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West Texas Pioneers Celebrate Wedding Anniversary Feb. 14

On St. Valentin's Day, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Peterson celebrated their wedding anniversary at their home west of Spur. On Sunday afternoon friends who could not be present on the fourteenth called and expressed congratulations and love to this "Old Time" couple of West Texas who have been married for sixty-four years.

Mr. Peterson was born in Denmark and came to the United States when he was sixteen years of age. He first settled in Wisconsin, then moved to Iowa and still later moved to Kansas where he met and married Ida Ballard at Reading, Kansas, in 1874. Ida Ballard was born at Hillsdale, Mich., and came to Kansas when she was a young lady.

Mr. and Mrs. Peterson came to Texas and lived in various places in Central and West Texas and finally came to "The Spur Country" forty years ago. They have made many friends who are anxious to have them happy in this sixty-fourth year of married life.

23 YEARS AGO

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

We are informed that a new post office to be known as McAdoo has been granted by the Washington authorities and will soon be established in the Lee County settlement on the Plains. B. F. Hines will be the postmaster and the office will be located near the Valley View school house.

The Pianoforte, Voice and Expression Recital given Friday night by pupils of Miss Truholm Doyle and Miss Ora Archer was well attended. Pupils appearing in the recital were: Louise Cates, Lester Morrison, Lucile Cates, Gussie Stafford, Lucile Barber, Flora Love, Robert Bartlett, Katie Ellis, Betty Goff, Vivian Dunn, Elnora Dunn, Della Scott, Lula Goff, Zada Stafford, Gussie Love, Erma Baker, Audy Barber, Tony Gose, Faust Collier, Freddy Cole, Rob Davis, and Mrs. Morrison.

Mr. Cleve Insey was called to Mineral Wells this week on account of the illness of his mother.

Chalk Brown was in Spur last week from the 24 Ranch in Kent county.

Hawley Bryant of the Pitchford Ranch was among the number of business visitors in Spur this week.

Miss Pearl Gunn, of Ralls, has been the guest of Miss Lillian Grace during the past week.

Alva Smith has finished the building of a big tank on the J. R. McArthur place several miles southwest of Spur.

Tom and Craig Parsons have been very busy the past several days doing considerable blacksmithing in preparation for spring plowing and crop planting.

J. H. Hobson and Miss Bessie Thacker, two of the most popular young people of the Draper country, were married Sunday at the home of the bride's parents.

J. V. McCormick has bought eighty acres of land from the Matador Land and Cattle company. Mr. McCormick expects to build an up-to-date gin midway between Dickens and Afton.

County To Pay Off Warrants

Although the 1937 tax collections for Dickens county were only a little better than 65 per cent, many of the outstanding warrants against the county will be paid, Mrs. Alice Murphree, county treasurer, has announced.

Mrs. Murphree issued a call for the following warrants:

All warrants issued against the Fifth Class fund.

All warrants up to and including register No. 343 which have been issued against the Third Class fund which is the general fund. These warrants were issued in 1937 and marked payable Feb. 15, 1938.

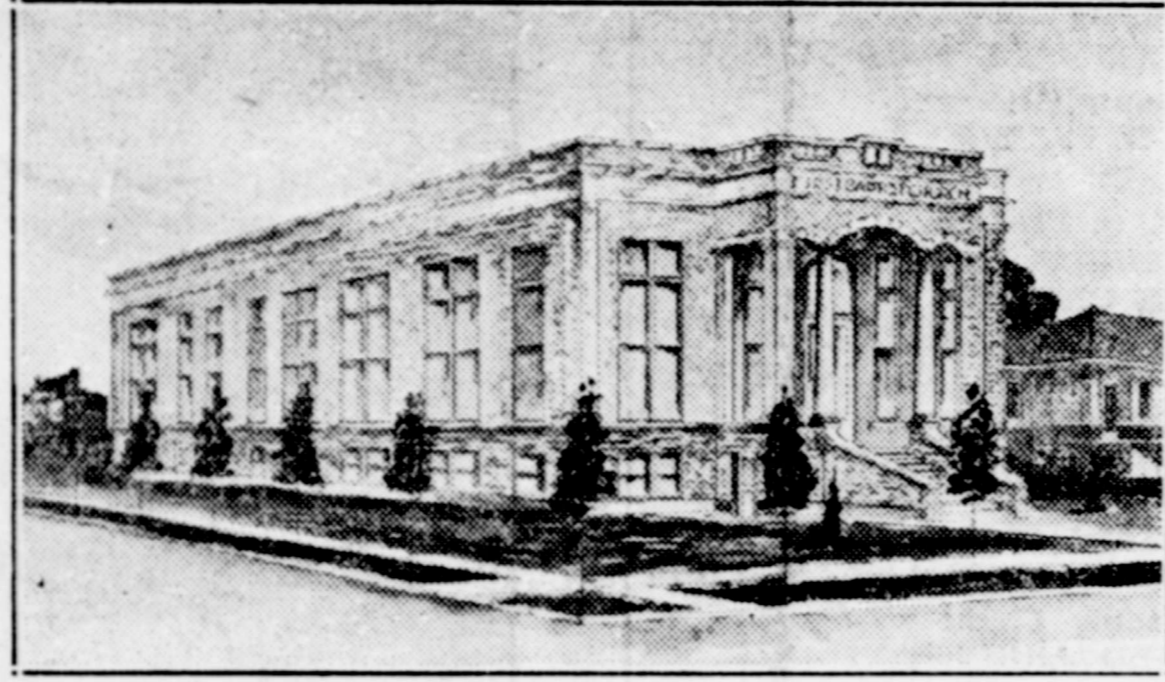
Warrants up to and including register No. 99, payable Feb. 15, 1937, issued against the Sixth Class fund. This fund is the road and bridge fund and warrants against it bear interest at the rate of six per cent. Interest is hereby stopped, however, on the above Sixth Class warrants which are being called in.

Giant Tri-Motor Clipper Coming To Spur Three Days

Probably one of the largest airplanes ever to land on Dickens County soil is scheduled to land at Spur Airport Friday morning to begin three days of rides for air-fans. The giant clipper ship weighs seven and one-half tons, and has a fuel capacity of 400 gallons of gas, 35 gallons of oil, 600 pounds of baggage, and is licensed to carry 21 passengers. It will probably appeal the more to passengers to ride in company with several other passengers on a nice trip into the air, and the prices are very reasonable, as advertised on another page. Make your plans to ride this giant sky-bird.

W. A. Johnson and son John were among the many visitors in Spur Saturday, coming in from their farm home in the Dry Lake community.

Crosbyton Church Dedicated



Carrying out plans that have been in the making for a number of weeks the Crosbyton Baptists, along with many prominent area speakers and attending Baptists, dedicated the First Baptist Church at that place last Sunday in grand style.

The entire day was filled with interesting events for the membership and attendants, and burning of the recently paid off notes took place as a part of the program.

Value of Rain and Snow Last Week Rated In Millions Of Dollars

Virgil Morrison Asks Re-Election As Public Weigher

To the people and voters of Precinct No. 1 and surrounding communities:

I am again asking you to consider me for re-election. I want first to thank you each and every one for the loyal support that you gave me two years ago. Altho this is my first season's work, and I am sure that I have made mistakes, it will be possible that I might render you better service in the future.

Due to the fact that there was an unusually large crop made last season, and the farmers cooperated with the government as they never did before, it was very difficult to give immediate service at all times. And if elected in the coming election, I will try to give more efficient service.

Thanking you for your splendid cooperation in the past, and soliciting your vote in the coming election, I am,

Gratefully yours,
VIRGIL N. MORRISON
 Candidate for Public Weigher, Precinct No. 1, re-elected for second term.

Wes Harvey Building Being Razed To Make Way for New Bldg.

Work was begun yesterday morning by Wes Harvey and a crew of men razing the old building just south of Mrs. Smith's Cafe on Burlington Avenue, and a new business building will be constructed immediately on the same lots.

Wes stated that a portion of the building, however, will be preserved, and moved to the rear of his lot. The new building, fronting east, is to be of brick and tile, and will be 32 feet long with a 25-foot front. The structure is to be modern in every respect, and will be for rent when completed.

GEO. SLOAN HOME REMODELING ALMOST COMPLETED

Tommy Seale says that after being out of town for awhile, he is now back on the job of remodeling the Geo. Sloan home in the west part of Spur. Additional space has been built into the house, combined with new papering, painting and general going-over.

The finishing touches are about ready to be applied, according to Tommy, but he states that when this is completed he will start construction of a barn on the same contract. Mr. Sloan is manager of the Citizens Gin Company here in Spur.

JUNIOR HIGH P. T. A. TO MEET NEXT WEEK

The Spur Junior High P. T. A. will meet Wednesday, March 2, at 3:30 o'clock in the Junior High building. Mr. Don Martin will be in charge of a fifteen minute entertaining feature.

Delegates to the conference at Floydada will be elected at this meeting.

Mrs. Roy Arrington will serve as leader for the following program: Discipline Problems Affected by the Home — Miss Minibel Johnson. Obedience — Mrs. Jerry Willard. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting.

Gulf Spuds-In Swenson Test In Garza; Weather Stalls Activities On Other Tests, But Machinery Is On Way

Clarence Watters Enters Race For Com. Precinct 3

C. F. (Clarence) Watters, prominent farmer of three and one-half miles south of Spur, paid the Texas Spur a visit Monday of this week, and gave out the statement that he was entering the race for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3 (Spur area), and says he's getting down to business in the matter of vote soliciting.

Having lived in this immediate territory for eleven or twelve years, Clarence is well known to most of the people in this Precinct. It has been stated by friends of his, many times of late, that he was being urged to get into the race, and the announcement will not come as a surprise to the majority of voters. Clarence has a clean record to stand on, thinks good schools and good roads are essential to the welfare of any community, and knows the value of a dollar in buying for a collective group of people.

The Commissioner's race in Precinct 3 promises to be one of the most evened-up races in the county. The list includes splendid material thru-out, men with lots of friends—men of good standing, and the process of elimination is going to cause some serious thought among the voters. It makes a choice a bit difficult.

Clarence, of course, rides the Democratic steed, and says he wants the voters to give his name consideration.

Visitor's Day In Spur Schools To Be Held Mar. 2

The parents and patrons of the Spur Public Schools are invited and urged to visit your school, Wednesday, March 2nd, any time during the day. At this time you will have opportunity to see an exhibition of all school work including class projects and individual pupil accomplishments on display in each classroom. The school faculty is very urgent that all patrons visit school this day, and get a first-hand impression of the school. The better people understand institutions such as schools the better those institutions will become, and we all want good schools. Come and visit your school, March 2.

On this day the Twentieth Century Study Club is also sponsoring an exhibition of Texas products which will include a feature attraction in a film of the sulphur industry. This film will be brought to Spur and shown by a former Spur high school boy, Hardy Mecum, who is now chief entomologist for the Freeport Sulphur Company. The school pupils will have opportunity to see this film in the morning at Junior High School and it will be shown until 3:30 in the afternoon when the Junior High Parent-Teachers Association meets.

The entire public is cordially invited to visit the Spur schools on March 2nd.

Bob Fox Active As Inventor

Believes In Saving Lives—Of Cows

Having Probably one of the "tenderest hearts in the whole world," Bob Fox got busy during our great rainy season and invented a machine, contraption, or robot . . . or maybe it is a charitable institute for dogle calves . . . that tenderly lifts the calves (and of course their parents, too) from bogs. Bob made a thorough study of "ranch life," the trials of people as well as the suffering stock, and decided that this contraption was needed to carry on ranch life properly.

Now we've helped pull a few cows out of bogs, and so wanted to know just how the humane machine worked, but Bob is trying to keep the secret (probably looking for patents on it), and would give out nothing except to state that the "wonderful thing absolutely did NOT lift cows out by the horns."

Which goes to say . . . well, in fact, Bob's machine may be a new method, but we just wonder . . .

With the return of favorable weather, oil activities in this area have been resumed. The Gulf Oil Corporation spudded-in its deep test on the Swenson lands just over in the edge of Garza county Monday night, and a three-tower movement is expected to run the well down rapidly. The machinery is diesel powered, cutting the water consumption, and greatly facilitating activity.

Much attention is attracted to the activities around the new Gulf test for reason that it is only about three miles removed from the old Deep Rock test that was made in 1927, and located southwest of the Slaughter camp headquarters on survey 67. The location then made was near the Crosby-Garza county line.

The Gulf's Swenson test is benefiting greatly by study of the log from the early test, and by being previously acquainted with the stratum-by-stratum underbed, enables the drillers to push the hole to a great depth in a very short time.

Unless production is reached prior to the 8,500 foot mark, the drilling contract to that depth will probably be filled.

Along with its pioneering in the use of diesel power for drilling in this area, the Gulf people are taking advantage of every late development in the oil industry. Supplementing the geophysical work of making locations, the company is making use of siesmograph-gravimeter equipment, and likewise call to use for more thorough study, experts with magnetometer and tortion.

Rotary Substituted
 Reaching a depth that is practical with light spudding equipment, or approximately 2000 feet, reports last night stated that part of the rotary equipment for going on down with the Bird test eleven miles west of Spur had arrived, and that drilling would be resumed as soon as the equipment was all obtained.

Attention is drawn to this well for focusing on points between the lower and upper land levels and may furnish valuable information on the line running from the Plains pools recently discovered.

Machinery En Route

Drilling machinery for the rotary test about eleven miles southeast of Spur, just over the line in Kent county, and titled the Thad Bryant No. 1, was reported to be en route here the first of the week, but was held up on account of impassable roads from the Rotan district.

Fire Causes Heavy Damage in Kinney Home Sunday Night

Last Sunday evening about 7:30 o'clock while Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kinney were attending services at the Church of Christ, a fire of unknown origin broke out in their home at 301 West Harris street, and the entirety of their clothing was a part of the loss and damage. Mr. Kinney states that the furniture was not badly burned, but that it was badly damaged by the water and smoke. Speedy work by the Spur Fire Department saved the house, the property of Dr. P. C. Nichols, but it too was damaged to a great extent.

Losses in the fire were partially covered by insurance.

No statement was had from Dr. Nichols, but Mr. Kinney stated that some mention had been made of remodeling the house and converting it into a duplex.

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF THE SCHOOLS OF DICKENS CO.

The school meeting which was planned for Tuesday night, February 15, and had to be postponed on account of the severe cold and rains, is to be held on Thursday night of next week, March 3, at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium of the Dickens school.

Dr. D. D. Jackson of the Education Department of Texas Technological College will speak on this occasion, as well as State officials who are deeply interested in the matters to be presented to the public at this meeting.

As formerly announced, the question of the elimination of the County Superintendent's office, and the substitution of a County Unit System of school government will be gone into thoroughly.

Be on hand to learn what these well informed men have to say on the subject.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robinson of McAdoo were transacting business affairs while in the city Saturday.

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"Happy Landing" At Palace Theatre

Radiant beyond imagining, SONJA HENIE is reunited with Don Ameche in "Happy Landing," 20th Century-Fox's superlative musical hit.

A whole new world of joy-laden wonder comes winging from 'the



snow-silvered Norseland with America's newest and sweetest sweetheart, Sonja Henie—radiant beyond imagining, in "Happy Landing," the 20th Century-Fox production which comes to the Palace Theatre, preview Saturday night and Sunday and Monday.

This lithe, ecstatically graceful Norse nymph, who came to American motion picture fans only two pictures ago and astonished the entire world with her skill as a skater and an actress, is radiantly re-united with her "One In A Million" sweetheart, Don Ameche, in her third hit, "Happy Landing."

Surpassing the breathless sensations of "Thin Ice" with scintillating songs, songs and more songs, by Pokrass and Yellen, veritably brings happy tidings, thrilling as even she never thrilled before.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Adkins, of the Highway community, were here Saturday trading with the merchants and greeting their friends.

H. D. Ickles, commissioner of Precinct One, was greeting friends in the city the latter part of last week.

Will Smiley a progressive farmer of the Duncan Flat community was attending to business affairs while in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Kellett of Girard, were among the numerous business visitors in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Harvey, of seven miles north on the Highway, were among the business visitors in the city Saturday.

Miss Virginia Elliott, teacher in the Spring Creek school, was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office while in the city Saturday. Miss Virginia was very much elated over the fact that her school district now boasted the required number of resident scholastics for the continuance of the school another year.

Miss Edra Lewis, teacher in the Catfish school was shopping with Spur merchants and visiting with friends while here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Edwards of Dickens City were here several hours Saturday shopping and visiting with friends.



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Charlie Fincher of Girard was a business visitor in the city Saturday. Mrs. Weldon DeLisle of Lubbock spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Watson and her sister, Miss Hazel, at their farm home two miles east of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Val D. Hext and young son Val D. Jr., were in the city Saturday shopping and visiting her grandmother Mrs. James F. Williams and other relatives and friends.

C. H. Allen of Espuela, was trading with Spur merchants Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Blair and children spent several hours in Spur Saturday trading with Spur merchants and visiting with friends.

E. M. Oats, district supervisor of Home Security, spent Friday and Saturday in Spur checking loans in the local office and looking after business affairs in general.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin, of the Red Mud community, were among the many business visitors to Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Smith were shopping with Spur merchants and transacting other business affairs while here Saturday.

Mrs. C. I. Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cannon and small son were in the city Saturday from their farm and ranch home sixteen miles southwest of Spur, over in the corner of Crosby county.

Miss Ollie Hairgrove was among the many visitors and shoppers in the city Saturday from her home in the Soldier Mound community.

Messrs. S. W. and Willie Williams of the Spring Creek community were transacting business affairs in Spur Saturday.

Miss Margaret Elliott, teacher in the Patton Springs school, was a pleasant caller at our office while in town Saturday, enroute to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Elliott at their Spring Creek farm and ranch home.

Miss Val Bullman of Slaton was a visitor in the city Saturday, enroute to Littlefield to spend the week end with her father.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Walker, of the Twin Wells settlement were shopping and visiting friends while in the city Saturday.

Cap McNeil left Friday of last week for Dallas to accompany Mrs. Pauline Clemmons and daughter, Miss Polly to their home in Spur, following several weeks stay in Dallas where Miss Polly received treatment for injuries sustained several months ago. We are pleased to note that she is very much improved and in the course of a few months we hope to be able to report her completely restored to her former good health and activities.

Mrs. Helen Harrison of several miles north of Dickens, was one of the numerous Saturday visitors to Spur, spending several hours here transacting business affairs and visiting her sister, Mrs. T. H. Blackwell.

Eldridge McClain and sisters, Mesdames Mat Howell of Catfish and Jewel Keeney of Farmington, N. M., and Mr. Dave Style, brother-in-law, also of Farmington, were Spur visitors Wednesday. Mr. Styles and Mrs. Keeney are here just at this time in the interest of making an oil lease on the A. J. McClain estate holdings in the Calgary section, and incidentally to visit relatives and old time friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crump and mother, Mrs. L. P. Crump, and sister, Miss Frances Crump of Calgary, were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Crump and children are spending several days in Spur this week and while not employed otherwise, Mr. Crump is looking for a new location to establish a business.

T. J. Grizzel was here Saturday from his home in the Calgary section. Mrs. Ann Barnett spent several days in Spur last week a guest in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Neal A. Chastain, returning to her home in Littlefield Saturday.

Mesdames E. L. Adams, C. P. Ensey, Cecil Addy and Jo Nell Addy spent Saturday in Lubbock.

W. B. Francis, Jr., left Thursday, February 17, to enroll in college for second semester work.

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1938 Democratic Announcements

POLITICAL

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries

- For District Judge
KENNETH BAIN
ALTON B. CHAPMAN
- or District Attorney:
WINFRED F. NEWSOME
JOHN HAMILTON
- For County Judge:
MARSHALL FORMBY
- For County Attorney:
L. D. RATLIFF
- or Sheriff and Tax Collector:
W. O. FINLEY
JOHNNIE KOONSMAN
LEE CATHEY
J. D. (Jack) GIPSON
D. F. (Fred) CHRISTOPHER
- For County Treasurer:
(MRS) ALICE MURPHEE
MRS. MIKE M. YOUNG
- For District Clerk:
MRS. NETTIE LITTLEFIELD
- For County Clerk:
FRED ARRINGTON
ERIC OUSLEY
HARVEY HINES
- For Commissioner Precinct 1
H. H. NICKELS
D. W. HUGHES
- For Commissioner Precinct 2
E. N. (Nuge) JOHNSON
E. J. (Jim) OFFIELD
F. L. BYARS
W. F. (Forest) RAGLAND
- For Commissioner Precinct 3
C. R. BENNETT
C. N. KIDD
W. A. JOHNSON
W. F. FOREMAN
ROY ARRINGTON
C. F. (Clarence) WATTERS
- For Public Weigher
Precinct 1:
VIRGIL N. MORRISON
- For Public Weigher:
Precinct 2:
T. A. (GUS) MARTIN
- For Constable Precinct 3
A. M. SHEPARD

Farley Wade, eldest son of Editor and Mrs. L. F. Wade of the Jayton Chronicle, left Saturday to return to Chicago following a six months stay with his parents and other relatives in this section of Texas. Mr. Wade has made his home in Chicago for the past fifteen years and during his stay there has made some excellent business connections in that metropolitan city.

Superintendent O. C. Southall of the Patton Springs schools was transacting business affairs in the city Saturday and while here was a very pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Foreman and daughter of Espuela were shopping with Spur's progressive merchants and greeting friends in the city Saturday.

S. H. Ousley and wife, of ten miles southwest of Spur, were spending some time in the city Saturday, shopping with the merchants and visiting with other visitors in the city.

Mrs. Bertha Horn of the Red Hill community was among the many visitors in the city Saturday.

Mrs. I. E. Abernathy returned to her home near Spur Thursday of last week following a month's visit in California in the home of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Pierce. Mrs. Abernathy reports the arrival of a new grandchild during her stay in the pierce home and that Mrs. Pierce and the young daughter are getting along nicely.

Miss Sadie Gabriel of Rotan spent several days visiting in Spur this week in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. George Gabriel.

Mrs. Ovia Draper of Highway, candidate for the office of county treasurer was greeting friends and mingling with the Saturday throng in Spur.

Mrs. C. Payne was shopping with Spur merchants Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Pace were here Saturday spending some time in the city shopping and transacting other business affairs.

F. F. Henry was a business visitor in Spur Saturday from his farm home in the Duncan Flat settlement.

Mr. and Mrs. John Randalman, of Steel Hill community were shopping and visiting with friends while in the city Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Justice and daughters were among the visitors and shoppers in the city Saturday, from their home six miles east of Spur.

Mrs. Vela Turpin and daughters were shopping with the merchants and visiting with her daughter while in Spur Saturday, from her farm home six miles north of Spur.

Mrs. Jimmie McClanahan and children and Mrs. D. E. McClanahan of the Calgary community were here Monday. They report plenty of moisture in their part of the country for the present at least.

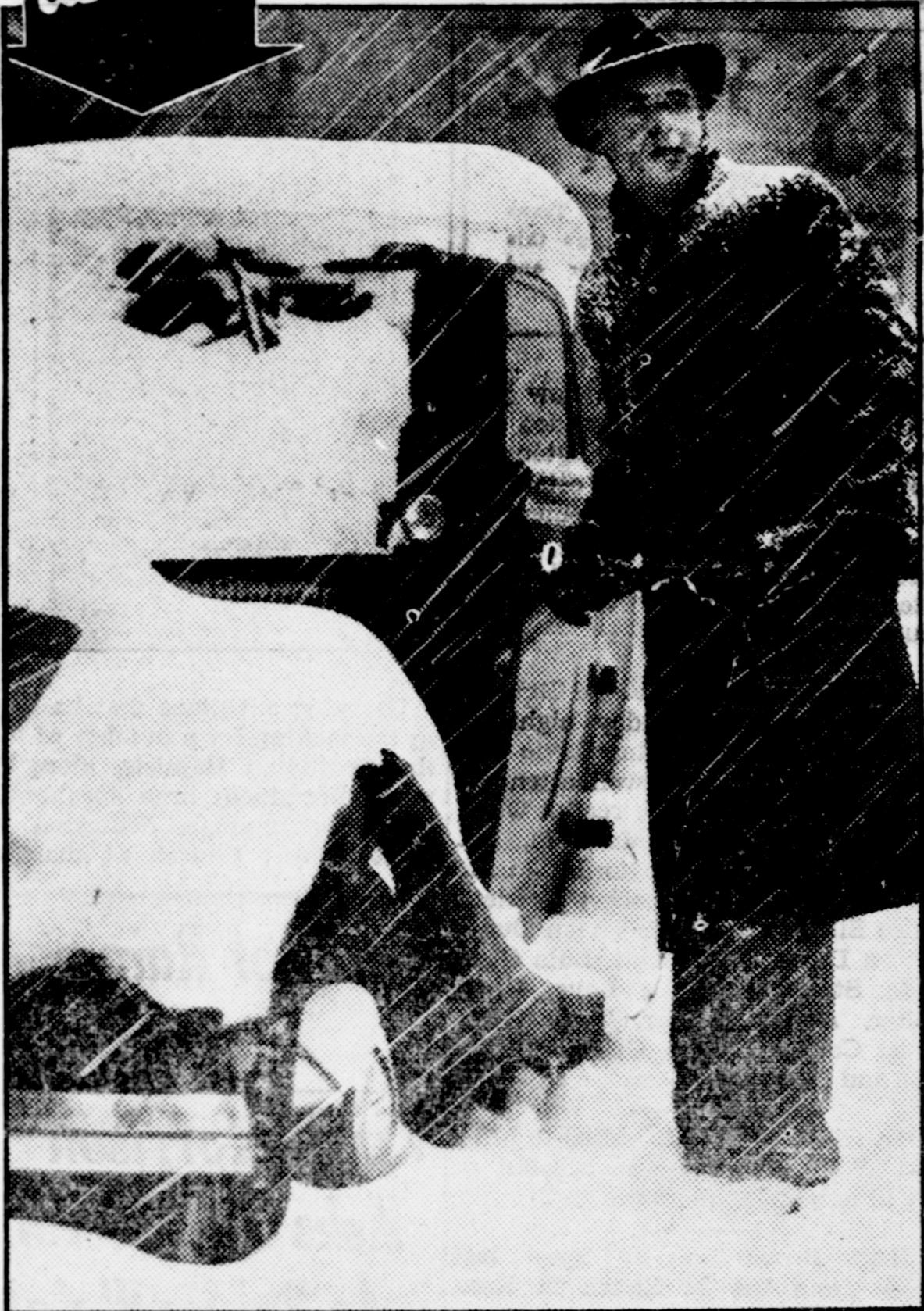
Mr. and Mrs. Ola Miller were shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends Saturday while in Spur from their home in the Dry Lake community.

Mrs. Cecil Scott, saleslady with Whittacre-Milliam store is taking a two weeks vacation and visit, spending the time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. English of Livingston, Tex. This is her first visit home in two years.

Even cars as cold as this

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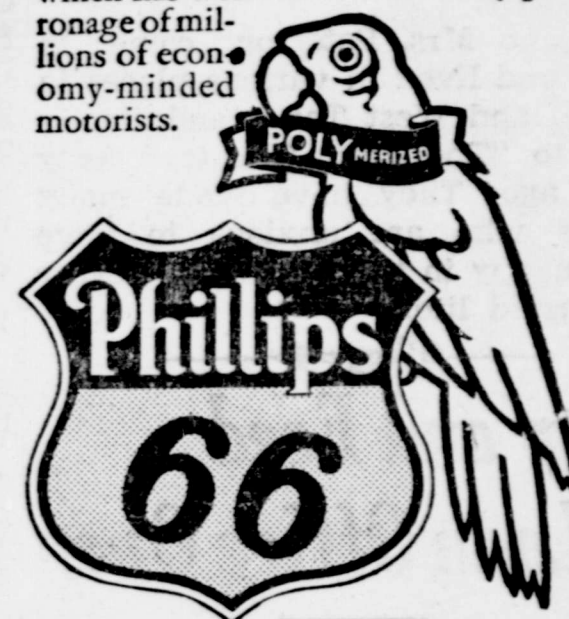
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SOLDIER MOUND

Mrs. I. E. Abernathy returned from California after a six weeks stay with a daughter there. She reports a new granddaughter out there, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Pierce being the proud parents.

We are still receiving rain which is very welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nalley and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Applegate visited with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Newberry Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Shockey returned Tuesday from a ten day visit with relatives in Dallas.

Mrs. George Nalley and small daughter spent the past week in Spur visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Applegate.

Rev. J. V. Bilberry filled his regular appointment at Soldier Mound Sunday.

We are sorry to report the critical illness of S. L. Davis at this time.

Douglas E. Brittain On Chinese War Front, Says Letter

Mail communication from Douglas E. Brittain, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Brittain here, states that he is now stationed on the waterfront in the great Sino-Japanese conflict. Douglas is aboard the U. S. S. Dale, which was dispatched on guard duty from Dan Diego, California, little over a month ago.

Many people here remember Douglas as a boy of about seventeen when he enlisted in the Navy back in 1929. Though having served only 8 years time-total in the service, his conduct and service has been such that he is credited, according to U. S. Government rating, with ten full years of service. He is now a first class signalman, with full commission rating.

Contents of the letter to the Brittain family likewise reveal that the U. S. S. Dale is cruising waters in the vicinity of the catastrophe that strained so strongly international relations recently, the sinking of the U. S. S. Panay.

Douglas has been home but one time since joining the Navy. This visit took place on a furlough in 1931

Tech Is Host To Lamb Feeders

More than 200 sheep breeders, feeders, county agents, and college students Saturday attended a second annual Lamb Feeders Day, sponsored by the Animal Husbandry Department of Texas Technological College at Lubbock.

Recognition that Texas' consumption of mutton is far down the list as compared with other States, is compensated, to some degree, by the fact scientific efforts to improve quality of mutton is being exerted, said speakers.

Luncheon was served by the Block and Bridle Club of the college, honorary animal husbandry organization for juniors and seniors. A parade of Herefords, Aberdeen Angus, Percheron stallions, mares and American

saddle horses was staged, and visitors viewed pens where the choice animals were kept.

On the program were: W. L. Stangel, head of the department at Tech; J. O. Jones, Dr. E. E. Barr, R. F. Hinchey, all of Lubbock; Don L. Jones, president of the Panhandle South Plains Fair; A. C. Jackson, J. A. Raley, Jr., Dr. Bradford Knapp, Tech president, who welcomed the group; A. K. Mackey of Texas A. & M. animal husbandry department; M. B. Harrison of the Department of Agriculture; W. H. Glimp, Menard sheep feeder; J. M. Jones, chief of the range animal division of College Station; N. C. Fine, Ray C. Mowery, and Dr. F. G. Harbaugh, all of the Tech faculty; R. E. Dickson of the Spur Experiment Station; John P. McGarr and Frank Weil, both of Plainview, and Merrill Polson, Tech graduate student.

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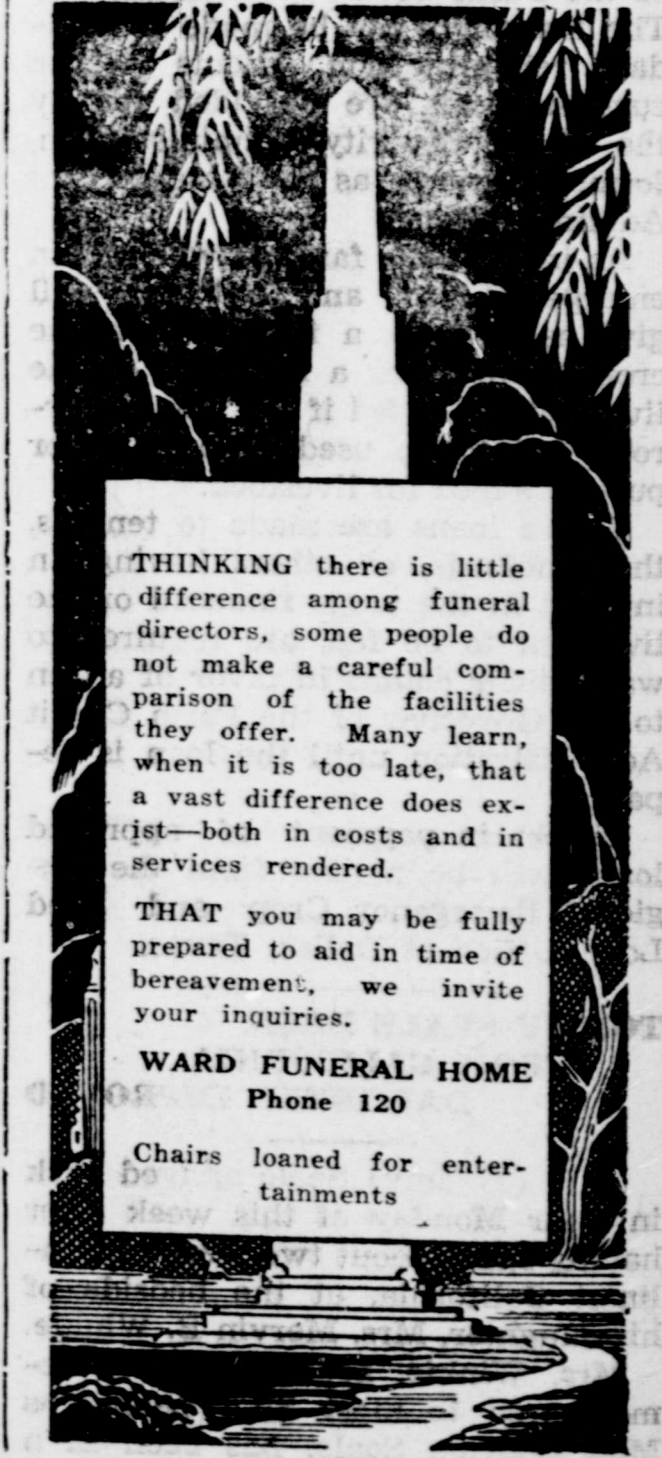
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"42" CLUB ENTERTAINED IN GOLDING HOME

Mrs. M. C. Golding was hostess to the Friday afternoon "42" Club and guests at three o'clock, Feb. 18th.

After a number of interesting games of "42" had been played, a combination salad and dessert plate was served to Mesdames Hobart Lewis, C. L. Love, Horace Gibson, E. C. McGee, L. D. Ratliff, O. B. Ratliff, J. W. Stevens, W. S. Campbell, E. L. Caraway, Jas. B. Reed, W. D. Starcher, and Roy Stovall.

TRIPLE TREY CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. VAUGHN

The George Washington theme was carried out in tallies, score pads and other decorations when Mrs. Marvin Vaughn was hostess to the Triple Trey Bridge Club, Saturday, Feb. 19. At the end of playing time, Mrs. Alton Chapman was awarded high score prize.

A delicious refreshment plate consisting of individual cherry pies, sandwiches and coffee was served to Mesdames G. B. Wadzeck, E. D. Engleman, Alton Chapman, L. D. Ratliff, H. B. Thompson, and C. N. Lane.

MISS MIRIAM REED HOSTESS TO PARTY

Miss Miriam Reed was hostess to a group of friends Friday night, Feb. 18, for a combination treatre-slumber party. The young ladies met at the Reed home and went from there to the Palace Theatre. Following the show the group returned to the Reed home where they indulged in a midnight supper and pajama parade.

Talk and laughter was heard into the wee hours of the morning and whether much slumber was enjoyed or not a thoroughly enjoyable evening and night was spent by Misses Jerry Lee Willard, Lillian Grace Dickson, Joyce McCully, Lanell Fallis, Billie Louise Powell, and Opal McGlathery.

MRS. C. B. JONES HOSTESS TO THURSDAY CLUB

Mrs. C. B. Jones was hostess to the Thursday Club in her suite at the Spur Inn, Thursday, February 17.

At the end of the bridge games Mesdames O. C. Thomas and R. E. Dickson were awarded table prizes and Mrs. Della Eaton was presented the guest prize.

A delicious salad course with Sanka was served to Mesdames Ty Allen, W. T. Andrews, O. C. Thomas, M. C. Golding, R. E. Dickson, Della Eaton, and M. A. Templin.

W. M. U. EAST CIRCLE MET WITH MRS. DOBBINS

Baptist W. M. U. East Circle met Monday, February 21, in the home of Mrs. Homer Dobbins with 14 members present.

Next Monday, February 28, is the regular meeting day for the Royal Service at the church and all members are urged to be present and enjoy this service.

Mrs. D. B. Daniels will be hostess to the Circle, Monday, March 7, at 3:00 o'clock.

MISS NELL FRANCES HOSTESS TO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Miss Nell Frances was hostess to her Sunday School class, at her home, Tuesday afternoon, February 15th. A Valentine box was an attractive feature of the program.

After a number of games had been played, a delicious refreshment plate was served to Misses Lucile Henderson, Jane Mallory, Nita McCombs, Effie Wilson, Janice Gibson, Virginia Ann Johnson and Archie Nell Hogan.

AFTON AND ROARING SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCHES

We cannot tell what some event in our lives may mean to us and those around us. When John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, went into a little prayer service in Aldergate Street Chapel in the City of London nearly two hundred years ago, he was discouraged and sad. Although he had been a preacher in the English church for several years and had been a missionary to the Indians in America, he was dissatisfied and bewildered. In this prayer meeting, he received a new vision and a clearer vision of what it meant to be a Christian individually and what his responsibility was for the unsaved about him.

From this experience came the movement which finally grew into

the Methodist church which has encircled the globe blessing thousands and even millions in a spiritual way.

You may not start a movement of such proportions. Your name may not go down on the pages of history because of your spiritual leadership. You can, however, receive a new spiritual blessing in your own life and be better prepared to help your fellow man. Go to church somewhere next Sunday, pray for a blessing, expecting a blessing, and you will receive a blessing. GO TO CHURCH.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School ----- 9:45
Moring Worship Service ----- 11
Intermediates ----- 6:30
Young People ----- 6:45
Evening Service ----- 7:30
Woman's Missionary Society, Monday ----- 3:00
Choir Practice, Tuesday night 7:30
Wednesday night Prayer Service at ----- 7:30

A banquet will be given for the Board of Stewards and their wives in the basement of the church Monday night at 7:30. Neighboring pastors and their wives and the presiding elder and his wife will be special guests. Hon. John Lee Smith of Throckmorton is to deliver an address on "Stewardship." The pastor will preach Sunday

morning on "The Need of the Age." Sunday night his subject will be: "Out of Plumb." Special music will be rendered at both services.

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Sunday School ----- 10:00 a. m.
Preaching, second and fourth Sundays ----- 11:00 a. m.
Sunbeams ----- 2:30 p. m.
B. T. U. ----- 6:30 p. m.
Preaching ----- 7:30 p. m.
Sermon subjects Sunday: Morning hour, "Every Man In His Place." Evening hour, "The Final Decision."
W. M. S. (Mondays) -- 2:30 p. m.
R. A.'s (Mondays) -- 3:45 p. m.
Prayer Service (Wednesday) 7 p. m.
G. A.'s (Thursdays) -- 3:45 p. m.
Will you be in your place at church Sunday?

There was splendid attendance at B. T. U. services the past Sunday in spite of the disagreeable weather. A Junior division sponsored by Mrs. G. W. Sanderson has recently been organized to take care of new members. Services have been changed to 6:30 p. m. Members are urged to be on time. Mrs. Robt. Reynolds, Reporter.

SPUR CIRCUIT METHODIST CHURCHES

Rufus Kitchens, Pastor
Kalgary: Saturday evening, Feb. 26th, 7:30 p. m. preaching by the pastor. Sunday, Feb. 27th, 10 a. m. Sunday school, 11 a. m. preaching.
Red Mud: Sunday afternoon, 3 p. m. preaching. Sunday evening, 7 p. m. prayer services; 7:45 preaching.

Attorney W. D. Wilson of Lubbock was a business visitor in Spur the latter part of last week.

Miss Budie King was in the city visiting friends the latter part of last week from her home four miles east of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Watson were business visitors in the city Saturday from their home in the Red Hill community.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Copeland and small daughter were here Saturday from their farm home six miles east of Spur. Shorty reported plenty of moisture and the 500 acres of wheat on the C. D. Copeland farm in the finest of condition.

Bill Venell, manager of the Tri-County Lumber Co., at Jayton, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ward of the Lower Catfish community, were among the number of business visitors in the city Saturday.

Mrs. A. J. Slaton were shopping with the merchants and visting with friends while here Saturday from her farm home six miles north of town.

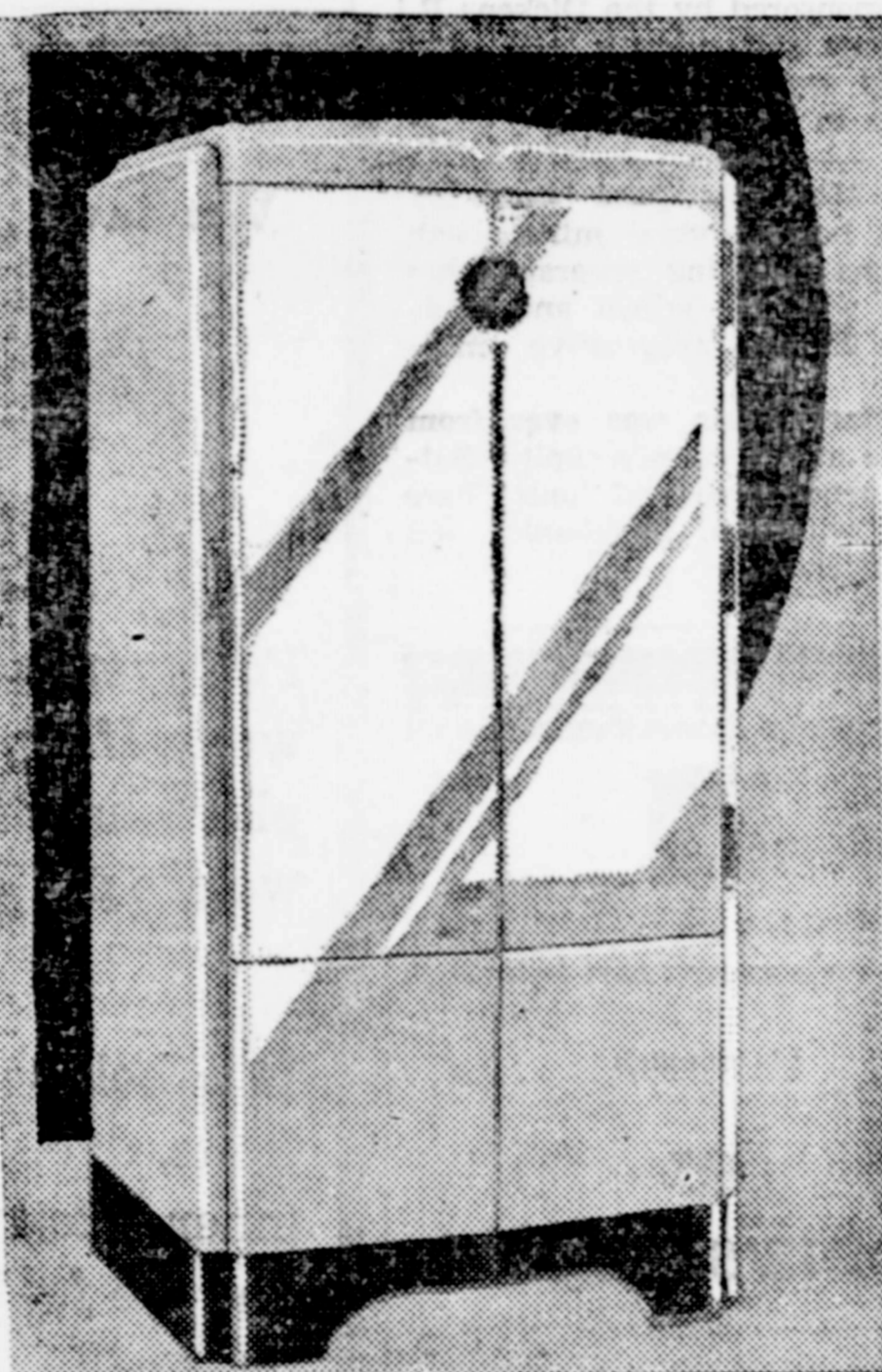
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Club Women To Have Dairy Meet

Home Demonstration Club women will be glad to know that again this year there will be a dairy meeting to train farm women how to have quality dairy products.

G. G. Gibson, assistant dairyman from the Extension Service at College Station, will hold the meeting on March 7, from 10:00 o'clock to 3:30 o'clock, in the basement of the Methodist church. All women who are interested in the improvement of their dairy products are invited to be present, and to bring something to be scored.

The morning session will be devoted to cheese making and scoring and those who are making cottage, Neufchatel, or processed cottage cheese are asked to bring some to be scored. The afternoon session will be concerned with quality milk, cream and butter, and it is hoped that everyone who comes will bring a bottle of milk and a sample of butter.

This is a rare opportunity for farm women to get expert information on the production, care, and handling of high grade dairy products. With the Plainview Dairy Show coming up in April, it will be well for those who plan to enter products to be present for this preliminary training meeting.

MR. SMITH LOSES RING OF KEYS WHILE ON DUTY

E. L. Smith, our city's nightwatchman, says that he lost a ring of keys here in town recently, and if finder would please return he would buy them a cold drink (or if it happens to be cold weather, they can take hot tea, coffee, or hot chocolate). He says the keys are not especially valuable, but that he has been carrying them so long that he doesn't feel just right without them.

So — if you have found Mr. Smith's keys, please return them to him and help put him in tip-top shape again.

HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH DEPARTMENT BEGINS WORK ON PLAY

The Speech Department of Spur High School began work on their play, "New Fires," Monday. The play is to be given Thursday evening, March 17, at the East Ward auditorium.

The cast was chosen Friday. They are: Melvin Crouch, Ida V. Ellis, Jack Keen, Joyce McCully, Lillian Grace Dickson, Bob Wilson, Jerry Lee Willard, Norton Barrett, Pete Wilhoit, Bill Haralson, Ruth Hindman, Earnestine Conway, Anita Harkley, Regina Lee, and Justine Moudy.

The following were chosen to help Adams, stage manager; Lewis Crouch Mrs. McGinty with the play; Elmer carpenter; Jonny Nichols, property manager; Kathryn Rogers, student director; and Minyard Ensey, publicity manager.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bilberry and children of six miles north of Spur were shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends while in the city Saturday.

M. F. Taylor was in Saturday from his home in the Spring Creek community.

Steve Carlisle was spending some time in Spur Saturday, trading with the merchants and transacting other business affairs.

Juniors Begin Work On Play

Rehearsals began on the annual Junior play last week. The play is called "The Take-Off". Mr. Ayers and Miss Gibson are working with the cast to produce the best Junior play in the history of Spur High.

The play is a three-act comedy and it is our opinion that the Juniors will "take-off" and make "The Take-Off" a performance of notable success.

PATTON SPRINGS 4-H CLUB MET FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

The Patton Springs High School 4-H Club met Friday, February 11, in the Home Economics room. The meeting was called to order by the president and then we played a game. Our program was on dresser scarfs.

We noted the size a dresser scarf should be and the color it should be. It was an interesting program and for our next meeting we are going to bring material and trimming for our dresser scarf. After discussion, the meeting was adjourned.—Reporter.

NOTICE OF TEXAS-MADE PRODUCTS EXHIBIT

The 20th Century Study Club is sponsoring a Texas-Made-Products exhibit at the High School Building on March 2. The public is cordially invited to attend.

In connection with the exhibit, W. H. Mecom of the Freeport Sulphur Company will present a picture show on the mining of sulphur.

BROTHER OF JULIA MAE HICKMAN DIES IN IOWA

R. L. Hickman, only brother of Miss Julia Mae Hickman died at a hospital in his home town Osceola, Iowa, February 11, following a short illness of pneumonia and uremic poisoning complications.

Funeral services were in charge of the Masonic Order with more than two hundred members participating. His wife was so very ill at the time that she was not informed of his death until Friday of last week.

Surviving are his wife, a daughter, Miss Julia Martha, and the sister, Miss Julia Mae Hickman, of Spur.

SPUR SCHOOLS TO HAVE SPEECH ELIMINATIONS ON THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Eliminations in all divisions of declamation and story telling will be held in the Spur schools March 10 by out-of-town judges. It is the opinion of the teachers that this is the fairest way of determining the representation for the school in the County Meet.

At the present time there are approximately forty people working on junior declamation which is sponsored by Miss Minibel Johnson. In the senior division there are some fifteen people trying for first place in high school under the direction of Mrs. McGinty, speech teacher.

Debate teams have been selected with Bill Gruben and V. C. Smart composing the boy's team, and Ruth Cowan and Mozelle Arthur constituting the girl's team.

INVITATION PLAYGROUND BALL TOURNAMENT AT SPUR

An invitation has been sent by the Spur school officials to all schools in Dickens county who have playground ball teams to attend an invitation tournament in Spur, Saturday, March 5. Grounds and officials for this tournament will be provided for each game on the Spur school grounds.

This is an excellent opportunity for each school to develop their teams before the County Meet takes place.

Miss Thelma Logan, head of the English department of the Spur High School, spent the week end in Lubbock visiting with friends.

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CLOTHING EXPENDITURES OF HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

The second year clothing students of Spur High School, under the direction of Mrs. O. C. Thomas, have been studying the family budget with special emphasis on clothing. They have come to the conclusion that the average high school girl spends more than her share of the clothing budget.

An average taken from 30 girls in the class, showed that the total amount spent for clothing yearly was \$134.37. The clothing was divided into groups and the average expense for each were as follows: Dresses, \$36.10; shoes and hose, \$29; accessories, \$7.83; hats, \$4.07; coats and sweaters, \$29; beauty needs and cleaning, \$10.87; underwear, \$12.14; and sportswear, \$5.36. The shoes and hose were the items that brought most comment and perhaps could be reduced with proper planning.

A wardrobe planned as a unit is more satisfactory than hit-and-miss purchases without forethought.

The class will spend the next two months studying and putting into practice those things that they themselves felt was necessary to cut the clothing expenditures successfully.


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PROGRAM AT DICKENS POSTPONED UNTIL FEB. 28

Due to weather conditions, the Stamps quartette failed to appear in Dickens at the scheduled time. They will be in Dickens on Monday night, February 28 at the high school auditorium, sponsored by the Dickens P. T. A. Come and enjoy a good program and say that you helped pay for books in the library.

Grady Moss was here Saturday from his home several miles north of Dickens spending several hours mingling with the crowd and trading with Spur's progressive merchants.

Mrs. Mary Dunn was over from her home at the county capitol Saturday, spending several hours here shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.



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GIRLS DEBATE TEAM IS CHOSEN MONDAY

The girls debate teams were taken to Lubbock Monday for the purpose of practice debating and the final elimination and choosing of the team to represent Spur school in the debating division of the Interscholastic meet. Ruth Cowan and Mozelle (Dick) Arthur were selected for this place.

The boys team accompanied the girls to Lubbock with intention of debating there also, but due to some confusion in the designated place they were unable to contact the team they were to meet there.

Both teams stopped in Crosbyton on the way home and debated there. The debate participated in by the boys team, Bill Gruben and V. C. Smart Jr., was not judged, but the girls debate was judged with the decision being in the Spur girls favor.

An invitational debate tournament will be held at Crosbyton, Saturday.

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