Caraway, and Charlie Powell, Spur; Clyde Harcrow, Haskell, and Bill Evans of Knox City.

Following the church ceremonies the remains were carried to the Spur cemetery in the W. S. Campbell Hearse and lowered to his last resting place midst a profusion of lovely flowers.

year old son, Lanoy, were laid to rest in the Spur and Dickens cemeteries. Both of these families represent the splendid blood of western pioneers, and to see the vast throng in this procession was to mark their places in the lives of those with whom they were associated.

Joe Collier was buried in the Spur Cemetery, and Mrs. Holly and her small son were put to rest in the Dickens Cemetery, and almost enough cars were in attendance to reach from one cemetery to the other—carrying more than two thousand people.

Mrs. Holly and Lanoy

Mrs. Cleo Holly, born October 10, 1899, was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Christopher and was reared in this county, living in and around Dickens practically all of her life. Lanoy was the seven-year old son of she and Harvey Holly.

Funeral services were conducted for the mother and son at the Dickens Church of Christ, by Minister Albert Smith, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon and interment was made in Dickens cemetery in a double grave, directed by Webber Williams of the Campbell Home. Pall Bearers for Mrs. Holly and Lanoy were: T. E. Watson, Harold Blair, Barney Nichols, Jack Gipson, Fred Arrington, Happy McGuire, Pete Wingo, and Otho Thompson.

Mrs. Holly was a devout Christian woman, a loving wife and devoted mother, and was loved and respected by all who knew her. Lanoy was a manly little chap just arriving at school age and was one of the favorite children of the neighborhood. And it was with an awe spirit of respect and sympathy that the huge crowd witnessed the last rites which marked the breaking up of this good family.

Mrs. Holly is survived by her husband Harvey Holly and two other sons, Elvis 13, and Curtis 11. Also her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Christopher, and the fol-

Infant Of Mr. And Mrs. Driggers Died

Wyndell, infant son born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Driggers, of Gilpin, Tuesday, June 19, died shortly after birth.

Funeral services were conducted at the cemetery Tuesday afternoon by Rev. J. A. Laney and Rev. W. E. Bennett and burial was made in the Spur Cemetery.

Dr. Lawler, Eyesight Specialist To Open Office in Spur

Dr. Harold H. Lawler, optometrist and eyesight specialist is opening up an office in Spur in the Campbell Building, room 4, in the near future or as soon as office equipment, which is now in transit, arrives.

Dr. Lawler and Miss Burress were married in Fort Worth, April 11 and have been on an extended trip into New Mexico and other points of interest, returning this week to Spur where they will be at home in the Leland Campbell residence. We join in extending Dr. Lawler and bride a most cordial welcome to our city.

New Teachers Elected For Coming Year

At a meeting of the Spur School board recently, vacancies in the faculty were filled as follows:

Miss Yeats and Miss Ruby Williamson were elected to fill vacancies in the grade department of the school and Mrs. McKnight was elected to teach the Home Economics department and take care of pupils who wish to study music. Mrs. McKnight is most talented in this line and has had years of experience in conducting choirs and choral clubs.

A card was received from Sam Swafford this week, mailed at Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he has been spending a vacation. Mr. Swafford stated that he would return to Merkle in a few days where he would be until fall and requested us to mail his Texas Spur to him there until further notice.

lowing brothers and sisters: Mary Christopher, Mrs. E. S. Blakley, Mrs. Lewis Daniels, Mrs. J. J. Hale, Fred Christopher, Jim Christopher, and Olen Christopher.

Hospital Taxed To Capacity; All Doctors, Nurses Available Called; Officers Pressed To Control Traffic

One of the grimmest tragedies in the history of Dickens County occurred one mile north of here, on the Spur-Dickens highway, about six o'clock Saturday afternoon when a three car-collision took the lives of six persons—three in almost instant death, two with but little more than three hours of breath, and a sixth lingering until Monday afternoon—and inflicted injuries of bruises to near fatal cuts to ten others riding in the three cars.

Those claimed by almost instant death were Mrs. Harvey Holly, of Dickens; Lanoy, her seven year old son, and Joe Collier, whose home was only a few hundred yards from the scene of the accident.

Mark D. Page, 39, of Jayton, died at 9:30 Saturday night; and his father, R. E. Page, 77, also of Jayton, expired twenty minutes later.

J. J. Wasson, 39, of the Croton community, followed as the sixth fatality Monday afternoon at 6:45 o'clock in the Nichols Sanitarium, where the most of the sixteen occupants of the automobiles had been received immediately after the trip-

Wheat Loans Are Now Available

The Emergency Crop Loan Office is now prepared to receive applications for summer fallowing and winter wheat loans, Mr. D. H. Sandidge, Field Supervisor, announced today. All forms and supplies necessary for taking applications from farmers have been received by the County Committees and applications for loans will be received and handled in the same manner as were spring crop loan applications.

Loans may be made for summer fallowing or for the combined purpose of summer fallowing and purchasing winter seed wheat. The maximum allowance for fallowing will be \$100 per acre. The security shall be a first lien and all crops to be harvested on the lands the summer fallowing of which is thus financed. The expiration date for taking applications is July 15, 1934.

Webber Williams Withdraws From Sheriff's Race

TO THE VOTERS OF DICKENS COUNTY:

I wish to express to the voters of Dickens County my sincere thanks and appreciation for their support and many expressions in behalf for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector. Mr. W. S. Campbell, my employer made me a good business proposition which I have accepted, thereby making it impossible for me to continue in the race for Sheriff. I have filed a request with the Dickens County Executive Committee asking that my name be withdrawn.

I have been out over the county seeing the voters and wish to state to each and every one of you that I appreciate the support you gave me. A large number of friends have called on me since the announcement of my withdrawal, which I appreciate very much.

WEBBER WILLIAMS

Mrs. Albert Sprayberry and young son of Dry Lake were business visitors in Spur Monday morning, bringing in produce which they sold direct to consumers.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Carlisle of Duck Creek, were business visitors in Spur Saturday, spending some time here shopping and visiting friends.

Others injured were Harvey Holly, 38, Mrs. Holly's husband, laceration above left eye and arm and hand bruises and cuts; Elvis and Curtis, two Holly sons, 13 and 11 respectively, with head and chest injuries, and the latter suffering also from a fractured nose; Charles Stringer, 45, of Jayton, minor head injuries; G. W. France, about 40, also of Jayton, laceration of scalp and face and injured ankle; Bob Wright, 35, and his six year old daughter, Pauline, of Canadian, Texas, both with minor injuries; Bob Lane, 40, of Durham, Oklahoma, scratches and bruises; Mrs. Ella Thomas, of three miles north of Spur, minor injuries, and her eight year old daughter, Jeffey, suffering from lip cuts and two teeth knocked out.

Saturday afternoon Harvey Holly, Mrs. Holly, the three sons, and J. J. (Jud) Wasson, following a very light rain shower, had started for their home near Dickens, when, about the time they were completing the passing of a Model A Ford sedan, their car crashed almost head-on with a new Chevrolet demonstrator, driven by Mark D. Page and occupied by four others—Joe Collier, salesman for the local Chevrolet house, R. E. Page, Charlie Stringer and G. W. France. The Ford sedan, driven by Bob Wright, and with his small daughter, Mrs. Thomas and her little girl, and Bob Lane as passengers suffered a heavy impact with the Holly car on the opposite side to the Chevrolet demonstrator and was pushed into the barrow-ditch. Almost every one of the sixteen passengers were thrown from the cars. The new demonstrator was badly damaged, and the Holly car had the appearance of being beyond repair.

Picked up from the roadway, and from the wreckage, some of the victims of the crash were brought in to the sanitarium by passers-by or friends, and the immediate arrival of the W. S. Campbell Ambulance joined in rushing the transporting of the sixteen. The Nichols Sanitarium was taxed to capacity for space, and all physicians and nurses available were pressed into service to care for the suffering. Hundreds of Spur people gathered about the entrance of the sanitarium, awed by the terrible tragedy and listening for some word as to the welfare of some friend or acquaintance. Sheriff Arthur, assisted by city officers, were forced to take charge of traffic on the highway at the scene of the tragedy and to continue on duty at the hospital until nearly midnight to keep out crowds of friends and curiosity seekers.

Dr. Nichols was at Lubbock at the time the wreck occurred and on receiving a phone call drove the 75 miles here in little over an hour. Drs. Hale, Blackwell, and Wylie were pressed into service immediately and were on duty when Dr. Nichols arrived. The four doctors and all nurses available worked throughout the night and most of the next day.

Mrs. Holly, and her small son, were interred in a double grave at Dickens cemetery Sunday afternoon, following the solemnities spoken by Rev. Albert Smith at the Church of Christ at Dickens at four o'clock. She is survived by her husband, Harvey, two sons, Elvis and Curtis; her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Christopher; three brothers, Fred Christopher of Dickens, Jim, of Spur, and Olin, of Rogers, N. M.; four sisters, Mrs. Beulah Blakley, of Rogers, N. M., Mrs. Willie Daniels, Mrs. Jewel Hale, and Miss Mary Christopher, all of Afton.

Joe Collier was buried in Spur cemetery, following services at the Church of Christ at 6:00 Sunday evening rendered by Rev. Albert Smith, assisted by Rev. Bishop, Baptist.

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Ericson Grocery AND CENTRAL MARKET

Rib Roast, per lb	10c
Coffee, bulk, per lb	11c
English Peas, No. 2, per can	10c
Swiss Steak, try one, per lb	20c
Corn Flakes, White Swan, per pkg.	10c
Peaches, White Swan, half-sliced, cn	23c
Washing Powder, Light House, 2 for	5c
Coffee, 'Pep', lb pkg.	13c
Vanilla Extract, 8 oz. bottle	35c
Fig Bar, per pound	23c
Mixed Sausage, per pound	10c
Spinach, No. 2 can	10c
Cocoa, Mothers, 2 pounds	23c

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