

### Around The House

District Court has been in session Judge J. J. Polley has favored to clear the a number of cases have since convening Monday.

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being made county. The surty time ago with Koonsman as temporary. Upon the recom several Dickens County. Robt. Reynolds was appointed supervisor and took over the duties Monday.

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District Court, G. Johnson represented by C. McWhita Falls, V. H. G. Brummett Alley, highway, represent Chapman & Ratliff of instructed verdict was returned for the railroad company.

civil suit in District Court, W. G. Johnson, represented by Chapman & Ratliff, Texas Employers Association, represented by Johnson, Dooley & a mistrial because. It was stated that to agree on the a communication to be given.

**Records Show  
County Voted  
Dry In 1911**

The Commissioners' Court records of Dickens County show that Dickens County held a local option election July 22, 1911 and voted dry according to the canvass made by the Court immediately following the election. There were 448 votes tabulated, 176 dry and 176 wet, 96 vote majority for the dries, according to the record.

Several days ago a press dispatch from Austin in a state paper listed Dickens County as among the wet counties according to the records in Austin. It is possible that the result of the July 22, 1911 election was not recorded by the officials at Austin.

**Ratliff To Run  
For Re-election**

L. D. Ratliff, Jr., County Attorney stated this week that he was planning to announce in a few days for a second term. Judge Ratliff completed his first year as a public servant Tuesday of this week and according to the records has made a record to be proud of.

To date no attorney in this county, has stated he would oppose Judge Ratliff for a second term.

**Tire Company Leases  
Service Station**

The Spur Tire Company has leased the Godfrey & Smart service station and took charge Wednesday. The business will all be combined, the stock of tires being moved from the Perry Building to the Godfrey & Smart Building. The Spur Tire Company has been in Spur several months and sell both wholesale and retail. Louis Rohat is manager.

Godfrey & Smart moved their repair and service department to the north side of the building and remodeled the southeast corner.

**Willis R. King  
Dies Suddenly**

Willis R. King, 40, a citizen of Spur for several years, died after a short illness in a Lubbock sanitarium, Tuesday, December 24. Funeral services were held at Compton's Chapel, McClellan County, 1 p. m. Thursday December 26 with Rev. Williams, a former pastor, in charge of the service. Interment followed in Robinson cemetery with Compton's Funeral Home in charge.

Mr. King became ill Monday a week before Christmas, being able to come to town the day before he died. His condition became critical on Tuesday the 24th and he was taken to Lubbock in a Campbell ambulance for treatment dying at 5:45 that afternoon as a result of an abscess on the brain. Webber Williams prepared the body for burial and with a number of relatives and friends the deceased was taken to his old home in McClellan County for burial.

Active pallbearers were: Herbert Webb, John Cherry, Percy Barley, Jim Jeffrey, Winifred Barley and Leroy Taylor. Honorary pallbearers were: Jim Bailey, John Simon, Clint Cherry, E. J. Able and Dee Crump. Attending the services from Spur were: Mr. and Mrs. A. O. White, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King, and Mr. and Mrs. John King.

Surviving are his wife and two children, Celesta Ray and Willis R. Jr; two brothers, Sam and Bob King of Downsville; his father, T. King; a sister, Mrs. Will, of Spruce Pine, Alabama.

Mr. King came to Spur eight years ago and has been employed at Riter Hardware Company as a salesman. He was active in theasonic Lodge and had been awarded many honors by the order. He became a member of the Baptist Church at the age of 15. He was active as a member of the Spur church, and two years ago was ordained as a deacon by the church.

Approximately 400,000 pupils attended the 10,000 privately owned schools of England.

**Change In Publishers**

We are passing another milestone on the journey of life and while passing along we are earnestly endeavoring to pick up the broken threads and place them together again.

With our Christmas issue which was the last issue of the year 1935 we finished our work as editor and publishers of the Texas Spur, and now at the beginning of the new year of 1936 we bid adieu to you, our friends and readers as we have leased our newspaper plant and building.

It is with a feeling of sadness that we sever our active relationship with the Texas Spur, which was established in 1909, edited and published by our beloved husband and father, the late Oran McClure until March 1931, when by an unkind act of providence, the management was thrust upon us and with the assistance of Weldon, Oran Jr, and Max we have continued until the present time.

Our business relations and association with you have been most pleasant and we fully appreciate the nice volume of business which we have received from you merchants and business men of Spur and other sections of Dickens County and it is for personal reasons that we retire at this time.

Jeptha Craig is an experienced newspaper man, an expert printer operator and has for the past several years been employed on Spur's other publication.

In conclusion we wish to again express our appreciation for your patronage and friendship and especially during the past four years and ten months of our management and publishing The Texas Spur and we ask that you continue your good will and patronage to The Texas Spur under the new management who will continue the publication. Wishing each and every one a most Happy and Prosperous New Year—

Mrs. Oran McClure & Sons.

**New Department  
Head at Alexander's**

Miss Betty Lou Miller, formerly of Lubbock, took over the duties as head of the ready-to-wear department at the Henry Alexander & Company store in Spur Monday. Miss Miller is an experienced sales lady and has worked in several large city department stores.

**Soil Men Visit  
Spur Station**

Fourteen members of the Soil Conservation Service of the Dalhart project were in Spur Monday to study the methods of the Spur Experiment Station. R. E. Dickson, superintendent, and B. C. Langley, agronomist, conducted the visitors over the station and displayed the records.

The Spur Station is the model being used by the Soil Conservation Service and the records of Mr. Dickson are the guide for the service.

H. H. Finnel headed the group from the North Plains, being supervisor of the Panhandle project.

**Complete WPA  
Project At Schools**

The WPA project which has been under way at the public schools for some time has been finished. The grounds at the high school were sodded with grass and the whole plat levelled. New curbing was placed along the south side to stop the grounds from washing and new concrete walks were laid on the north and east sides of the building. A number of repairs were made at the junior high school building. At the East Ward school a large flower bed and a large sand box were constructed along with some other playground improvements. Several trees were also set out at the Ward School. At the stadium a row of salt cedars were set along the north part of the field, the track levelled and a number of shade trees set out. Supt. O. C. Thomas reported that several other improvements were desired by the school if the money could be secured.

**Sam Claus Club  
Final Report**

Sam Claus Club which was an unfortunate child. Meeting of the club was held on Wednesday and adjourned. The club received \$88.98 left over to Mr. D. L. Red Cross Fund. Members were served by the club with candy and toys were sent to children along with candy.

1936 officers will be: Mrs. B. F. Davis, president; Mrs. Nellie Davis, secretary; O. L. Kelley, secretary; Mrs. Jack Rector, treasurer.

**AT PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY**

Byron H. Keathley, D. M., will preach at the Presbyterian Church at Spur next Sunday morning and night. The public is invited. Sunday school and the church services will be held at the regular times.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Robertson and Mrs. Gollahar were trading and shopping in Spur Monday.

Student flyers should not practice forced landings until they have acquired the knack of handling the plane in gliding turns and in landing.

**Demonstration  
On Dairying To  
Be Given Jan. 11**

Kenneth M. Renner, head of the Department of Dairy Manufactures at Texas Technological College will be in Spur January 11 to give a demonstration on dairying. The meeting is open to all home demonstration club women beginning at 10 a. m. in the home economics rooms at the high school.

Mr. Renner will demonstrate the making of cottage cheese and process cheese and give a judging demonstration on butter and cream. These subjects are part of the program of the club women for 1936.

Mr. Renner is coming to Dickens County through the courtesy of Texas Tech in helping to promote the Extension work.

**National Farm  
Speaker Here 7th**

A meeting of interest to farmers of Dickens county will be held at the Ritz Theatre beginning at two o'clock next Tuesday afternoon, January 9. Clifton H. Day, Chairman of the National Committee, will deliver an address to and for farmers. Others interested are invited, according to County Agent G. J. Lane, who is making arrangements for the meeting.

Officers of community associations and commodity committeemen of the county are urged to be present as Mr. Day will explain their duties and responsibilities in the new program for 1936.

**Looking Into the New  
H. D. Club Year Books**

The year books containing the program of work for the home demonstration club of the county are out and ready for distribution. The programs offer a varied list of subjects with the demonstrations based on the home food supply and the yard improvement demonstrations. Then there are programs on Texas Art and History, two book reviews, a program on Better Magazines, a health program, and one on fashions. In the programs on the Home Food supply demonstration vegetable cookery will be emphasized. In the yard improvement the three demonstrations will be on setting shrubs, trees and lawns. There are to be achievement programs in each demonstration.

The first program in January is "Tying the House to the Ground." In that program the home demonstration agent will give a demonstration on setting foundation shrubs when at least ten shrubs will be set. The second program is on meat canning. Most every family in the county has done some meat canning, but we hope to give some newer methods and raise the standards of the canned product. This demonstration will be given by a team of two from the club which will have been trained by the agent in a training school.

**New Auto Supply  
House Open Jan. 10**

C. V. Allen, manager-owner, announces the opening of the Allen Auto Supply Company in the Perry Building across the street from the Spur Motor Company about January 10. Mr. Allen states that his company will do both wholesale and retail business. A large stock of new merchandise has already been received by the company and further shipments are expected in a few days.

Ralph Gillette will be associated with Mr. Allen as salesman. Mr. Allen plans to move his family here and become a citizen of Spur.

**PROMINENT AFTON FARMER  
BURIED MONDAY**

D. N. Power, 78, pioneer resident of the Afton community was buried at Afton Monday afternoon. J. J. Smeltzer of Lubbock, delivered the address at 3 p. m. and Webber Williams was in charge.

Pallbearers were: J. C. Butler, Jeff Brown, A. C. Martin, Gordon Freeman, Lonnie Lewis and J. A. Marsh.

Mr. Power was born in Hunt County in 1857. He resided in Jones County for a number of years his wife passing away there in 1896. Mr. Power moved to Afton in 1907, then swallowed, had breath, flatulence and at the same time, complete, pleasurable, a comes in bottles of 20¢, 35¢ and 60¢ respectively, convenient tins containing each wafer is approximately one of milk of magnesia. All stores carry them. Start using today, effective wafer today. Samples sent free to physicians or dentists if request on professional letter head.

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## SOME THINGS I DON'T LIKE

In looking through the pages of our current magazines, during the Christmas Season, I saw the picture of Old Santa Claus smoking a cigarette. Maybe this isn't too bad, but do you think it looks good? How about the children who idolize Santa, will it make them want to smoke while yet in their cradles? I also saw Santa pictured smiling over his supposed to be favorite brand of whiskey. Is such desecration and commercialism of this one who has brought so much cheer into the lives of young and old right? How soon may we expect to see pictures of the Angels of Heaven flying from the skies to the home of some sorrowing one here on earth bearing a carton of choice liquor to cheer the sorrowing one. Or perhaps the Christ calling little children to Him and giving them small bottles of His favorite rum! "Think on these things." It's time for us to ask for some legislation to protect those characters and things that have been sacred to the highest civilization that this world has ever known, from heartless advertisers who seem willing to sell the souls of our young women and men in order to fill their coffers with gold.

I'm not a pessimist. There has always been a war in this world between good and evil, and will always be. It's a Good Old World after all but there are some who would like to see it all bad. Yet there are others who give their lives to making it better. The New Year is a sign post directing the attention of those who think to the highway of greater usefulness.

Your friend,  
Geo. S. Link.

(Continued from last week.)

**COTTON:** To show present West Texas production and cost of production, compared with the state and nation. To show past development and future possibilities. To show by-product development and possibilities.

**WHEAT AND GRAIN:** To show comparative present West Texas production and cost, and quality of productions; past development and future possibilities; marketing and milling possibilities.

**WOOL AND MOHIRA:** To show comparative present West Texas production; past development and future possibilities; marketing and processing possibilities.

**CATTLE:** To show magnitude of our open range country, give idea of range life and purpose of range; give comparative figures on West Texas cattle production.

**DIVERSIFICATION:** To show the poultry and dairying resources of West Texas, with growth and possibilities. Pecans will be included in this exhibit, since West Texas produces 92 per cent of the total crop of the state.

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES:** This exhibit will present the watermelon and cantaloupe as majors, showing present production and possibilities; also showing all deciduous fruits and all vegetables that are grown in West Texas profitably.

**GRAIN SORGHUMS:** This exhibit will show how West Texas has become the leading grain producing section of the nation; show possibilities for expanding the industry; show cattle feeding volume and possibilities.

**AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT:** In this exhibit will be portrayed the fact that West Texas during the last 20 years has had the most remarkable agricultural growth of any section in the history of the United States. Also to be shown are the number of acres in the past put under the plow; the increasing population of towns in addition to the wealth caused by farm development; and the acres still subject to the plow.

**IRRIGATION:** This exhibit will portray the various West Texas pro-

jects, both now operating and in the making, with production and possibilities.

**URBAN AND RURAL LIVING:** Here will be told the story of West Texas' unexcelled climate, resulting in ideal farming, living and health conditions. The exhibit will also show recreational facilities and cultural and educational advantages within the territory.

On the important question of financing the West Texas exhibit the committee makes this statement:

"Construction and lighting of booths are cost that will be borne by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce through the Dallas Centennial Exposition. The West Texas Chamber will assume the cost of manning the complete exhibit. The cost of assembling, preparing, installing and decorating the district exhibits will be borne by the district organizations. The cost of the community panel exhibits will be borne by the respective participating communities.

## Wheat Increases, Grain Sorghums Show Decrease In County

Between 1929 and 1934 wheat acreage increased almost 5,000 acres in Dickens County, Texas, according to preliminary figures from the 1935 Federal Farm Census released today by Director William L. Austin, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. Meanwhile the acreage of hay and sorghums used for forage declined over 4,400 acres, and grain sorghums declined almost 3,900 acres.

Crop land harvested in this county in 1934 was more than 62,000 acres less than in 1929. Much of this apparent decline was due to the fact that crop failure in 1934 was almost 77,000 acres as compared with about 17,000 acres in 1929. Assuming no crop failure in either year the cropping intentions were practically the same, or around 150,000 acres. Much of the crop failure in 1934 was due directly to the drought.

Summer grown crops, such as hays, corn, and grain sorghums, were more severely affected by the dry weather than were small grains which matured before the worst part of the drought. Wheat was harvested from 7,606 acres with a production of 57,187 bushels. Hay crops were harvested from over 13,000 acres in 1934, but only slightly more than 5,000 tons of forage were obtained as compared with almost 13,000

## H. P. GIBSON Insurance Agent

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tons from about 17,000 acres in 1929. Grain sorghums in 1934 produced 62,445 bushels from 12,946 acres, which represents a decrease in both acreage and production since 1929.

The 1935 figures in this and similar releases for all counties and states are preliminary and subject to revision.

## TEXAS IN '36

The letters "ex" belong in the middle of Texas, but never before it.

There are no ex-Texans. There are Texans, though, the world over; leaders in arts and letters, in industry and finance, in engineering and public service. Every one of them will vow "I am a Texan."

The spirit of the Lone Star Staters, demonstrated at this turn into the calendar year that marks an epic century of independence and four centuries of progress, testifies in advance of a great homecoming in 1936.

Back home they will find a state that across her vast leagues has pressed to the front. From the wilderness has been carved an empire. In Texas are the land's happiest, healthiest, most independent communities.

In a composite, this great state will tell its story in the Texas Centennial.

More arrests of 19-year old youths are made than in any other age group, according to department of justice records.

A transport pilot may not carry persons for hire in licensed aircraft other than of the types and classes specified in his license.

As loud as we can say it, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Chili King Cafe

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Pay returns for Eggs from high grade, heavy breed, hill flock.  
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**GF To a Flying Start**  
Starting this New Year is like hopping off on a new flight to dash new records. That's our way of looking at the opportunity 1936 offers. We have charted our course. We have set our goal. We know our success will come from serving the people of this community the biggest and best way possible. So we invite you to put our service to a test today... and every day in 1936.  
**HIGHWAY CAFE**

**WHITESTAR MOTOR COACHES**

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## OUR NEW YEAR'S PROCLAMATION

We send the Season's Greetings with the hope that everyone of 1936 will find you a little more happy, more healthy and more wealthy than the preceding one.

JM CLOUD

COUNTY JUDGE, DICKENS COUNTY

# NOTICE!

We have a number of pictures which were sent in to Mr. Bryan, manager of the "Shower of Gold" Subscription Campaign, and which he left with us for delivery. Please call for them at once.

Mrs. Oran McClure, at the Texas Spur office.

## 1935-1936

As the Year 1935 passes onto the pages of history and as a New Year dawns with all its hopes and promises, we pause to offer you the compliments of the season.

The cooperation given the law enforcement officers of the county in 1935 is deeply appreciated. A continuation of this cooperative spirit will mean a better county in the year 1936.

May 1936 deal kindly with you and yours; may peace be upon you, your friends and the members of your family. We wish for you nothing less than health, wealth and happiness throughout the twelve months which are to come—and throughout all your days upon this earth.

## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

By Johnnie Koonsman

**Personal**

Mrs. C. D. Copeland is reported critically ill with pneumonia.

Marshall Formby, Jr. of McAdoo, was visiting in Spur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jimison spent the week end in Commerce.

Mrs. P. C. Ellis was visiting in Abilene last week.

H. C. Allen of Dry Lake, was a business visitor in Spur Wednesday.

Jeff D. Harkey of Dickens, was a business visitor in Spur this week.

Ben Hagins, of several miles north of Spur, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. Annie Steel of Lubbock is the guest of Mrs. O. Moore Hall.

Mrs. Murray Lea is visiting a sister and brother in Abilene.

Mrs. Elzy Watson was visiting in Lubbock Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Reed and daughters spent Christmas at Westminister visiting relatives.

Mrs. M. C. Jackson of Jayton, spent Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Newman of Matador, visited in the V. C. Smart home the past week.

The Rev. J. Melvin Jones spent the past week visiting in Meridian, Mississippi.

E. A. Russell of Stamford, is attending court at Dickens and visiting friends in Spur.

Mrs. Weldon Grimes spent the Christmas holidays in Abilene as the guest of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Swan of Haringen, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. Swan's mother, Mrs. P. C. Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lea returned Tuesday from a visit with friends in Baird and Abilene.

Mrs. Charlie Powell and daughters spent the holidays in Baird with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker and sons visited relatives and friends in Greenville this week.

Miss Glenda Elliott of Baird, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charlie Powell and Mr. Powell this week.

Miss Ruby Rae Williamson has as her house guest, a college friend, Miss Ena Armstrong of McCamey.

Rev. E. L. Yeats was called to Winters the past week to attend the funeral of a niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall spent Christmas day in Lubbock as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Brown have returned from Abilene where they visited during Christmas.

O. L. Kelley was in Matador Wednesday doing observation work in the schools.

Mrs. Jewel Bracken of Abilene, mother of Mrs. H. O. Everts, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Everts this week.

Hardy Mecom of College Station, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Mecom, and other relatives.

Clinton Barrett is home from College Station for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck have returned from Abilene where they visited during the Christmas holidays.

J. L. Hill of the Stamford Production Credit Association, was attending to business of his company in Spur Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter, Helen, spent last week in Greenville visiting Dr. Hale's mother.

Supt. O. C. Thomas has returned from Weatherford and Coolidge where he and Mrs. Thomas spent the Christmas holidays visiting with relatives and friends. Mrs. Thomas remained for a longer visit.

Hub Beaver was attending to business in Lubbock Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ham of Oklahoma City, spent Christmas in Spur. Visiting Mr. Ham's sister, Mrs. J. M. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. White visited relatives in Lott during the Christmas holidays and attended the funeral of Willis King in Waco.

Misses Annie Mae Lassetter and Faye Jamison spent the holidays in Hamlin, guests of Miss Jamison's sister, Mrs. Oscar Maples.

Bill Ballard, who has been living at Rochester, has moved back to Spur and is living on the Bowman place north of town.

Spencer Campbell returned to Texas Tech this week after spending Christmas week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell.

Miss Clara Pratt returned the first of the week from Central Texas to resume her duties as county home demonstration agent.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gibson and children spent part of last week in Lamesa at the home of his father, J. P. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Lester of Af-ton and grandson, R. J. Bell of Spur returned Sunday after a weeks visit at Goldthwaite and Evant.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Blackman of Lovington, N. M., were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ensey.

Raburn Evans of Pampa, spent Christmas in Spur with his mother, Mrs. Lela Evans and other relatives.

Miss Mary Copeland returned to Austin Thursday after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland.

James Henry Cowan, student at Texas Tech, spent the holidays with his parents, Judge and Mrs. E. J. Cowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dot Sargent and daughter, Miss Ermalee Whittington of Canadian, were visiting Mrs. Sargent's parents in Spur Sunday and Monday.

A card to the editor from H. F. Dodge states that he is a member of the fire department at Lawton, Okla., and is attending Cameron Junior College.

Bernard Golding, student at the University of Texas, returned to Austin this week after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding.

Morris Laine returned to Lubbock Wednesday to reenter Texas Tech after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Laine.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal A. Chastain and son spent Christmas at Hamlin with relatives. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnett of Littlefield.

Mrs. M. D. Ivey and daughter, Evelyn, spent the holidays visiting relatives at Colorado. Mr. Ivey accompanied them to Colorado Tuesday returning Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Walker of Hobbs, N. M., visited Mrs. Walker's mother, Mrs. Mary Johnson, during the holidays and attended a family reunion while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Barrett and son, Marvin, who had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett, and other relatives here for ten days, returned to their home in Santa Fe, N. M. Tuesday.

R. F. Farmer of Jacksonville, who has been in Spur during the ginning season returned home the first of the week. Mr. Farmer plans to move to Waller the last of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Waddell and family of Rotan, spent the Christmas holidays with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Waddell and family, and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Karr and family.

The first new citizen added to citizenship rolls of Spur was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Lewis. The youngster arrived twenty minutes after the new year began. Mother and daughter are reported doing nicely.

L. A. Rodenheiser, WPA Engineer of District 17, was in Spur Wednesday looking over the WPA projects in Dickens County.

Mrs. Ben Eastley and Miss Virginia Anderson of Silver City, N. M. spent the Christmas holidays in Spur visiting their sister, Mrs. Jerry Ensey and Mr. Ensey.

Ruth Maples, employed at the Texas Spur the past year, left Sunday for Falls to accept a position as solicitor and printer on the Banner.

Spencer Sullivan, experienced tailor, has been added to the personnel of the Spur Laundry-Cleaners as solicitor and assistant in the cleaning and pressing department.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Proctor and son left the first of the week to make their home in Plainview. Mr. Proctor assumed the management of a store at Plainview in December.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNeill II have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Jordan McNeill, son and daughter and Miss Sarah McNeill of Brazoria. Miss Sarah, who formerly taught in Spur high school, is now teaching in Angleton.

Miss Nedra Hogan is in Memphis, Tenn., this week attending a General Epworth League Convention. Miss Nedra was chosen as one of three delegates from the Stamford District of the Northwest Texas Conference.

**GREGORY-McARTHUR MARRIAGE IS READ IN SPUR CHRISTMAS DAY**

Wm. W. Gregory and Miss Lily McArthur were married Wednesday, December 25 at 9 a. m. at the First Methodist Church in Spur. Rev. E. L. Yeats, pastor, officiated in the presence of a number of relatives and friends.

Miss Wilma McArthur attended the bride, her sister, and Floyd McArthur attended Mr. Gregory. Floyd McArthur is a brother of the bride.

Mrs. Gregory is a daughter of W. C. McArthur. She attended school at Spur and C. I. A. and has been teaching the last year.

Mr. Gregory is a son of Mrs. W. B. Gregory of near Lubbock, and is a graduate of Texas Technological College. For the last two years he has been serving as Assistant in Cotton Adjustment for Dickens County with offices in Spur.

The couple left immediately following the ceremony for San Antonio returning Sunday to make their home in Spur.

**HALE-EAST**

Miss Thelma Hale and Randolph East were married December 21 at the home of G. Earle Woods, minister of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Woods and Mrs. O. L. Kelley witnessed the ceremony.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Hale of near Girard. She is also a senior in Girard school. The groom is the oldest son of Mrs. Fred Grice of Antelope. He is a farmer of the Antelope community.

At the present they are making their home with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grice. They are moving to his farm soon where they will make their home during the coming year.

**MISS THELMA CAMPBELL GUEST OF HONOR**

Miss Thelma Campbell was guest of honor at a dinner given Sunday evening by Misses Naomi Lee and Edith Ince at the Carl Proctor home. Miss Campbell, who is teaching in Radford School for Girls at El Paso, is spending the Christmas holidays in Spur visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Campbell.

**GRACE FOSTER ENTERTAINS**

Grace Foster had a waffle supper December 28th. Guests were Wynell McClure, Joyce McCully, Lillian Grace Dickson, Regina Lee, Margaret May Weaver, Marian Hale, Helen Lollar, Lorelle Twaddell, Mozelle Arthur, Rummy and bridge were played following the supper.

**TUESDAY BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. L. B. Tillotson was hostess to a group of friends on Tuesday afternoon of this week when she entertained with two tables of contract bridge.

At the end of the games Mrs. James O. Smith scored high for clubs members and Mrs. Dan H. Zachry for the guests. Each was presented a lovely towel.

Mrs. Tillotson served a refreshment plate consisting of creamed chicken on toast, deviled egg, pickles, apple pie and coffee.

Those enjoying this hospitality were Mesdames A. C. Hull, Bill Dorsey, W. T. Andrews, McGuire, Guy Karr, Mack Wilson, D. H. Zachry and J. O. Smith.

**"TO OUR FRIENDS"**

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude to our many neighbors and friends who so faithfully stood by us in our recent bereavement and death of our father. You have been so thoughtful and kind in our dark hour of need. May the blessing of our Lord abide with you all.

Albert Power and family of Spur. Mrs. J. J. Weatherman and family of Lubbock.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our appreciation to the friends and neighbors who so faithfully assisted us during the illness and death of our dear Mother, and for the beautiful flowers, May God's blessings be upon you.

J. M. Carlisle.  
Mrs. Lizzie Hart.  
W. A. Carlisle.  
Mrs. S. Smith.  
Mrs. P. E. Hagins.  
J. E. Carlisle.  
Mrs. J. F. Stephens.  
J. T. Carlisle.  
Mrs. J. A. Swearingen.  
C. M. Carlisle.

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# 23 YEARS AGO

Taken from the files of The Texas Spur, published 23 years ago this week. Oran McClure, editor and publisher.

Petitions are being circulated among the voters of Dickens County by citizens of Spur, asking the Commissioners' Court to order an election for the purpose of determining whether or not bonds in the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars shall be issued to build first class road in Dickens County.

Frank Cooper and Miss Nona Jones were married Sunday, at the home of the bride in Afton. Miss Jones is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jones.

E. Luce purchased the Morrison stock of groceries and hereafter the business will be under the management of R. R. Morrison.

Secretary Jeff D. Reagan is making a canvass of the citizenship and property owners of Spur for the purpose of determining how many will make connection with the water mains provided a water works system is installed in the city.

Tol Merriman was a business visitor in the city the latter part of last week.

W. J. Elliot was in Spur the latter part of last week from his Spring Creek farm and ranch.

Jim Foster, who is now located at the Spur Ranch camp thirty five miles Southwest of Spur, was spending some time in the city this week.

Berry Pursley came up from Jayton Tuesday looking after his business interests here.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Van Leer of near Spur, were in the city this week visiting friends and trading.

Dr. Grace returned the first of the week from Stamford where he spent several days.

H. P. Minihan returned Tuesday from an extended trip to Dallas where he spent the holidays with friends. Mr. Minihan resumed drilling operations on the deep well

Wednesday, the first day of January.

R. R. Johns of several miles north of Spur, was in the city this week on business.

Mrs. P. H. Miller entertained her Sunday School Class with a Christmas dinner one day last week.

J. H. Stradley, formerly of Dickens but now of Paducah, was in Spur this week visiting Judge Holman and family.

Miss Pearl Stradley, formerly of Dickens, was married last Sunday to Sidney Turner of Tucumcari, N. Mexico.

V. C. Smart spent Christmas day at Draper with Mrs. Smart, who is teaching school in that community.

Revs. North, G. C. Berryman, Messrs. P. H. Miller and G. T. Brandon of Spur, attended the Fifth Sunday meeting at Steel Hill Sunday.

C. L. Love returned the first of the week from Stamford where he spent the holidays with his family and friends.

### ONE OF COUNTY'S OLDEST CITIZENS DIES IN LUBBOCK

H. F. (Uncle Johnny) Clay, 83, one of the county's oldest citizens died in Lubbock Monday, December 23. Funeral services were held at the Dickens Church of Christ Tuesday afternoon, December 24. G. Earle Woods, minister of Spur, conducted the services jointly with those for W. L. Thannisch. Interment was made in Dickens cemetery. Born in Robinson County, Mr. Clay had been a citizen of Dickens the past 40 years, moving to the county shortly after it was organized. He had been an active member of the Church of Christ since a young man.

The deceased leaves one sister, Mrs. Sue McMurry of Lubbock; three sons, Joe Clay of Colorado Springs, Colo.; Erne Clay of Quanah, and Wyna Clay of Fort Worth; three daughters, Mrs. Nora McCarty of Sudan, Mrs. Myrtle McCarty of Hart, and Mrs. Mollie Clay of Lubbock. There was one other daughter who passed away several years ago, Mrs. Mollie Gibson.

### Marriage Licenses

The following list of marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk, Fred Arrington, in the past ten days:

Frank H. Pilley, Sagerton and Miss Sylvia Denson, Spur.

V. L. Wilson, Afton and Mrs. Eula Ford, Afton.

Arthur Austin, Dickens and Linnie Havens, Dickens.

Randolph East, Girard and Thelma Hale, Girard.

Wm. W. Gregory, Spur, and Lily McArthur, Spur.

H. V. Jackson, Afton, and Sallie Rattan, Afton.

H. F. Hawley, Matador and Kathleen Smith, Matador.

E. N. Quattlebaum, Dickens, and Delma Austin, Dickens.

Willie Joe Robinson, Afton and Viola Alderson, Afton.

Raymond Bilberry, Spur and Winnie Hammonds, Spur.

J. D. King, Girard and Erna Mae Andrews, Girard.

Virgil Bradford, Glenn and Ruth Goolsby, Glenn.

Rector Goss, Glenn and Odell Bradford, Glenn.

Cyril V. Stencil, Spur and Pauline Price, Spur.

John Baxter, Glenn and Nellie Formby, Spur.

Amos Isaacs, McAdoo and Aline Allen, McAdoo.

Cecil Johnson, McAdoo and Annie Finney, McAdoo.

### PIONEER WICHITA

#### FARMER DIES

W. L. Thannisch, pioneer farmer of the Wichita community died at his home Monday, Dec. 23, following a short illness. Funeral services were held at Dickens, Tuesday afternoon, December 24 at the Church of Christ, G. Earle Woods, minister of Spur, officiating. Interment was in Dickens cemetery with Bill Kinney in charge. The services were held jointly with those of H. F. Clay.

Mr. Thannisch was born April 2, 1871. His wife had died just seven weeks previous. Mr. Thannisch was an active participant in community affairs and had been a member of the Church of Christ since a young man.

A number of children survive.

### Deeds Recorded

The following deeds have been recorded at the court house showing real estate transfers in the last ten days.

W. T. Andrews et al to C. C. Haile, 30 acres out of SE corner of NW quarter of Section 372, H. & G. N. survey.

Federal Land Bank to R. L. Worswick, 75 acres, B. G. Worswick survey, about three miles north of Dickens, survey No. 4.

A. M. Lay et al to B. C. Harding, 60 acres in Lea County.

Minnie B. Worswick to R. L. Worswick, 30 acres in survey No. 2.

J. S. Ross and wife to M. B. Gage et al, 440 acres W. C. Benson land, and same property was transferred back to J. S. Ross and wife.

Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company to H. J. Garner et al. Assembly of God Church. Lot 2, Monnig Dry Goods Company to block 70 City of Spur.

Jno. A. Moore, East 1-2 of Lot 4 and all of lot 5, block 4. Spur.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God has seen proper to call our dear brother, W. R. King, from our midst, and

Whereas, this church feels a great loss in the departure of such a useful, zealous, faithful member and deacon in our church, and

Whereas, we realize the great bereavement to his good wife and children, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the First Baptist Church at Spur that we express our appreciation for the noble and exemplary life of Bro. King, and that in his being called away, that we recognize the loss of one of our most faithful members, and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that this church extends its full sympathy to Mrs. King and her children and pray that God may lead in their comfort.

Done by order in conference assembled Sunday evening, December 29, 1935.

Signed: W. D. Starcher, M. F. Ewton, W. F. Godfrey, Committee.

### E. S. CRIDER MOVING TO SPUR

E. S. Crider, former resident, who has been living at Dickens the past two years while employed by the State Highway Department, plans to move back to Spur this week. He has purchased the Moore place on Parker Street and will move into it. Harvey Holley and sons, who have been living in the Moore house will move to the J. E. Johnson residence formerly occupied by Carl Procter.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to the people of Spur and Dickens County for the many favors shown us during our two years residence in Spur. We urge you to visit us when in Stamford.

R. L. Tolbert and family.

### WANTED

FOR SALE—Jersey Milk Cow. Whit Bumpus.

LOST or STRAYED—2 brownish Jersey heifers from Luther Jones farm west of Spur. Marked: Crop at left ears with slash on left hip. Notify Geo. Lisenby. 1-24c

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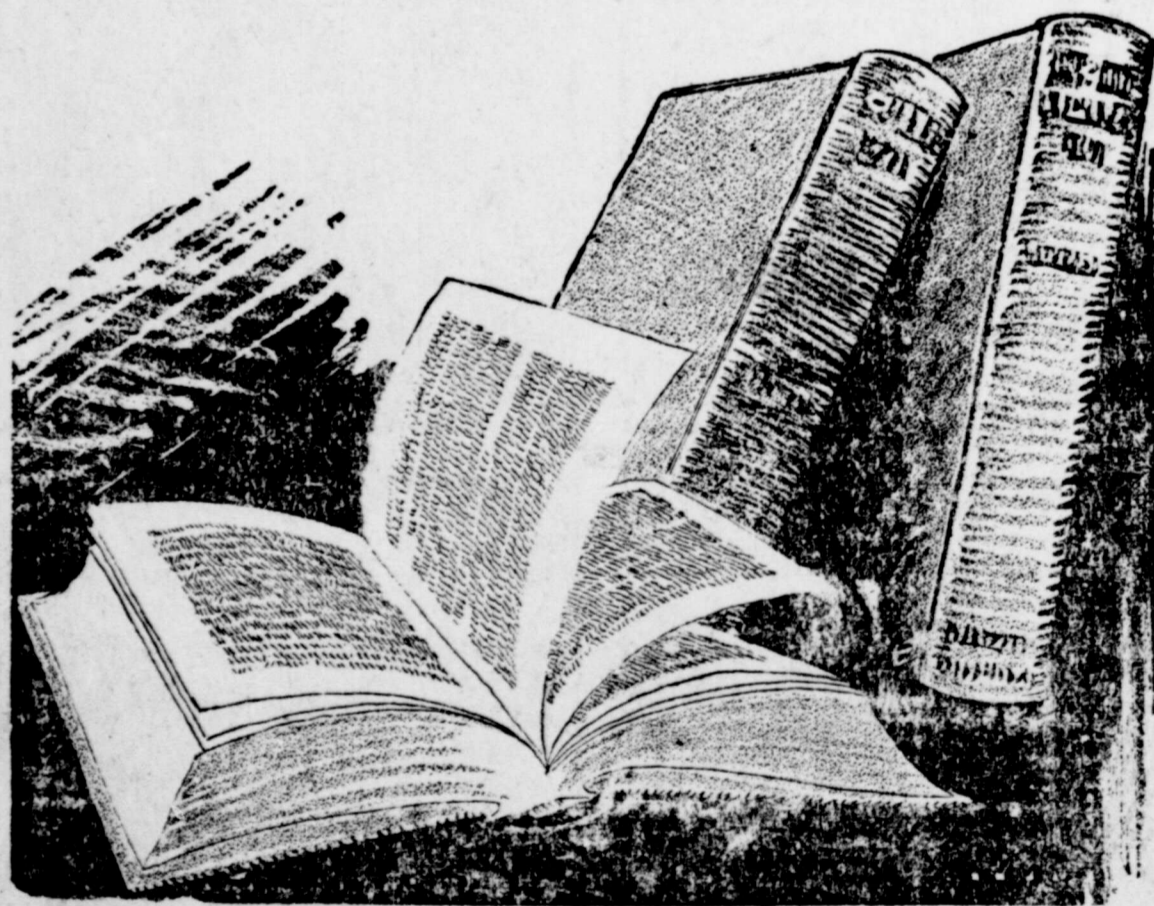


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## NINETEEN THIRTY SIX GREETING

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To our friends who have made it possible for us to carry on through the years of stress that we feel very hopeful are ending, we want to express our deep appreciation. After all is said about business by those who do not know, it has its troubles that often try men's souls and makes us appreciate our friends who have been loyal through good and bad.

We look into 1936 with new hope, as we always greet a new year. We consider it a place for beginning again and it shall be our effort to render a service more worthy than we have ever rendered to those we may have the opportunity to serve. Our judgment has failed us so often during the past seven years that we hesitate to make predictions for the future but if we may venture to prophesy once again we will say 1936 will be much better in a commercial way and the world have a more peaceful outlook before its close.

May the new year give new hope and opportunity to all.

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