

Twenty-five Years
Continuous Service

THE TEXAS SPUR

SMITTY CLEANERS
Phone 93

VOLUME XXVI

SPUR, DICKENS CO. TEXAS, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1935

NUMBER 50

Texas Spur to Give \$1,500

DISTRIBUTION TO BE MADE TO THOSE WHO WORK THE HARDEST

\$500 CASH IS FIRST PRIZE TO BE GIVEN IN GREAT DRIVE

A LITERAL "SHOWER OF GOLD" FOR THOSE WHO HAVE THE WILLINGNESS TO TRY, AND THE GRIT TO STICK.

Is A Work for Children Of This Section

MAY MEAN COLLEGE EDUCATION FOR SOME BOY OR GIRL IN DICKENS COUNTY.—ENTER EARLY

The Texas Spur is proud to announce to its readers, and to the public generally of this section, the most unique and interesting distribution of cash awards in its history, the offering of a total of \$1,500.00 in prizes and commissions. The first prize is \$500.00 and the eighth prize is \$10.00.

The prizes and commissions will go to children between the ages of 6 months and 13 years of age, in what is undoubtedly the greatest innovation of its kind in the history of local newspapering, a veritable "Shower of Gold" campaign for babies and children. It marks a step forward by The Texas Spur whose policy has always been service—a step forward to serve the children of this section and to make it possible for them later in life, to go to college, enter business and do many other things which might otherwise be barred to them forever.

You love your children. We know that, and devotedly. In fact, there is nothing a proud parent will not do to make certain the future happiness of their child or baby. The Texas Spur is not asking much of parents and guardians. What we do ask is that you help your child by doing your bit for them by entering your child or a niece or nephew in this great "Shower of Gold" distribution, a contest which is not based on beauty or popularity, but upon daily work of a pleasing nature during their spare time. The "Shower of Gold" campaign officially opens during the next few days and closes in nine short weeks. Somebody's child will be the winner of a \$500.00 prize in cash.

Spur Laundry Adds Helpy - Selfy Department Open This Week

This week the Spur Laundry has completed an addition to the already adequate laundry business by building a room on the rear which will house a Helpy-Selfy Laundry. Opening dates were announced for Wednesday and Thursday of this week, with a free service on the two days.

The Spur Laundry management has ever been alert to the needs of the town and country and has made this addition to take care of the needs of customers who prefer this type of service.

The addition is 25 by 30 feet, of stucco, with a double entrance on North Willard and another entrance in the northeast corner on the east. Three sets of double windows affords an abundance of light and sunshine to make a cheerful workshop, concrete floor with drainage and sewage to take off the refuse water; shelves tables and in fact nothing has been overlooked to make this a most convenient and labor saving work shop. Those who prefer to superintend the putting out of their laundry, are invited to give the new laundry a share of their patronage.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cathey and daughter, Miss Margaret, were here Saturday from their home at Clairemont.

ENTER YOUR CHILD TODAY

It is easy to enter your baby or your child, niece or nephew. It costs nothing to enter this "Shower of Gold" campaign for your boy or girl. Fill out the "Entry Blank" which you will find on another page of this paper and it will start you with 25,000 votes, bring it to The Texas Spur office and get the full details of this unusual offer to help your boy or girl build for themselves a fund sufficient to pay their way through college or start them in business when the time comes for them to launch out on their own responsibility.

The next thing to do is to bring in your own subscription for one to five years to the Texas Spur and your boy or girl will receive 25,000 extra votes as a starter. Each candidate is allowed five "Opportunity Coupons" which when accompanied by \$20.00 worth of subscriptions to the Spur, will give you more than a million votes to start. The best way to start is to come and talk with the campaign manager personally. He will give you his advice and help you get started on the way.

NOTHING DIFFICULT

There is nothing difficult about this offer. All you have to do is to secure new and renewal subscriptions among friends and relatives during your spare time, in order to win the \$500.00 in cash or one of the other cash prizes. This offer is extraordinary, the first of this kind ever made in this section of Texas. It is a grand opportunity for your boy or girl whether you now a reader of The Texas Spur or not. To show your friends and relatives that you love your child, that you are planning seriously and years in advance for the prosperity and well being of your dearest possession, that precious child of yours so dependent now but later in life to be the full grown realization and pride of your fondest dreams.

The people to whom you go to get subscriptions will admire your spirit, your determination to help your boy or girl and they will want to help in smoothing the pathway of life for your child. You will be giving just a bit of effort for the future of your baby or little child.

Call at The Texas Spur office today and get full details about this big cash prize campaign. Ask for Mr. Bryan.

O. L. Hale Buys The Dorothy Sandwich Shop on Harris Street

Wednesday of last week Otho L. Hale bought of Mrs. Halliburton, "Dorothy's Sandwich Shop" located on East Harris Street and took charge immediately.

Otho L. Hale needs no introduction to the buying public of Dickens county as he has been associated with some business interest in the county for the past quarter of a century, the most recent was his partnership with Frank Speer in the general mercantile business at Dickens City and which he sold to Mr. Speer only a few weeks ago.

Mr. Hale is a very fine christian gentleman and his business dealings have always been a very high plane and conducted in a courteous manner. He extends an invitation to former customers and friends and the general public to visit him at his new place of business which will in the future be called.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Koonsman were here Saturday from north of Dickens several miles, spending several hours here visiting with other Saturday visitors in the city and shopping with Spur merchants.

Sam Battles, of Espuela, visited relatives in Hillsboro, returning the latter part of last week, accompanied by his brother, J. L. Battles.

Airway Cafe Was Destroyed By Fire Late Monday Night

Monday night about 11 o'clock, a fire of unknown origin was discovered in the Airway Cafe in "Juarez" on the east side of Burlington. Wes Harvey was owner of the cafe and it was operated by Joe Wolf.

The place had been closed for the night some 30 minutes before the fire was discovered and it is thought that a burner may have been overlooked and left burning.

The cafe fixtures and building was a total loss and some damage was done to buildings on either side, the north occupied by Harve Blanton's Shoe Shop, and on the south, W. M. Malone second-hand furniture store.

Spur Independents Play Patton Springs Team Here Thursday

The Baptist Sunday School Class of Jno. A. Moore which has also sponsored a football team known as Spur Independents, Dr. Bob Alexander, coach; Everett Martin, captain and T. Stinett, assistant captain will meet the Patton Springs club at the Chas. A. Jones Stadium Thursday night of this week.

Nothing is more beneficial to young manhood than physical exercise, sportsmanship, and religious training. Mr. Moore is to be commended on his efforts on the part of the Baptist Sunday School as is the coach of the junior boys at Patton Springs,—and break us away from the ordinary battle-club idioms in football language—this will be a clean hard fought game with no sissies entered, no quarter asked, and sportsmanship.

Come out and see this game and you will not only gain a better understanding of the national game of football but of the principles and ethics of young Americans. No dope has been spilled, as to the outcome.

Texas Patriots And Historical Spots On Centennial Stamps

The Shrine Uniform Bodies conducting the Centennial Stamp plan are motivated by a desire to publicize the Texas Centennial Celebration in 1936: The historical side of the Stamps gives them much appeal. They portray heroes, heroines, and historical spots associated with early Texas history.

Many of these patriots, Houston, Austin, Fannin, Bowie, are well known to everyone, while others, as Ellis P. Bean, Grayson, Bonham, "Deaf" Smith and Thomas Rusk are unknown except to students of Texas history, yet they too, deserve to be immortalized in every Texan's heart.

Circulars describing the services for which Centennial Stamps are redeemable may be secured at Western Union offices, Newspapers, Bus stations, etc. By merely asking for and saving Centennial Thrift Stamps, every Texan may take absolutely free, a trip to any Centennial celebration in 1936. Such trips include Greyhound Bus, Bowen Air Line transportation, meals, and hotel accommodations, Centennial admission tickets, gasoline and oil books for use of your own car, etc.

This is one of the most unique and unusual projects ever to be conducted in Texas. The Campaign has met with hearty approval throughout the state and will last for the next fifteen months.

It is hoped that by means of the campaign, every Texan will become vitally interested in the Centennial movement. Lack of funds will not interfere, since with Thrift Stamps, anyone may save enough to attend a centennial Celebration without spending any money.

Mr. and Mrs. Chalk Brown and granddaughter, Patricia Brown Putman, of Plainview, spent the week end in Spur, guests in the home of his sister, Mrs. Oldah Harrington and family.

BULLDOGS BEAT FLOMOT 12 TO 0

FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAME TO BE WITH TURKEY TURKS

The Bulldogs threw Flomot for a 12 to 0 loss last Friday night at the Chas. A. Jones Stadium. This was Spur's first conference game of the season and they intend to take the Turkey Turks next Friday night in the same way, the same place and the same time, at 8:00 p. m. at the Jones Stadium, Spur.

This is also a conference game, so come out and help the Bulldogs do some "better bitin'".

Girard Fair To Be Held Saturday, 19

The Girard Community Fair Committee met Tuesday in the office of D. J. Kellett and made further plans for the fair to be held Saturday, October 19. Competition is open to everybody and everyone is invited to come and exhibit the best of whatever he may choose. Ribbons will be awarded the winners.

Everybody is invited to come and spend the day in Girard October 19, all exhibits must be registered in the show hall not later than 9:00 o'clock on the above mentioned date.

Many attractions are being worked up by the committee, basket ball games that night, together with wrestling and boxing matches, a straightaway is being prepared for pony races. There will be a contest for fat man's race, terrapin races, and so forth.

There will be a trench silo demonstration sometime during the morning conducted by the local county agent.

Father Mrs. Fox Died Of Heart Attack At Home in Thorndale

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fox and daughter, Cecilia, left Spur Wednesday in response to a message that her father, the Rev. Roberts, had passed away at 12:00 o'clock at his home in Thorndale.

Mr. Roberts, a retired minister, had been in declining health for some time and has been confined to his bed the past several months, a sufferer of heart trouble, but was seemingly as well as usual when stricken with this attack from which he failed to recover.

Funeral rites were held and interment made at Thorndale, the family home, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Roberts, who will make her home here for the present, returned to Spur Monday.

Receive Replacement On 1934 Exemption Cotton Certificates

874,820 pounds of Tax Exemption Certificates usable in 1935 were received by this office, recently for the old 1934 Certificates that were sent in for replacement. These certificates are now available to all producers who participated and we will appreciate, and insist that you call for them at the earliest convenient date.

Out of our regular 1935 allotment there still remains uncalled for in our office about 75 Producer's Certificates. We would appreciate their calling for same so we can clear our files and sent in a report to the State Office.

It might be well for the Producers of Dickens County to know that this office has received at this date a total of 22,409 bales of Tax Exemption Certificates usable on 1935 crop. This County total will be increased by the regular 10% allotment and by a portion of the unsold equity in the 1934 pool which is to come in at a later date. All indications are that Dickens County will have a total of 25,000 bales to sell tax free when we have received our total allotments.—Wm. W. Gregory, Ass't. in Cotton Adjustment, Dickens County, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Slaton, of four miles north of Spur, were visiting and shopping in the city Saturday.

Beauty Contest & Style Show Held Thursday a Success

The Beauty Contest and Style Show co-sponsored by Spur High School, Miss Landers, teacher in charge, and the business firms of Spur, was shown at the Palace Theatre, Thursday evening by courtesy of the management, J. C. Parker, who also gave sixty percent of the proceeds to the fund which will be used to buy books for the Spur High School library.

Fifty-one business concerns of the city were represented by as many Spur High School beauties, each of whom made an appearance deserving of the title, "Miss Spur," and making for the judges a most difficult task of selecting only three. However, in order to make a choice the elimination of 50 was necessary, therefore only nine were called for a second appearance from which Miss Ottilie May Denson, representing the Citizens Gin, received first place as "Miss Spur." Miss Marjorie Burrow, W. C. Gruben Drug and Jewelry Store representative, placed second; and Miss Nedra Hogan, the Dickens County National Farm Loan Ass'n. representative, was selected third.

There is no argument as to the excellent judgement of the judges, all of whom were out-of-town gentlemen, as many concur with their choice.

Miss Elizabeth Powell, representative of The Texas Spur; Miss Wynell McClure, Ericson Grocery representative; Miss Dot Taylor, Dickens County Times representative; Miss Ernestine Hale, City Drug Store; Miss Lillian Grace Dickson, Farmers Co-op. Gin; and Miss Regina Lee, Spur Inn representative; were in the nine called for a second appearance.

Christian Ladies To Hold Annual Pure Food Show, 25 - 26

The Ladies of the First Christian Church will hold their annual pure food show in the Love Building, Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26. There will be no admission charge at any time, and everyone is welcome to come in and see the different displays of home merchants. Visit their friends and take part in the prize giving each afternoon.

More than fifty articles will be given away. Go in and register and inquire about it. There will be a booth with someone to explain all about the National Housing Act. They will distribute free literature, which should be helpful to anyone who is thinking of building or re-fodelling their home.

There will be cowboy songs and other entertainment each afternoon, and plenty of free entertainment in the evenings, including a old fiddlers contest Saturday evening.

Mother W. R. Weaver Died Tuesday, Oct. 15

Mrs. Weaver, mother of W. R. Weaver, died Tuesday, October 15, about noon following several weeks of illness, at her home in Amarillo, Texas. Mr. Weaver and family had gone Monday to attend her bedside and were with her when death occurred.

Funeral services were held Wednesday with the entire family in attendance from Spur.

The local W. T. U. Cq. office with whom Mr. Weaver has a position as bookkeeper was closed Wednesday for the services.

Riding - Green

Leonard Green, of Broadway, and Miss Mary Riding were married Friday, October 11, at Oklahoma City, the home of the bride.

Following a short honeymoon trip they arrived the first of the week in Dickens, where they will be at home to their friends at the T. H. Blackwell farm and ranch place.

The Texas Spur joins friends in congratulations and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Green.

Farmers to Decide On 1936 Corn-Hog Program Oct. 26th

A referendum on the question of whether there will be a corn and hog adjustment program in 1936 will be conducted among all corn and hog producers on Saturday, October 26, the Secretary of Agriculture announced. The Secretary said that the investigation being made by the Agricultural Administration, which included a hearing held in Washington on September 26 and 27, has shown economic justification for another program, but that the practicability and effectiveness of a program will depend upon the indicated degree of support by producers. In the referendum, corn and hog producers will vote on the question: "Do you favor a corn-hog adjustment program to follow the 1935 program which expires November 30, 1935?" The referendum will be by secret ballot and will be conducted by county and community corn-hog committees and by the Extension Service. Community polling places will be open at 8 a. m. until 10 p. m. Operator and owners of farms which produced corn or hogs in 1935 whether or not they are signers of the 1934-35 corn-hog contracts are eligible to vote in the referendum. Ballots of former contract signers and of those producers who have not signed a former contract and of those producers who have not signed a former corn-hog adjustment contract will be tabulated separately. If a substantial majority of those voting indicate that they favor a program a new plan for 1936 will be worked out and offered to producers in contract form. Regardless of the way they vote in the referendum producers may sign or not as they choose, after they have studied the proposed new program. The decision as to whether or not a new program will be developed rests with the farmers themselves.

The referendum is intended to provide opportunity for full and free expression, both for and against a voluntary adjustment program on the part of all corn and hog producers. Evidence brought out in the hearing and by other phases of investigation disclosed that in the absence of any program under the Agricultural Adjustment Act, a drastic decline in farm prices would be likely in 1936 with sharp reduction in hog prices commencing in 1937. If a program is developed it should provide for expansion of hog production in 1936 in the interest of both consumers and producers, but it should contain safe guard which will prevent an excessive supply thereafter. Before the referendum on October 26, county and community meetings of corn and hog producers will be held throughout the country, to permit discussion of the facts of the corn-hog situation, so growers may be prepared to express an informed opinion in the referendum.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Billie Ray, son of A. J. Wriggins, Spur, was in Thursday for X-Ray examination and treatment of fractured arm.

Carroll Hext, of Afton, entered the hospital Thursday for X-Ray and surgery.

F. F. Dawson, of Dallas, who has been in the hospital for ten days suffering with fractured leg is doing nicely.

Ed Murphy, city, entered the hospital Friday for clinical examination and surgery is doing well.

Mrs. W. T. Andrews, city, was in Tuesday and Wednesday for clinical examination.

Edwin, son of J. R. Jones, Girard who had an appendectomy 2 weeks ago returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. M. H. Brannen, city, underwent major surgery Tuesday and is doing nicely.

Claudelle, daughter of J. L. Carter, Spur, who had a very serious operation two weeks ago returned home Tuesday.

J. S. Thornton, of Stamford, was in the hospital Wednesday for clinical examination.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

In honor of the occasion of the birthday anniversary of her husband, D. E. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson entertained Saturday with a dinner, having fourteen relatives and close friends as guests and which was a complete surprise to Mr. Wilson to find these guests assembled at his home upon arriving at the noon hour.

A large angel food cake with "David" written in color on the top, made a most attractive center piece for the table, which groaned under the assortment of choice viands prepared by the hostess.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilson and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Berry and two children, Mrs. Bill Kyle, Miss Oweta Towles, Alton Mercy and the honor guest, David Wilson.

Mrs. A. T. Odeneal, a former citizen of Spur, returned last week to Banquette, Texas, where she makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. J. V. McCormick and family, following several days spent here visiting her son-in-law, Homer Booth and sons, Larry and Julian and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCormick, of Espuela, and Mr. and Mrs. James McCormick, of Jayton, Texas.

MRS. RUSSELL SMITH HONORED WITH SHOWER WEDNESDAY

As a courtesy to Mrs. Russell Smith, Mrs. Louie Rice entertained with a stork shower Wednesday evening, from 8 to 10 o'clock, at the McClure home, 103 East Hill.

Guests were registered and asked to write a favorite name suitable for either girl or boy in the baby book.

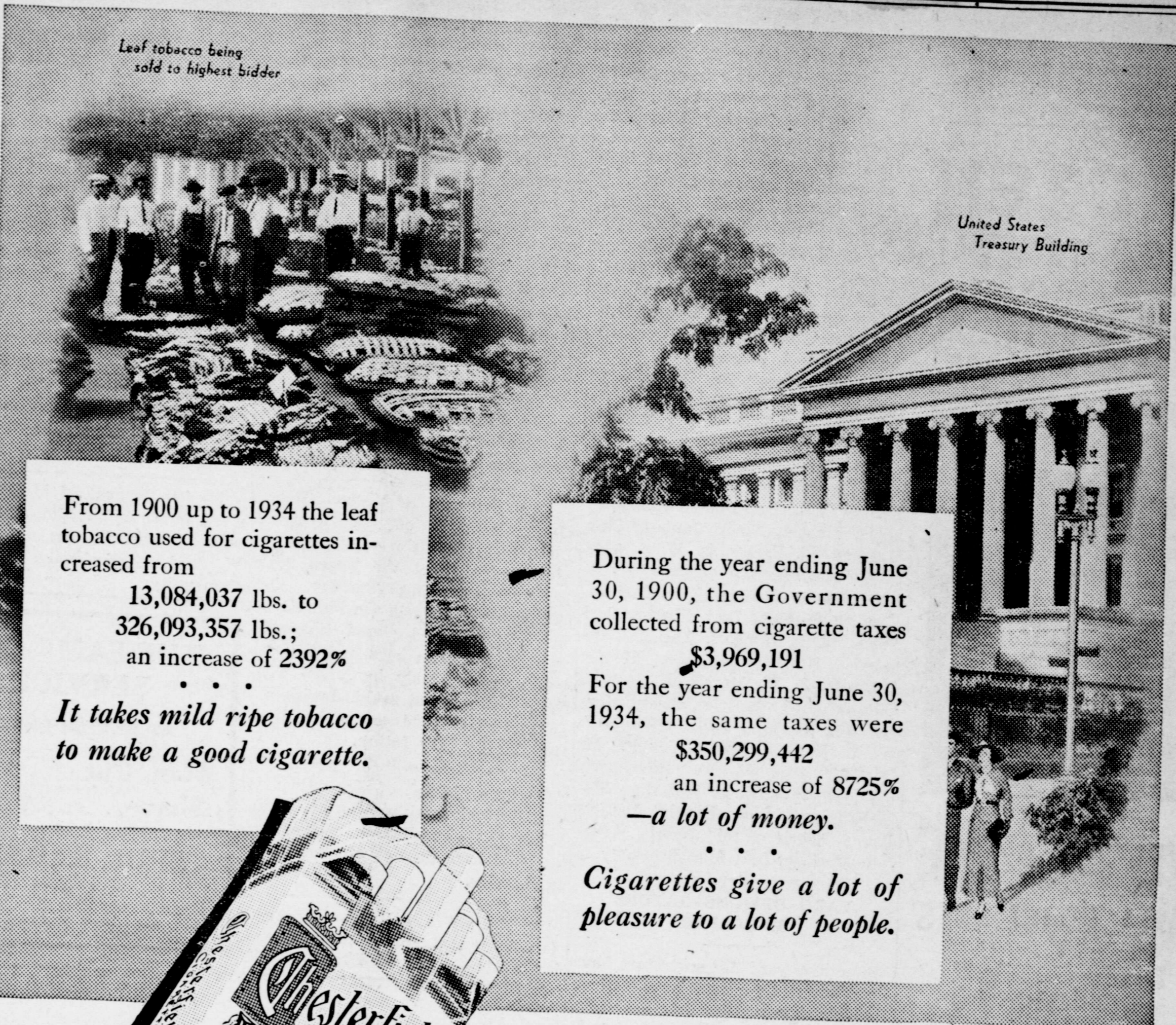
Little Archie Nell Dyess gave a most appropriate reading.

Refreshments of cherry whip, cookies and coffee was served to those present.

Registering and sending gifts were Mesdames David Wilson, Joe Allison, E. S. McArthur, Thurman Moore, Louie Rice, Wilkey Bumpas, Herman Earnest; Willis King, J. C. Parker, Floyd Barnett, Ernest George, Chas. Powell, A. G. Dunwoody, Ralph Sherill, Bill Kyle, Cecil Addie, Kate Senning, Day De Viney, and Misses Pauline Stapleton, Sybil McDaniel, Ruth Meek, Vera Shepherd, Ruth Maples, and Sue Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cade and niece Miss "Toots" McGlothlin, teacher in the Clairemont schools, were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murchison, of Wichita community, were shopping and visiting while in Spur Saturday.



From 1900 up to 1934 the leaf tobacco used for cigarettes increased from

13,084,037 lbs. to
326,093,357 lbs.;
an increase of 2392%

It takes mild ripe tobacco to make a good cigarette.



During the year ending June 30, 1900, the Government collected from cigarette taxes

\$3,969,191

For the year ending June 30, 1934, the same taxes were

\$350,299,442

an increase of 8725%

—a lot of money.

Cigarettes give a lot of pleasure to a lot of people.

More cigarettes are smoked today because more people know about them—they are better advertised. But the main reason for the increase is that they are made better—made of better tobaccos; then again the tobaccos are blended—a blend of Domestic and Turkish tobaccos.

Chesterfield is made of mild, ripe tobaccos. Everything that science knows about is used in making it a milder and better-tasting cigarette.

We believe you will enjoy them.

© 1935, LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO CO.

WANTED!

Lady of refinement, accustomed to meeting the public for special contact work. Must be well acquainted in Spur and Dickens County. Car necessary — Salary \$20 per week — No selling — give full details regarding club or church work done.

Address—P. O. Box 211, Spur, Texas

Give Phone Number.

LAND PRICES REDUCED

Desiring to keep step with agricultural conditions we have revised our entire price list.

Our lands are now available at reductions of 25 percent to more than 50 percent of previous prices.

Several years ago we voluntarily reduced our interest rate from 8 percent to 4 percent on land notes, including outstanding and unpaid obligations.

Thus a very unusual opportunity is presented to acquire a farm or small ranch at exceedingly attractive prices and terms. It is perhaps an opportunity of a lifetime to place funds in probably the safest of all investments—land—at prices which one can afford to pay under existing conditions.

Please give us the privilege of showing our extensive properties.

S. M. SWENSON & SONS
CLIFFORD B. JONES, MANAGER

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS ARE ORDER OF MONTH

Yard achievement programs are being held in the women's home demonstration clubs this month, finishing up the demonstration for the year. The county home demonstration council is giving a scholarship to the Short Course next year to the demonstrator who scores the highest on her yard. The yards are being judged the afternoon of the achievement program by the following card: General appearance of the place, 15; planting plan complete, 25; report of cooperators, 25; demonstrator's story, 15; exhibit table of native shrubs ready to transplant, 10; No. names in guest book, 10. Mrs. O. C. Thomas, Spur, is judging the yards. Judging will not be completed until the last of the month when the last club has held its achievement program.

Demonstrators' yards that will be judged are Mrs. T. D. Hale, Prairie Chapel; Mrs. Floyd Barnett, Soldier Mound; Mrs. R. L. Griffin, Duck Creek; Mrs. Tom Gilmore, Twin Wells; Mrs. R. Y. Allen, McAdoo; Miss Bertha Cooper, Chandler; Mrs. Matt Howell, Red Top; Mrs. E. A. Bailey, Friendship.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Darden and daughter, of the Windham ranch, were in Spur Saturday, visiting his sister, Mrs. Windham and daughters, and shopping with the merchants.

John Alexander, of McAdoo, was a business visitor in Spur Monday.

Fresh Food . . .

Fresh, Wholesome
FISH
and
OYSTERS

Fancy Foods At
Plain Prices!

**HIGHWAY
CAFE**

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fox

GRASS COVERED YARD ADDS TO HOME APPEARANCE

If Mrs. R. Y. Allen, yard demonstrator for the McAdoo home demonstration club had done nothing else to improve the appearance of their home than to plant the front and ends of the yard to Bermuda grass she would have made a great improvement.

When she began her improvements in January there was not a sprig of grass in the yard. There were no foundation shrubs either but there were some six or eight shrubs scattered around in the front yard. The trees were well placed even if some do extend across the front.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen went to work to make all improvements possible. The first thing was to remove the shrubs from the yard, plow and level it and sow grass seed. Mr. Allen hauled rocks from the breaks and laid a flagstone walk in front and stepping stone walks from the back doors to the side gates. From the same breaks came native cedar, ag-

arita, wild plum, wild currant, yucca, and sage to use as foundation planting along the lilac, and hibiscus that had been moved. A remarkably high percentage of these plants lived and are growing nicely. The grass has made the greatest change in the appearance of the whole place for it has made a wonderful growth and is a velvety green sod now.

Mrs. Emma Shields spent the past week end in Spur visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. H. Blackwell and family.

DANCE!

SATURDAY NIGHT
STRING MUSIC
GIRARD, TEXAS
W. MAYFIELD

SEE THE 1936 TEXAS CENTENNIALS

MR. AND MRS. SUBSCRIBER:

Send In Your

SOCIAL ITEMS

THE TEXAS SPUR

WILL GIVE YOU ONE OF THE



FOR EACH NEWS or SOCIAL ITEM
YOU BRING TO
THE TEXAS SPUR OFFICE

THE TEXAS SPUR

4 pages have printed

C. H. Ross, circulation manager of the Abilene Reporter-News was looking after interests of the Reporter-News in Spur and vicinity, Thursday.

FROZEN IN ICE 103 HOURS



WOLVERINE SHELL HORSEHIDES

Dried Out Soft and Pliable As Buckskin

What a workshoe! Soft as an old slipper to start—it dried out soft as ever after being kept frozen in a big block of ice for 103 hours. Wolverine Shell Horsehides have stood this test scores of times and never once failed to dry out soft. That means you can wear them through all sorts of rain, slush and mud yet they will never give your feet one uneasy moment. They wear like iron, too. Come in and look them over, try them on. No obligation. We have your size in a style you are sure to like.

WOLVERINE WORK SHOES WORK GLOVES

Henry
ALEXANDER
. & Company

RECENT BRIDE HONORED

Thursday, October 3, Mrs. Rex Carlisle gave a miscellaneous shower in honor of a recent bride, Mrs. Henry Harris, formerly Miss Exie Morris.

Mrs. Carlisle was at the bride's book where the guests registered. Little Misses Letha Nell Williams, May Fay Carlisle and Nowesta Williams gave readings, Miss Sue Loe gave some acrobatic stunts, after some most enjoyable games and contests were played, Mrs. Homer Robinett read the bride and groom's future life.

The most beautiful gifts were brought in and admired by all. The most delicious refreshments were served those present.

Those present or sending gifts were Mesdames Dillard Williams, Henry Williams, Russell Williams, M. H. Brasher, Albert Jordan, Cloy Marshall, H. F. Morris, W. S. Carlisle, P. R. Booth, Joe Pierce, W. D. Bair, G. W. Justice, Allie Carlisle, Kenneth Carlisle, Bert Cherry, Carl Patton, J. D. Hopkins, Abe McClanahan, Katie Connatser, Homer Robinett, J. W. Morris, K. Morris, Ellis, Grady Morris, Henry Harris, Rex Carlisle, Reuben Waddell, W. M. Hunter, George Vaughn, M. D. Robinett, W. D. Davenport, Clute Naves, R. L. Hill, Coy McMahan, and Misses Bernice Justice, Leona Harris, Annie Harris, Averhille Carlisle, Lola Mae Booth.

YARD DEMONSTRATORS ENROLLED

Four new yard demonstrators have been enrolled for next year. Since the demonstration is a two year project the demonstrators whose yards are being judged this month will continue their work. The four who are beginning this fall are Mrs. F. B. Crockett, Espuela; Mrs. J. L. Hagens, Duck Creek; Mrs. Jim McArthur, Red Top; and Mrs. George Pierce, Wichita club. Planting plans have been drawn for their yards.

The goals for the cooperators in yard improvement work for 1936 are to set a group of three or five trees, preferably Chinese elms to the side or back of the house, set 10 foundation shrubs level and sod the lawn with Bermuda or Mesquite grass.

CLUB HAS PLANT CONTEST

Eight of ten native plants were identified in a short contest with the Dumont Jr. 4-H club girls Wednesday morning. Each girl reported on the canning she has done this year. Members present were Geneva and Bama Nell Smith, Theatus Rogers, Ila Mae and Leoma Hodgkin, Edna Earle Thomas, Agnes Pense, Eloise Jones, and new members, Imajo Smith and Dolly Carpenter.—Eloise Jones, reporter.

BUILDING MODERN 6-ROOM HOME IN SPUR THIS MONTH

Dirt was broken this week on west Hill Street between the residences of Dr. Blackwell and Mrs. S. H. Kelsey, where Mr. and Mrs. Edgar McGee are building a modern 6-room residence.

Mr. and Mrs. McGee have maintained their home in the apartment home of her mother, Mrs. Kelsey, up to the present time but since they want to some day have a home all their own, this they consider a most opportune time to build.

During the late summer and early fall the demand for rent houses and apartments has far exceeded the supply and when this home is finished and occupied there will be one more nice apartment available.

C. D. Williams, of Vernon, Texas, district manager of the Republic Life Insurance Company, was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office while in Spur Thursday. Mr. Williams was here in the interest of his company and stated that this was his first trip here and that he was very favorably impressed with Spur, but was not satisfied with results of his visit this trip and will return in the near future.

La Rue Malouf, of Knox City, is spending this week visiting her aunts Misses Sadie and Ramza Gabriel, and uncle, George Gabriel, at their home in the city.

BUY DAWSON Hydro - C'eaned (washed) coal for more heat and less waste.—Swafford, Phone 32. It

MRS. GUY KARR HOSTESS

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Karr were most pleasant host and hostess at a bridge dinner, Thursday evening at Spur Inn, at 7:00 o'clock.

The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. Neal A. Chastain, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Everts, Mr. and Mrs. Bullock Tillotson, Mr. and Mrs. Cash Wilman, Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Brittain, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dorsey, and Mrs. Roy Harkey.

High score honors were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Chastain and consolation to Mrs. Everts.

Mrs. C. L. Martin returned Tuesday last week from Floydada, where she had several days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Hines, who are moving to East Texas. Mrs. Hines is an aunt of Mrs. Martin.

Marion Jordan, of McCamey, arrived in Spur Thursday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jordan and family of Steelhill community.

THE SAME OLD SERVICE

AT BETTER PRICES

Hair Cut 25c
Shave 20c

SPUR BARBER SHOP

ERNEST GEORGE

SEE THE 1936 TEXAS CENTENNIALS

FREE

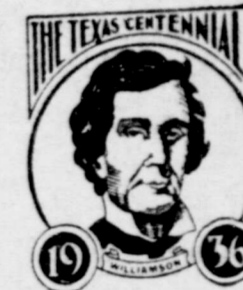
THE TEXAS SPUR —YOUR NEWSPAPER—

PRESENTS

to each subscriber—your FIRST

CENTENNIAL THRIFT STAMP

READ CENTENNIAL STAMP ARTICLE ON FRONT PAGE FOR EXPLANATION



READ CENTENNIAL STAMP ARTICLE ON FRONT PAGE FOR EXPLANATION

CUT OUT STAMP—and paste in your Stamp Folder. Folders are obtainable at The Texas Spur office, Bus Stations Theatres, Stores, Western Union, and other places.

SATURDAY, NOV. 2

A NEW CHEVROLET



The only complete low-priced car

WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT CHEVROLET ALL CHEVROLET DEALERS

NEW DEAL Grocery

PINTO BEANS NEW CROP PER lb 5^c

ORANGES FULL OF JUICE EACH 1^c

TEA MAXWELL HOUSE 1/2 POUND 27^c

FOLGERS COFFEE ONE POUND 29^c

CRACKERS A-1 BRAND 2 lb BOX 17^c

FORT HOWARD TISSUE

WHITE AS SNOW-SOFT AS DOWN 6 ROLLS — 38c

POST TOASTIES Large Pkg. EACH 10^c

BAKING POWDER K. C. 25 OZ. 16^c

HELLO, Central, give me 71, the biggest little store in Texas—They Deliver.

Bargain Rates — First in Spur.

LUBBOCK MORNING
AVALANCHE
 or
 EVENING JOURNAL
 DAILY & SUNDAY

By Mail Only Per Year
\$4.65

Paid in advance

Help your local representative by giving your subscription to

SHERROD or MORRIS RAY DUNN

1933 STUDY CLUB

The 1933 Study Club met with Mrs. Ray Taylor Tuesday afternoon, October 15, Mrs. R. C. Crockett as leader. A playlet, "The Story of Ruth," was presented by Mesdames Ivey, Frank Watson, C. H. McCully, and John Albin.

Sherbet and cake were served to fourteen members, including two new members, Mesdames Murray Lea, and L. A. Lollar.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mayfield, of Bentonville, Ark., arrived Monday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Lucy Mayfield, of Jayton, and other relatives and friends in this section of the state.

W. N. Kinney, undertaker, made a business trip to Stamford Monday.

MRS. BRILEY ENTERTAINS "42" PARTY ON THURSDAY

At her home on East Harris street from 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, Mrs. Mert Briley very delightfully entertained with "42", having for her guests members of the P A W Club and a number of others invited.

Delicious refreshments of pumpkin pie, whipped cream and coffee, was served by the hostess.

Those present and enjoying this occasion were Mesdames Dock Ellis, Mack Tidwell, Berl Sauls, Monk Rucker, Lester Ericson, Marvin Vaughn, Adrian Rickles, Bud Renfels, A. G. Dunwoody George Sloan, Brown Smith, Foy Vernon, Perry Pryor. Guests other than club members, Mesdames Charlie Kerney, Geo. Rash and Mrs. Archie Wileman, of Breckenridge, Texas.

Paul Reed, circulation manager of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, of Lubbock, was looking after interests of his publication in this section on Thursday, and while in Spur was a pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office. Mrs. Reed and two children, accompanied him on the trip and visited her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fox and Eunagene, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fox and Cecilia, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Fox, wife in Spur.

Jim Hahn, of the Highway community, was transacting business in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brewster announce the birth of a seven-pound baby girl Wednesday. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

CLUB EXHIBIT TO BE NEXT WEEK

The fall exhibit of the home demonstration clubs will be Saturday of next week in Spur. At this writing a building has not been secured but if any products are brought in before October 25 they may be left in the home demonstrator's office.

Products must be in by 5:00 Friday afternoon, October 25, so that the committee can set up the exhibit in time for the judging to begin at 10:00 Saturday morning. Miss Norflee Grimes, home demonstration agent of Lubbock, will judge the entries.

The county contest for the Ball jar contest which consists of a quart each of fruit and vegetables will be held at the same time.

Only products listed in the year book will be judged in the club exhibit and they are as follows: 1 quart each string beans, field peas, cured cucumber pickles, peaches, tomatoes; 1 pint each greens, English peas, sweet pickle rings, cucumber relish, and tomato juice; tufted bedspread, wash dress, pieced quilt, appliqued quilt and plain pillow slips.

TELLS STORY OF ACHIEVEMENT

"I have learned a lot through my work as a land improvement demonstrator because I didn't realize what moving our yard fence 18 feet could do for the yard. Our yard was too small for a country home. I learned that you must have foundation planting to tie your house to the ground," Mrs. Floyd Barnett, of the Soldier Mound home demonstration club, told her cooperators and visitors when she had her achievement program.

"After moving our fence we took out two dead cottonwood trees from the center of the front yard and filled in a bad wash using 20 loads of soil. One of the goals in yard work was to lay a flagstone walk so every time the car left the place we collected rocks. In a short time we had enough to lay a walk from the porch to the gate and a stepping stone walk from the back door to the outbuildings."

"We set trees, foundation shrubs and grass in March. We used flowering shrubs, as spirea, weigelia, crepe myrtle and lantan, and native ones as sage, beargrass, wild currant and wild plum. My planting plan will be completed in December when I put out the evergreens in the foundation planting. I started a rose garden with six plants," continued Mrs. Barnett.

"We have a well-sodded front lawn and will set the rest of the yard next year. The grass has made the place so much cooler, kept out the dirt, and has served as a playground for the family. When we would finish our evening meal, Betty Jo would say, "Let's go sit on the grass."

"My family deserves more credit than I for what has been done in the yard for without their help my accomplishments would be small. They have been only too glad to carry out every suggestion our home demonstration agent has made improving the yard," added Mrs. Barnett.

Judge and Mrs. W. D. Wilson, of Lubbock, were business visitors in Spur Wednesday.

Miss Nell Austin, who has been visiting with her aunt, Mrs. L. R. Burrow, and family, returned the first of the week to her home in Stamford.

Mrs. Fred Harrison was in Spur Tuesday morning in the interest of her insurance company and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

Dwyer Cummings, Hugh Rankin, and "Boss" White, of Bynum, Texas, spent several days here visiting with Mr. Cumming's niece, Mrs. Whit Bumpus and Mr. Bumpus.



Make a Date
 with an
 Oyster

THE FRESHEST, SALTIEST,
 TASTIEST, BOSTON BLUE POINTS
 READY TO ADD TO YOUR
 FALL MENU

Spur Coffee Shop
 MR. AND MRS. W. M. BUMPAS

REPAIR — ALTER YOUR HOME!



If you haven't enough cash — credit is available to home owners on easy terms at local financial institutions.

NOW IS THE TIME TO GO AHEAD!

BRAZELTON LUMBER COMPANY

VOTE for YOUR FAVORITE BABY

This Coupon when neatly clipped and filled in and returned to The Texas Spur "Shower of Gold" Prize Baby Campaign Department, Will Count For—

500 FREE VOTES

CAST VOTES FOR _____

No coupons will be transferred from one candidate to another after being recorded at the office of The Texas Spur. Must be deposited in this office or in the mail by 9 p. m. on or before the date of expiration.

Void After November 12



IT'S HOME TOWN SERVICE

The best part about your telephone service is that it's home town service — tailor-made for you at the switchboard by people who live and work here.

Experts on American Telephone & Telegraph Company's headquarters staff can develop better methods of giving you service. Scientists of Bell Telephone Laboratories can contribute new inventions and scientific developments. Western Electric can buy and manufacture economically for the 24 operating companies of the Bell System.

And all of these things can — and do — help us tremendously at the job of giving you good telephone service at a fair cost.

Yet not one of them could replace the qualities of friendliness and neighborliness which grow out of the fact that the men and women who operate the telephones here belong to and are part of this community.

You can't measure those qualities. You can't set them down on monthly reports. Yet they have a large part in the job of providing telephone service.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.



HAVE YOU VISITED

Our Cafe and tried one of our plate lunches. We also serve short orders and hamburgers.

CHILI KING CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Smith

The Spur Hospital

Telephone 39

F. R. COPELAND, M. D.

Diagnosis and Surgery

JNO. T. WYLIE, M. D.

Internal Medicine

MRS. F. R. COPELAND, R. N.

Superintendent

DeLUXE Barber Shop

HAIR CUTS25c
 SHAVES20c

Assistant, Jimmie Lismahn of Dallas.

A share of your patronage solicited.

Clarence Alexander
 Proprietor

Joy For Victims Of SKIN OUTBREAKS!

ITCHING RELIEVED, SKIN CLEAR. NOT a mere cosmetic Hydro-... is a scientific treatment used by doctors and hospitals for 25 years. Here now is real relief from the itching, burning irritation of rashes, eczema, pimples and similar skin outbreaks. Soothes so quickly; acts to refine coarsened irritated skin. Does not stain. Liquid and Ointment forms. Get Hydroal and get relief—30c and 60c.

CITY DRUG STORE

ELECTRIC

Automatic Hot Water Service

Clean---Safe---Noiseless---Economical



This winter you will need plenty of hot water. It is one of the greatest health factors in the home because it creates cleanliness. There is no superior means of obtaining hot water than the electric way. It is clean, safe, noiseless, and economical.

The new Hotpoint Hot Water Heater is ideal for your home. Install it in your kitchen. It's as safe and dependable as the lights in your home.

LIBERAL TERMS

- Trade-in allowance
- Small down payment
- Easy monthly terms

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule ... and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities Company

JOHNSON TRUCK LINE

BONDED INSURED

ABILENE STAMFORD SPUR

We connect with all lines from the East, North and South

The Texas Spur

Published Weekly on Thursdays at Spur
Dickens County, Texas

MRS. ORAN, McCLURE & SONS
PUBLISHERS

Entered as second class mail matter on
the 12th of November, 1909, at the Post
Office at Spur, Texas, under the Act of
Congress of March 3rd, 1879.

TELEPHONE 128

Subscription Rates
Six Months 75c
One Year \$1.50

Cards of Thanks, Obituaries and Reader
Notices will be charged for at the regular
classified rate of 1-2c per word each
insertion. Display advertising rates will be
furnished upon application.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sanders returned
last week from a two weeks visit
with relatives at Hubbard, Texas.

MEATS YOU'LL ENJOY

Everybody enjoys tasty, tender
meats. We sell only the
best,— that fine flavor and
tenderness.

BELL'S CAFE



LOOK
YOUR
BEST

It doesn't matter what you've planned, a party or
an evening at home. You'll enjoy it more if you
look your best!

There's a satisfaction in being well-groomed
that's difficult to achieve any other way. . . and it
isn't expensive when you let Uldeen's Shop do it for
you . . .

We Offer Permanent Waves
for a limited time

CROQUIGNOLE — \$1.00 to \$5.00

OTHER WORK ACCORDING

ULDEEN'S BEAUTY SHOP

: Directory :

Mrs. P. A. Ramsey
Picoting, Hemstitching and
Button Covering
SPUR, — TEXAS

MRS. PAULINE JAMISON
MUSIC
Piano and Violin
SPUR, — TEXAS

JOHN T. WYLIE
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON
office Spur Hospital
Office at Red Front Drug Store

H. A. C. Brummett
Attorney-at-Law
Brummett Building
DICKENS, — TEXAS

Piles Treated
"By Injection Method"
See me at Dr. Hale's Office,
DRS. SMITH & SMITH

Chapman & Ratliff
Attorneys-at-Law
Spur Security Bank Bldg.
CIVIL PRACTICE ONLY

Dr. T. H. Blackwell
Specializing on Ear, Eye, Nose
and Throat and Office Practice
Office at City Drug Store Phone 24

DR. M. H. BRANNEN
DENTIST
Office Spur Security Bank Bldg.

W. D. WILSON
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
General Practice of Law

V. J. CAMPBELL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
PRACTICE IN ALL COURTS
Room 5 Campbell Bldg.
Telephone 35
SPUR, TEXAS

H. P. GIBSON
Insurance Agency
INSURANCE — BOND
Suppose you have a fire tonight
PHONE 31 WENDELL BLDG

Dr. Harold H. Lawler
OPTOMETRIST
Eyes Scientifically Examined
Room 4 Campbell Bldg.
SPUR, — TEXAS

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas,
County of Dickens.

By virtue of a certain Order of
Sale issued out of the Honorable
District Court of Dickens County,
on the 10th day of September 1935,
by Mrs. Nettie Littlefield, clerk of
said court against G. W. Jackson,
Et Al for the sum of Three Thousand
and Five Hundred Sixty-one and
76-100 (\$3,561.76) Dollars and
costs of suit, in cause No. 1356 in
said Court, styled American Central
Life Insurance Co. vs. G. W. Jack-
son Et Al and placed in my hands
for service, I, J. L. Koonsman as
Sheriff of Dickens County, Texas,
did, on the 10th day of September,
1935, levy on certain Real Estate,
situated in Dickens County, describ-
ed as follows, to-wit: Beginning at
a point 174 varas north of the N. E.
corner of survey No. 4 B. S. & F.
Ry. Co. Cert. No. 1-358, for the N.
W. Corner of this tract: Thence
south with the east line of said sec-
tion No. 4, a distance of 1062.5
varas to a point in the East line for
the S. W. corner of this tract: Thence
east 1062.5 varas to a point in
section No. 1 Walter Jackson,
for the S. E. corner of this tract;
Thence north 1062.5 varas to a pt.
in the north line of Survey No. 1
Walter Jackson, for the N. E. corner
of this tract; Thence west 1062.5
varas to the place of beginning, and

containing 200 acres of land, and
being approximately 100 1-4 acres
out of Spurvey No. 43, patent No.
68, Vol. No. 9, Abstract No. 382,
and 99 3-4 acres out of the N. W.
part of Survey No. 1, Walter Jack-
son, and more fully described in the
Mortgage dated October 15, 1921
from G. W. Jackson and wife, Mat-
tie Jackson, recorded in Volume 8,
page 653, Deed of Trust Records
of Dickens County, Texas, to which
reference is here made.

As against all of the defendants
in said suit and judgement, as well
as the defendants above listed, and
levied upon as the property of G.
W. Jackson, Mattie L. Jackson,
Ned Hogan, Ed Hemphill, J. H.
Hemphill and J. M. Stinson.

And on Tuesday, the Fifth
day of November, 1935, at the Court
House door of Dickens County, in
the Town of Dickens, Texas, be-
tween the house of ten A. M. and
four P. M. I will sell said Real Es-
tate at public vendue, for cash, to
the highest bidder, as the property
of said G. W. Jackson, Mattie L.
Jackson, Ned Hogan, Ed Hemphill,
J. H. Hemphill and J. M. Stinson
by virtue of said levy and said Or-
der of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I
give this notice by publication, in
the English language, once a week
for three consecutive weeks im-
mediately preceding said day of sale, in
The Texas Spur a newspaper pub-
lished in Dickens County.

Witness my hand, this 30 day of
September, 1935.

J. L. KOONSMAN, Sheriff,
Dickens County, Texas. (49-4)
By WAYLAND LEE, Deputy.

WICHITA STARTS YARD IMPROVEMENT

Instead of a yard achievement
program the Wichita home demon-
stration club had their first program
in yard improvement Friday after-
noon when the club met with Mrs.
George Pierce, who is to be yard
demonstrator for next year.

Miss Pratt stepped off the yard in
order to draw a planting plan. She
then explained that a well planted
yard needs trees planted to the sides
and back for a background, shrubs
about the base of the house and a
lawn sodded to Bermuda or Mes-
quite grass.

The next meeting will be with
Mrs. Wade Hash, October 25.

Roy Harkey, automobile salesman
of Lubbock, spent the week end in
Spur with Mrs. Harkey.

BATTERIES

Exchange Prices
15 plate \$4.45 13 plate \$2.95
Written Guarantees
SPUR TIRE CO.

O. R. CLOUDE

DOCTOR of CHIROPRACTIC
T. C. C. and Blume Simplex
Graduate
SPUR, TEXAS

DECORATING

FLOOR SANDING
PAPERING
PAINTING
Call Me For An Estimate
J. S. CLAY
PHO. 11 or 44 SPUR

DANCING

TAP BALLET
ACROBATIC
\$4.00 per month

Mrs. Guy Karr

MRS. A. T. ODENEAL HONORED

Mrs. A. T. Odeneal a Spur pio-
neer citizen who has for the past
several years been making her home
at Banquette, Texas, with her daugh-
ter, Mrs. J. V. McCormick and fam-
ily while in Spur on a recent visit
was given a shower by her former
friends and members of the Church
of Christ.

Ladies members of the Church of
Christ were hostesses, entertaining
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S.
Lee, 515 North Calvert.

Mrs. Lee gave a sketch of the
beautiful life of Mrs. Odeneal, who
has reached the age of 78.

Cut flowers were used in profu-
sion in the room decorations.

A basket of gifts were showered
on Mrs. Odeneal and which gladden-
ed her heart and will ever be a most
pleasant memory.

Those attending and sending gifts
were Mesdames Kate Buchanan,
Kate Morris, James F. Williams,
John Luce, Fred Hisey, Cal Martin,
Henry Grabenben, D. N. Loe, W. B.
Lee, J. N. Johnson, J. H. Clay, G.
Earl Woods, O. Moore Hall, J. H.
Hopkins, S. H. Blair, Jim Gilmore,
John Mimms, T. C. Cooner, R. L.
Roberts, M. C. Chapman, Alf Glas-
gow, Dave Taylor, D. G. Lane, A. M.
Shepherd, Oscar Kelley, James Mc-
Cormick, W. M. Malone, Gordon
Freeman, Ray Dickson, James Dun-
lap, Robert McCormick, Schyler
Boothe, John Smith, Faust Collier,
E. S. Lee, J. E. Reems of Plainview,
and Mr. H. A. Bootke and sons,
Larry and Julian.

Mrs. Grundy Crego was here Sat-
urday from the Capitol City, spend-
ing some time shopping with Spur
merchants and visiting with others
here that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Rogers of
Clairemont, visited her sister, Mrs.
Oldah Harrington and Mr. Harring-
ton and children, Alice Brady and
Johnnie Brown, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Clemmons
announce the birth of Elizabeth, 7 1/2
pound baby girl, born Friday morn-
ing, September 11. Mrs. Clemmons
and baby are reported as getting
along nicely.

A NEW

HELPY SELFY LAUNDRY

WITH RAIN-SOFT WATER!

Now Open

in connection with

Spur Laundry

RATES:

30 cents per hour.

New Equipment — Plenty of Hot and Cold

—RAIN-SOFT WATER—

LIGHT - HEAT - POWER -

Spur's Municipal Light Plant

Saving Spur Citizens
Over \$24,000.00
Annually In
Electric Rates

Noted Correctly

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

(By Arthur Curry, B. L. S.)

NOTE: This is one of the series regarding the Historical subjects and places portrayed on Centennial Thrift Stamps. The Texas Spur Students Historical Essay Contest will be based on these articles.

Among the early Texans, there were few to whom could be applied that fine old descriptive expression, "a gentleman and a scholar". Stephen F. Austin was one such, and his good friend and secretary, Samuel M. Williams, was another.

Stephen Fuller Austin, "the father of Texas," was born on November 3, 1793, in Wythe county, Virginia. Only a hundred miles away, in the same state and in the same year, was born Sam Houston. How different these two men were, and yet how serviceable were their respective abilities in the development of Texas!

The story of Stephen F. Austin must begin with the comment on his father, Moses Austin, who was a promoter and a business man. At the time of the Revolution, he was operating a smelting plant at Middletown, Connecticut, some 25 miles northeast of New Haven. Thence he moved to the southwestern part of Virginia, still interested in lead mining. Next, he made an arduous journey to Missouri to investigate lead mining in that country. He was followed in due time by his family.

When Stephen was about eight years old, his father sent him back to Connecticut to receive his elementary schooling. He was a good pupil, well-behaved and studious. He continued his education at Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky. the earliest such school west of the Alleghany Mountains, endowed, by the way, by George Washington, John Adams, Aaron Burr, John Jacob Astor, and General Lafayette. Here he finished his school attendance, but not his education.

His education began in earnest when he returned to Missouri to work with his father among the frontiersmen of that new country. It continued with his trip to the Oklahoma region and to Little Rock. Valuable knowledge must have been gained during his three terms in the Missouri legislature, and in his service as the district judge in Arkansas. In New Orleans he gained further experience as assistant editor of the Louisiana Advertiser. And when he had to spend his first year in Mexico City (April 29, 1822 to April 18, 1823) he showed that waiting did not mean lost time to him: by August 1, 1822 he had learned the Spanish language sufficiently well to write his letters to the officials in their own language. In writing to his mother in 1824, telling about this colony in Texas, he said, "We have all had a good schooling in the best school in the World, that of Adversity and I hope have profited by it." Surely few men have ever had a more thorough course in that school than Austin had.

Moses Austin's mining ventures in Missouri, like those in Connecticut and Virginia, though operated for some time on a large scale and with an appearance of success, came upon periods of depression and encountered difficulties insurmountable. In November, 1820, at the age of 59, Moses Austin set out for his last frontier, Texas. He made this trip from Missouri to San Antonio on horseback. Going to the Spanish governor, he asked permission to bring 300 families into Texas. Austin presented himself as a Catholic and a former subject of the King of Spain, but not without the aid of his old friend Baron de Bastrop, whom he chanced to meet in the city, did he secure his grant from the governor. The trip back to Missouri was exhausting, and there was much business to be attended to before he could set out with his colonists. He reached home March 23, 1821, worked hard through April and May, went to the home of his daughter, Mrs. James Bryan, at Hazel Run, where he contracted pneumonia and died on June 10, 1821. Shortly before his death, he told his wife to charge Stephen with the task of carrying out the colonization plan. Mrs. Austin wrote on June 8, to tell Stephen of his father's request; Stephen received the letter and on June 18 was on his way to Natchitoches. He was aware of his father's serious illness, but it was July 10 when he received the news of his death. By that time he was bringing his first group of colonists into Texas. They traveled overland, leaving Nacogdoches July 12, and arrived at San Antonio on August 12, 1821.

Within ten days, the party was on the move to the region to be oc-

cupied—not to the site of the present city of Austin on the Colorado (as many Texans suppose), not to the site of San Felipe de Austin on the Brazos, but to the section in and around what is now Austin County, between the Brazos and the Colorado and about a hundred miles from the Gulf of Mexico.

Austin left his party on September 22, going back to Natchitoches (not Nacogdoches) to lead a second group to his colony. This group came by way of New Orleans on the Lively and landed, by mistake, at the mouth of the Brazos on December 23, 1821. Austin had come overland, and failing to find the group at the mouth of the Colorado he was at a loss to know what had become of the ship. Of the eighteen men in the party, all but two or three later drifted back to the United States.

About the beginning of 1822, Austin learned that the high officials of Mexico were inclined to question the agreements made between him and the governor at San Antonio, and so in the spring he went to Mexico City to have his claims confirmed. One reason for delay followed another, and it was April 18, 1823 before he left there to return to his colony. During the year of his absence, Josiah H. Hal' had been serving, by Austin's appointment, as the official in charge of the colony.

For the next ten years, 1823-33, Austin was truly the "father of Texas". "I feel," he wrote, "almost the same interest for their prosperity that I do for my own family—in fact I look upon them as one great family who are under my care." He held them to his ideal of loyalty to Mexico. Only in Dr. Eugene C. Barker's "Life of Stephen F. Austin" (1925) can the present day reader trace conveniently the meaning of these ten years to Austin and to Texas.

In 1833, leaving the colonists in the care of Samuel M. Williams, Austin went to Mexico City to work for repeal of the law of 1830 and for the recognition of Texas as a separate state in the Mexican republic. With the mission partly accomplished, he was about to return when he was arrested and for a number of months kept in close confinement.

During this year in Mexico City he had come to believe that an uprising in Texas was inevitable, and he wrote a letter to San Antonio urging the various councils in Texas to unite in organizing a local state government apart from Coahuila, "even though the general government refuses its consent." This was the thing that brought on his arrest.

When Austin got back to Texas, in September 1835, the Texas revolution was pretty well on its way. Almost to the last, Austin was for independence within the Mexican republic, whereas the people of Texas in general were for absolute inde-

WANTED

REAL ESTATE

I have a number of farms and city property. See me for prices. If you have anything to sell or trade list it with me.—BEN TWITTY.

IMPROVED FARM FOR SALE
154 acres good land near Roaring Springs, fine water, good location.

177 acre farm near Baileyboro, \$15.00 per acre; \$800.00 cash, terms on balance. Might take some trade.—JOHN S. FERGUSON, Roaring Springs, Texas. 2c

FOR SALE—2 row planter, 2 row cultivator, 2 row go-devil, 2 wagons and a four wheel trailer.—See Lester Ericson. 48 tfe

Distressed farms and ranches for Sale.—J. L. Hutto. 49-4p

Until Further Notice is given of opening of Direct Mattress Factory office, bring, send, or phone your orders to 128. tfn

For Sale—20 Jersey Cows. Come look before you buy.—W. G. Henson. 49-5p

WANTED TO BUY second-hand 3-burned oil stove, New Perfection, or Florence. Phone 257J. 50-1c

REWARD for return of child's tan coat left at Stadium, October 11.—L. G. Mayo, Spur Creamery. 1t

BUY DAWSON Hydro - Ceaned (washed) coal for more heat and less waste.—Swafford, Phone 32. 1t

pendence from Mexico. It was only to be expected, therefore, that Austin should not be looked to as a leader in this revolutionary movement. For a time he was commander-in-chief of the army, but Houston soon superseded him. Henry Smith was elected over him as provisional president. He was sent to the United States on a financial mission and did not get back until after the battle of San Jacinto. He accepted the position of Secretary of State under President Houston, and was engaged in writing to President Jackson to further the annexation of Texas when he contracted pneumonia. This illness proved fatal; he died on December 27, 1836, at the age of forty-three.

Austin's remains lay in state for two days at Columbia, where he died and the body was taken on the Yellowstone to Peach Point Plantation for interment. Some twenty years ago, the body was removed to the State Cemetery at Austin, memorial services being conducted in the Capitol Building. Of him it may appropriately be said, as Stanton said at the death of Abraham Lincoln, "Now he belongs to the ages."

UNUSUALLY FINE VALUES IN MEN'S SUITS AT—

\$22.50 and up

THEY really are much better than the average suit selling around \$22.50 and up. They're better in style, in tailoring and in fabrics! Before buying your fall suit you certainly should, in justice to yourself, come in and see what we have to offer! All sizes, in single and double breasted.

OUR TOPCOAT SELECTION IS COMPLETE! Come in Today For Yours . . .



Spur Tailors

PHONE "The Friendly Shop" NO. 18

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Howell, of the Red Mud community, were here Saturday shopping with Spur merchants. Mr. Howell reported that the cotton was opening right along these pretty warm days.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge McClain were business visitors in Spur Saturday from their farm home in the White River community.

BUY DAWSON Hydro - Ceaned (washed) coal for more heat and less waste.—Swafford, Phone 32. 1t
Mr. and Mrs. Leo McIntyre left Spur last week for Salt Lake City, Utah, where Mr. McIntyre has interests which require his attention at this time and where they will make their home for the present.

Casey Jones was a business visitor to Spur Monday from his home at Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Pat Watson and son, Pat Jr., of Clinton, Okla., and Miss Dorothy Love, of Borger, Texas, arrived in Spur Monday and will spend some time here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love. They have promise of employment in Spur during the next few weeks.

Mr. Grady Henley, of Lubbock, Texas, has accepted Henry Alexander as a position with a company. Mr. Alexander made a trip to Lubbock Sunday, to accompany Mr. Henley to this city.

Mrs. Deck Barnes and small son, Deck Jr., of Abilene, are spending a visit in Spur with Ed Lisenby and family.

Henry Alexander morning to attend den Jubilee which is that city October 11. Wednesday was town da and Mr. Alexander stated that wh to be there for the he could not be aw iness here all week Wednesday there t friends and acquaint

Bud Norris and of Aspermont, were afternoon.

S. H. Naley, of Star Route, while called in at The T and gave us a lift subscription up and

We Deliver Phone 80

LANDERS-JOHNSON

FRI. AND SAT. SPECIALS OCT. 18 and 19

SHORTENING 8 lb. carton	\$1.08
COFFEE, (we grind it) 2 lbs.	.25c
BROOMS, each	.30c
BEANS, fresh, lb.	.06c
FLOUR 48 lbs.	\$1.45
TOMATOES, fresh, lb.	.06c
Shortening, Snowdrift, 6 lb. pail	\$1.15
GRAPE JUICE, pint	.17c
SUGAR 25 lb. Cloth Bag	\$1.34
FLOUR, Winnett, 48 lbs.	\$1.79
PORK & BEANS 1 lb. can	.05c
RAISINS, 4 lb. package	.31c
ORANGES dozen	.12c
LETTUCE, head	.04c
PICKLES 1/2 gal. jar	.34c
PINTO BEANS lb.	.05c

Benson Market

MEAT SPECIALS

STEAK, forequarter, lb.	15c
SAUSAGE, mix, well seasoned 2 lbs.	for 25c
BEEF ROAST, rib or brisket, lb.	12 1/2c
BRICK CHILI, 100% meat, lb. blk.	18c
CHEESES, Longhorn, lb.	20c
OYSTERS, Baltimore Selects, pint	39c
CAT FISH, dressed heads off, lb.	28c

We Buy Your Fat Bees and Hogs.
PHONE 80 WE DELIVER

Nothing But SPECIALS Coming to the Ritz and Palace! THEATRES

FRIDAY ONLY Matinee and Night

Admiral Bird

at

THE SOUTH POLE

"LITTLE AMERICA"

And its all for ONLY 10c

Chapter 2

Ken Maynard Serial -Comedy

Always a Big Show on Fridays And Always 10c!

For the benefit of all rural schools we are holding this picture over and running at the Ritz again on Saturday matinee and night, all for a dime.

AT THE PALACE SATURDAY

Starting Saturday Morning at 10:00 o'clock and Running Until 11:30 Saturday night

The Greatest of All Western Stories

ZANE GREY'S

"Wanderer of the Wasteland"

ALL STAR CAST SPECIAL SHORT SUBJECTS

PREVIEW SATURDAY NIGHT

again

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

By special request

"DAVID COPPERFIELD"

This is one every man, woman, and child should see.

also

SPECIAL MUSICAL SHORTS AND FOX NEWS

COMING -

Method Dr. Hale's Office, SMITH & SMITH

DR.

"SHE MARRIED HER BOSS"

PALACE

at

SPUR, TEXAS

J. C. PARKER, Mgr.