

Scouts Have Busy Week; Many Awards Made In Promotions

Troops Head For Lubbock Meet Saturday

With probably one of the most thoroughly absorbed weeks in the history of Spur Scoutdom, the local Khaki-clad Americans have gone over the top with flying colors for fine programs, Promotional work, much active accomplishment. The 29th anniversary of the American Scouting finds Spur boys concentrated in two fine troops.

Sunday was Church Day with the Scouts. Monday was mobilization, Tuesday was Banquet Day, Wednesday School Day—and today is Official Law and Order Day. Friday is First Aid Day, and Saturday the Scouts go to Lubbock to enter the Council First Aid Contest.

The Banquet at the First Methodist Church Tuesday night has been described as one of Spur's greatest; a real Father and Son gogetter. Dr. J. O. Ellsworth, head of the Economics department of Texas Tech College, Lubbock, was chief speaker for the evening, with Supt. O. C. Thomas acting in the capacity of Chairman of the Court of Honor. Approximately 175 attendants enjoyed the banquet, with some instructive talks made for the group.

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Harve Blanton Opens New Shoe Shop Here

Harve Blanton, for a number of proprietor of Blanton's Shoe Shop on Burlington Avenue, but who has been out of the business for several months is again opening a shop next to Dad Henderson's Fruit Stand.

Harve says he is gradually getting his machines and equipment installed—the latest to be added is a cement press for soling ladies' shoes. This process is very popular now, and Harve says when he sticks 'em they stay stuck.

In describing his work, Harve says he can make anything from a "switch to whip the kids with to a top-hand saddle."

SMALL BOY AT BORGER INJURED BY TRUCK

A news dispatch in The Borger Daily Herald of last Thursday says that "Earl Lanningham, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lanningham, sustained a broken pelvis when the youngster was struck by a WPA project truck while crossing a street intersection. Deputy Sheriff Dale Lane was investigating, and believed the accident unavoidable."

An announcement from Borger Monday stated that young Lanningham was materially improved, but still suffering a great deal.

Many people here will remember Mrs. Lanningham, Earl's mother, as Miss Lucille Williams, formerly a Spur girl.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Elliott and sons, Donald and Virgil Burt, spent the week end in Paducah to visit his mother, Mrs. Jacob Smith, who is ill in the Paducah Hospital.

Mrs. Floy Barfoot, returned Wednesday to her home in Lamesa after a visit since Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Langston, and her many friends in the city.

J. B. Rape and son were business visitors in Spur Tuesday morning, coming in from their farm home in the Steel Hill community.

Lee Mims of Wichita community was looking after business interests and greeting friends while in Spur Monday.

J. Robinett was here Monday from his farm home in Calgary community, trading with the merchants and transacting other business affairs.

George Shadid, manager of The Famous, made a business trip to Mangum, Oklahoma, where he spent the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Karr and children were shopping and visiting and attending to business interests while in Spur Saturday.

Here Is Your Warning

Of course we have the habit of jay-walking, and breaking the "little laws" every day, and even get by with it—but this is one day when we may not get by so easy. The Scouts are today Spur's Law and Order. The Scouts serving as officers today are chosen one from each troop, and will act in the following officers:

Mayor: Wade Gilbert and Virgil Murray.

Prosecuting Attorney: James Fox and Billy Ray Barrett.

Chief of Police: John Jo Costello and Johnny Peacock.

City Manager: Joe Ericson and Jerome Yarbrough.

Health Officer: Alfred Walker and Billy McKay.

Dog Catcher: Monk Rucker and Weldon Reynolds.

Clerk Bobby Parr and J. T. Franklin.

J. T. SMART, ROTAN, PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

J. T. Smart, 78, pioneer Rotan business man, and father of C. V. Smart of Spur died at the family home in Rotan Tuesday night about 9:00 o'clock, death following several months of illness.

The deceased has been identified with Rotan and Fisher County building and progress for many years, and was well known to many Dickens County people.

Survivors are the widow, two sons, and one daughter: C. V. Smart of Spur; A. B. Smart, Rotan; the daughter also living in Rotan.

Burial will be made in Rotan cemetery.

TECH PRESIDENT AND MRS. JONES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford B. Jones, President and First Lady of Tech College, Lubbock, came to Spur Wednesday of last week, Mrs. Jones remaining here to spend the time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Barber, and Mr. Jones continued on to Austin in the interest of Tech College official business.

Mr. Jones returned here Friday, and Mrs. Jones returned to their home in Lubbock Sunday afternoon.

ERNEST HALE OPENING GARAGE AND PARTS BUSINESS

According to Ernest Hale, who recently sold out his garage and used parts house to Allen Auto Supply, says that the structural work on the new building up on Hill Street will probably be finished this week, and the building ready for occupancy next week.

The concrete flooring is being run this week and as soon as it is dry as dry will be ready to accommodate his tool outlay and garage machines. Ernest says he will handle only new parts in the new house, having on hand a mechanic at all times, and if the business will justify, will stay open late at night, or may even make the place an all-night garage and parts house.

MRS. WADE, JAYTON, HERE IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. L. F. Wade, wife of the Jayton Chronicle publisher, Editor, L. F. Wade was brought to the Alexander Hospital in Spur Wednesday of last week end, late reports state that she is very much improved.

Mr. Wade and the children were up to see Mrs. Wade Sunday.

Need Boots? See Thomas Shoe Shop

Farm Legislation Session Set In Austin

Yesterday and today, with Farm Legislation predominating in the minds of representatives and farm-welfare sponsors of the State of Texas, in a designated session at Austin, five county men, R. E. Dickson, head of the Agricultural Experiment Station here, Horace D. Nickels, McAdoo commissioner, Judge Marshall Formby, Dickens, Walter Foreman, ex-commissioner and farm progress enthusiast, and Riley Wooten, McAdoo chairman of the County Committee, are in attendance to take part in the advancement of farming in Texas.

According to County Judge Marshall Formby, some of the most important problems of the year are to be up for consideration, and it is expected that the two-day session will throw much light on plans for the immediate future on the state program. Many of the features of the session, points stressed, and general outline will probably be available to Dickens County farmers, when the group return here who are in attendance.

Various improvements that will materially aid farmers of the state have been discussed from the beginning of the year, and it is estimated by Committee Members that 1939 will see striking advances and aids made in the first half of this year.

The Austin group will likely return to Spur tomorrow or Saturday.

LA ESPUELA CLUB ENTERTAINED FRIDAY NIGHT

One of the highlights of the social calendar of the past week was the dinner dance and bridge party Friday evening at the Spur Inn with Mr. and Mrs. Guy B. Karr and Mr. and Mrs. Cuba H. White as hosts.

A Valentine motif was used in the dining table decorations and bridge table appointments. The festive board was laid in white with a red heart shaped Valentine centerpiece and silver candelabras holding red lighted tapers.

After luncheon, bridge and dancing were diversions for the evening.

Club members present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Truman Green, Alton B. Chapman, Neal A. Chastain, Guy B. Karr, A. C. Hull, John King, Jr., Alf Glasgow, Cap McNeill, C. H. White, Cecil Godfrey, Harvey Giddens, and Vascoe H. Ward.

JAMES SEEING HIS MAMA AND WHITE FRIENDS

James Abner, colored, bellboy at Hutchin's Hotel in Oklahoma City, arrived in Spur Sunday, and says he came down to see his mama, Alice Dorsey—and of course had a lot of white folks that were friends that he must see.

According to James' version of his Oklahoma City life, he is becoming quite famous in the bellhop world, and says he's taking the Success Ladder two rungs at a time.

1939 COTTON ALLOTMENT MAILED THIS WEEK NN NNNN

The 1939 cotton allotments are being mailed this week out of the County agent's office. These allotments have been held up for a fey days pending the assignment of general allotment from the State Board, it was thought advisable to mail out the cotton allotments at this time. The general allotments will be mailed as soon as they are received from College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McArthur were here Monday from their ranch home on Lower Red Mud.

Sloan Chosen Roundup Head

Speaks Here Today

Dr. Charles E. Barker, nationally known lecturer, will appear in Spur today before three groups, and according to Alton Chapman and Oscar Kelley, Pres. and Sec'y. Spur Rotary chapter, will bring one of the most important lecturers to children as well as elders that it has been possible for them to hear in many years.

Dr. Barker will lecture to high school students this morning, is scheduled to be with the Rotarians at their Spur Inn luncheon at noon, and will again appear in a public address tonight at the First Methodist Church, 7:30 o'clock.

Without effort at preaching and without oratorical flourishes, Dr. Barker is described as a man that has left a profound impression on the lives of millions of young people, as well as welding influence upon elders who have heard him. He has been honored by universities with the degree of doctor of hygiene and physical culture, and has the distinction of having spent an



Dr. BARKER

hour a day with William Howard Taft while he was President of the United States, keeping him fitted for his great job.

Dr. Barker has been a member of the Rotary Club of Grand Rapids, Michigan, since October, 1921, and joined the staff of Rotary International on February 1, 1936.

Appointment Committees To Follow

At a meeting of the Young Men's Business Club members and others backing a movement here for organization and staging of a rodeo on the 16 and 17 of June, this year, a unanimous vote was given selection of George Sloan as chairman, with the full power of appointment of four other members to serve on a board with him, and lately combining body appointments to serve as the various committees and departmental heads.

At a preliminary meeting held last week ground decisions were pending, and with settlement made to locate the rodeo at the Spur Stadium, approximately \$1,000 has been subscribed for which stock shares will be issued in an incorporated association.

With George Sloan pitching his hat into the ring with some real interest in putting the project over, backed by the work and interest of the entire city of Spur, immediate plans are to start construction of corral space, chutes, barnage, and other necessary equipment to care for a record crowd that can be expected to attend the first annual affair.

A program of publicity will be mapped out to acquaint a wide area of the rodeo activities, and keep the Western Texas area in tab with progress of the project, and likewise rodeo stock men are to be contacted to furnish horses for the show.

With promise given for full cooperation throughout the near ranch country, and with Spur located at probably one of the most logical spots in West Texas, backers here are of the opinion that Spur can stage one of the best of this kind of shows in the State.

Allen Says Business Good At His New Location

C. V. Allen, proprietor of the Allen Auto Supply, operating one of the most complete auto parts and accessories house in this section, says that he is also having a nice business with his used parts, purchased recently from Ernest Hale.

Mr. Allen has been operating heretofore only his new parts place on Burlington, but the purchase of the Hale used parts place on east Fifth Street, brings his stock up to the minute in both used and new parts.

Ernest Hale moves up to a new building on Hill Street, near the Magnolia Station being operated by Hopkins.

IRA SLAYDEN SAYS LAND IN FINE SHAPE

Ira Slayden, one of those good farmers from out in the Espuela country, was in town Saturday, and while here flipped a green flag over the counter to run his figures up another year to The Texas Spur. Ira's gotta keep up with the county's activities.

"No wheat this year," Ira informs us, but he has all of his land listed up and in good shape—open for a drink of moisture if it should happen to fall, and clean for planting when the moon swings in the right direction.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith of the Afton community were business visitors in Spur Tuesday. Mrs. Smith reported her grandbaby, the child of her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Black, of Sweetwater, who is visiting in the Smith home at the time as ill and not able to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Rogers, Jr., of Rising Star community, were shopping with the Spur merchants and visiting with friends while in Spur Monday.

Mrs. John A. Moore is spending this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sloan, and other relatives and friends at Germain and Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Arnold of Duck Creek were among the business visitors in Spur Monday.

Theatre Opening In Dickens Friday Night

People of the Dickens area, and other of the community who care to go over for the first picture program will be given a theatre treat Friday night, when Bill Gorman tages the formal opening of his Dickens theatre, located on the south side of the-courthouse square in Dickens, with a swift moving western picture.

Gorman is a crack show man; has some good equipment to begin with, plans to permanently locate in the county capitol if business will justify, and says he is booking some real pictures for the future. The picture Friday night features Bob Steele, a favorite western star, in a good film.

Sing-Song Convenes At Espuela Next Sunday

The regular Third Sunday Dickens County-Girard Sing-Song will meet at Espuela Church Sunday, with plans made for a good attendance, if a gauge can be made by the heavy increase of attendance in the past few months.

Many special numbers, such as quartets, duets, solos, and other features have been planned already, and officials of the Sing-Song group are sending invitations to all others who would be interested in going to Espuela on numbers.

According to Moyné L. Kelly of Patton Springs, the attendance record is growing, and more people are urged to take an interest and turn out for the pleasant occasions. A group from this area attended the First Sunday Sing-Song in Crosbyton two weeks ago.

Miss Lois Ragland with the Elliott's Appliance, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ragland at their home near Roaring Springs and also attended the all-day singing held Sunday at McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Forbis were shopping with Spur merchants Tuesday. They reported everything moving along nicely at the Forbis farm and ranch home, two miles north of Afton.

Rev. J. E. Hagell, Pastor here stated. Although the church was dedicated several years ago, additional funds have been raised on the church, and the recent payment results in the church service burning of the paid-off notes. Bishop Holt's appearance here, through the efforts of Rev. Harhell and under the supervision of E. B. Bowen, presiding elder of this district who lives at Stamford, is described as a very interesting feature of the program Sunday, and the general public has been invited out to participate.

Methodists To Burn Notes Here Sunday

BISHOP IVAN HOLT COMING FOR SERVICE

Members of the First Methodist Church, and others in the special service, will have an opportunity to hear Bishop Ivan Holt, of the Northwest Texas Conference comprising nine districts, when he appears before the group here at the Church next Sunday morning, February 21, 11:15 o'clock.

Bishop Holt is touring Conference, having completed the majority of his round already.

The Special Service here Sunday will incorporate a "Note Burning,"

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BIBLE BAND MEETS

The Bible Band met with Mrs. Mack Tidwell Friday, February 10th. Mrs. Tidwell led the opening prayer.

Mrs. Simmons brought the Devotional.

A number of songs were played by the group.

Mrs. Tidwell brought an interesting lesson from the last 4 chapters of Judges.

A delicious refreshment plate was served to the 9 members present, consisting of pie, sandwiches, potato chips and coffee.

Those present were: Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Mims, Mrs. Ericson, Mrs. Sauls, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Cauthen, and Mrs. Perry Prior, a guest, and the hostess.

The Bible Band meets with Mrs. Wood, Friday, February 17th.

MASTER PAUL SIMMONS
CELEBRATES FIFTH BIRTHDAY

Paul Simmons celebrated his 5th birthday Wednesday, February 9th with a number of his little friends as his guests for a birthday party.

A beautiful cake with 5 candles was lighted after a number of games. The cake was served with cocoa, double-bubble gum and hearts for favors.

Those present were Billy Burnes, Charlie Jo Lewis, Billy Sue and Bobby Dyess, Marvin Barrett, Douglas McArthur, Charles Lee, Autra Nell Dyess, Jimmie Nell Simmons, and the little host, Paul Simmons.

Mrs. Mims assisted Mrs. Simmons in the entertainment.

FORMER SPUR GIRL MARRIED
TO AMARILLO MAN

A marriage that will interest many Spur and Dickens County people is that of Miss Ella Mae Hogan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hogan of Abilene, to Paul H. Morris of Amarillo, the ceremony taking place in Stanton at the home of friends of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Paul K. Jones, Saturday, February 11th, at 11:00 A. M. o'clock.

Mrs. Morris is a graduate of Spur High School, attended the University of Colorado, and also McMurry College at Abilene, and for the past five years has been an instructor in Texas schools. She taught in Spur in the 1933-'34 term, going from here to Merkel; and at the time of marriage was teaching in the public school at Odessa as art instructor.

Following the marriage in Stanton Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Morris left on a short honeymoon trip, and will return to Amarillo to make their home at 1100 West Thirteenth St.

Mr. Morris is a construction engineer.

MRS. C. I. RALEY ENTERTAINS
LONDON BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. C. I. Raley was a pleasant hostess Thursday when she entertained her London Bridge Club at her home in West Spur.

Mrs. C. H. Hardwick was presented with high score club prize.

A Valentine motif made pretty bridge appointments and was also featured in the salad luncheon course served at Hill Top Cafe.

Immediately preceding the luncheon, Mrs. Wm. O. Leach, who is moving to Matador, was complimented with a shower of lovely handkerchiefs.

Other guests present were Mrs. Truman Green, Mrs. Harvey Giddens, Mrs. Jack Senning, Mrs. Lynn Buzbee, Mrs. A. A. McKimmey, and Mrs. Smith of Clovis, N. M.

MR. AND MRS. E. D. ENGLEMAN
HOSTESSES AT BRIDGE

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engleman were delightful hosts Saturday evening to a two table bridge party at their home 326 East 2nd Street.

In the bridge games duplicate hands were played, a new method of testing the skill and knowledge of bridge players.

Mrs. Henry Bilberry received as prize for high score a double deck of bridge cards.

A delicious refreshment plate was

served to the guests including Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Karr, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bilberry and hosts Mr. and Mrs. Engleman.

1925 BRIDGE CLUB
LUNCHEON

Wednesday of last week the 1925 Bridge Club members, associates and guests met at the Spur Inn at one o'clock for the regular monthly bridge luncheon.

A Valentine motif was used in the table decorations and in the bridge appointments.

The luncheon table center piece was a massive heart shaped, red, Valentine.

Club members present were: Mesdames W. T. Andrews, Nellie Davis, Della Eaton, F. W. Jennings, M. C. Golding, R. R. Woten, V. V. Parr, R. A. Taylor, and Hill Perry.

Associate members: Mesdames Neal A. Chastain, W. R. Lewis, E. L. Caraway, Ty Allen, A. C. Hull and W. D. Wilson, of Lubbock.

Other guests were: Mesdames J. L. Rosamond, Jimmie Smith, Bingham and Rollo, of Lubbock.

Mrs. Andrews was presented the linen dinner napkin, as high score prize.

W. L. HEAD HERE FROM
GIRARD COUNTRY

W. L. Head, progressive and energetic farmer from down Girard way, was in Spur yesterday, attending to business. Of course W. L. wants to keep posted, and so he dropped coin in The Texas Spur till for another year's reading.

W. L. is sporting a new Plymouth half-ton and says he can really "Scat" to market and back now.

MRS. CALLIE DENSON ILL
AT PENDLETON HOME

Mrs. Callie Denson, mother of Mrs. John King, Jr. and Pat Denson of Spur is reported suffering quite a bit from a foot infection, contracted while at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Hall Pendleton, at Borger. The Borger message here early this week, however, states that physicians issued a favorable bulletin on Mrs. Denson's condition.

See Thomas Shoe Shop for Boots.

Carl Hagins, of Duck Creek, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

McADOO FFA NEWS

The McAdoo F. A. A. Chapter was represented at Ralls Saturday, February 11 in the Crosbyton District Leadership Contest. Due to several of the Agriculture I boys having to work Saturday, the chapter did not enter the 8th Grade Chapter Conducting Contest.

John Campbell, president of the Chapter entered Public Speaking with "The Producer-Consumer-Packer-Relationship in the U. S." as his subject. Campbell placed 4th in the district with his speech.

Jack Graham entered the Essay Writing Contest and results have not yet been announced on that contest. They will be mailed out from Lubbock next week.

Billie Joe Wooley and Jack Graham also entered the One-Act demonstration, which is a new event being entered in Leadership Contests this year for the first time. Their demonstration on showing how to tie and giving the uses of six useful knots, won 7th place.

The remainder of the leadership contest will be held at Crosbyton, April 29. The events are debate, one-act play, extemporaneous speaking, chapter conducting, and news writing.

Mrs. Carris Belcher, one of the nurses at the Nichols Sanitarium returned Sunday night to Spur after a week end visit with her husband, Mr. Belcher of Christoval. Mrs. Bessie Terry and Mrs. H. C. Peterson accompanied her and motored over to Eldorado where they visited in the ranch home of W. A. Davis on the return trip Sunday afternoon. They stopped over in San Angelo, where they visited Ida Rankin Rucker, a patient in Carlsbad Sanitarium, who they report as very much improved in health.

G. Coury, merchant of Rotan was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan and son, Pat, and Mrs. P. A. Clemmons and Mrs. Lura Glasgow spent the week end in Amarillo, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clemmons and little daughters, Elizabeth and Sue.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Howell of Lower Red Mud were Spur visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. John A. Moore, Sr., returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives in Germain and Graham.

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Tuck retired a short distance behind a rather large shapalier bush, preparing to apply the Wizzard Oil. Jess walked out to where the horse wrangler was bringing up the horses, and catching his stake horse mounted him. Soon cries of murder and every thing else arose from Tuck, and out he rushed with blood in his eye. That was the time for Jess to beat it, and beat it he did, out of pistol range. Tuck was a sight trying to keep his pants up, and dancing with pain. He saw the lard bucket by the wagon wheel, where the cook had left it, and into it he dived, using the lard plentifully, getting some relief.

How we did laugh, sorry as we were for him, but it was too good a joke to let pass. Tuck if you ever see this, I'll bet my last dime you never used Wizzard Oil for relief of that kind again. That was the last bucket of lard we had in the wagon and some one had to ride to the nearest trail wagon to borrow some.

These two, Jess and Tuck, were buddies, bunking together. When Jess returned and "crawled in" or what he said to Tuck we never knew. When morning came, it was "another day" and yesterday was forgotten.

HENRY PRICE
CHAPTER XXXV

After getting acquainted with the Old Spur Boys, I was soon asked to answer letters for them. As a rule the old time cow boy could read very well, the writing was somewhat of a task for them as may be easily understood. Sometimes the letters received by them would have taken the best efforts of a Philadelphia lawyer to understand, but not those I have in mind. Henry Price was one of the Old Spur Boys, about forty-five years old, and a typical cow boy. Before my arrival on the ranch, he had got hold of a matrimonial paper named "Heart and Hand," and with the help of one of the daughters of the boss, had been in correspondence with a girl who had put in an advertisement, asking some one of the opposite sex who was lonely to write to her.

One night while in the mess-house writing letters to the home folks, Henry came in and sat down by me, and asked if I would do him a favor. He explained to me the "pickle" he was in, handing me the letter he wanted answered. One glance at it was sufficient to show me that the writer was highly educated; the writing was beautiful, and the grammar used was perfect. Instead of Henry, I was the one in the "pickle." I had answered one or two letters for other boys, and

knew the usual cow boy expressions would never do in this love letter.

I got Henry to get the previous letters received by him, so as to know how Miss Polly had been answering for him. I never was sure but I think Miss Polly had been greatly enjoying herself. With the letter just received a photograph had been sent, and the writer requested that Henry send his in exchange. Henry said he had his photo all ready to send. Before I would write I made him get both photos and got the shock of my life. I had never seen a more sweet and beautiful face. Across the corner was written "With Love Mary." It was made in New Orleans, La. I fell in love with it myself. Henry did not want to unwrap his photo. I finally saw it, and instead of it being his own photo, it was one of the bosses who was then a very fine looking man, and dressed as Henry never was in his life. It was too good a joke for me to spoil. Henry must have known that I recognized the picture, but I didn't, so I always hoped, let him think I did. Henry told me in his own way what he wanted said. He wanted to know if the writer would marry him. He told me what money he had saved, and that he had an interest in a ranch in Dakota, that if he was accepted and it was agreeable, they would go there to live.

I answered the letter as if I were Henry. I did my best. It then took about three weeks for a letter to go that far. (New Orleans) with luck, and get an answer. So that it was about time to hear in reply, I was just about as anxious as was Henry, to know what the reply would be.

It was part of my duty then to ride daily the three miles or so to the Post Office at Dockum for the mail. When the letter came I knew it. Henry that winter was driving a wagon that supplied the out-lying camps with Johnson grass, and was at the ranch when I gave the mailsack to the bookkeeper at the office.

While I was unsaddling, Henry must have got his letter and gone to "the dive" to read it. I was nearly there when I heard an awful fuss and hastened to find out what it was all about. Three or four of the boys were holding Henry on the floor on his back while Jess, who had snatched the letter from him, was trying to read it. Every one was laughing fit to kill, and joshing him. The letter was short and to the point. It was: "I got your letter, you ask me will I marry you, an I answers you, if you are yellow, yes, if you are black no." The real advertiser had answered. Poor Henry never got over it. He was a pretty good sort and did not want to kill anyone; he left with one of the first herds for Montana and never returned to Texas.

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Awards Made--

Included in the list of Scouts to receive awards and their degrees were about 44.

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Jimmie Vernon
Paul Draper
George Walker
- SECOND CLASS**
TROOP 36
Charlie Peacock
Johnny Peacock
Harold Crouch
Harold Carlisle
Weldon Reynolds
Leon Hale
W. B. Steele
Tommy Burger
- Joe Ericson
Johnny Rucker
- FIRST CLASS**
Billy Addy
Pat Hogan
Billy Ray Barrett
James Victor Allen
Leonard Wilson
Alfred Walker
- STAR AWARDS**
Frank Vernon
S. C. Fallis
- James Laverty, (Ft. Worth)
Stephen Barclay
LIFE AWARDS
J. T. Franklin
Wade Gilbert
Jerome Yarbrough
GOLD PALM AWARD
Fike Godfrey
EAGLE AWARD
Jeff Smart
Charles Christenson
Lloyd Barber
Bob Weaver (Recognition)

Awards for Civic Service were made to several of the Scouts. These awards may be made for various services, such as acting as Cub Leaders working on toys as a project, directing traffic at funerals, directing traffic in city events, safety projects, and under a number of other methods. Awards were:

- 50 Hour Civic Service**
Billy Addy
J. T. Franklin
Billy Dan Bingham
Billy Yoakum
- James Henderson
W. B. Steele
100 Hour Civic Service
Fike Godfrey
Bill Laine
- 150 Hours Civic Service**
Jerome Yarbrough
- 200 Hours Civic Service**
Virgil Murray
James Fox

A very unusual note is that Troop 36 had to its credit 1,814.20 hours of Civic Service. Troop 35 received a trophy for winning the Council Swimming meet here in 1938.

W. B. Ford, of Kalgary, was one of the business visitors in Spur Saturday.

J. J. Hale was a business visitor in Spur Saturday coming in from his farm home in the East Afton section of the country.

SOUPS ON...

You know Andy Gump is having a hard time just at this time... and of course when Andy made that big bet, he didn't know that we didn't have a cafe in every city in the country.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

W. R. Goss, Administrator of the Estate of J. S. Goss, Deceased, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said J. S. Goss, Deceased, numbered 331 on the Probate Docket of Dickens County, together with an application to be discharged from said administration.

You Are Hereby Commanded, That

J. W. Hilton and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carson, of Prairie Chapel were business visitors in Spur Saturday and while here, Mr. Hilton was a pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office. He reported that a new Baptist Church was under construction at Afton and that it was their intention to rush the work of completion in order to be ready to hold services there the first Sunday in March.



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W M S

The Womens Council of the First Christian Church met at the home of Mrs. B. F. Hale, Monday, February 13 with 14 members present and one visitor, Mrs. Rose Elkins of Abilene.

The lesson for the afternoon was a study of mission work, with all those present taking part in as a round table discussion of missions.

After the Benediction Mrs. Hale served coffee and cookies.

Ask our bootmaker for prices on Boots.—Thomas Shoe Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Randall, of Steel Hill, were business visitors in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Atkison spent the first of the week in Munday, looking after business interests and visiting with friends.

Miss Nell Francis and Marjorie Bell spent the week end visiting relatives and friends in Vernon. Miss Francis taught in the public schools in Wilbarger County for several years and has numerous friends there who are solicitous of her returning and again identifying herself with the school system and the citizenship.

Mrs. A. J. Slaton and daughter, of four miles south of Dickens were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Miss Frances Gibson and cousin, Miss Doris Ormand, of Sudan, students in Texas Tech, Lubbock, spent the week end in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gibson and Doris.

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Mr. and Mrs. Buck Sadler, of the West Pasture, were among the number of business visitors in Spur Saturday.

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