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# THE TEXAS SPUR

and THE DICKENS ITEM

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County Court convened Monday in Dickens with County Judge Walter L. Powell presiding and County Attorney B. G. Worswick, prosecuting.

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Tuesday night of this week on the Spur-Dickens road the W. L. Hyatt service car driven by Bill Lee collided with another car driven by Lee Cathey. Both cars were pretty badly wrecked, the Hyatt service car being almost completely demolished.

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Workmen have been busy this week tearing down the old building on the west side of Burlington Avenue formerly occupied by the Riter Hardware Company and the lot will be used by Hogan & Patton and C. W. Lowery who will have two handsome brick buildings erected to house their businesses.

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The Merry Wives were entertained Friday by Mrs. T. L. Higginbotham, Jr. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Pierce, C. L. Love, Putman, C. A. Love, Link, Moore, Richbourg, Barrett, McClure, Jennings, Edmonds, Dickson, Baker, Davis, Clemmons, Senning, Busby, Andrews and Higginbotham.

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Mrs. Fred D. Whiting and little child of Oklahoma are in Spur visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love.

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Miss Katie Hooper, who has been attending school at Knickerbocker, arrived in spur last week and will attend school here.

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The City Commissioners of Spur are now making improvements on the waterworks department. Another well will be dug to supply a larger volume of water. Another engine has been installed at the pumping station to insure power at any and all times. Plans are also being made to regrade Hill Street, making that street wider.

## RABBIT DRIVE AT RED HILL WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

A rabbit drive will begin at Red Hill school house at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, March 6. Hunters are advised that there will be plenty of shells on the ground—and a good feed at noon.

## RUDOLPH SWENSON IS NEW MANAGER AT PITCHFORKS

Rudolph Swenson of Stamford, was recently made manager of the Pitchfork Ranch. Mr. Swenson has been prominent in civic affairs of Stamford and was also connected with the Swenson Ranch in that section. He is a son of A. J. Swenson.

Among Spirites driving over to Lubbock since Sunday to see the much publicized picture, Gone With the Wind, were Mesdames Roy Harkey, Hill Perry, Geo. S. Link, Monk Rucker, Doc Ellis, Burl Sauls, W. R. Lewis, F. W. Jennings, W. T. Andrews, Messrs and Mesdames W. E. Putman, James B. Reed, M. C. Golding, Cecil Scott and probably others whose names were not given our reporter.

Mrs. Chap Reece and young daughter, of Red Hill community, were shopping and attending to business while in Spur Tuesday.

Dena Davis, of Soldier Mound, was one of the business visitors in Spur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds of Dickens were business visitors in Spur Monday.

## DO YOU KNOW—



That the polka (the dance popular in our grandmothers time) was the Charleston of that day. It was then considered quite a rough dance and about 1858 exactly the same objections were made to it as is made of the Charleston today.

## Ministers' Alliance Has Pre-Easter Session Mon.

The Ministers' Alliance of Spur met in called session Monday, Feb. 26, in the Methodist Pastor's Study. It was deemed of considerable importance that special preparation be consummated for the joint Simultaneous Pre-Easter Evangelistic campaign on the part of the churches of this community. Reports were made by the various pastors as to the progress of the campaign in their own churches. Suggestions and recommendations put into resolutions were adopted. As is already common knowledge it is the purpose of the churches to begin, simultaneously, meetings in their own churches on Sunday, March 10.

So that the full program may be entered into in spirit if not in exact detail, several country churches reported they would begin having their meetings with Monday, Feb. 26, so that pastors who serve several churches may be able to finish their meetings by Easter Sunday, Mar. 24. Joint hand bills will be distributed in Spur by the Boy Scouts on the afternoon of March 11, announcing the several services of the different churches to continue through Sunday, March 24. A letter courteously requesting the school authorities to announce and encourage so far as possible the leaving off of extra curricula activities during the two weeks of the campaign was authorized. It is further hoped that parents, teachers and pupils will assist in this cooperation so that the school children and teaching force can attend the church of their choice.

Tom V. Ellzey, director of Evangelism for the Methodist Conference, who formerly assisted so ably the Religious Census Drive, has been invited to make the opening address on the first night of the campaign, Sunday, March 10, to as many churches as will and can satisfactorily adjourn their services for a Union Meeting, during the Campaign. The place and details of this Meeting will be announced next week.

Through the systematic cooperation of the Superintendent of the Public Schools, O. C. Thomas, and his Music Department, plans were arranged and a committee appointed for the annual Easter Sunrise Service on the morning of March 24th at Daybreak in the Jones Stadium, to which all churches of the community will be invited.

Cottage Prayer Meetings have already begun in some localities. It is hoped that the entire community of the area adjacent to Spur and in Spur will cooperate to the fullest extent both by attending and solicitation of others, that everybody will be much concerned during this season of the year which commemorates the suffering, death, and resurrection of our common Lord and Master.

## CROSBY COUNTY SING-SONG TO MEET AT PANSY NEXT SUNDAY AT 2:00 P. M.

The regular monthly meeting of the Crosby County Sing-Song convenes at Pansy on the East Plains Sunday, March 3 from 2:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m.

We take this method of extending to the people of Dickens County a very cordial invitation to attend this convention. All Dickens County singers are urged to attend.

The people of Pansy and the East Plains extends to one and all a very cordial welcome to be their guests for the afternoon and enjoy the fine singing and the fellowship of the occasion.

R. H. Nowlin, Chairman  
Crosby County Sing-Song

## MRS. LORETTA BEASON IS NEW OPERATOR AT DeLUXE BEAUTY SHOP

Mrs. Loretta Garner Beason, formerly co-operator with her sister, Dorothy Garner, in the DeLuxe Beauty Shop and an experienced beauty operator has accepted a position with Ritas Beauty Shop and invites her former customers to visit her at her new location.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McGaughey had as guests over the week end their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Dane and daughter, of Lubbock.

## First Five Issues In February Since 1906

Mrs. Oran McClure, publisher of The Texas Spur, states that this is the first time since her connection with newspaper work began (in 1906 with The Eastland Chronicle) that she has witnessed the publication of five issues of the paper in the month of February.

Leap Year which gives February 29 days makes it possible to publish five issues of a weekly newspaper. During that period of time there was one other Leap Year with five Thursdays in the month of February, but it so happened, Mrs. McClure stated, that at that time the publication day of her newspaper was Friday—and so for the first time in her long association with newspapers she sees five issues of the paper printed in February.

The calendar has a way of evening things up, however, and it will be noted that by reason of February having five Thursdays, a Thursday is taken away from March; and next month only four issues of the paper will be printed—all of which may mean something, but more than likely not.

## Judge Formby Makes Two Addresses In Crosbyton Wed.

"Americanism" was the subject of two addresses delivered at Crosbyton Wednesday by Judge Marshall Formby. The Dickens county judge was accompanied by Crosbyton by County Superintendent O. L. Kelley. Formby addressed the high school and grammar school students at 11:15 and at noon addressed the Lions' club meeting.

In his address Judge Formby stressed the fact that only in America do the people have a right of a free speech, a free press and the right to worship God according to the dictates of one's own conscience. He warned his listeners to keep careful watch that these liberties not be taken away from the American people.

Formby also was principal speaker at Crosbyton last Thursday night at a Washington day Masonic celebration.

## MR. AND MRS. F. O. BRITTAIN RETURN FROM VISIT TO WEST COAST

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Brittain returned last week from a two weeks trip and visit to the West Coast the first stop was at San Diego where Douglas Brittain and family reside. Douglas having been transferred to Honolulu was away and missed seeing his father on this visit.

From there to Oakland where Cecil and F. O. Brittain, Jr., also the Dunn brothers, Walter, Sherrod, and Morris Ray, and John Olin Christy were visited.

At Fresno, Mrs. Brittain has two sisters, Miss Eric Richey and Mrs. W. M. Graves and Mr. Graves with whom they spent several days. Mr. and Mrs. Louie Rice and baby daughter of Needles, California and an uncle of Mrs. Brittain, Vernon Kennedy, of Duncan, Arizona were visited on the return trip to Spur.

## ATTENDS FUNERAL OF SISTER AT ABBOTT, TEXAS

Mrs. W. J. Conoway and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith, returned Wednesday from Abbott, Texas, where they had gone to attend the funeral of Mrs. R. L. Plunkett, youngest sister of Mrs. Conoway.

Mrs. Plunkett passed away Sunday, February 18th at her home after an illness of only three days.

Funeral services were held Tuesday the 20th at the Methodist Church the bier resting at the altar where more than forty years ago Mrs. Plunkett was married. Interment was made in Vaughn Cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, seven sons and four daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ford, Jr., were business visitors in Spur Monday. Young Ford is a progressive farmer out in the Kalgary section of country where he and Mrs. Ford have recently completed a new home.

## Election To Decide Soil Conservation Project In Area

An election has been ordered for March 9 over the Duck Creek SC area which includes a large part of Dickens, Kent and Stonewall counties, to determine if the farmers and ranchmen want the government to sponsor a soil conservation program in this area. Resident land owners are qualified to vote in the election.

Meetings are being held over the area for the purpose of explaining the proposed program and the manner in which it will be handled. Landowners are urged to be sure to vote in the coming election since it is possible that the administration would refuse to inaugurate the program, should there be a light vote, even though it carried. Details, a list of voting places, and a definite survey of the area will be found on another page.

Meetings were held at McAdoo, Croton and Jayton the first part of the week and following is the schedule of future meetings.

Thursday, Feb. 29, Highway, 7:30.  
Friday, March 1, Dry Lake, 7:30.  
Saturday, Spur, 2:00 at old theatre building.

Monday, Dickens, 2:00.  
Monday, Duck Creek, 7:30.  
Tuesday, Patton Springs, 7:30.  
Wednesday, Harmony, 7:30.  
Thursday, Lower Red Mud, 7:30.  
Friday, Girard, 7:30.  
Date is yet to be set for a meeting to be held at Center View in Stonewall County.

## G. L. BARBERS MOVING TO IDAHO TO MAKE THEIR HOME

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Barber, residents of Supt since the opening of the town in 1909, are leaving for Idaho within the next few days to make their home in the future.

Mr. Barber was one of the contractors in the building of the Stamford and Northwestern Railroad before the formal opening of Spur and moved the establishment of the town, upon his family here and have been continuous residents of the city since that time. Their many friends over this section regret very much to see them leave but wish them the best of luck and happiness in their new home. Lloyd and Vick Barber also live in Idaho.

## Spur High Aggie Team Takes First Prize

The Spur Vocational Agriculture Team, coached by Cecil Ayers, won first place in the dairy products judging contest at the 15th annual vocational agriculture judging contest held at Texas Tech, Lubbock, last Saturday.

The team was comprised of Leonard Wilson, Robert Ward, and Clarence Ward.

## JACK JONES WITH SCURRY COUNTY R. E. PROJECT

After a visit of ten days or two weeks with his mother and grandmother, Mrs. M. L. Jones and Mrs. S. E. Garner at the home of the latter, Jack Jones left last week for Snyder, Texas to assume duties with the Rural Electrification Project in Scurry County.

Jack returned recently from an extended stay on the West Coast where he had employment at the Exposition at Oakland, California until it closed and since returning to Texas has been with his father and brother, M. L. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. "Swat" Jones at their ranch home in Cochran County.

## DR. AND MRS. HALE VISIT BEN MURRAY AT HOUSTON

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter, Helen, made a trip to Houston last week to visit their son, Ben Murray, whose ship had docked there for several days. The family went to Fort Worth to spend the week-end.

Ben has been on the ship for two years and has had many interesting experiences, being once interned for several weeks in the war zone. He sends best regards to his many friends here.

Mrs. W. B. Ford, Mrs. C. H. McCully and Misses Billie Louise Powell and La Nell Fallis returned Sunday from a week end visit with relatives and friends in Abilene.

## Misspelled Word Contest To Start In Texas Spur Next Issue

Beginning next Thursday in The Texas Spur and continuing for four weeks the misspelled word contest will provide fun and prizes for our readers.

There is nothing to buy or sell in order to participate in this contest. Simply find the misspelled words in the page of ads concerning goods and services of local business firms and try for one of the 100 prizes.

Full details will be found in the advertisement in next week's Texas Spur. Watch for it and test your proof-reading ability.

## W. T. Teachers To Meet At Plainview Next Week

Dickens County teachers are looking forward to the convention of the West Texas Teachers Association which will be held in Plainview March 8-9. A number of the local teachers, including Supt. O. C. Thomas, Miss Dallas Smith, Mrs. Lillian Nichols, County Supt. O. L. Kelley, David Sisto, and Supt. M. L. Kelley, will be on the program of the convention; and it is hoped that every teacher in the county will be in attendance.

In appealing to local teachers to make every effort to attend, Supt. Moyné L. Kelley of Patton Springs, stated that, "Too many teachers of Texas are indifferent toward the one great State organization that represents them professionally. Too few teachers have really taken the time to find out the benefits they have derived from the efforts and actions of the Texas State Teachers Association."

"The three dollars invested by a teacher each year, in the interest of the teaching profession, do much more than bring the Texas Outlook to his or her mail address. Mighty battles are fought each year by the elected and appointed officials of the state organization in all parts of Texas, but especially at the state capitol. Much unfavorable legislation against the schools comes before every session of the Legislature. The cause of the Texas School Teacher and Texas Schools would have been sacrificed many times upon the block of selfishness and greed had it not been for the noble efforts of the Teachers Association. This organization representative of the Texas State Teacher is always on hand with representatives, when the legislature convenes, to put over a worthwhile school legislative program. Teacher tenure, teacher retirement, better salaries, better working conditions, higher standards, etc. are only a few of the things being championed by the one mighty professional organization for teachers—The Texas State Teachers Association. All teachers in Dickens County and Texas are urged to conscientiously look into the work and accomplishments of this Association, the one Grand Champion of Teachers' Causes in Texas."

"It is hoped that every teacher in Dickens County will be a member of the Texas State Teachers Association by March 8th. This goal is not impossible. Every individual teacher must catch the vision in his or her own heart and pass it on to those who are not members. Let us all work hard to make Dickens County Teachers 100 per cent members in the Texas State Teachers Association before the District Meeting."

Officiating was the District Judge who read the beautiful and impressive single ring ceremony.

Attending the bride and groom were Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Miller, of Oakland, California.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Blanch Collier of Spur. She is a graduate of Spur High School, Class of 1938 and in the fall of 1938 attended ACC, Abilene, and during the year of 1939 she was one of the efficient helpers in the County Agents office at Dickens.

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## Local Rural RE Project Completes Organization

Attorney L. D. Ratliff, Project Attorney for the local Rural Electrification project, stated today that the sponsors of the project had completed the organization of the corporation, and that a charter had been issued by the office of the Secretary of State at Austin, Texas.

The first meeting of the incorporators was held in his office on last Saturday, at which time all necessary steps were taken to complete the organization. The corporation was named the Dickens County Electric Cooperative, Inc., with headquarters at Spur, Texas. Joe M. Rose of the Duncan Flat Community, in Dickens County was elected President of the Board of Directors, and C. V. O'Keefe of Kent County, and J. P. Sharp of Dickens County were elected Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer respectively. Other members of the Board of Directors are W. D. Lang and Joe Hunnicutt of Kent County, M. B. Gage, S. L. Benefield, E. J. Offield, and W. H. Hindman of Dickens County.

The organization has been fully approved by the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington, D. C., and Attorney Ratliff stated that the corporation is now ready to put on an extensive drive for memberships. Engineer Harry N. Roberts of Lubbock, Texas, who has had wide experience in Rural Electrification, and who has developed a number of projects on the South Plains was selected to take active charge of the membership drive, and to complete the mapping and other necessary work in order to secure an allotment from the Government. The Board of Directors was able to secure his services without cost to the cooperative.

It is urged that all persons interested in securing the benefits of Rural Electrification contact some member of the Board of Directors and insist on signing an application for membership. This project will be pushed to a speedy conclusion, and it will be necessary to get your membership in before the application is forwarded to the Washington Office of Rural Electrification.

## F. O. Brittain And Mary Jo Collier Wed In Reno, Nevada

A marriage of interest to their many friends in Spur and the Spur area was solemnized in Reno, Nevada at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, February 17th when F. O. Brittain, of Oakland, California made Mary Jo Collier his bride.

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MARSHALL FORMBY

**For Representative, 118 District:**  
A. A. (PAT) BULLOCK

**For District Attorney, 110th District:**  
JOHN HAMILTON

**For County Judge**  
R. C. BROWN  
W. D. STARCHER  
EDWIN H. BOEDECKER  
G. W. BENNETT

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector**  
FRED CHRISTOPHER  
WILLIE McCOMBS  
JOHNNIE KOONSMAN  
(Re-election)  
JACK GIPSON

**For District Clerk:**  
MRS. NETTIE LITTLEFIELD  
(Re-election)

**For County Clerk:**  
ERIC OUSLEY  
(Re-election)

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 1**  
S. T. (Tomp) JOHNSON  
D. P. (Bud) SMILEY  
HORACE D. NICKELS  
(Re-election)  
K. W. (WILLOW) STREET  
WAYNE VAN LEER

**For County Treasurer:**  
MRS. ALICE MURPHREE  
(Re-election)  
R. E. (ELZIE) HOLLY

**For Commissioner Precinct 2:**  
E. J. (Jim) OFFIELD  
(Re-election)  
F. L. BYARS  
T. J. (Jeff) RANDOLPH  
J. D. HENLEY

**For Commissioner, Precinct 3:**  
W. H. HINDMAN

**For Commissioner Precinct No. 4**  
M. B. GAGE  
(Re-election)  
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**STATE SOIL CONSERVATION OF TEXAS**

NOTICE OF ELECTION ON CREATION OF PROPOSED DUCK CREEK SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT, EMBRACING LANDS LYING IN THE COUNTIES OF DICKENS, KENT, AND STONEWALL IN THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO ALL PERSONS HOLDING LEGAL OR EQUITABLE TITLE TO LAND within the proposed district, who are otherwise qualified voters under the general election laws of the State, and who reside within the proposed soil conservation district, comprising the territory, a description of which is attached hereto:

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of March, 1940, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. an election will be held in the said territory upon the proposition of the creation of the DUCK CREEK Soil Conservation District as a governmental subdivision and a public body, corporation and politic, under the provisions of the Soil Conservation Law of this State.

All persons holding legal or equitable title to land lying within the proposed soil conservation district, who live within the district, and are otherwise qualified voters, under the general election laws of the State, are eligible to vote. Only such persons are eligible to vote.

Eligible voters residing within the proposed district shall cast their ballot at the designated voting box

**MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH PLAINS TO MEET IN LUBBOCK MARCH 2**

The South Plains Music Teachers Association's spring festival will begin Saturday, March 2, in Lubbock, with the theory tests being held at the senior high school. The festival playing of scales and pieces will be held March 15, 16, and 17.

According to Mrs. Rex Hudson of Levelland, chairman of the theory committee, examiners for the tests will be Mrs. Jack Sayles of McMurry College, Abilene, and Mrs. Guy Woods of Wayland College, Plainview.

The following schedule has been announced: Tests for students eight years old and under will be held in room 192, beginning at 9 a. m. Saturday. Eight year old students whose names begin with letters A to F, 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.; those whose names begin with the letters G to K will meet from 10 a. m. to 11 a. m., and those whose names begin with the letters L to Z will meet from 11 o'clock to noon.

Beginning at 1:30 p. m. 7 year old students whose names begin with the letters A to G will meet for a thirty minute period. From 2 p. m. to 2:30 p. m. all seven year old students whose names start with the letters H to P will follow. Then at 2:30 p. m. the remainder of seven year old students will be examined.

In room 252 at the senior high school theory tests will be given during the day as follows:  
9 a. m. all 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 year old students.  
10 a. m. all 11 and 12 year old students.  
11 a. m. all 9 and 19 year old students.

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within precinct or territory as below described in which they reside.

Eligible voters who will be absent from their voting precinct on the day of the election may apply in person or in writing to the State Soil Conservation Board, 616-22 Professional Building, Temple, Texas, for absentee ballots. Each absentee voter shall state his income residence, location, and acreage of land to which he holds legal or equitable title, and such other information as is required under the general election laws of this State.

Voting divisions and polling places for the election are as follows:

**VOTING BOX NO. 1**

McAdoo Mercantile, McAdoo  
Qualified voters residing in McAdoo School District

Riley Wooten, Presiding Judge; A. J. Allen, Clerk; Robert Butler, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 2**

Co-op Gin Office, Afton  
Qualified voters residing in Old Afton, Midway, Duncan Flat and Prairie Chapel School Districts.

Forrest Ragland, Presiding Judge; J. T. Powell, Clerk; H. E. Bennett, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 3**

Qualified voters residing in Old Croton and Wichita School Districts.  
Clarence Littlefield, Presiding Judge; M. B. Gage, Clerk; Bruce Scoggins, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 4**

Commissioners' Court Room, Dickens  
Qualified voters residing in Dickens School District

John Sharp, Presiding Judge; Mur

**AN APPRECIATION**

I wish to take this means of expressing my appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the American Legion, the Auxiliary and friends in Spur for the many deeds of kindness and countless courtesies extended my wife and children during the four weeks I was in the Veterans Hospital at Legion.

I was the 3rd volunteer from Dickens County for service during the World War. I went across with the 36th Division from Camp Bowie, Fort Worth.

Saw lots of service in the 11 months and 23 days over there. For 31 days and nights was under shell fire, was wounded but do not draw a pension nor have I ever applied for one.

S. P. ODAM

ray Lea, Clerk; O. E. Rigsby, Clerk.  
VOTING BOX NO 5

Directors Room, Spur Security Bank, Spur

Qualified voters residing in Spur, Duck Creek, Spring Creek, Red Mud, Peaceful Hill, Highway, and Wilson Draw School Districts.

Luther Karr, Presiding Judge; Coy Dopson, Clerk; Elmer Shugart, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 6**

County Agent's Office, Jayton  
Qualified voters residing in Jayton, Rosewood, and Clipper School Districts.

J. H. Johnston, Presiding Judge; L. H. Matthews, Clerk; Joe Hunnicutt, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 7**

Tri-County Lumber Company Store, Girard  
Qualified voters residing in Girard and Antelope School Districts.

L. F. Cooper, Presiding Judge; Roy Nance, Clerk; Chas. Parks, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 8**

County Clerk's Office, Clairemont  
Qualified voters residing in Clairemont, Durham, and Rising Star School Districts

J. B. Durham, Presiding Judge; Claud Carriker, Clerk; J. D. Ethridge, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 9**

Shipp's Store, Harmony  
Qualified voters residing in Harmony, Riverdale, and Luzon School Districts.

Troy Dixon, Presiding Judge; E. W. Cade, Clerk; Frank SoRoelle, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 10**

Lower Red Mud Store, Lower Red Mud  
Qualified voters residing in Lower Red Mud and Catfish School Districts.

Ab Fry, Presiding Judge; L. B. Fuqua, Clerk; Bill Wyatt, Clerk.

**VOTING BOX NO. 11**

Center View School, Center View  
Qualified voters residing in Stonewall County on West side of Salt

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V. C. MARSHALL,  
Administrator

This district includes 1,024,000 acres, more or less.

**Legal Description.**

BEGINNING at a point, said point being the n-w corner of Dickens County, as the same is now surveyed and located, thence south along the west line of Dickens County and the west line of Kent County to a point on the north bank of the Mountain Fork of the Brazos River, thence in a southeasterly direction along the meanderings of and on the north bank of said river to the point of confluence with the south line of Kent County, thence east on the south line of Kent County to the s-e corner of Kent County, thence north on the east line of Kent County to a point, said point being on the north bank of the Salt Fork of the Brazos River where said line crosses said river, thence in a somewhat northeasterly direction along the meanderings of and on the north bank of said river to a point where said river crosses the south line of Sec. 322 of Block F of the H&TCRR Co. Sur., thence west along the south line of Sec. 322 of Block F of said Sur. to the s-w corner of Sec. 322 of said Sur.; thence north on the west line of Sections 322 and 323 of said Sur. to the s-e corner of Sec. 323 of said Block and Sur., thence west on the south line of Sec. 323 of said Sur. to the s-w corner of Sec. 323 of said Block and Sur., thence north along the west line of Sec. 325 and 181 to the n-e corner of Sec. 200 of said Block and Sur., thence west along the north line of Sec. 200 and 201 to the s-e corner of Sec. 219 of said Block and Sur., thence north along the east line of Sec. 219 to the n-e corner of said Sec. and said Blk. and Sur., thence west on the north line of Sec. 219 to the s-e corner of Sec. 223 of said Blk. and Sur., thence north on the east line of Sec. 223 to the n-e corner of said Sec. of said Blk. and Sur., thence west on the north line of Sec. 223 and 235 to the west line of Stonewall County, thence north on the west line of Stonewall County and the east line of Dickens County to the north line of Sec. 236 of Blk. F of H&TCRR Co. Sur., thence west on the north line of Sec. 235 and 245 to the west line of said block of said Sur., thence north along the west line of said block of said survey to the s-e corner of the T&NOER Co. Sur., thence west on the south line of said survey to the s-w cor. of said sur., thence north along the west line of the n-w corner of said sur., thence east on the north line of said sec. to the s-e corner of Sec. 25 of Block AB of the R. M. Thompson Survey, thence west on south line of said sec. to the s-e cor. of Sec. 10 of Block A-S of the J. S. Callaway Sur., thence north on the east line of said sur. to the n-e cor. of said sur., thence west on the west line of Sec. 2 of W. Perrin Sur. to the s-w cor. of said sec., thence north on the west line of said sec. to the n-e cor. of the T. A. Thompson Sur., thence west on the north line of said sur. to the n-w cor. of said sur., thence north on the west line of Sec. 4 of said sur., thence west on the south line of Sec. 220 of said sur. to the s-w cor. of said sur., thence north on the west line of said sec. to the n-e cor. of Sec. 2 of said sur. to the s-e cor. of Sec. 7 of said survey, thence west on the north line of Sec. 2 of said sur. to the s-e cor. of Sec. 7 of said survey, thence north on the west line of Sec. 7, 3, 2, 9 and 7 of said sur. to the n-e cor. of Sec. 7 of said sur., thence west on the north line of Sec. 7 to the s-e cor. of Sec. 19, Block 1 of R. H. Hanna, Shock and Arnold Sur., thence north on the west line of Sec. 19, 14, 9, 4, 30 and 9 to the n-w cor. of Sec. 9 of said sur., thence east on the north line of Sec. 9 to the s-e cor. of Sec. 4 of said sur., thence north on the east line of Sec. 4 to the n-e corner of Sec. 4 of said sur., thence east on the north line of Sec. 3 of said sur. to the s-w cor. of Block S of Unknown Sur., thence north on the west line of said sur. to a point on the north line of Dickens County, where said line crosses said survey line as the same is now surveyed and located, thence west on the north line of Dickens County to the point of beginning.

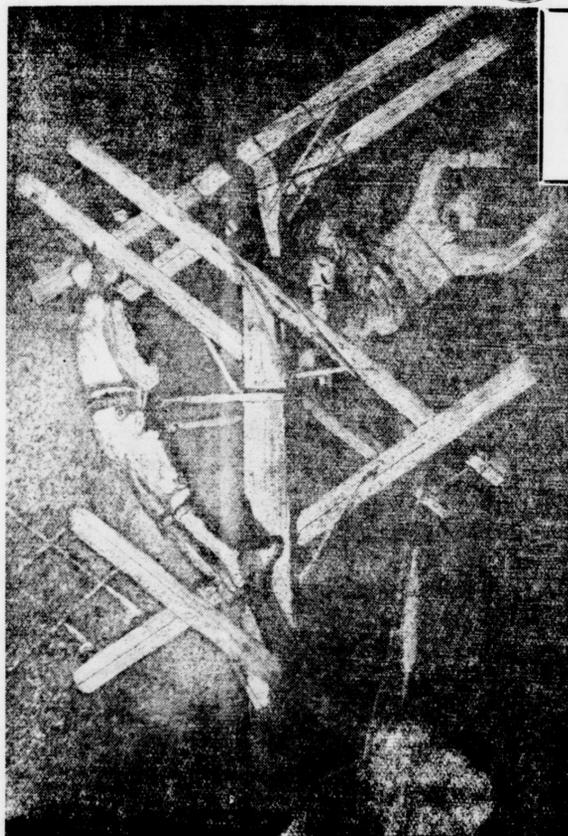
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**MRS. A. C. HULL 1925 BRIDGE HOSTESS WEDNESDAY**

As a courtesy to her 1925 Bridge Club and a number of other invited guests, Mrs. Hull entertained Wednesday afternoon at her home 1009 West Harris Street.

National colors were used in the bridge appointments.

Miss Julia Mae Hickman made high score for club members and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff received guest prize.

Others playing were Mesdames H. Alexander, Hill Perry, C. L. Love, C. H. Elliott, F. W. Jennings, Nellie Davis, M. C. Golding, A. B. Chapman, C. L. Harris, B. C. Langley, Neal A. Chastain, O. B. Ratliff, Elton Cook, Harvey Gidens, Burford Johnston, Guy Karr, O. C. Thomas, and Henry Bilberry.

A salad course was served at refreshment hour to the guests named and the hostess, Mrs. A. C. Hull.

**1933 STUDY CLUB MET WITH MRS. THURMOND MOORE**

Mrs. Thurmond Moore was hostess to the 1933 Study Club Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 20, with Mrs. Boedecker co-hostess.

The roll call was very interesting because rules of Parliamentary Law were discussed by each member present. Mrs. Arthur gave a very picturesque description of a journey from Guayaquil to Quito. Mrs. Gilbert told the club about the churches and cathedrals of Quito. The program was enjoyed immensely by each one present.

Cherry pie and coffee was served to the following: Mesdames O. C. Arthur, Ernest George, W. F. Gilbert, J. L. Koonsman, John Ramsey, C. H. McCully, Coy McMahan, J. C. Payne, Elliot, and J. H. Swan.

**DICKENS PIONEER CLUB OFFICERS TO ATTEND AREA II MEETING**

The officers of the Pioneer Club are planning to leave Dickens quite early Saturday morning, March 2 to attend the Area II meeting in Eastland.

Those who will go are Mary Lee Harkey, president; Winona Reynolds, first vice-president; Ermal Arthur, second vice-president; Vivian Baker, secretary; Faye Sizemore, song leader; Eloise Sharp, pianist; Imogene Williams, parliamentarian; Audrey Holly, reporter; Lona Dell Arthur, historian; and Polly Harvey, treasurer.

Mrs. Fred Arrington, sponsor, and Mrs. D. Harkey, honorary club member, will accompany them.

**MRS. FONTIS MCGLATHERY HONORED MONDAY**

On Monday, February 26th, members of the Womens Council of the First Christian Church, met at the home of Mrs. B. F. Hale to honor Mrs. McGlathery who is moving to San Angelo.

Games were played, and each person present wrote and sealed a letter, these are to be opened by Mrs. McGlathery after she reaches her new home.

The honoree was presented with a lovely linen luncheon cloth and napkins.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and hot spiced punch was served to Mesdames McGlathery, Cecil Ayers, E. M. Hale, Addy, Adams, R. C. Brown, E. L. Caraway, Luther Caraway, R. E. Dickson, W. R. Jimison, Keley, Lisenby, E. C. McGee, Vascoe Ward, B. F. Hale and Jo Nell Addy.

**MRS. O. M. MCGINTY GUEST SPEAKER AT DICKENS PIONEER CLUB**

Mrs. O. M. McGinty of Spur was the guest speaker of the Pioneer Club last week at the regular meeting in the living-dining room of the Homemaking Department.

The very popular lecture recital on the life and works of Kipling was presented by Mrs. McGinty. The Pioneer Club gave Mrs. McGinty a small Mexican picture which was presented by Mary Lee Harkey, the club president, who expressed the appreciation for the program.

The hostesses Irene Edwards, Nonale Hamilton, Faye Sizemore, Gwendolyn Smith, and Eloise Sharp passed the refreshment plate containing open-face sandwiches, candy representing a chop block which had red, white and blue ax, and spiced tea.

George Washington theme was used in the color scheme and plate favors. Also red, white and blue sent to Mrs. McGinty.

Special guests of the club were used in wrapping the gift presents. Mesdames Otho Thompson, Cecil Meadors, Jack Gipson, Charles Taylor, Harold Blair and little Freida Sue Gipson, and Janice Taylor. The sixth and seventh grade girls had the privilege of attending.

**SOLDIER MOUND H. D. CLUB MET**

By giving cotton gifts, members of the Soldier Mound Home Demonstration Club will co-operate in the nation-wide movement to consume more cotton and cotton products.

The club voted to shower Mrs. Paul Loe, a convalescent member with cotton gifts.

Mesdames John Bachman, Hayden Condron, Floyd Barnett and Horace Wood discussed types of berries that are suitable for this section on a program led by Mrs. Blanch Collier.

Others present were Mesdames Foster Jones, Ollie Hindman, Elza Armstrong, and hostess Mrs. Jesse Pinkerton.

**MRS. J. I. GREER CELEBRATES 85TH BIRTHDAY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

Mrs. J. I. Greer, 85 years young, was honor guest at a surprise birthday dinner party, Friday, February 23 when Mrs. N. M. Smith entertained at the Lone Oak farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Greer 12 miles southwest of Spur.

Mrs. Greer was presented with a shower of personal gifts.

The menu: boiled country ham smothered chicken, cream gravy, cakes, pies, salads and a variety of vegetables and a choice of drinks with a number of covered dishes brought in by invited guests was served to guests named:

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Buran Jones and baby of Girard, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Vardiman and daughter June, Mrs. Ave Johnson, Leon Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Jones of Spring Creek, Messrs J. I. Robert and R. D. Greer and honoree, Mrs. Greer.

Games of pitch, 42, and checkers were played until a late hour when guests departed wishing the honoree many happy returns of the day.

**WMS MET MONDAY AT METHODIST CHURCH**

The WMS met Monday afternoon at the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Gilbert, president, presided at the brief business session.

Mrs. Condit as leader had charge of the lesson, The Life of Christ.

Mrs. Leland Wilson and Mrs. C. H. McCully gave chapters 9 and 10 in a very interesting manner.

Twenty-two members were present.

Next Monday's lesson will finish the study.



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

John C. Ramsay, Minister

10 a. m. Sunday School, J. C. McNeill III, Superintendent.

11 a. m. Morning worship and the Word. Sermon, "The Use and Abuse of Our Talents."

6:30 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Mrs. Pete Robinson, Adult Advisor.

7:30 p. m. Evening worship and the Word. Sermon, "Daniel, The Youth Hero."

In preparation for the approaching Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign this church is sponsoring Cottage Prayer Meetings. The Pre-Easter Evangelistic services will begin in this church on Sunday, March 10. Everybody who can is asked to come to the Cottage Prayer Meetings. Earnest solicitation and much prayer on the part of all are asked.

Those attending any service or activity of this church is assured a cordial welcome. Remember the Small Church with a Big Welcome.

**MINISTERS' ALLIANCE TO HAVE DUTCH TREAT LUNCHEON**

By unanimous action of the Ministers' Alliance on last Monday, I have been authorized to announce that there will be a covered dish luncheon for all ministers of this section, a la Dutch treat, on next Monday, March 4, in the basement of the First Methodist Church. This invitation is to all ministers who reside in or near Spur regardless of denomination. The hour is 12 noon sharp. Those who wish to attend are hereby asked to please communicate with the undersigned at once to receive the menu assignment you are to contribute so that the menu will be carefully planned. Matters of imperative importance will be discussed at this luncheon.

JOHN C. RAMSAY, Secretary, Phone 276, Spur.

**METHODIST CHURCH NOTES**

- Sunday School ----- 9:55
- Morning Worship ----- 11:00
- Young People's League ---- 6:45
- Evening Service ----- 7:30
- W.M.S., Monday ----- 3:00
- Choir Practice, Tuesday ---- 7:30
- Young People's Choir Practice
- Wednesday evening ----- 6:45
- Wednesday Night Prayer Service ----- 7:30
- Sunday is Young People and H. C. M. Day. Rev. Hershall Thurston, Pastor of the Aspermont Methodist

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Church, will deliver the Morning Message and administer the Communion. Special Music is to be arranged. Young People will teach the Adult and Young People Classes in the Church School.

The Evening Service will be a Special Young People and H. C. M. Service in charge of the Young People of the Spur Circuit and Spur Methodist Churches. Rev. Wedall Burba, M. A., Pastor of the Spur Circuit will deliver the Sermon. The Young People of Spur are to have charge of the Music and the Foreman Chapel Young People will arrange the program with the help of the Pastor and Sponsor, Mrs. Crockett.

Visitors are cordially invited to attend.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to take this means of expressing our appreciation for the many deeds of kindness and tender ministrations to our wife and mother at the time of illness and death, to our friends for the delicious food and beautiful flowers.

Mr. J. A. Kerley  
Mrs. T. W. Blair  
Mrs. Willie Kimmel  
Mrs. W. H. Conaway  
Mrs. G. E. Latham  
and Grandchildren.

Mrs. Lee Gilbert, who is making her home in Borger during this winter and has been visiting the past few days in Tucumcari, N. M., arrived Saturday in Spur and will spend several days here looking after her property interests and visiting friends.

Mrs. V. G. White, of Broadway, was shopping with Spur merchants and visiting with friends in Spur Wednesday.

Mrs. Horace Cage was one of the business visitors in Spur Wednesday, coming in from her farm home on the Plains near Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Overfelt, good farmers down Jayton, way, were business visitors in Spur Monday morning. Mr. Overfelt had quite an interesting experience during the recent snow, he having been caught in Lubbock and was one of the first to slide down the Cap Rock in an effort to get home.

Coach and Mrs. Rob Simmons of Rule were guests over the week end of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loe, good farmers of the Espuela community, were shopping with Spur merchants Monday.

Miss Virginia Forbis, teacher in the public school system of Lubbock, spent the week end at the Forbis ranch home at Afton. In company with her mother, Mrs. R. C. Forbis, spent Saturday afternoon in Spur attending to business interests and visiting with Mrs. Nell Davis and friends in the city.

Mrs. Ruth Bond, of Goldsmith is spending this week here the guest of Mrs. S. E. Garner, Miss Ella and Mrs. Luther Jones.

Mrs. W. F. Godfrey visited her daughter, Miss Jane Godfrey, senior home economics student in Texas Tech, Lubbock, last week.

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# Patton Springs School News Notes

## RETURN TO SCHOOL

The seven buses of the Patton Springs School resumed their daily runs this past Monday after a week's turn-out on account of the blizzard and snow-storm of the preceding week-end. The heavy snow banks and drifts forced the children and patrons to stay at home for nearly a week. Most of the 400 pupils were anxious and eager to see the big buses plying their way along the regular routes, though some of these roads were still fringed with snow-banks.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NEEDED HELP

Superintendent Moyné L. Kelly and the Patton Springs School Board recognize with the highest praise and commendation the splendid courage and loyalty of the seven bus drivers and patrons who returned safely to their homes, through the snow-storm and blizzard of February 16th, the 400 children of the Patton Springs School. Buses No. 2 and 6, driven respectively by W. H. Duke and D. A. Smith were able to reach homes without help from anyone. L. L. Slayden, driver of Bus No. 1 received courageous help from Clayton Bridge and C. D. Elkins. Nathan Patterson, driver of Bus No. 3, received the same kind of help from T. E. Hill and L. J. Offield. Lawton Harvey, driver of Bus No. 4 received courageous help from T. J. Campbell, T. D. Wiley, Ernest Nolan, Bill Adams and Clayton Bridge. David Clay, driver of Bus No. 5 gratefully received the splendid aid of Ted Goodwin, Monroe Pernell, G. K. Choate, H. E. Duncan, R. E. Rogers and Calvin Murrell. Sam Putman, driver of Bus No. 7 received much needed help from Frank Forbis, Stafford Forbis, Mr. Hickman, and Mr. Mooneyham. Space will not permit the individual stories of the courageous work for these loyal bus drivers and loyal cooperative, helpful patrons and their families. Some pushed, some shoveled, some carried children, some used their cars, some used their teams and tractors, some opened up their warm homes and firesides for the night, and all in all the children returned to their homes safe and sound, though two buses and several cars were left in the snow drifts for several days. Words cannot express the deep appreciation to these many faithful men for the unexcelled courage and heroism manifested in the time of storm and danger. The mothers and dads of Patton Springs can always rest assured that their children will be taken care of in all kinds of weather and under the most trying circumstances.

## COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Dickens County Basketball Tournament started on Thursday night February 15th at Patton Springs High School Gymnasium, with McAdoo, Dickens, Spur and Patton Springs girls and boys basketball teams striving for the championships. The three opening games were won by the Patton Springs girls and boys over McAdoo, and Dickens over Spur. The snowstorm and blizzard of Feb. 16 stopped the tournament until the following Thursday morning at Dickens and Thursday afternoon at Patton Springs. The morning session games were won by Dickens Girls over McAdoo, Patton Springs boys over Spur, and Dickens boys over McAdoo. The final session determined the champions. McAdoo boys edged out the Spur team, and the Patton Springs Boys and Girls succeeded in annexing the Championship trophies by defeating the strong Dickens teams by respective scores of 20-14 and 17-14.

Coaches of Dickens County Championship teams, 1940: Boys, Robin J. Clack. Girls, Walterina Russell.

Members of the championship teams are: Boys, Lowell Cates, Melvin Hamon, W. T. Newberry, Gilbert Ragland, David Robinson, Jim Tom Haney. Girls, Marie Hill, Mable Blakley, Maxine Slayden, Tommie Bridge, Oletta Cates, Helen Kelly,

Goldie Smiley, Pauline Goodwin, Meiba Robinett.

This is the second consecutive County Championship won by Coach Robin J. Clack's hustling Rangers.

## PATTON SPRINGS QUINT MAKES DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

By virtue of having won the Dickens County championship, the Patton Springs basketball squad traveled to Lubbock last Friday to participate in the district basketball tournament, with the strong Southland squad from Garza County. The size of the court baffled the Rangers for the whole of the first half of the game, and Southland ran up a high score of 28 to 5. The tun changed, however, in the second half, the Rangers having found themselves after a session with Coach Clack, and they permitted their opponents to score only 6 points while they scored 14. The final score of the game being, Southland 34, Patton Springs 19.

## AGGIE BOYS ENTER CONTESTS

Three boys of Patton Springs high school, namely, Gilbert Ragland, Norris Kissinger and Sidney Baxter, made up the Dairy Products judging team that accompanied Vocational Ag Teacher Manuel W. Ayers to participate in the Texas Tech judging contests last Saturday at Lubbock. Norris Kissinger won third place in a field of 75 in the cream judging, but the total team score gave the boys only enough points to win tenth place in a field of 25.

## VOCATIONAL AG ACTIVITIES

Manuel W. Ayers will carry his stock judging teams to McAdoo on March 2 to participate in a Live Stock judging contest sponsored by the McAdoo High School agriculture department.

Vocational agriculture teachers of Crosbyton District from Ralls, Crosbyton, McAdoo, Spur and Patton Springs will meet at 5:00 p. m. on March 14 at the Patton Springs high school for the regular monthly business session. Superintendents of the respective schools are invited to be present.

An agriculture team will attend the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show on March 8, 9 and 10 with M. W. Ayers.

## ATHLETIC BANQUET PLANNED

Sweater awards were ordered for the Lettermen, both boys and girls, of the teams of Patton Spring high school for the year 1939-40. Eight boys won the coveted honors in six-man football, five boys in basketball, and six girls in basketball. The awards will arrive in time for the big Athletic banquet on Wednesday night, March 27. This climaxing event of the football and basketball year is being planned by Coaches Clack and Russell and Miss Fay Armstrong, of home economics. Both boys and girls will be honored on this date as special guests of the home economics department. This is expected to be a grand and glorious occasion. However, there will be some sadness mixed with it, for the following girls and boys have worn their last suit and competed in their last game for Patton Springs high school, since the last of May will bring forth the diploma of completion, namely, Marie Hill, Maxine Slayden, Tommie Bridge, Oletta Cates, Lowell Cates, and Jim Tom Haney. The remaining group will have from one to two years to wear the Scarlet and Black.

## COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT PLANS TRIP

Chester Sullivan, Patton Springs

## AUCTION SALE

Remember the sale in Spur each Saturday

## Spur Livestock Commission Company

## RETURNS FROM OKLAHOMA

Mrs. Baxter Scoggins returned recently from a two weeks visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Scoggins, Jr. and baby daughter Linda Dianne, of Oklahoma City.

This is Mrs. Scoggins first and only grandchild and according to reports she's a mighty fine young lady.

Davis Hagins, of Soldier Mound was transacting business in the city Tuesday.

commercial teacher, and his classes have been planning for an educational tour in April. The tentative route will include the following large cities of Texas: Wichita Falls, Denton, Dallas, Fort Worth and Abilene. Industrial plants, banking institutions, state and denominational colleges and universities, large business firms and amusement centers will be visited and studied from the standpoint of government, economics, salesmanship, bookkeeping, typing, banking and Texas history.

## BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES

Scoutmaster O. Milton Stetson, with the aid of Chester Sullivan, is preparing his Patton Springs Troop 84, to participate in the First Aid contests at Matador on March 14.

## 3-ACT PLAY TO BE GIVEN AT PATTON SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

A dramatic group of outsiders have planned to help pay for the athletic awards this year, so they have prepared a splendid play to be presented Friday night, March 1 at 8 p. m. The 3-act comedy drama is entitled "Eyes of Love."

The action moves swiftly and the suspense is so well sustained that the audience sits on the edge of the chairs. It is rich in thrills, tears, and laughter and is bound to grip the listeners with the generous self-sacrifice manifested.

It tells the story of an adopted girl who is unaware of the fact that she is not the true daughter. This painful knowledge is revealed to her by her father when she becomes engaged to a royal suitor. You can imagine the gripping story around such facts in life.

The cast is: A charming heroine, Earline Ragland; her two-faced friend, Louise Ragland, a high-minded lover, W. F. Ragland Jr.; an unfavorable suitor (evil type), "Tab" Williams; a faithful negro mammy, Frankie Rigby; real father (escaped convict), Conrad Middlebrooks; pert and flirtatious housemaid, Freddie Middlebrooks; detective (disguised as butler), Wayne Kissinger; foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Campbell.

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# Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

**BUSINESS** — Has the European war done much to American prices? It's pretty hard for John Q. Public to tell, just by examining the price tags on shirts or socks, or hefting a 10-cent loaf of bread, or seeing how big a cauliflower he can get for 15 cents. But we do find that wholesale commodity prices zoomed 27.2 per cent between late August and September 22—when the war was 19 days old. By now, about 40 per cent of that increase has settled down—as has the war—through the general level of such prices is still 16.5 per cent higher than August.

The natural expectation is that, sooner or later, this will be reflected in retail prices, too. But actually it's almost impossible for the layman to spot these results, because the retail price levels of almost all staple merchandise remain the same—except in very drastic situations—and the differential is made up by putting a little less material in the shirt tail, or fewer buttons, or shorter thread-count. As one merchandising expert puts it: "There'll always be a dollar shirt and a two-fifty shirt—always a dollar sock and a three-for-a-dollar sock."

**WASHINGTON** — It looks as though another flying squadron of streamlined modern "revenooers" will be combing the business and industrial woods soon—looking for wages-and-hours act violators. An early speed-up of enforcement of the Fair Labor Standards act is indicated in the current expansion of the legal and inspecting personnel in regional offices of the W. and H. division. The 16 regional offices are setting up branch offices to speed investigation of complaints. In the New York office, for instance, the staff has grown from two to 30 in the last year, with 20 or 25 more to be added by summer. Officials say larger concerns generally are complying, but that there is fairly widespread non-compliance among smaller employers in some industries, for the most part arising from misunderstanding, but partly from the hitherto lax enforcement.

**SOCKING SURPLUSES** — The wheat price on the Chicago futures market spurted five cents—the limit allowed—one day last week. The cause was something of a mystery, though some attributed it to reports of a short wheat crop in Argentina. Short crops do that to prices; surpluses do the opposite, of course. A new technique in smoothing farm surpluses in the U. S. in the last couple of years is that of the producer-consumer drives, sponsored by chain stores and joined in by other retailers cooperating with growers. Growers' organizations report that such drives in 1939 saved price levels of many commodities and, for fresh fruits and vegetables, stepped up consumption as much as 50 per cent. A pioneer in this activity, the A & P, now reports its participation in such drives helped it to move 11 per cent more fresh fruits and vegetables into consumption in 1939 than in 1938. The growers' return also was bettered, the company's payments for fresh produce aggregating \$90,000,000, an increase of 20 per cent. With other mass distributors showing similar results, growers agree the new technique contributed materially to 1939's rise in agricultural income, about 2.5 per cent.

**BITS O' BUSINESS**—U. S. cigaret production hit a new all-time January peak last month—14 1-2 billions of the little cylinders—but more notable was increase in output of higher-priced cigars, two classes of these showing larger gains than the nickel or "twofer" varieties. . . . Packard and Nash are rushing engineering and production plans for new lines in the low-priced auto field, encouraged by success of Studebaker's "invasion"—may be ready by late summer, almost surely before the general showing of 1941 models in the fall. . . . American youth, said by some to be going to the dogs, bought 20 per cent more Bibles during the last Christmas season than ever before—that's the Good Word. . . . Consumption of domestic wines is expected to top 90,000,000 gallons this year, better-

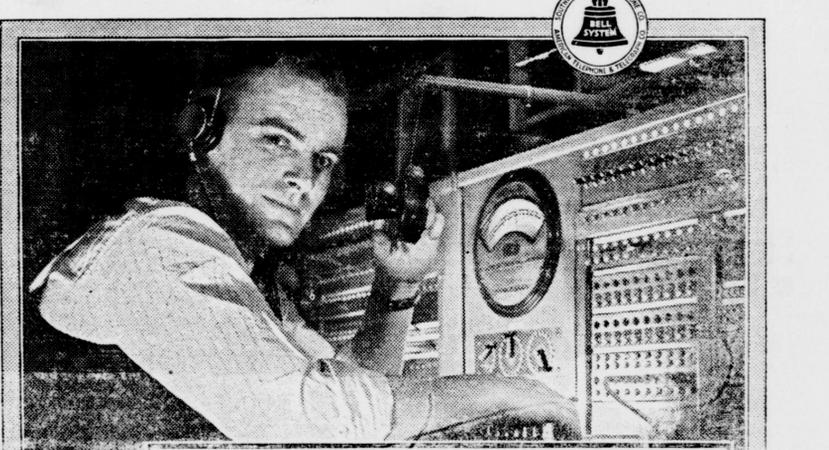
ing the 1939 record by 15 per cent—and that year was 13 per cent over the previous one. . . . Private engineering construction awards for the first week of 1939, totaling \$114,630,000, are up 21 per cent over the figure for the same period last year.

**BECKONING BUSINESS** — A goodly share of the upturn in construction is attributed to modernization of business places, which has proved a business-getter. Now E. L. Ostendorf of Cleveland, former president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, recommends a nation-wide drive to modernize whole business sections and restore "blighted" city areas to trade-attracting status. In Toledo he told realtors that many property owners have discovered that modernizing with structural glass, lightweight metals and other modern materials turns obsolete and unprofitable structures into live, income-producing properties. With the return of trade when such a project is undertaken on a neighborhood basis, he said, general property values rise and the whole community benefits. He cautioned that rehabilitation should be under taken with the guidance of trained city planners after careful study of causes of deterioration.

Messrs. J. D. Saunders and F. A. Benbow, prominent citizens and business men of Levelland, were Spur visitors Tuesday. Messrs Saunders and Benbow are ardent Lions and propose to assist in organizing a chapter here should enough interest be manifested.

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