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Spur's 3rd Annual Rodeo June 20-21

Sponsors Named; Programs Arranged

Many Sponsors are Coming for Rodeo

Ty Allen, chairman of the sponsor committee for Spur's Third Annual Rodeo, informs us that from all indications, there will be more pretty cowgirls in Spur June 20 and 21 than ever before congregated here. These young ladies will represent towns throughout West Texas and already one sponsor from New Mexico has accepted the invitation to be here and ride.

The sponsor committee had received sixteen acceptances up to Wednesday, which are as follows:

Roaring Springs, Toots Bird Post, Louise "Cowboy" Nance Big Spring, Louise Ann Bennett Stamford, Betty Jane Blackwell Matador, Reatha Rayne Robertson Cross Roads, N. M., Fern Sawyer Floydada, Mrs. Januella Tinney Colorado, Dorothea Merket Throckmorton, Mrs. Joe Somerville

Flomont, Mary Ellen Barton Hermleigh, Opal Etheridge Guthrie, Jaudell Rucker Jayton, Mrs. Edd Kyle (Lucille Daniels)

Stacy, Mrs. Sally Taylor Iraan, Billye Cade Melvin, Mrs. Punk Snyder Spur, Bobby Lou Watters.

Many other invitations have been extended and will be accepted within the next week. Several replies have been received from towns holding rodeos before June 20, requesting that they be allowed to name their sponsor after their rodeos.

The Sponsor Committee is Ty Allen, chairman; Mrs. Neal A. Chastain, sponsor hostess; and Mmes. Pike Nichols, Guy Karr, Jack Christian, Lilburn Standifer and Alph Glasgow. This committee has charge of the sponsor program, and is doing its utmost to make satisfactory arrangements for the entertainment and care of sponsors. Dances will be given, teas are planned, arrangements made to admit sponsors and escorts to the Bathing Pool and Golf Course free of charge, and desirable rooms in private homes will be obtained if the sponsors desire them.

Fun will be King of Spur next week—two days packed with excitement. Plan now to be here for each event.

Sponsors Dance Set for June 20

The Sponsors' Presentation Dance will be held at the Spur Inn Friday evening, June 20 at 10 o'clock. Music will be furnished by Hetrick's All Girl Orchestra. This excellent orchestra, having played for a number of dances here, need no other introduction.

Sponsor Program

Friday morning—Registration 12:14—Parade
2:00 p. m.—Grand Entrance
5:30 p. m.—Tea at Mrs. Neal Chastain's home
8:00 p. m.—Grand Entrance
10:00 p. m.—Sponsors' Presentation Dance

Saturday
10:00 a. m.—Additional Judging
2:00 p. m.—Grand Entrance
8:00 p. m.—Grand Entrance.

Town Dresses Up For Big Rodeo

The business district of Spur may seem somewhat unfamiliar to you after Friday, for the buildings are being decorated for the gala occasion of the third annual rodeo.

Clyde Walthall, chairman of the decoration committee, announces that contracts have been made with Mr. G. M. Stone of the Western Tent and Awning Co., of Amarillo, to decorate the town. Mr. Stone has been in this business more than 15 years and has helped decorate the city of Amarillo for some of its most important affairs.

Decorations are to be completed by Friday and will remain until after the rodeo.

Mann to Speak Here During Rodeo

Gerald C. Mann, candidate for United States Senator, will be in Spur Friday, June 20, and will make an address at 11:30 a. m.

Other candidates have been extended invitations by the rodeo association to visit Spur and speak but, at press time Wednesday, only Mann's acceptance had been received.

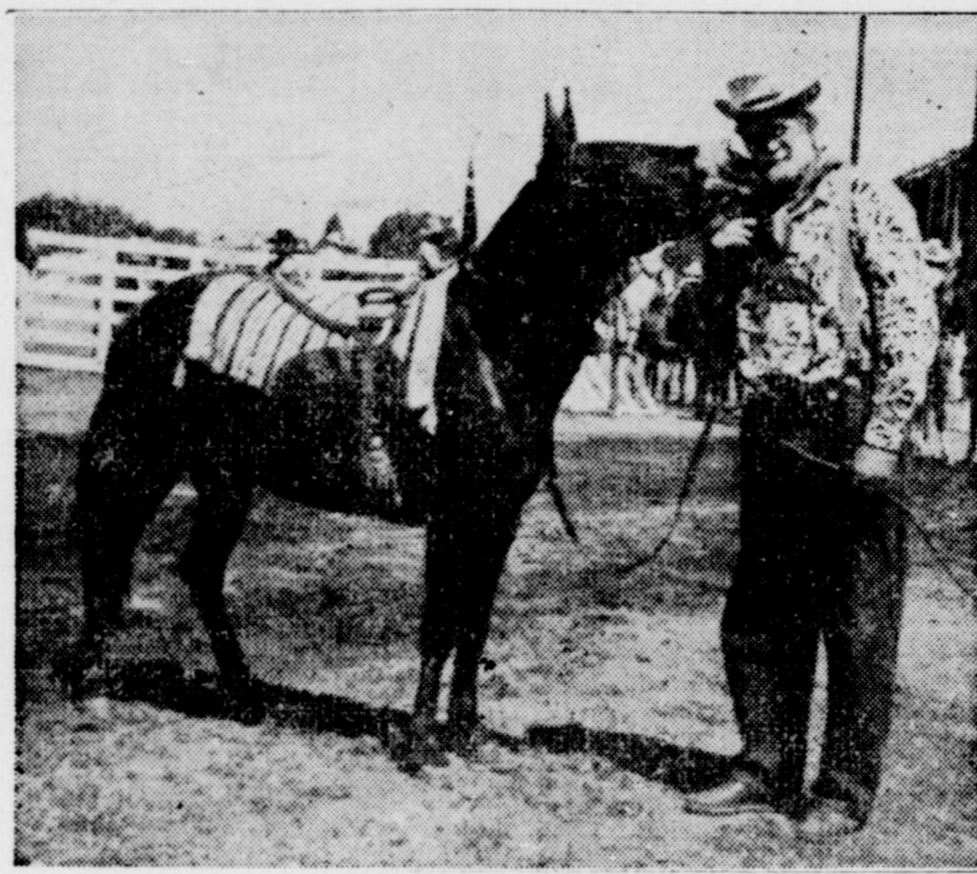
Marriage Licenses

E. H. Ousley, County Clerk, recently issued the following marriage licenses:

Miss Ethel Estelle Green and Everett McArthur
Miss Leona Unruh and Jack Caldwell.

Charles Story, with the local W. T. U. Company, replacing H. B. Thompson, who with Mrs. Thompson are on an extended vacation spent last week-end in Sweetwater.

Diamond-D-Dewey and Educated Mule



Dewey will appear at each performance of Spur's Third Annual Rodeo with new acts. As to his ability as an animal trainer, he is reputed to be the first person ever to train a buffalo, regarder as untrainable. Be your own judge—attend each performance of the rodeo

Men Must Register By July First

The President of the United States has proclaimed July 1, 1941, as registration day for men who have reached their twenty-first birthday since October 16, 1940. All men who on July 1st have reached their 21 birthday will present themselves to the local boards having jurisdiction over the address at which they reside and submit to registration. Men who are away from home will register with the board in the city in which they may happen to be on July 1.

All Dickens county boys will register at the local board office in the court house in Dickens, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 6 p. m., July 1.

Any person who willfully neglects to register is subject to a maximum penalty of \$10,000 or 5 years in prison or both.

DICKENS COUNTY-GIRARD SING-SONG

The Dickens County-Girard sing-song meets at Afton the third Sunday in June at 2 o'clock. Come and bring your song books.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kelly and daughters, Misses Juanita and Betty Lou, spent last week-end at Corsicana, visiting at the orphans home and with friends at intervening points.

Mrs. Whistler, who has been spending an extended visit with her sister and family, of Fort Worth, returned Monday to her home in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jones and daughter, of Lower Red Mud, were shopping in Spur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ensey are the parents of an 8 pound son born Saturday, June 7, at 1 a. m. at the Nichols Hospital. This is their first born son and heir. Mrs. Ensey and baby are getting along nicely.

Farm Loans May Still Be Applied for In Dickens County

Farmers who desire farm security loans to buy their own farms were urged to hurry and file their applications by Joe M. Rose, farmer and chairman of the county tenant purchase committee.

Mr. Rose said that his committee is trying to hasten this work along so that every farmer will be on his newly-owned farm without interfering with his next year's work.

Loans which bear only three percent interest and are payable over a 40-year period may still be applied for by worthy tenants, sharecroppers, and farm laborers. Preference, however, is given to families with an adequate supply of livestock and equipment.

Farmers to whom these loans are made choose the farm they hope to own and are not restricted to those which are fully improved. The loan may include funds to repair or build the home, barn and other buildings.

Applications for these loans should be made to the Farm Security Administration office located on the second floor of the Spur Security Bank Building.

ATTENDS FUNERAL OF FATHER

D. B. Ince and family were called to Mineral Wells and left Spur Tuesday morning to attend the funeral service held for his father who passed away at his home at that place Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. McGinty and sons with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Malone attended funeral services for D. F. Draper, held Sunday at Tahoka.

Mr. Draper, an uncle of Mrs. McGinty, was a veteran minister of the Church of Christ.

Municipal Swim Pool Now Open

The Spur Municipal Swimming Pool was opened Wednesday, June 11, under the management of Jeff Smart and Ross Culbert, who have the pool leased from the city for the summer.

Both are enterprising young men, capable of safely operating this business, and who extend a cordial invitation to you to refresh yourself with healthful swims.

Formal opening of the Pool will be held next Wednesday, June 18, at which time you may have a "swim on the house." Please turn to ad on page eight for details.

Paving of West Harris Held Up for Material

The State Highway Department has purchased materials for the completion of the paving on West Harris Street, and extending to the Experiment Station, and expect delivery about July 1, announces E. W. Marrs, resident engineer.

Work will be resumed and paving completed, soon after the materials arrive. In the meantime, work has been deferred to permit the WPA to complete the county road project south of Justice's Store.

Father of H. P. Gibson Dies at Lamesa

J. P. Gibson, 75, former resident of Dickens county, died at his home near Lamesa Saturday night, June 7. Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Sunday, his son, H. P. Gibson, Mrs. Gibson and Frances of Spur, attending.

Mr. Gibson had been in failing health for the past four or five years. J. P. Gibson was born in Coryell county, Texas, June 21, 1865. He grew to manhood and was married to Miss Lou Seals there November 24, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson moved to Hamilton county in 1891 and there reared their family of eight children.

In 1910 the family came to Dickens county and improved a farm in the Steel Hill community near Spur, remaining here until 1917 since which time they have made their home at Lamesa.

Immediate survivors are: the widow, Mrs. Lou Gibson; four sons, H. P. Gibson, Spur; Ross, Jim and Clyde Gibson, Lamesa; four daughters, Mmes. J. A. Hinson, Bill Love, Sid Stanfield, and J. H. Ragsdale, all of Lamesa; and two brothers, Rev. K. H. Gibson, of Carlton and M. L. Gibson, of Stephenville.

DR. HUGHES BRINGS FAMILY TO SPUR

Mrs. J. F. Hughes and daughters, Misses Anne and Monna last week moved their personal effects to Spur where they will be domiciled in the Morris home during the summer. Dr. Hughes having recently leased, of Mrs. Morris her home, 615 Burlington Avenue for a period of three months and where the family will be at home for the present.

23 YEARS AGO

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

A fine boy was born Wednesday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Koon at their home in northwest Spur. This is their first son and heir and the father shows in every instance that he is proud of Jr.

W. L. McAteer was in the latter part of last week. He reports everything blooming at the "Egyptian Farm" since the big rains.

H. P. Cole, of near Dickens, was a business visitor in Spur the first of the week.

Mesdames L. N. Ritter and V. C. Smart are spending some time in Mineral Wells.

J. J. Rogers and wife, of Cat Fish, were in Spur Saturday shopping and visiting with friends.

The Baptist protracted meeting begun Sunday night, the Pastor Rev. G. W. Thomas, is being assisted by Rev. E. J. Isenhower, of Birmingham, Alabama and P. A. Stockton, of Aurara, Missouri who will conduct the miss services.

The following young ladies took part in a drill and program rendered at the close of school. Misses Helen Grace, Ella Mae Hogan, Crystel Randleman, Ruby Love, Lucile Barber, Mabel Stafford, Ida Mae Scott, Aubrey Barber, Carol Senning, Norma, Jackson, Gussie Mae Love, Floy Richbourg, Aileen Williams, Lottie Fite, Lera Albin, Ruth Love, Pauline Ramsey, Willie Lee Gilbert, Willie Stafford, Atha Flemey, Velma Ad-dington, Adeline Senning, Dick Stafford and Little Howard Christian, Jr.

Otho Hale, a leading citizen and business man of Afton, was greeting friends in Spur one day the first of this week.

J. C. McNeill and family of the Alamo Stock Farm west of Spur spent Thursday in Spur the guest of Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Standifer and family.

Mrs. E. E. Patterson who has been spending a ten days visit with her sister, Mrs. E. A. Hindman at their ranch home west of Spur, returned Saturday to her home in San Antonio.

R. P. Davis was here Saturday from the Dry Lake community.

Walter Jordan, of Steel Hill, called at the Texas Spur office Saturday and had the paper sent to J. A. Jordan, of Hico.

T. S. Lambert, of Tap, come in Saturday.

Mrs. Dunwoody, of Santa Anna, returned Saturday to her home after a ten days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Ousley.

Frank Hale of twelve miles southeast of Spur, was in the city Tuesday.

Rev. E. E. White informed us this week that at the close of the Methodist Brotherhood meeting the membership presented him with a hundred dollar bill, telling him to take a vacation and enjoy a season of rest. He and wife will leave this week for Georgetown where he will attend school this semester.

Patton Springs Boys Exterminate Many Farm Pests

The Patton Springs F. F. A. chapter has just completed a pest eradication campaign. During the past two weeks the boys have brought in evidence of eradication the following pests:

Fifteen rats, 102 mice, 6 crows, 70 crow eggs, 64 turtles, 1 bobcat, 14 prairie dogs, 1 badger, 10 hawks, 7 hawk eggs, 18 skunks, 92 sparrows, 241 sparrow eggs, 84 cotton tails and 17 rattlesnakes.

Edward White, V. A. Teacher.

S. I. Powell was painfully not seriously injured Tuesday when a horse he was shoeing fell pinning Mr. Powell to the ground.

While Mr. Powell is confined to his home suffering of bruises and shock his condition is not considered serious and he will be back at his place of business in a few days.

First All Colored Rodeo In West Texas Will Be Held In Spur On Juneteenth

Another "first" for Spur, and West Texas, is the All Colored Rodeo being held by the Negro citizens of Spur on June 19. In keeping with the proverbial fun loving nature of this race, this event portends to be one of the most enjoyable ever staged. Despite the fact that there

is a scarcity of professional Negro cowboys, there will be plenty of contestants entered to put on a big show.

The Spur Round-Up Rodeo Association has made provisions for the use of Bill Lyons' rodeo stock, which is an excellent string of stock

that will afford plenty of excitement for both contestants and spectators.

Other events on the 19th of June celebration program are dances, baseball games, a free barbecue lunch, Queen contest, and a big street parade. The day will be cramed with fun and excitement.

Wm Goldstein, president of the Spur Negro Citizens Council announces that colored folks from all over West Texas are invited to attend and participate in all contests.

The only event having an admission charge is the rodeo, being, white people 20 and 35 cents; colored 10 and 25 cents.

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Mosquito Control Will Save Many Lives in Texas

AUSTIN—"A marked saving in human lives and improved health conditions may be obtained in large measure by an educational program for the control of the mosquito," suggests Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer.

"Malaria is transmitted to humans," he said, "by the bite of the Anopheles mosquito. This mosquito acquires the malaria parasites by biting a person who has these parasites in his blood. She (it is the female who transmits this disease) then bites a well person. The parasites enter the blood, grow, and multiply there. Poisons are formed and carried in the blood stream to all parts of the body. The person bitten by the carrier mosquito begins to shiver with chills, burns with fever, and to have headache.

"Prevention of malaria should start with the protection of humans from the bite of the infected mosquito and continue through to the elimination of the mosquito.

"The protection of humans may be accomplished by screening all houses to prevent the entrance of mosquitoes. A 16-mesh wire screen should be placed over all openings. Be sure that all chimneys, cracks and other openings are covered.

"The malaria mosquito breeds in still water and the pools and grassy edges of running water, as well as in rainy places where water is allowed to collect or stand. The female mosquito then lays her eggs on the surface of the water, where they float, and in a few days hatch into "wiggly tails." These live in the water and in time turn into mosquitoes. These changes must take place in the water and require twelve to fourteen days in summer to complete the cycle.

"In order to prevent the malaria mosquito from breeding, destroy their shelters by removing all brush and weeds; and drain or otherwise control their breeding places in water by spraying the surface with

U. S. Civil Service Examinations Announced

As a part of the comprehensive planning for national defense, mineral economists are needed to do research in the fields of minerals, coal and petroleum. Civil service examinations for these positions are now open. The salaries range from \$2,600 to \$5,600 a year. Completion of a 4 year college course with major study in such subjects as geology, metallurgy, mining engineering, or economics, and professional experience dealing with the economics of mineral industries are required. Substitution of additional experience for part of the education, and likewise of appropriate graduate study for experience is permitted under certain conditions. Persons who may be qualified for these important positions are urged to file their applications with the U. S. Civil Service Commission in Washington at once. Applications will be rated as received until further notice.

Another examination just announced by the commission is for cylinder pressmen for employment in the Government Printing Office and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the Treasury Department. In the government printing office pressmen will be paid \$1.32 an hour for a 40-hour week. The bureau of engraving and printing pays at the rate of \$10.65 per day. Completion of seven grades of formal schooling and a 4-year apprenticeship or 4 years of practical experience as printing pressman are required of all applicants. In addition 1 year of journeyman experience in the actual operation of flat-bed cylinder presses is necessary. However, because of the exacting nature of the duties in the bureau of engraving and printing an additional 2 years of journeyman experience on flat-bed cylinder presses equipped with automatic feeders is required. Applications for this examination must be on file with commissioner's office not later than July 9, 1941.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Barbee are the parents of a daughter, born Wednesday, May 4, at their home in Snyder. The infant was named Ellen Sue.

Mrs. Barbee is the former Miss Helen Joyner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Joyner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Watson, of two miles south of Dickens, were among the business visitors to Spur Saturday.

oil or putting top-feeding minnows in water where oil or drainage cannot be used. Such a campaign will be waged around all military areas in Texas."

Perkins Donates to S. M. U. Gymnasium

J. J. Perkins, wealthy Wichita Falls philanthropist and oilman, announced to the Southern Methodist University board of trustees, of which he is a member, that he and Mrs. Perkins would give up to \$150,000 to provide a new gymnasium for SMU. Dr. Umphrey Lee, president, said following the annual June story building of two-story dimensioning of the board.

The gymnasium will be a one-section containing seating facilities for 4,000 persons, basketball and other courts, offices for the physical education and athletic departments, dressing rooms for teams, coaches and officials, a clinic, lockers, physical education classrooms, ticket booths and concession rooms. The building will be in modern Georgian style architecture to conform with other buildings on the campus.

Perkins, long a benefactor of SMU and the Methodist Church, first aided the university in the early 1920's when he helped make a pool of \$100,000 to buy lots from SMU. In 1939, Perkins gave a \$30,000 resident building to the Methodist orphanage in Waco, naming it the Lois Perkins Home in honor of his wife.

Other philanthropies to SMU include the endowment of a \$50,000 professorial chair in 1922 and in 1938 \$75,000 for the completion of what is now Perkins Hall of Administration, a three-story office building on the northwest part of the campus. Perkins was in 1938 voted the outstanding philanthropic citizen of Wichita Falls.

Miss Joyce Koon, student nurse in McAllen municipal hospital, McAllen, Texas, and who is in Spur spending her vacation visiting home folks and friends went to Shallow-water Friday to visit in the Walter Smith home until Wednesday of this week.

Miss Mae Toy Murphey of Calvert is spending a visit in Spur the guest of her sister, Mrs. Paul Marian and Mr. Marian.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Willard and son, Dwain, had as recent guest his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Willard, of Nopa, California.

Prediction About Eggs is Made by Specialist

COLLEGE STATION—The time will come when eggs will be sold in Texas according to government grade.

In making this prophecy, Myrtle Murray, extension service specialist in home industries, points out that 10 states already have made grading compulsory. She believes the ideal method of marketing eggs would be for the producer to deliver his eggs to a central place where they could be candled and graded by an expert, then sold by lots according to grade. This means the best eggs would draw a premium price.

Eggs are not sold in sufficient volume in many sections of this state to justify the expense of employing a licensed grader.


The United States standard is used as a basis for grading eggs at many of the large terminal markets in the country. Under this plan, eggs, graded by a licensed operator, are placed in sealed cartons with certificates of quality approved by the agricultural marketing service. Not only the grade, but the date of grading, and the size of the egg are given on the certificate. Size is important, Miss Murray says. A dozen eggs should be uniformly large, uniformly medium or uniformly small, and all should be fairly uniform in shape. Color is leastant, but all white or all brown eggs are more attractive.

Care is an important factor in maintaining the quality of eggs. They should be gathered in a wire basket and kept in a cool place where there is a good circulation of air. This will prevent deterioration. Eggs should be gathered at least twice daily and marketed two or three times a week.

Poultry specialists of the A. & M. College extension service have prepared material on the grading of eggs during summer months, and copies are obtainable from the office of county extension agents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gay went Friday to New Orleans, Louisiana, where Mr. Gay is with the civil service branch of the defense program.

Yippe-ee
Ride 'Em
Cowboy




My boots in the stirrups,
Seat in the saddle,
Ridin' all-round them
Dadblamed cattle.
Come a ti-yi yippe yi yea.


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Welcome Pard to Spur's
3rd Annual Rodeo

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RUCKER'S
Shoe & Boot
Shop
SPUR, TEXAS



Mr. and Mrs. Alton Loe and small daughter, Donnie, of Beaver, Oklahoma, are spending a two weeks vacation in Spur visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loe, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pritchett and numerous other relatives and friends in and near Spur.

TO CHECK
MALARIA
IN 7 DAYS
take **666**




WELCOME
to
Spur's 3rd Annual
RODEO
And Dickens County's
50TH ANNIVERSARY

Leave your motor troubles with us and enjoy the Rodeo
Drive Home in a New Ford


Godfrey & Smart
FORDS

Welcome Visitors
to Spur's 3rd Annual
Round-up and Rodeo
Celebrating
Dickens County's 50th Anniversary

In observing Fifty Years of Progress of Dickens County, which was open range in 1891 and is still today largely a farming and cattle county, it is befitting that it be done in the Western fashion.



Western hospitality is a thrait that continues to thrive here, as you will see when you visit us June 20-21



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Good Land Use Benefits Farmers, Townsmen

Bulletin No. 597, Texas agricultural experiment station, discusses the relationships of land use to erosion and sedimentation. The feasibility of controlling the water flow and silt transportation by a systematic treatment of watershed lands is suggested and the benefits to be derived are indicated. This bulletin is just off the press and is available for distribution. It is the result of a study of the Trinity River Basin and will serve as a good guide to land owners in other watersheds where conditions are very similar to those on the Trinity watershed.

The rates of reservoir sedimentation have been excessively increased by unsound land use. Soil loss from upland fields not only reduces soil productivity, lowers land values, and reduces farm income, but its deposition in reservoirs greatly increases the cost of water storage.

The total annual damage caused by siltation in all the reservoirs in the Trinity River Basin without upland erosion control was found to be approximately \$165,000 a year. It is estimated that \$90,000, or more than one-half of this damage, could be prevented if approved erosion control practices were applied to approximately two-thirds of the total land area of the reservoir watersheds.

Soil erosion causes not only the siltation of reservoirs with resultant loss of storage capacity and destruction of reservoir values, but pollution from soil erosion brings with it an added burden of water treatment for industrial and domestic uses. This represents, in the aggregate, serious economic loss to the public. Both of these erosion damages can be reduced greatly by the application of known methods of erosion control on reservoir watersheds. For example, it has been found that the Kaufman Lake is silting at the rate of 6.6 acre-feet per year. On the basis of data available from soil and water conservation experiments, it is estimated that at least one-half of this siltation damage could be prevented if the soil conservation pro-

Another Navy Flying Class to Hensley

Commander A. Laverents, senior member, Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, 524 Allen Building, Dallas, announced this week that he had issued orders for another class of 31 aviation students to report to the Naval Reserve Air Base at Hensley Field, Dallas, on June 16. This is the third class to assemble at this naval aviation school.

Commander Laverents pointed out that since the navy aviation students are being ordered in classes the first and third Monday in each month, there is very little delay between the time the candidate qualifies and when he is ordered to duty. This delay in the past has been as much as several months, whereas, now it is but a few days in most cases.

Recent modification of the educational requirements which now eliminates the mathematical subjects and a reduction in the minimum height requirements from 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 4 inches, has greatly stimulated enlistment in this branch of service.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Cairns have had as guests the past several weeks her aunt and uncle, Miss Minnie Crawford of Lampasas, and Mr. Nat Crawford of California and other relatives and friends.

Program were applied to as much as 99 per cent of the watershed area. As a result, the life of this lake would be increased from 37 to 74 years, or doubled.

It is apparent from this study that substantial benefits may be expected from an erosion control program in reservoir watersheds by both farmers and townsmen. For example, the annual farm benefits of a complete erosion control program in the watershed of the Kaufman Lake are estimated at \$810 and the benefits of the town at \$425—a total of \$1,235. The total initial cost of a complete erosion control program for the Kaufman Lake watershed, including increases in annual maintenance, is estimated at \$5,000. This combined benefits of farm and town benefits of \$1,235 would amortize the \$5,000 at 6 per cent interest in five years. This looks like a good investment for both farmers and townsmen.

Library News

At a meeting of the advisory committee of the Dickens County Public Library Thursday of last week, Mrs. Nell Davis was appointed general chairman; Mrs. Elton Cook, finance chairman; Mrs. George Glover, chairman of the monthly library tag sale in Spur; Mrs. Willow Street and Mrs. Speer, tag sales chairman in Dickens; and Mrs. John Formby and Mrs. Eldridge, tag sales chairman at McAdoo.

A publicity committee was named as follows: Mrs. Malcolm Brannen, Mrs. Thurmond Moore, and Mrs. Robert Reynolds.

It was decided to invite Mr. Arthur Curry, state supervisor of libraries for the WPA to meet with the local committee the second week in July.

It was voted to offer library tags for sale in Spur on the first Saturday of each month. \$10 has been donated in this way already. And the committee wishes to thank all those who have contributed by buying a tag.

Donations in any amount will be gladly accepted by Mrs. Cook or any of her committee at any time.

Help your library grow!

Mrs. F. H. Leach, of Gainesville, is spending a visit of two or three weeks in Spur the guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Winslar. Accompanying Mrs. Leach to Spur was her sister, Mrs. W. E. Gamble, of Oklahoma City, who is visiting a girlhood friend, Mrs. Eliza Self. As the former Misses Wheelers, Mmes Leach and Gamble lived in this section of the county before the opening of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore, Jr., and son, Gary, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Foster and son, Jerry Lonier, spent the week-end near Jackboro at Jermyn, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore, Sr.

A new crop, safflower, is almost sure to become an important crop in Northwest Texas, following tests at the Chillicothe Experiment Station. There will be about 200 acres of safflower in Hardeman county this year, and station workers expect to mill 40 to 50 tons of this oil-seed crop so that the value of the products may be determined.

Dairy Cows Should be Kept Contented

COLLEGE STATION—In order for a dairy cow to produce most efficiency, she should have the capacity to yield a large quantity of milk and at the same time have the raw materials from which to create it. Another requirement which is almost as important, says G. G. Gibson, assistant extension dairyman for A. & M. College, is that the conditions for doing the work must be favorable, namely, she should be kept a contented cow. Anything contributing to the comfort and well-being of a cow usually is classed as management.

"Each oversight in management takes its share of profit and omissions in management seldom result in decrease in costs of production," Gibson says. "A shade over a water trough, for example, costs little and not having one in hot weather results in less milk. Keeping breeding dates costs nothing, yet the lack of a proper rest period could decrease the total production for the succeeding lactation by 25 to 50 per cent."

A safety bullpen might cost a dairyman \$100, but it will prolong the useful life of the bull and might save the dairyman's life. Other details of dairy herd management are location of pastures near the milking barn, convenient water supply, and shade or shelter for the herd according to conditions of the weather.

"Above all, handle the herd so that the cows will not become wild or nervous. Gentle treatment makes a gentle herd and helps make a profitable herd," the specialists counsel.

Many Youths Fail To Stand Army Examination

General J. Watt Page, state selective service doctor, said today that the number of selective service rejections for physical reasons in Texas constitute a challenge to public and private health agencies and also to the public at large.

Referring to a statement of Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, deputy director of selective service, that the general physical condition of the country's youth, as revealed by selective service tests, is something which "we nationally should be thoroughly ashamed," General Page pointed out that the national condition is reflected to a certain extent in every state, and he emphasized the need for vigorous action by all citizens to improve the general health.

General Page, using the nation at large as an example, pointed out that out of one million selective service registrants who have been given physical examination, 380,000 have been found unfit for general military service, or considerably more than one-third.

"Looking into the causes of the rejections," General Page said, "we find that nutritional deficiencies are directly or indirectly responsible for one-third of the rejections. This is a condition that is dangerous and it calls for action—concerted action, immediate action, vigorous action."

Of the total number of men rejected in the nation because of physical disabilities, General Page said, about one-half were unfit for any military service and the remainder placed in Class 1-B, or fit only for limited military service. The men in this group, he continued, present a special problem and every effort should be made to correct the physical defects among them that can be corrected so that they may be able to fulfill their military obligations. "That means," he added, "that we are confronted with the necessity for rehabilitation in cases where it is possible to better physical conditions. And we should strive to find a place in the national defense picture for those with uncorrectible disabilities."

General Page subdivided the correctible group thus: (1) Those who will attempt to correct their disabilities without urging; (2) those who will be content to remain as they are.

He declared he believed the responsibility for rehabilitating those in the last group should be a direct responsibility of the government.

Mrs. Carl Randolph, of Afton, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

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Sensational Relief from Indigestion and One Dose Proves It
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SPANKING BY TELEGRAM—SOMETHING NEW

Goodbye to the old-fashioned woodshed and hairbrush—dads can now do their spanking by telegram.

A husky, 175-pound messenger boy this week presented University of Texas freshman Frank O. Murray with the following telegram from his father:

Western Union, Special Service, Austin, Texas.

Please call on T. D. freshman Frank Murray, 407 W. 27th Street, and administer spanking for not

writing home.

Frank R. Murray.

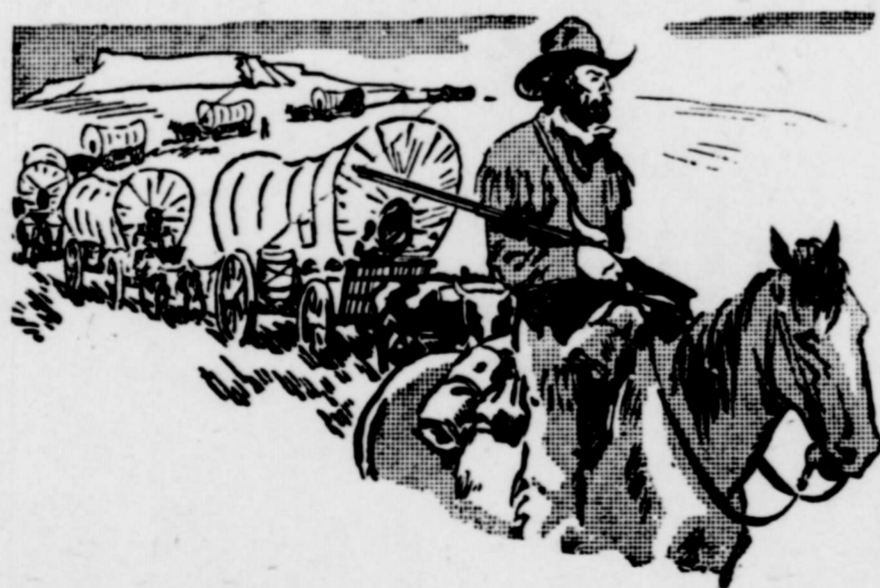
The next afternoon Mr. Murray, at home in Panhandle, got an answer to his wire:

Frank has been duly spanked. It hurt him more than us, we can assure you. He did the writing today. Regards.

Western Union.

Mrs. R. L. Alexander and daughter, Miss Bernice, spent Sunday in Colorado City the guest of their son and brother respectively, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alexander.

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Social Happenings

Lubbock Girl and Spur Man Wed

Miss Ethel Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Green, 1938 Avenue N. Lubbock and Everett McArthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McArthur, of Spur, were united in marriage at a candlelight service read Saturday, June 7, at the Spur First Methodist Church at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Rev. H. L. Thurston, officiating with a double ring ceremony.

Nuptial vows were spoken before an altar decorated with Queen Anne's lace, Yucca blossoms and white candles.

Miss Fernie Holland played a medley of wedding songs, "Indian Love Call," "I Love You Truly" and "Because" after the candles had been lighted by Spencer Campbell and Dave Sisto, both of Spur. She played the traditional wedding marches and accompanied Miss Ina Bacon as she sang, "Until" (Sanderson). "To a Wild Rose" (MacDowell) was played during the ceremony.

The bride wore a floor length white pique dress and a finger tip illusion veil. She carried a bouquet of white asters.

Miss Mary Green of Southland attended her sister as maid of honor. She wore a dark blue dotted Swiss frock and white gladioli corsage. Miss Bacon and Miss Holland also wore gladioli corsages.

Herman McArthur, of Gladioli, New Mexico, attended his cousin as best man.

At a reception held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Nichols, Misses Beatrice Spivey, of Lubbock, Martha Nichols and Don Arthur presided at the bride's table in serving wedding cake and fruit punch to

those attending as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McArthur, Misses Leona Gelin, Lubbock; Louise Wolforth, Lubbock; Joyce Johnson, Lubbock; Effie Lou Keasters, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McArthur, Mrs. Floyd Barrett, Miss Betty Jo Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. John I. Green, Lubbock; Mr. Lex Green, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Bell Wallace, Jonesboro, Arkansas; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brock, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McArthur, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Thurston, Mrs. Thurmond Moore, Thurmond Moore, Jr., John Hoden Moore, Miss Irene Holland, Lubbock; Mr. Spencer Campbell, Mr. David Sisto, Miss Mary Green, Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Nichols, Miss Ina Bacon.

The bride, who is a graduate of Lubbock High School and Texas Technological College, has been teaching homemaking at Spur High School for the past three years. Mr. McArthur is a graduate of Spur High School and is in the livestock business.

The couple will be at home in Spur.

Pre-nuptial courtesies extended Miss Green was a shower hosted by Misses Winifred Aycock, Marie Simpson, Ina Bacon and Dorothy Walker at the Nichols home, 714 N. Parker.

In the receiving line with Mrs. Nichols, who met the guests were the honoree, Miss Green, Mrs. E. S. McArthur, Miss Aycock and Mrs. John I. Green of Lubbock.

The party rooms were decorated with cut roses and larkspur.

Miss Dorothy Walker presided at the table holding the Bride's Book and secured signatures of guests attending. Mrs. J. C. McNeil III, played piano selections during the after-

noon. Lime sherbert, gingerale punch and dainty ice box cookies was served. Plate favors, the figure seven cut out of white cardboard and on which was written, June, Ethel and Everett, announced the wedding date.

Those who called were: Mmes. W. C. Gruben, W. F. Gilbert, Lucy Cowan, Miss Beatrice Darden, Mmes. Thurmond Moore, Elsie Smith, Dee McArthur, E. D. Engleman, Misses Frances Graham, Ann Lee; Mmes. W. B. Lee, Floyd Barnett, J. C. Ramsey, Stella Winston, J. M. Foster, Lynn Buzbee; Edith Caviness, Mary Nelda Vaughtner; Mrs. B. F. Hale, Mrs. J. E. Morris, Doris Arthur, Margaret Maloney, Mrs. Robert Lewis, Mrs. Malcolm Brannen, Mrs. R. E. Dickson, Mrs. W. M. Hilly, Edwina Ceorley, Mrs. O. L. Kelly, Mrs. O. C. Thomas, Mr. Pike Nichols, Jr., Nelle Frances, Mrs. W. B. Frances, Sr., Mrs. H. L. Thurston, Mrs. E. C. McGee.

Other courtesies are being planned for the bride.

Mrs. Hilly Honored With Gift Tea

Co-Hostess at a lovely party and gift tea Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the B. F. Hale home 617 Noreh Burlington Avenue, honoring Mrs. Wm. Hilly were members of the Women's Council of the Spur First Christian Church. They are: Mmes. E. L. Caraway, E. C. McGee, O. L. Hite, Mattie Lisenbey, Harvey Giddens, S. E. Kelsey, R. C. Brown, Cecil Addy, Cecil Fox, Roberts, E. L. Adams, W. R. Jimison and R. A. Ransey.

Guests were greeted informally and ushered into the reception rooms where garden flowers in profusion made beautiful house decorations. Miss Grace Foster played piano selections and accompanied Bonnie Campbell as she sang "Mighty Like a Rose." Other numbers on the program was a reading by Betty Lynn Brown and a number of contests. Mrs. Hilly scored high point in the contests and was awarded the prize, a lively shower of gifts were opened and passed.

White cake squares and fruit punch was served to guests calling.

The invited list reads: Mmes. W. R. Stafford, Afton; Lonnie Harris and Miss Willie Stafford, Los Angeles, California; Mmes. J. B. Morrison, Jr., J. B. Morrison, Sr., Archer Powell, J. F. Hughes, O. B. Ratliff, H. B. Thompson, H. S. Holly, C. D. Foreman, Cecil Ayers, Misses Margaret Mae Weaver, Betty Lynn Brown, Sammie McGee, Anne and Monna Hughes, Dick Arthur, Joyce McCulley and LaNell Fallin.

Mmes. Nell Moore, W. P. Foster, Eldon Powell, Woodrow Duckworth, Fay Draper and Neoma Starcher.

Misses Grace Foster, Wynell McClure, Ann and Regenia Lee, Isabell and Bonnie Campbell, Polly and Robby Clemmons, Elizabeth Powell, Winifred and Helen Ruth Lee and Lucile Lucas.

Misses Pauline Joyner, Ruth, Ruby and Emily Cowan, Jane Godfrey, Mary Marsh and Frances Gibson.

Mrs. R. E. Dickson, the honoree, Mrs. Hilly, the house hostess, Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter, Miss Helen Hale.

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Pickens-Hickman Rites Announced

Announcement is made this week of the marriage, last August, of Miss Ione Pickens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Pickens, of Dry Lake, to Lewis Hickman, of McAdoo.

Mrs. Hickman is a graduate of Spur High School and of Draughts Business College at Lubbock. For the past two years she has had employment here with the Elliott Appliance Company.

Mr. Hickman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hickman, of McAdoo and is a graduate of the McAdoo High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Hickman will be at home in McAdoo, to their many friends.

Staffords Holding Open House

Miss Willie Stafford and Mrs. Lonnie Harris and small daughter, Dian, of Los Angeles, California, arrived last week to spend a visit of two or three weeks with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stafford, of Afton. Other guests of the Staffords last week-end were another daughter, Patsy Jean, of Meadon.

Miss Stafford, Mrs. Stearns and daughter and another sister, Mrs. Fleas Curd, of Afton, were greeting former neighbors and friends on the streets of Spur Saturday while here to visit their uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Hale.

Spur Couple Marry Sunday Morning

Miss Vera Jo Bains, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Bains and Eugene Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor, all of Spur, were married Sunday morning at Tahoka with Justice of the Peace Die officiating with a single ring ceremony at the Die home in Tahoka.

Attending the couple were Miss Mary Marsh, of Spur and Alton Bar-

clay, of Lubbock.

Mrs. Taylor is a graduate of Spur High School class of 1940.

Mr. Taylor graduated with the class of 1939 and at present is employed at Lubbock where he and Mrs. Taylor will be at home.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Smith and her mother, Mrs. Jennie Pritchett, of Espeula, were shopping and visiting in Spur Saturday.

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Little Misses Celebrate Seventh Birthdays

Little Misses Myra Alice Ratliff, daughter of County Attorney and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff and Annette Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee, shared honors at a birthday party Tuesday, June 3 when Mrs. Ratliff entertained in celebration of their seventh anniversaries.

Annette, four days Myra Alice's senior, had a birthday Sunday, June 1 and Myra Alice observed her birthday anniversary on Wednesday.

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Wedding of Spur Couple Announced
 Announcement was made Wednesday of the marriage of Miss Betty Boothe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boothe and Ernest Kerney, to Mr. and Mrs. Charley Kerney, of Spur. The couple went from Amarillo Thursday of last week and are now visiting relatives in Oklahoma. Details of the marriage have been received by either family or friends in Spur. Miss Kerney is a graduate of High School with the class of 1939. She was a Spur High School member and one of the band members. Miss Kerney graduated from High School in the spring of 1939 and entered Texas Tech. Lubbock at the opening of the 1939 fall semester. On a honeymoon trip they will return to Spur.

Bridge Club Luncheon
 The Bridge Club, associate members and guests enjoyed a delicious luncheon at the monthly luncheon of the club at the Spur Inn Wednesday noon. High score favor Mrs. F. W. Jennings, guest. Others playing were: Mrs. Cecil Sams, of Waco, Miss

Lucile Lucas, McAdoo; guests, Misses R. R. Woolen, T. E. Milam, Della Eaton, Henry Alexander, Mac Woodrum, W. T. Andrews and L. D. Ratliff.

Luncheon guests were Mrs. Harvey Holly and Miss Julia Mae Hickman. Following the bridge games a brief business session was called to decide the hour of meeting; the vote favored 9:30 a. m. The second Wednesdays in July and August. Mrs. L. E. Standifer will be hostess to the club Wednesday, June 18.

Mrs. Woodrum Hostess To Bridge Club
 Mrs. Mac Woodrum was hostess to her Tripple Trey Bridge Club Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at her home 920 West Harris. High score favors went to Mrs. E. D. Engleman, club member and Miss Anna Mae Lassatter, guest.

A lovely fruit plate with punch and cookies were served to those named and Misses T. E. Milam, Martin Pope, Burford Johnston, Alf Glasgow, Pike Nichols, L. D. Ratliff, club members and Mrs. Kimbrough, of Jayton, guest.

Young People Return From Conference
 Louise Ince, Betty Jo Woodrum, Edward Johnson and Bob Wilson returned the past week from the Northwest Texas Conference Annual Assembly for Young People at McMurry College. Each of these young people report an excellent week of training in work, worship and recreation. More than 300 were registered for the assembly.

Three of these young people learned from Rev. W. E. Hamilton, of Lubbock, the plan for the young people under the United Methodist Church. As soon as material and information is available the local chapter will organize under that plan. These young people were sent by monies acquired by the local chapter by systematic giving and other sources. A number express desire to attend the training school next year.

Exchange Club Meets With Mrs. Allen
 The Exchange Club met in the C. V. Allen home Wednesday, May 23, with Mrs. Allen as hostess. Each member present answered roll call with a joke. Pals were revealed and names of pals for the following two months were drawn.

Mrs. Lena Miles, who left the following week for Austin where Mr. Miles will enter the University for a special course in chemistry, the next few weeks, was presented with a going away gift. A lovely refreshment plate was served to the following club members: Mmes. Aleitha Fox, Lena Miles, Dessie Mae Benson, Gertie Moore, Gladys Lewis, Onra Pearl Kinney, Lillian Roberts, Nellie Carlisle, Helen Maddox, Georgia Barrett, Bertha Carlisle, Virginia Dunwood, Bessie Payne, Fay McArthur, Winnie Barnett, Hostess, Edna Allen and three guests, Mmes. M. A. Lea, Delma McCarty and Cal Martin.

Junior Girls' Auxiliary
 The Junior Girls' Auxiliary met June 9, at 5 p. m. at the home of Mrs. J. E. Berry. The girls sang a number of songs. Alberta Dunwood led in prayer. Then the rank of "Lady in Waiting" was studied considerably. Then the program for June 16 was assigned. Refreshments were served to the following: Ann Hull, Lena Floy Denson, Straw Berry, Pearl Vaughn, Leta Mae Vaughn, Bobbie Dene Morrow, Evelyn Barclay, Lois Dunwood, Alberta Dunwood, Virginia Dunwood, Mrs. J. E. Berry, John E. Berry, and two visitors. The meeting was closed with a prayer by Pearl Vaughn. Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg, of Croton, combined business and pleasure in a day spent in Spur Saturday.

Presbyterian Young People Attend Encampment

The following young people went as representatives of the Presbyterian Church of Spur to the Young People's Conference at the Westminister Presbyterian Encampment at Kerrville: Miss Bertha Nell Walker, Miss Robbie Clemmons, and Jack Ramsay, Jr. The conference Thursday, June 19. This conference is attended by Presbyterian young people from every portion of Texas.

Club Meets at Swenson Park

The Exchange Club had a picnic at Swenson Park June 11 at 3 p. m. Gifts were exchanged and a picnic lunch was enjoyed by the following: Edna Allen, Nellie Carlisle, Bertha Carlisle, Gertie Moore, Lillian Roberts, Fay McArthur, Georgia Barrett, Winnie Barnett, Helen Maddox, Ora Pearl Kinney, Dessie Mae Benson, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Edd Williams and several children.

Woman's Society Meets at Church

The Woman's Society of Christian Service meet in a social Monday at the Methodist Church with Mmes. J. A. Koon, John King and J. C. Keen as co-hostesses. Sewing and knitting was the entertainment. Refreshments were served to Mmes. Hobert Lewis, George S. Link, Sr., J. W. Carlisle, Williams, W. G. Johnson, C. H. McCully, W. F. Gilbert, D. P. Condit and her mother, Mrs. Ford, Miss Etta Fite, Jimmie Koon and the hostesses.

Presbyterian Church John C. Ramsay, Minister

10:00 a. m. Sunday School, Cap McNeill, superintendent.
 11:00 a. m. Morning Worship and the Word. Sermon: "The Secret of Power."
 3:00 p. m. Outpost Sunday School.
 7:00 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Bertha Nelle Walker, president.
 8:00 p. m. Evening Worship and the Word. Sermon: "Some perilous Pitfalls" (A young people's message)
 Mid-Week prayer meeting on Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.
 Woman's Auxiliary meeting Monday at 8:00 p. m. at the Manse.
 The public is cordially invited.

Duck Creek HDC Studies Pictures

Making pictures for the home was the subject discussed and demonstrated by Miss Perrin at the Duck Creek home demonstration club which met with Mrs. D. G. Harris, June 9. The club sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold" and Mesdames D. G. Harris and Lance Smith sang a Father's Day song. Each member present answered the roll call with "a tribute to father."

Miss Perrin said the pictures in the home should be pictures the family enjoy. Colors of the pictures should blend in with the color of the wallpaper. They should be hung on the level with the eye. Miss Perrin showed us how to

make attractive pictures for the bedroom and kitchen, by painting tin cake pans and gluing a mat and picture in the bottom of the pan and tacking a small piece of wood to the back of the pan so they can be hung. Miss Perrin also gave us some hints on canning and gave some food reports.

Everyone enjoyed making costumes from newspapers and participating in a wedding march and wedding.

The next meeting will be with Mary Pearl Hagins June 23.

Refreshments were served to visitors: Mesdames J. E. Swaringen and L. B. McMeans, Miss Perrin, Members, C. R. Bennett, Jess Bradley, W. A. Webb, Samantha Smith, Fannie Sullivan, W. J. Driggers, Vernon Gregory, Lance Smith, Miss Mary Pearl Hagins and the hostess. Reporter.

Minutes for Dickens County Library

The advisory board of the Public Library of Dickens county met Thursday, June 5 in the library at Spur with a good attendance. Both Miss Mattie Mae McAskill and Miss Joyce Johnson were present.

A round-table discussion on the financial condition of the library was discussed. It was decided to set aside the first Saturday in each month as "Tag Day," and each second Monday as "Tag Day" in Dickens, the price of tags being one dime (10c) and up. The following committee was appointed: Elton D. Cook, general chairman; Mrs. G. H. Glover, co-chairman; Mrs. W. K. Street, Wade Banowsky and Mrs. Leo Speer of Dickens.

Mrs. M. H. Brannen resigned as chairman of board and was appointed as general chairman of publicity. Mrs. Nell Davis was appointed to fill the place of Mrs. Brannen.

Motion was made to postpone the July meeting from the first Thursday to second week in July—more definite date to be determined. This change was made in order to have Arthur R. Curry, supervisor state wide library projects of San Antonio present for this meeting.

The tags that are being sold were donated by the "Dickens County Times."

The August meeting of library committees will meet the first Thursday at 2:30 p. m. in the office of O. L. Kelley county superintendent, at Dickens.

Free books shall be checked out for a period of two weeks and two cents (2c) per day for everyday thereafter. Books on the rental shelf are ten cents (10c) per day.

The meeting adjourned. Mrs. Johnnie Koonsman, Secretary.

Johnny Clint Formby, Jack Graham, Misses Dessie Mae Wallace and Mozell Baum, of McAdoo, were business and pleasure visitors to Spur Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert McAteer, of Long Beach, California, who have been visiting with his mother and brothers, Mrs. W. L. McAteer, David and Robert, returned to their home in California Tuesday accompanied by his mother, who will visit with them there for several weeks.

Red Mud Cemetery Working July 7

An all day meeting with dinner on the ground will be held at Red Mud the first Saturday in July, the same being Saturday, July 7.

The purpose of this second meeting is to finish working the cemetery.

Due to lack of publicity, weather conditions or other hindrances, only a few were present at the June 6 meeting and the cemetery working was not finished.

The same programs arranged for the June 6 meeting will be carried out in full Saturday, July 7.

Every one come prepared to eat dinner and help work the cemetery. President Red Mud Cemetery Assn.


The Rev. Mr. John C. Ramsey, Mrs. Ramsey and daughter, Elizabeth, motored to Kerrville Wednesday to accompany Misses Robbie Clemmons, Aletha Nell Walker and Jack Ramsey, to that place for a ten days attendance upon the Young People's Conference and Presbyterian encampment. Jack Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey returned last week-end from South Carolina, where he attended a Presbyterian college last year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott had as over night guests Thursday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hall, of Sun Dance, Wyoming. Mrs. Hall is a sister of Mrs. Elliott.

Mrs. Buel McDaniel and children, Lowell and Helen, returned Tuesday morning from a ten days visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bond and other relatives and friends in Eastland and Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Wooten of Amarillo, spent a brief visit Sunday at McAdoo with his father, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten and at Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan and family.

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Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

STEPPING ALONG—Retail business still zooming, with nation's department store sales 14 per cent ahead of last year for the first five months of 1941. Total employment in the United States hit an all-time high of 50,150,000 in April, reports the National Conference Board—and at the same time unemployment dropped to 5,412,000, which is the lowest for any April since 1930. Defense industry had several pieces of good news: Production of aircraft engines in May is figured at 3,500 units, about 1,100 more than the January total. Lockheed claims all-time American record for first five months of this year, building and delivering \$45,871,500 worth of planes, more than it produced in the whole year of 1940. General Electric has completed the turbine for the battleship South Dakota, and it's being launched more than a month ahead of schedule. Equipment for another battle-wagon, the Massachusetts, is 10 weeks ahead of schedule. And the public bought \$441,782,000 worth of defense saving bonds and stamps in May, the first month they were on sale.

"RECESSITIES"—Words are born (or, like Topsy, just grow) when new conditions seem to demand them. "Loudspeaker" is one. "Airsick" and "columnist" are others. Even "jive." Now, in the aluminum industry, a new word has been coined which you may be hearing more and more. It's "recessities"—substitutes that civilian industries are patriotically seeking, even though they don't quite fit the bill, to replace materials now under defense priorities during the RECESS until producers can again catch up with combined defense and civilian demand. Aluminum Company of America, from 1930 to 1938, could find use for only 14 million pounds of aluminum a month, and that in busy 1939 the company had to make only 27 million pounds a month to satisfy civilian needs. Suddenly defense needs alone became 40 million pounds a month and are soon expected to go to 50 and beyond. The company is rushing to completion a self-financed \$200,000,000 national defense expansion program. Even so, civilians will have to continue finding "recessities" as long as defense needs require all or most of the nation's aluminum.

LAUGHING IT OFF—The 21st annual edition of the Bawl Street Journal is out. Published by the New York Bond Club, it burlesques Wall Street, widdling profound fiscal phrases. Theme song of this year's edition is "There'll Always be a Street." Other headlines: Stock Exchange Floor Offered New York City for Use as Aquarium. Sears-Roebuck to handle sale of U. S. Bonds exclusively. One brokerage firm advertises: "If any of our employees want to drive army tanks, we won't stand in their way." Another

other advertises "baby blondes."

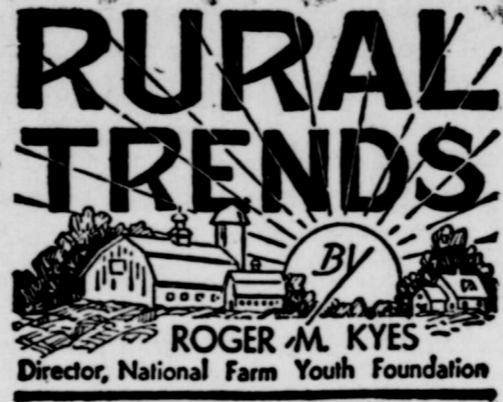
NEW ERA—A recent speech in which an audience of retailers heard a top man in an important firm define his company's policy as recognition of the fact that "the consumer is boss" is regarded in business circles as a forward looking example of the "behind-the-scenes" thinking of 1941's business statesmen. Speaking at the New York convention of the National Retail Liquor Package Stores association, J. L. Leban, sales manager of Schenley Distillers corporation, urged 37,000 retailers to defend the United States as the stronghold of private enterprise—by accepting the fact that business "depends upon the good will of the public." Business commentators say that a businessman of the old "let the buyer beware" and "the public be damned" days must have revolved in his grave at the thought of an important business keying its whole operation to the revolutionary "consumer is boss" concept.

THINGS TO WATCH FOR—A pocket-size frame for holding "transparencies" (the film of color-photos) so that you can get a good, illuminated look at them without using projector and screen—a tiny battery lights up the view at the touch of a button. Among things to listen for are "theme song" tunes in commercial truck horns, tooting the first bars of popular or classic melodies—the Spartan line alone now has no less than 150 different recognizable themes, mainly of tunes which have some symbolic connection with the business of the tooting trick. Available for hospitals, or anyone bedfast, are bent "soda straws" made of plastic to make supine sipping easier. Another new plastic item is colored furniture casters, available in bright pastels for striking decorative effect or in wood colors from dark walnut to modern "blond" woods, to match the pieces they support. A new step in the providing of "ready-to-serve" foods is the packaging of layer cake in "ready-cut" form, with eight sections, cardboard dividers between. Vitamin pill dispensers, placed near water coolers in plants and offices, for free use of employees—Westinghouse is planning to do it.

J. A. Marsh, carpenter contractor who is working in Abilene, and daughter, Miss Mary, student in Draughts Business College, returned Monday afternoon to Abilene after a week-end visit with Mrs. Marsh at their home in Spur.

Mrs. Christian, of Abilene, spent the week-end here the guest of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Christian.

Southern forest lands, under good management, are capable of providing continuous employment for at least double the number of persons they now support.



LET'S QUIT GRINDING AXES

The most glaring scar on the face of American life, which has resulted from the great depression, has been the activities of individuals and groups with their own special ax to grind. No matter what may be the nature of a public problem, you find pressure being applied by groups with selfish interests.



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Some of these groups are composed of amateurs, while others are professionals with no other source of income. They would have you believe that their coats were made of sack cloth. But the truth is that they wear coats woven from the fibres of high-sounding ideologies, and beautiful words with twisted meanings. They give the outward appearance of innocence and high purpose. Remove the outer covering of innocence, and it is a safe bet that you will find their own personal little ax brought along to be ground. When opportunity presents itself, out comes the ax and the grinding begins. When public opinion grows weary, the coats go on again and we hear high-sounding phrases that make us forget the little axes, to be ground again at the first opportunity.

Intrigue of this nature had its beginnings in Europe. The favor of the court or the ear of the dictator was gained in this manner. Ax grinding was a custom of European politics at its worst. France is a shining example. It stands today a victim of the ax grinders.

More important, this pastime is un-American and undemocratic.

Daily we are told that democracy is at stake. If it is, then let's quit grinding axes and start sharpening swords. We have a great task ahead if we are to preserve democracy. In fact, it is one of the most gigantic tasks ever to face a nation. Our task is twofold; first, to produce the arms and ammunition to make the United States safe from the attack of any nation or group of nations. Second, to decide the proper policies to be carried out with regard to aid to Great Britain and carry them out with the utmost efficiency. When are these things in need of accomplishment? The obvious answer is NOW! Can this uphill task of producing billions of dollars worth of ammunition and equipment, with so little time left in which to do it, be accomplished with the handicap of people applying the brake to the wheel of action because they have an ax to grind? The answer is again equally obvious. Not a minute can we afford to lose. Every hour is precious. This is no time for log jams to stand in the way of a supreme effort to preserve democracy for a great people. Maneuvering and devious ways should be outlawed. Democracy can only be preserved by straightforward, frank and open methods.

Democracy was founded on the basic premise that wisdom could be found in the composite thinking of the people of a nation. Under true democracy you and I are given credit for sound judgment and practical opinions. Our advice and thoughts are to be sought in a frank manner because all together we comprise what is known as the American people. We have a common will which is an American way of life. We have a common determination which is the preservation of a democratic way of life.

When government permits pressure groups to sell it on the idea that facts should be doctored or withheld from the people because they might not understand, or that people should be regulated by law or administrative decisions they don't want because a pressure group decided it's good for them, then it's time to face the cold fact that democracy has ceased to function.

Clark Eldridge, of McAdoo, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

Sunlight is a big help in keeping white cottons and linens white. But for silks and colored fabrics, a shady place is safer.

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When you feel gassy, headachy, logy due to clogged-up bowels, do as millions do—take Feen-A-Mint at bedtime. Next morning—thorough, comfortable relief, helping you start the day full of your normal energy and pep, feeling like a million! Feen-A-Mint doesn't disturb your night's rest or interfere with work the next day. Try Feen-A-Mint, the chewing gum laxative, yourself. It tastes good, it's handy and economical... a family supply costs only



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6,000 TEXAS YOUTH AT WORK IN 75 NYA MACHINE SHOPS

With the realization that the national defense program has greatly increased the employment possibilities in the metal, mechanical and machine trades, the National Youth Administration in Texas has geared its out-of-school work projects to prepare young people for beginning jobs in those fields where openings for new workers are most likely to occur. J. C. Kellam, state NYA administrator, said today.

Approximately 6,000 young Texans are obtaining work experience in 75 NYA local and resident center shops from McAllen to Texarkana and from El Paso to Houston, with special emphasis being placed upon welding, sheet metal and machine operations.

Southern Wildlife

John Garner Wants Smooth Wire
Former Vice-President John Garner, who is known as an ardent hunter and fisherman, is advocating the use of smooth wire by ranchmen and farmers, especially on the bottom of their fences.

Deer and other game animals often crawl under fences instead of jumping them. A cut from barbed wire means that screw worms have easy access to the deer's body and will eventually kill it.

"I have seen deer come down to the water, wade in and lie down, completely submerged except for their heads," the former Vice-President said recently. "This is to drown the worms."

Amshair Sportsmen
Get out and fish or hunt more. Jumping at conclusions is the only exercise some sportsmen take.

Manslaughter
In Franklin County, North Carolina, a man was convicted of manslaughter for shooting at a wild turkey. The hunter did not know that another man was anywhere near when he shot. He missed the turkey but killed the man. However, as the hunter was hunting during closed season, and was therefore engaged in an unlawful act, the court held him guilty of manslaughter.

Look Out for the Birds
Insectivorous birds help farmers protect their crops from insects. Blackbirds, wrens and mockingbirds are protected by the federal government because of their assistance to mankind.

Ball of Butter, Eh?
The butterfish is bright and almost as round as a silver dollar, and is frequently called the dollarfish.

Ain't it the Truth?
There are two ways of addressing your pet reel—before you cast, and the other after you backlash.

A pessimist is a sportsman who, when he has the choice of two evils, chooses both.

A hen is the only creature we know who can sit still and produce dividends.

Florida Full of Holes
There are approximately 30,000 fresh water lakes in the state of Florida. No wonder they have good fishing down there.

Tarpon Round-Up
You know, it's got to where nowadays when someone says "rodeo" you don't know whether they are speaking of cattle or fish. I've been on one of those rodeos once in my life and I had more fun than throwing shelled corn at newlyweds. They tell us that over in St. Pete, Florida, they are really going to "whup 'em up" between the dates of May 15 to August 1. It's one of those famed Florida tarpon fishing rodeos you hear so much about. You go out and fish, have a great time and then, if you're lucky, you get a nice prize. Tough life. I'll have another round of it, please.

How Would You Like To LOSE 15 lbs. of FAT?

How would you like to safely lose some of that ugly fat in a few weeks without risky drugs or inconvenience? How would you like to lose your double chin, bulging stomach and hips AND along with it regain your natural charm and attractiveness.

Weigh yourself today. Get a bottle of Kruschen Salts (a famous English formula). Then every morning before breakfast take one half teaspoonful in a glass of water—eat wisely—cut out fatty meats, butter, cream and rich pastries—go light on white bread and potatoes.

After 4 weeks weigh yourself again and just see if you haven't lost pounds of ugly fat and gained that "Kruschen Feeling" of greater vivacity, more energy and improved health that so often accompany fat reduction.

REFUSE IMITATIONS! Demand and get only the genuine Kruschen (the famous English formula) plain or new effervescent, pleasant, sparkling. Bottle lasts 4 weeks and costs but a trifle. Any druggist.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alexander had as guests Sunday, her daughter, Miss Barbara Brotherton and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bickley, of Abilene, Mrs. Eickley and Mrs. Alexander are sisters.

Miss Norma Lee Milam returned Sunday to her home in Houston, following a visit since Wednesday, with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Milam.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Havens, of Soldier Mound, were shopping and visiting in Spur Saturday.

Jack Christensen, student the past year in Mayesville Junior College,

Carl Arthur spent Wednesday Friday in Post the guest of Rob Hall Davis and incidentally to tend the Post rodeo scheduled Friday and Saturday of last week. Due to heavy rains the gates to Post rodeo arena were not opened, according to Carl Arthur.

Miss Miriam Reed returned Saturday to reenter Baylor U., Waco, the summer semester.

Cresol solution, commonly used as a stock dip, is recommended by Colorado State College Experiment Station as a suitable disinfectant seed potato cutting knives to prevent spread of bacterial ring rot.



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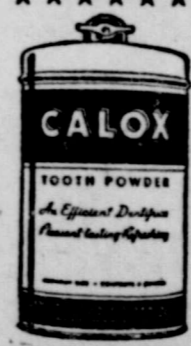


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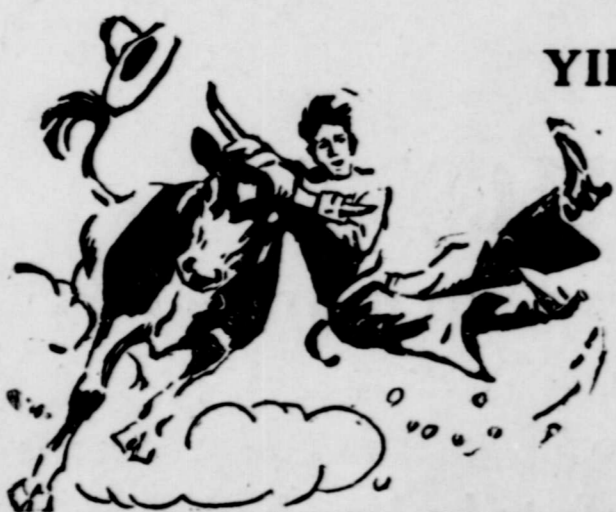
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**Buffalo Lake
 Resort Opens
 Sunday**

Four years ago the great Panhandle of Texas was suffering from adverse publicity in being known as the Dust Bowl of America. Novels were written deploring living conditions on the arid plains.

Today these conditions have been changed and those novels may be rewritten following the third annual opening day celebration at Buffalo Lake, Sunday, June 15, when nautical sports of every description will be presented free to the public on the largest body of water in West Texas—a lake now overflowing and backed up 10 miles.

Lake officials have written Ray Applegate, president of the Applegate Amphibian factory asking him to have one of his water and land planes here for the celebration. If this plan goes through it will set another track record for West Texas in as much it will be the first time a seaplane has ever landed on a West Texas lake. Can you picture West Texans being ferried to the flying sail boat by fast, modern speedboats and being transferred from boat to plane on the water? Picture, if possible, a seaplane using the lake for a landing field and the prospects of flying over the resort and viewing this "young ocean" from the air. Local flyers are trying to locate pontoons that they may convert their planes into seaplanes for the gala occasion at the lake. These are but a few of the highlights for Buffalo Lake, June 15.

Beginning on Saturday night, June 14, Red Malin and His Nautical Band will start festivities with a lake dance. Sunday morning the water carnival continues with a sail boat classic in which the winner will be presented the Amarillo Times Trophy; there will be the "Old Tack" Fishing Fleet Regatta, the first such race ever held where nothing but fishing motors and row boats will be

allowed to compete for the plaque given in honor of the Amarillo Globe News publisher and sportsman; there will be class A, B, and C hydroplane races, inboard events and stock motor heats for metal and prizes. The fishing rodeo will award prizes and medals to the one landing the largest bass, crappie, bream and catfish for the day. There will be another "first" in an All-Girl Diving Contest, open to any girls 16 years of age and older. There will be fast speedboat rides for the visitors, motorboat and row boats available for those who wish to skipper their own boat, and a score of other thrilling and entertaining events throughout the day. All main events will be broadcast from the lake by KFDB's mobile unit KFDB.

There is never an admission charge to Buffalo Lake.

**Drying of Food
 Advocated**

COLLEGE STATION—Texas will do its part in a large scale food drying program to concentrate much of the nation's foodstuff in convenient form, extension service workers said after returning from the White House nutrition conference. Mildred Horton, vice-director and state home demonstration agent, and Jennie Camp, specialist in home production planning, attended the meeting.

Food preservation experts at the conference pointed out that mass food processing of this kind would save millions of bushels of grain now being eaten by rodents or allowed to rot in granaries. The drying program would also be designed to have huge quantities of fruit and vegetables which in the past have been allowed to spoil on the ground since low prices would not justify their harvest.

Messrs George and Oscar Anglen, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, spent a visit of several days in Spur last week, the guest of their father, Roman Anglen and wife.

I Give You Texas
 Boyce House

Hay fever sufferers will understand the following lines:
 I have blown my nose where the tall palm grows,
 On the shimmering desert sands;
 I have blown it well while beneath the spell
 Of a tropical island's strands;
 And amid the snows in my Eskimo clothes
 Where the iceberg's song is sung,
 In the Arctic chill with a right good will
 My proboscis has been wrung.

I have blown my beak on the ships of teak
 That barter in old Cathay
 And in Timbuctu, I am telling you
 My snozzle has had its day;
 I have blown my snoot as we lumbered out
 The mouth of the Ho-ang Ho;
 And on the Capricorn my infernal horn
 Has matched the trade winds' blow.

Where the native chant, and the elephant
 Drive through the jungle shade;
 Where the leopard leaps and the serpent creeps
 My handkerchief has played.
 Though I gargle well 'tis a bit of hell
 When my nostrils both go wrong;
 I have blown my nose before friends and foes
 But never before in song.
 (From Jake Smyth's Liberty Vindicator)

Here and There:
 At Lorenzo, there is a "tonorial salon."

And Dallas has an establishment with an intriguing name: "The Rolling Home Tarileer Park."

A dollar ad in the Morre County News sold \$2,500 worth of property.

Woozey's Cafe is in Merkel.

A tourist camp near Sweetwater claims, "Best in West—10,000 miles to our equal."

An tourist camp close to Abilene has a sign, "Everybody welcome but Hitler."

Looking at a display of delicious apples, a negro in Lodi (near Jefferson) said, "Gimme one o' dem Malicious apples."

Lloyd Glover's one-man crusade in the Pharr Press for a bank in that Lower Rio Grande Valley city has been crowned with success—deposits the first day were \$291,000.

My friend, R. T. Craig editor of the Athens Review, has been appointed by Governor O'Daniel as a member of the board of regents of the state teachers' colleges.

Do you like autographed books, Dudley Dobie, San Marcos bookseller who specializes in Texas titles has some autographed copies of that very fine volumn, "The Longhorns," written by his kinsman, J. Frank Dobie.

The most brazen act in connection with the 1941 Legislature was the forging of the name of a member of the House at the instigation of the bold and powerful loan shark lobby. Judge S. J. Isaacks of El Paso, one of the ablest and most highly respected House members, is the author of a bill that makes provisions for an added penalty so as to provide for an adequate attorney's fee when a victim sues a usurious lender. Difficulty had been experienced in getting a quorum of the committee and a meeting was set for the close of the House session one day recently. Judge Isaacks, who does not hear perfectly, nevertheless heard his name called and, upon inquiry, found that the reading clerk had read a notice which had been handed in, bearing Judge Isaacks' name, announcing that the committee meeting had been called off. Isaacks took the floor, denounced the forgery and the committee met with the result that the bill received a favorable report by a big majority.

They have a new system of deciding who will pay for the mid-morning coffee in Austin—it's called "Honest John." If you say, "I haven't heard of that," someone will explain "It's decided with matches, each man gets five matches" and he starts counting them around. You count yours and exclaim, "Wait a minute, I have six" and they all yell, "You're Honest John, you get to pay the check."

A little girl said:
 "Oh, mama, I saw the nicest man today."
 "Who was he, dear?"
 "He was the garbage man, mama."
 "And why was he so nice?"
 "Well, mama, he was carrying a can of garbage over his head to the wagon. While he had it over his head the bottom came out and the garbage fell all over him, and he just stood there and talked to God."

Texans who would like to see racing return to Texas point to the fact that some of the leading citizens of the land were in the throngs at the Kentucky Derby. Former Postmaster General James A. Farley, Jesse Jones, seven governors, Mayor Edward J. Kelly, of Chicago, Major General Bruce Magruder, former

Mrs. and Mrs. Jimmie Koonsman and small daughter of Wichita, spent Saturday in Spur buying supplies and visiting with friends in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell and two small daughters and Miss Elizabeth Powell, of Dry Lake were visiting with friends in down-town Spur while here shopping Saturday.

Lloyd Brown, of Los Angeles, California, stopped over for a brief visit with his cousin, Mrs. Roman Anglin, while on a recent trip through this section of the country en route to El Paso to visit his mother.

ambassador William C. Bullitt and the motion picture star, Joe E. Brown, Lana Turner, Don Ameche and Robert Young. Texas would have such notables and such crowds if racing were permitted, it is asserted.

Mrs. Della McLoed, of Alto, Cherokee County, is spending a visit of several weeks in Spur with her sister, Mrs. Minnie Lewis. This is Mrs. McLoed's first visit to Mrs Lewis during the thirty-one years she has lived in Spur.


Mr. and Mrs. Will Edgar was here Saturday, coming in from their farm home in the Espurra community.

Mrs. Clark Lewis left Monday for Brownwood to spend a ten day or two weeks visit with Mr. Lewis who is employed as guard at Camp Bowie.

Mr. and Mrs. Faunt Harrell, of Red Mud, spent Saturday in Spur shopping and buying supplies of Spur merchants.

L. L. Arnold, of Duck Creek, spent Saturday afternoon in Spur, looking after business interest and visiting friends.

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RODEO
 Two big days of fun and excitement.
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 and forget your troubles
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New Texas Almanac Just Off the Press

The Dallas Morning News has just recently completed the publication of the Texas Almanac for 1941-42 and our friend, E. M. (Ted) Dealy, president of the company, sent us a complimentary copy for which he has our most sincere thanks.

A book of 576 pages, the Texas Almanac for 1941-42, just off the press, is the largest volume in the long history of this biennial publication of The Dallas Morning News. A number of new features are included in addition to the usual chapters and statistical tables on such topics as agriculture, industry, population, history, soil and water resources, weather, minerals, manufacturing, transportation, wholesaling and retailing, government, education and civic affairs.

Has Texas really had more than six flags? How has the relationship of rural and urban population changed since 1930? When were the tapir, sabre-toothed tiger and camel found in Texas? Who was governor in 1893? What facilities has MacKenzie State Park at Lubbock? Who won the Dixie Series in 1931? What are the total retail sales of Brady? These are typical of the wide variety of questions that can be answered from the pages of the new book.

New census figures on population, manufacturing, agriculture, wholesale and retail trade and service businesses are included. The historical chapter has been supplemented by a number of supplementary topics including a long list of Texas historical landmarks. There are especially complete chapters on highways and parks in anticipation of increased tourist trade in Texas during the next two years. The usual large folded maps, showing railroads and highways respectively, have been brought up to date, and there is an individual map of each of the 254 counties of Texas accompanying the county articles. New developments in Texas, including the defense industries, chemistry, conservation programs, changes in farm and farm tenantry, aviation, new army and navy camps and posts and political activities are covered. There are more than 50,000 separate and distinct facts about Texas in this "Encyclopedia of Texas."

Young Scott Joins Naval Reserves

W. T. Scott, 19, of Calgary, Son of O. F. Scott, was enlisted at the Naval Recruiting Station, Dallas, Tuesday, June 3, as an apprentice seaman for electrician's mate in the Naval Reserve and transferred to the U. S. Naval Training Station, San Diego, California, where he will receive recruit training before further transfer to a navy trade school or ship of the fleet.

Navy recruiters in the postoffice building at Abilene where Mr. Scott passed a preliminary examination for enlistment, stated today that men considering military service now have an opportunity to enlist in the regular navy for a career and retirement at an early age, or in the naval reserve for immediate active duty followed by release from active duty as soon after the emergency as their services can be spared.

Men between the ages of 17 and 36 are now being enlisted in the naval reserve for training in naval schools for aviation, radio, signals, metal-smithing, electricity, carpentry, clerical work and other trades and professions. Skilled men up to 50 years of age may enlist if rating their trade qualifies them to fill and at pay ranging from \$60.00 to \$99.00 per month, plus board, lodging, medical and dental expenses and opportunities for promotion. Regular navy enlistment ages are from 17 to 35. Applications of those living in this district should be made at the navy recruiting station at Abilene.

Mrs. Goss with her son, Frank Goss and wife were en route to Colorado for a few days vacation.

Mr. Goss is superintendent of a Humble oil refinery at both Eagle Lake and San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Brettain and son Bob, of Rule, are spending a few days visit with relatives and friends in Spur while on vacation.

Coy Dopson, of Dry Lake, was buying supplies of Spur merchants and greeting friends on the streets of Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ellis and small daughter, Agatha, of the Rocking Chair Ranch home in Kent county, were among the business visitors to Spur Saturday.

Farmers to Wage War on Insects Over State

AUSTIN—The threat of the flea hopper and the boll weevil to destroy as high as 20 per cent of the current Texas cotton crop is so serious as to arouse farm leaders, oil millers and ginners alike to action this year.

Bailey B. Ragsdale, president of the Dirt Farmers Congress, today announced that plants have been perfected to launch an effective insect control campaign throughout Texas within the next week with the cooperation of the South Texas Cotton Oil Co., who also view the threatened curtailment of production with grave apprehension.

In outlining the proposed program, Mr. Ragsdale pointed out that no stone would be left unturned to appraise not only cotton farmers, but all allied interests of the absolute necessity for immediately waging a widespread, and thorough war upon this "enemy of the cotton industry" which has already begun to invade the cotton fields of this state in unusually large numbers due to the wet season. The active interest and support of the local bankers, vocational agriculture teachers, newspaper men, oil mills, gins and merchants will be sought to furnish all possible aid to A. & M. College and the county agents who are on the front firing line in this "battle with the insects."

These groups can render a great service by seeing to it that dusting equipment and materials are readily available to farmers when they need them; and to render all possible aid to the county agents in conducting dusting demonstrations and getting concrete, practical information on recognizing infestation and controlling it to all cotton farmers in their respective areas.

Mr. Ragsdale pledged the cooperation of organizations, affiliated in the congress to this effort, and will seek the active support of other organizations and governmental agencies in making this insect control campaign successful in giving county agents all possible assistance in efforts to save our cotton this year. He emphasized, "that it would be poor

economy to save the few dollars insect control will cost and sacrifice from one-eighth to one-third of the potential yield," and expressed confidence that farmers throughout the Texas Cotton Belt will welcome this cooperation and cooperate fully themselves. He expects to launch the program in an address before the 3rd annual convention of the Farmers League at Yoakum, June 9th. From there it will be carried on into the Coastal Ben area and the Rio Grande Valley.

Miss Gladys Roberson, who received her degree from Texas Tech, Lubbock, Monday evening, June 2 returned later in the week to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Evert Roberson, of Spur. Miss Roberson has a Spanash Major with English and B. A. Minor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Buzbee have as guests for a weeks visit, Mrs. Stanley Smith and small daughter, Christie, of Dallas; Mrs. Bzubeel and daughter, Gail motored to Abilene Tuesday to accompany them to Spur.

AFTON CEMETERY WORKING

Citizens of Afton are requested to meet at the cemetery Monday, June 16, to clean the grounds and re-mound several of the graves that have washed down during the recent heavy rains.

There will be plenty of work to be done, therefore, everybody is urged to come with home and rakes.

Mrs. Tom Cross recently of Stanton, spent the week-end here the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Cross are making a round of visits here and at Abilene before going to Casa, Arizona, where Mr. Cross has purchased ranch lands and where they will be at home in the future.

The Cross family formerly owned a small ranch on White River in Kent county and have numerous friends and old acquaintances in this section of the country.

Mrs. Poet Hogins and daughter, Miss Pearl, of Duck Creek were among the many shoppers and visitors to Spur Saturday.

Welcome



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We invite your friendship and patronage

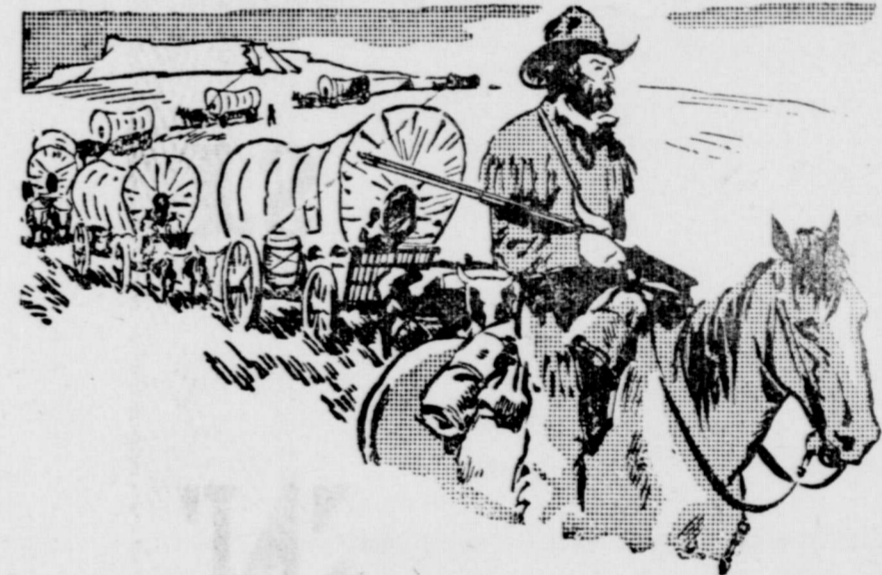
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Wednesday, June 18th

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You are most cordially invited to be our guest and swim free after 6:30 p. m. Wednesday, June 18. Plan your party now.

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It Happened 35 Years Ago

It happened thirty-five years ago: There were only two automobiles in one large American city yet there came a day when these two vehicles managed to meet in a head-on collision.

People smiled and wryly wondered how such an accident could happen. Horse fanciers were heard to mutter: "It's agin the law of nature. Serves 'em right."

Yet ten years later—with the rabbit-like multiplication of the "thunder-buggy" and the opening up of roads—the highway safety problem became a real one, and not the object of half-humorous speculation.

New drivers, more accustomed to pulling on the reins and shouting, "whoa" instead of stepping on the brake pedal, gracefully accepted advice on how to handle the strange mechanical monsters which were rapidly replacing slower but safer horses.

First to offer such advice to motorists generally in the form of a concise safety booklet was the automobile department of the Aetna Life Affiliated Companies and, while many of the suggestions contained in this booklet are as valid today as they were twenty-five years ago, others have been lost in some merciful limbo.

For instance: High-strung horses used to be quite a problem so the booklet was very specific in telling Father what to do in the event that he met one of these animated road hazards during Sunday afternoon spin with Mother.

"Don't pass a horse at high speed," the booklet warned, adding, "Give him a chance to get acquainted with an automobile."

And if Father was at a loss as to how to introduce his car to Dobbin he had only to read the next sentence in the booklet:

"If you see a horse is frightened, speak to him gently. Your 'whoa, boy' will mean more than his driver's. It will go far toward convincing his intelligence that your car is not such a strange monster after all."

And that much-debated question, "Are men better drivers than women?" was just beginning to raise its ugly head. The booklet rather succinctly advised Father that "Women should not be allowed to drive alone until they have become experienced operators." Nothing at all was said about allowing inexperienced male operators on the road alone. No wonder women's suffrage was just around the corner.

But if the booklet wasn't exactly fair to Mother, it did at least urge Father to observe the amenities in his perpetual war with pedestrians. "The man who runs across the street

Father of Spur



C. A. JONES
C. A. Jones, "Father of Spur," was manager of the Swenson interests and had charge of the sale of Spur Farm Lands when Spur was opened in November 1909. To Mr. Jones goes much credit for the development and progress of Dickens County as well as all West Texas.

Otis Driggers Reported On Road to Recovery

Mrs. Otis Driggers, of Gilpin, this week had a report from doctors at the Veterans Hospital, Amarillo; stating that Mr. Driggers condition was improving.

Mr. Driggers suffered a stroke of paralysis Tuesday of last week, while at work in his store at Gilpin. He was rushed to the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo where he has been under treatment since that time.

We are glad to bring you this report of his improved condition, and hope to soon report his complete recovery.

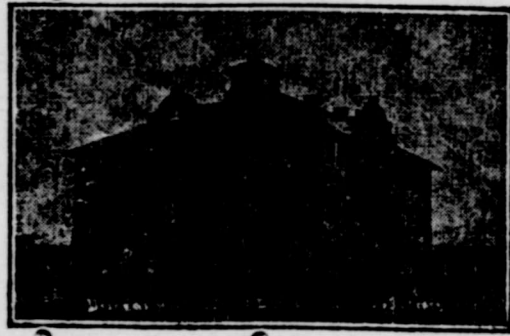
In front of you," Father was told, "may be hurrying home for supper. It takes him longer to get there than it does you, so give him a chance."

Father must have left like a real sportsman every time he observed this "closed season" on pedestrians. Father had his troubles, too, in those old "get out and get under" days. In at least three places the booklet warned him to exercise care when he stopped by the roadside to make repairs or when being towed home after a breakdown.

But there was one thing he didn't have to worry about. Speeding, the bane of modern driving which costs thousands of lives annually, was conspicuous by its absence from a list in the booklet of the seven main causes of automobile accidents.

Father—though he probably swore mildly at his under-powered, slow moving vehicle—certainly lived in the good old days.

Dickens School Has 54 Enrollment During 1896 - 1897 School Year



Several days ago Mrs. Emma B. Russell paid the Texas Spur office a pleasant and most enjoyable visit. She left in our keeping one of her many treasures, a souvenir of the Dickens school presented in February 1897.

The souvenir consists of two white cardboards, three by five inches in dimension, and elaborately printed in gold ink. The edges of the cards are embossed with flowers. In the upper portion of the first card, the word "Souvenir" is encircled by an oval wreath, tied at the bottom with streaming ribbons, and broken at the top by a flaming metal lamp resting on two bound volumes. In the lower portion is the data, "School, Dickens, Texas, 1896-1897, presented by S. A. Cobb, Principal, Mary Anderson, Assistant; Board of Directors, W. R. Norwood, G. M. Allen, J. M. Jones."

The second card contains a complete list of the pupils attending the Dickens school in the year 1896-97, and is as follows:

- Dora Allen
- Ethel Barrow
- Nellie Green
- Viola Harkey
- Stella Norwood
- Stella Sowell
- Emma Yantis
- Frank Brook
- Eernice Harkey
- B. Stewart
- Minnie Barrow
- Virgie Green
- Myrtle Hutson

- Anna Bell Norwood
- Alice Law
- Sam Allen
- George Brock
- Albert Buchanan
- George Johns
- Beulah Buchanan
- Oma Fox
- Maud Garner
- Bertie Harkey
- Jennie Rosson
- Bennie Sowell
- Lewis Craig
- Dee Allen
- Claude Holly
- Dean Sowell
- Effie Cobb
- Gay Garner
- Erie Hutson
- Willie Ballard
- Edna Shields
- Leonard Been
- Martin Gay
- LaDud Jones
- Clyde Walker
- Lucinda Brock
- Bessie Sowell
- Myrtle Harkey
- Edith Shields
- Leonard Barrow
- Dennis Harkey
- Frank Mitchell
- Willie Allen
- Pearl Garner
- Emma Buchanan
- Lonie Jones
- Alta Sowell
- Ora Yantis
- Fred Browning
- Earl Harkey
- Andrew Sowell.

Old Settler



MRS. LOU TURNER

Mrs. Lou Turner, one of this section's earliest settlers, came to this country before the organization of Dickens County.

Mrs. Turner suffered the hardships of the pioneers in tributing her part to the development and progress of this great western country.

Mrs. Turner has lived to see the golden fruit reaped from her and other pioneers' efforts to make Dickens county and West Texas a place for anyone to be proud to live.

Nowlin Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Babe Berry and a Jack Tar on the U. S. S. Minneapolis in dry dock for repair at Vallejo, California, who is home on a three weeks furlough, with his mother visited over the week-end with relatives at Hawley and Brownwood, returning Monday to Spur.

Young Berry plans to visit a sister, Mrs. Margaret Baker and Mr. Baker, of Tayah, while en route next week to his ship.

Dairy Month Means Much to Texans

Bossy, the milk cow, is roaming far and wide over Texas acres that used to be the domain of King Cotton.

And because of her numbers and growing importance, National Dairy Month will mean more to Texas this year than it ever has meant before, it was said by B. E. Stallones, chairman of the Texas Dairy Month committee.

"The dairy industry has never before been as important in Texas as it is this year," Stallones asserted. "The increase in the growth of Texas cities has brought new dependence on food products of the farm. The national defense program, with its vast military camps, has called attention to the needs for health-giving foods.

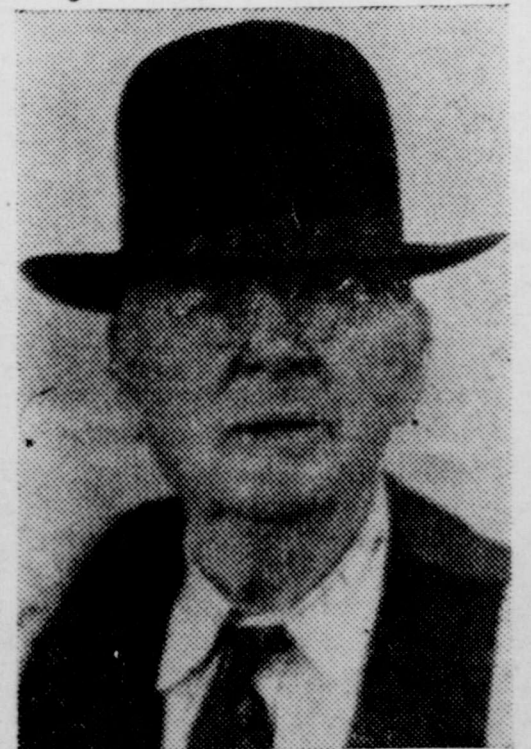
"And Texas' great shift from cotton production to the production of foods has greatly increased the number of dairy herds in the state.

"For these various reasons Texas farmers, chain stores and independent merchants are putting increased emphasis on National Dairy Month, which will be observed during this month. Dairy month was organized as a means of calling the consuming public's attention to the economy and high food values of milk and milk products. Texas always has participated in it, but this year the state has a greater stake in it than ever before, and this is recognized by variety stores, grocery stores and others who sell milk products for home use or at lunch counters."

It is only in recent years that dairying has become a major industry in Texas. Until after the first World War dairying was on a local basis, with milk, cream, butter and ice cream being the only important products. But the 1940 census showed a vast increase in the value of dairy products in Texas, with manufactured products such as cheese, ice cream, evaporated milk and creamery butter amounting in 1939 to more than \$27,000,000.

Stallones, president of the South Texas Producers Association, was named chairman of the Texas Dairy Month committee at a recent meeting of South Texas dairymen. The committee will work with The National Milk Producers Federation, which organized National Dairy Month with the cooperation of restaurants, chain stores, independent merchants, dairies and other outlets for dairy products.

Old Cowboy



W. L. (Uncle Bill) HYATT

Uncle Bill Hyatt, old time cowboy of this section says when he came to this country "the Sun was about the size of a pin head and there wasn't any dang'd Moon at all." Uncle Bill has "punched cattle" for various ranches in this section and seen Dickens County and West Texas develop from open range ranching country to a thriving agricultural section, dotted with growing villages and towns.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Government of the United States, through the Secretary of the Treasury, has cause to be issued Defense Bonds for public subscription, and these bonds are now being sold throughout the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the people of this city have always been patriotic and supported in every way the Government of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, June 14, 1941, is National Flag Day when we as a free people pause to consider and to prepare against the menace to our national security; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared an Unlimited National Emergency, and it behooves the people of this city to investigate and consider the purchase of Defense Bonds in order that the security of our Nation may be maintained; and

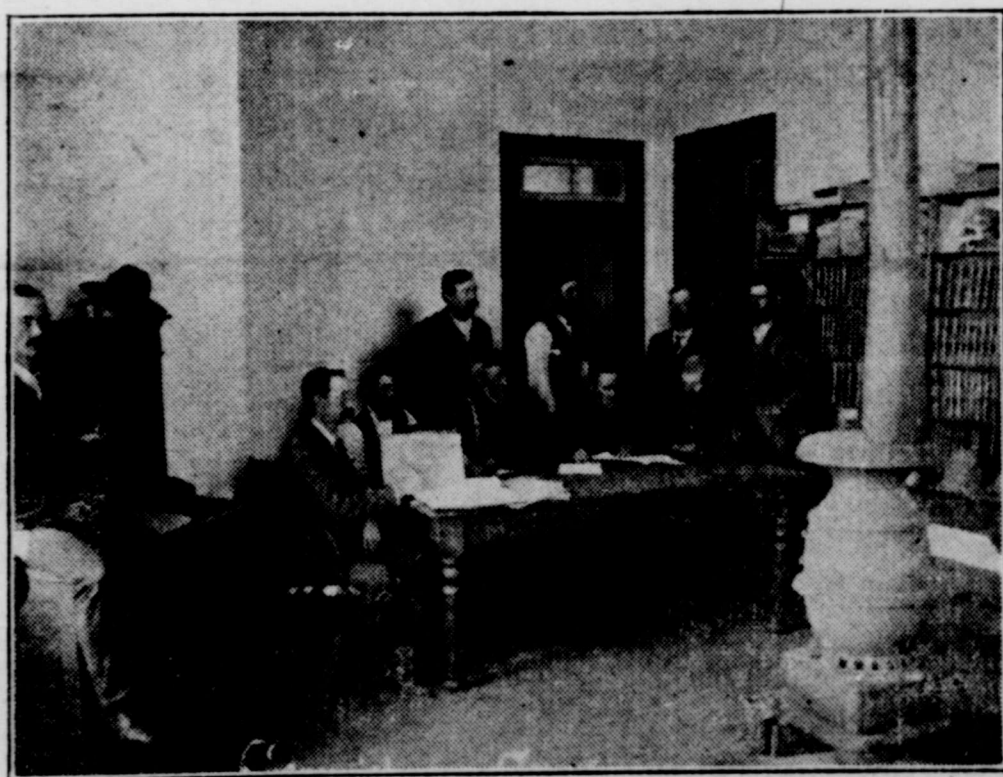
WHEREAS, the bonds so issued give a fair return on the savings; and

WHEREAS, at this time attention of the people is directed to the needs of our Government to financial support, and our citizens are urged to buy a share in America by purchasing these Defense Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. H. Brannen, Mayor of the City of Spur, Texas, do proclaim Saturday, June 14, 1941, Flag Day, and with equal significance, also proclaim that same day National Defense Bond Day. Done at the office of the Mayor, this the 11 day of June, 1941.

M. H. Brannen,
Mayor, City of Spur, Texas.
(SEAL)

FIRST COMMISSIONERS COURT



The above picture was taken in the County Judge's office at Dickens. Reading from left to right: Amos Counts, editor of The Dickens Items; seater were O. S. Ferguson, County Judge; John Counts, Commissioner from Wichita; S. Austin, Commis-

sioner from Dickens; G. W. Harvey, Commissioner from Arton; J. I. Greer, Commissioner from Red Mud. standing: R. L. (Bob) Collier, Sheriff; Fred O. McFall, County and District Clerk; R. S. Holman, County Attorney; and H. T. Garner, County Treasurer.

Mrs. Jack Bettis and son of Graham were guests Tuesday and Wednesday of her sister, Mrs. W. A. McAlpine and Mr. McAlpine and son, Billy at their home in Spur.

Mrs. T. G. Rankin and daughter, Mrs. Ida Rucken and Mrs. Melvin Rankin of the White River section country were shopping and visiting while in Spur Tuesday.

WANTED—Movie operators and managers—Spur District Movie Circuit Work 1416 Gulf States Bldg. Dallas, Texas. 12-21 pd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith, of Espuela, was shopping and visiting in Spur Saturday

Mrs. Charley Ingram, of Denver City, who is visiting her parents,

There are about 13,500,000 persons in the United States who depend directly upon cotton for a living.

WELCOME RODEO VISITORS

to Spur's
Third Annual
RODEO



Attend the Big Rodeo in
Spur June 20-21

and forget your troubles
Two big days of fun and excitement.

Let us help make your enjoyment complete

RED FRONT DRUG



A side view of a business house on the southeast corner of the square in Dickens. Photographed by R. E. Dickson in 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert McAteer and son, Bobby, of Long Beach, California, who have been visiting his mother and father, David and family and Robert and wife left Tuesday, returning home.

Accompanying them for an extended visit in California was his mother, Mrs. Nella McAteer.

Mrs. W. W. Ellis has had as guests since Tuesday of last week, her daughter Mrs. Agatha Locke, of Miami, who returned Wednesday morning to her home and since Thursday her grandchildren, Dudley Sue and Margaret James Ellis, of Aspermont also her daughters, Mmes. L. W. Davis and Al Bingham,

of Spur Ranch headquarters and Harry Ellis, wife and daughter Agatha Ellis from Kent county.

Poison

Grasshopper Poison especially Mixed.

FRANK WYATT

Farmer' Gin

Or See Penn Shugart at Rule-Jayton Oil Mill



Welcome
Visitors

To Spur's 3rd Annual

RODEO

SEIBERLING TIRES
TUBES

before going home fill up with that good

GULF GASOLINE

GULF STATION

Ed Williams

Ralph Sherill

PIONEER DAYS

Spur's 3rd Annual Rodeo

June 20-21

Celebrating

DICKENS COUNTY'S 50th ANNIVERSARY

1891

1941



New Screwworm Remedy Found

COLLEGE STATION—An effective remedy for screwworm the most destructive insect pest to livestock is announced.

Cameron Siddall, extension entomologist, says the remedy is relatively inexpensive and consists of a compound of the two principal materials—diphenylamine and formalin—at present advocated by the department of agriculture for the treatment and prevention of screwworm cases.

When applied to infested wounds, the compound is efficient in rapidly killing all screwworms in a wound. At the same time the remedy gives good protection, or better, to all wounds against subsequent attack as materials heretofore recommended for this purpose, Siddall says.

Full particulars for preparing and applying the remedy has been placed with county agricultural agents. It was developed through research by the bureau of entomology and plant quarantine during 1940 and 1941.

The smear is best applied with a one-inch paint brush.

The remedy kills screwworms quickly, and after its application a large number of them soon drop out of the wound carrying along a considerable amount of the protective chemical. For this reason, Siddall says, it will be good practice to apply a second treatment 24 to 48 hours after the first one in order to insure proper coating of the wound surface. Thereafter, under average conditions, regular treatments twice weekly should be given until the wound heals. It is especially recommended that infested animals be kept in a hospital pasture when this schedule of treatment is used. When flies are unusually active and abundant more frequent treatments may be necessary.

In treating an infested animal, the material is swabbed into the wound. Care should be taken to push it well into pockets made by the maggots and paint around the wound where blood and wound exudates have made the surrounding tissues attractive to flies and susceptible to infestation or to fly blows.

An 8 pound son and heir was born May 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Grant, of Sherman.

Mrs. Grant will be remembered as the former Kathryn Kilgore, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lee, Sr. This is Mr. and Mrs. Lee's first and only great grandchild. They paid the young scion a visit Sunday, June 1.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lollar, of six miles east of Spur, were in town shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends on the streets Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert of 17 miles southeast of Spur in Kent county were attending to business interests and visiting with friends in downtown Spur Saturday.

Mrs. Gilbert, teacher of the Swenson school is finishing the school year this week and the school is closing with a program Friday night. This is Mrs. Gilbert's second year as principal of the Swenson school.

Mrs. Allen returned Wednesday to her home in Rotan after a visit in Spur with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Ty Allen and daughter, Lau Jane.

More than 5 per cent cottonseed meal in hens' rations will make the yolk of the eggs mottled after they have been in storage several months. The whites may turn slightly pink from too much cottonseed meal.

EARLY DAY STREET SCENE IN SPUR



An early scene of Burlington Avenue taken from the east side of "Juarez." The Barber, Hancock & New building in the foreground was on the present site of the Highway Cafe. Across the street is shown the early day home of Spur Hardware. At the opposite corner is Bryant-Link and Spur National Bank buildings.

The Plainsman

Did you ever see a case where a snake bit a child under the age of 2 1/2 years?

Did you actually know of such an occurrence?

According to Dick Rodenburg, of El Paso, there has never been such an occurrence.

Writing to Editor H. S. Hunter, of the El Paso Times, Rodenburg says he is a snake fancier of many years experience and used to travel with a show which included a large and varied snake exhibition. In addressing crowds at the show, he invariably said that a snake will not bite a child under 2 1/2 years and asked his listeners if they ever knew of that happening.

Many times listeners said they knew of such happenings, but on investigation it was discovered that the child in question was more than 2 1/2 years.

Rodenburg explains the situation by saying:

"A child 2 1/2 or less has not yet been taught fear of snakes. There's the whole explanation. A snake reacts instinctively to the fear which it senses in an older human by an odor which that fear causes to exude through the sweat glands."

The El Paso snake expert very likely may be right.

It is a well known fact that dogs and cats can smell fear in a human being and that horses, by the same method, "act up" with riders who fear them but often are docile with riders who do not.

Perhaps the snake has the same powers.

Incidentally, this man Rodenburg apparently knows a lot of strange things.

He recently told readers of Editor Hunter's "Around Here" column that coffee grounds will get rid of ants and also had advice for those who would ward off assaults of chiggers and red bugs.

"If you want to beat chiggers and red bugs at their own game," he says "put a teaspoonful of sulphur in each shoe and you won't be bothered by these pests."

"In my own experience," he continued, "I have found sulphur in the shoes helpful in combatting rheumatism. I do not know whether it would benefit others or not.—The Plainsman in Lubbock Avalanche."

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godfrey had as guests the first of the week, her mother, Mrs. Leonora Luckett, of Matador and Mr. and Mrs. Roe L. Sams and daughter, Julia Mae, of Waco. Mr. and Mrs. Sams returned Wednesday to their home, leaving their daughter to spend the summer here with her aunt, Mrs. Godfrey and at Matador with her grandmother, Mrs. Luckett.

Do You Know Texas?

Eukled Parrish, of Wichita Falls, spent the week-end here with his brother, George Parrish, clerk at the Spur Inn. Eukled has been called to service and will go with the contingent going to camp the 19 inst.

John Moore was the week-end guest of Kelly Marsh, of Abilene.

Mrs. Della Eaton spent Wednesday to Tuesday in Stamford the guest of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wells and children of Duck Creek combined business and pleasure in spending the day in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin and children of 2 miles south of Dickens, were among the business visitors to Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Koonce of the Pitchfork Ranch, were shopping with Spur merchants and visiting with other visitors in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ballard and children, of Soldier Mound community, spent Saturday in Spur shopping and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Horn and children, Nelda and five weeks old son, Jim Bob, of Red Hill combined business and pleasure in a visit to Spur Saturday.

Johnny Mac Putman returned Friday from Vernon, where he spent a week or ten days visiting with his grandmother, Mrs. Dolly Putman and other relatives of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gregory, of Duck Creek, were among the number of business and pleasure visitors to Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Westerman have had as guests since Friday, their children, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Pentecost and children Jo Ann and Patsy Jean, of Tucumcari, New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Graford Head, of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watters and Bobby Lou, of near Spur, and Miss Beatrice Spivey, of Lubbock.

Mrs. S. C. Fallis and daughters, Miss La Neil and Mrs. W. B. Ford, Jr., were shopping in Spur Tuesday.

The United States produces more than 160,000,000 pounds of honey a year and from five to eight million pounds of beeswax.

1941 WHEAT LOANS

Loans on new wheat at the high loan rate may be obtained from George Link, Jr., at the Spur Elevator. Wheat placed in the loan brings several cents more cash per bushel to grower than if sold on the market. Cash will be paid through the Spur Security Bank.

The Spur Elevator will also handle your barley and oats

One Form of Sabotage Given by Youth

The Coatesville, Pennsylvania, Record recently published a letter written home by a young man who had been taken into the army under the selective service act. He said:

"We give up a year of our lives, the comforts of homes, and countless other things for barracks, hard work and duty from sun-up to sun-down. We do our part and do it harder than anyone at home, and yet it's the people at home who are doing the kicking and squaking."

"They kick about wages and squeal about hours, strike, threaten to strike, tie up machinery, and there you are . . . The people wanted soldiers—millions of them. Yet every day it's becoming apparent that many of these same people think more of a few cents an hour than they do of their children and relatives."

It is interesting to know what young men who are serving their country in the army for less than a dollar a day think of the highest paid workmen in the world who threaten to block defense production unless they are paid still more. How much longer will the American people stand for this form a sabotage?

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Smith and family arrived here Sunday to make their home, moving here from Graham, Texas. Mr. Smith is a brother to Mrs. Carl Murray and will be in charge of the rural ice route, which Mr. Murray recently purchased from Delwood Stanley. The Texas Spur joins in welcoming the Smiths to Spur.

Mrs. John Luce and Mrs. Jennie Pritchett, had the pleasure of a week-end visit at the Luce home in Spur with another sister, Mrs. Atha Goss, of Eagle Lake near San Antonio.

Notice of Election

Notice of Election for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Band by the City of Spur, Texas.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That an election will be held on Tuesday, the 15th day of July, 1941 at the regular polling places within the City of Spur, Texas, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified property tax paying voters of said City of Spur, Texas: SHALL THE CITY OF SPUR, TEXAS ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A BAND.

Said election shall be held in accordance with the law in reference to regular municipal elections are provided by the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas.

The polling place shall be in the Director's Room of the Spur Security Bank, Spur, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 29th day of May 1941.

M. H. BRANNEN, Mayor of the City of Spur, Texas.

ATTEST: TRUMAN J. GREEN, Clerk of the City of Spur, Texas. 12-19-26 July 3.

Mrs. George Newton, of Graham, visited Mr. and Mrs. Basel Cairnes at their ranch home near Clairmont, Tuesday and Wednesday, returning home Thursday accompanied by her aunt and uncle, Miss Minnie Crawford of Lampasas, and Mr. Nat Crawford, of California, who will spend a two weeks visit in the Newton home.

Mrs. Berta Emerson, of Hobbs, New Mexico, arrived here Sunday to visit her sister, Mrs. L. H. Perry and family.

Chemists in the U. S. department of agriculture have been experimenting with the use of peanut flour in delicious cookies, bread and pound cake.

WELCOME

Visitors



We hope you enjoy the rodeo as much as we enjoy inviting you.

Visit with us while here.

Campbell Furniture Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Chap Reece were in Spur Saturday afternoon shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.

In milk-producing value, soybean hay equals alfalfa or clover. Steam pressure cookers need to be rechecked each year to see that the pressure gauge registers correctly.

Welcome

Visitors

to

SPUR'S BIG

Rodeo



Those steers are sure tough, but we're going to ride 'em, not serve them. Our steaks are as tender as a Dade—TRY ONE!

GOOD EATS

CAFE

BOB FOX



WELCOME RODEO VISITORS

West Texas hospitality will make you feel at home . . . so enjoy your visit here.

W. M. Malone



Have a Big Time at Spur's 3rd Annual RODEO

Congratulations to Dickens County on its 50th ANNIVERSARY

E. H. OUSLEY

Yippe-ee Ride 'Em Cowboy



Come on with the crowd June 20 and 21 and enjoy the big

RODEO

Visit us while here—Our food is good

CORNER CAFE

R. J. Bell

World Cotton Congress to Meet In Waco

Cotton, the most important problem of the South, other than that of National Defense, will be thoroughly discussed and analyzed by a number of the best informed authorities, June 26, 27 and 28, at Waco, Texas.

Discussions will include every field in the cotton industry, from the grower, through the buyer, sellers, transporters and industries producing products from cotton, to the final consumer. New problems created because of world conditions will also be discussed.

The best informed authorities in their respective fields will be present in Waco to participate in the discussion. The first day's program will revolve around the importance of cotton in the national economy. The second day will be a discussion of world problems and foreign trade, and a full discussion on cottonseed products. The third day will be devoted to the many angles of consumption, including the expansion of present uses and the development of new uses.

The most complete exhibits on cotton ever put on display are being arranged for this congress. The educational value of these exhibits is well worth a visit to the congress. This is not by any means just another gathering. It is a cotton clinic, where real leaders are coming to-

gather for sober deliberation and consideration of problems vital to the future welfare and prosperity of our country.

If you plan to attend or for any information of any kind, address the Waco Chamber of Commerce, Waco, Texas. Information or assistance of any character will be gladly given.

Early Lawmakers Used Guns to Settle Arguments

In early Texas history, legislators weren't content to shout angry words at each other across the halls of state, but preferred to fight it out with pistols and fists.

Records in the University of Texas library—being studied by William Hogan, a graduate student for University, Louisiana, reveal at least five fights occurred between lawmakers during the Texas Republic.

The University of Louisiana historian said one day a shooting between two congressmen took place on the very steps of the Texas capitol—all over a matter of legislative policy.

On several occasions, Hogan said, the House adjourned to watch fights between legislators taking place on the capitol lawn.

Mr. R. M. Medley, instructor at Southwestern University, Georgetown, was in Spur Tuesday seeing prospective students in the interest of S. W. U.

SPUR'S FIRST WEDDING



The above picture is the actual photograph of the first wedding in Spur. On February 28, 1910, Judge E. J. Cowan, our mayor, who was then Justice of the Peace, performed the ceremony of marriage before the citizens of Spur in front of Bryant-Link store on Burlington Avenue. The parties joined together in wedlock were Miss Ella Sparks of Tap community in Dickens county and J. N. Chatman of Oklahoma. Immediately after the ceremony this couple moved to Oklahoma to make their home and live happily ever after.

Some of the old time citizens present for this event are shown in the picture are L. N. Riter, J. D. Powell, Bernard Bryant of Stamford; Martin Bay, Oran McClure, H. T. Burgoon, Mrs. Kate Griffin, H. E. Ellis, and many others whom we couldn't definitely name because of not being able to distinguish them in the picture.

The Packard touring car shown in the picture belonged to our late Chas. A. Jones. It was used as a taxi to bring the couple to the scene of matrimony. (Photograph and details by E. J. Cowan)

Mrs. M. A. White returned Thursday to her home in Cross Plains following a visit since Sunday with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Baum and family of McAdoo. Accompanying Mrs. White home for an extended visit were her grand children, Miss Winnie Lee and Parker Baum and Sanford Mason, of Cross Plains who was returning home following a visit in the Baum home at McAdoo.

Mrs. Cap McNeil and sons Jimmie and David George left Tuesday for South Texas where they plan to spend an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McNeil and family at their home at Brazoria and the former Sarah McNeil. Accompanying Mrs. McNeil were Miss Polly Clemmons who stopped in Dallas to buy new merchandise for "Polly" Shop and Miss Ida Lee Golding who will visit an aunt in Houston.



There'll Be Thrills and Spills

We join Spur merchants in welcoming you to the Rodeo. We hope you enjoy every performance.

A. R. HOWE



CONGRATULATIONS

To Dickens County on

50 YEARS OF PROGRESS

Recall Those Pioneer Days by Attending Spur's Third Annual June 20 and 21

FRED CHRISTOPHER

Aircraft Warning Service Planned For Texas

Plans for the establishment of an aircraft warning service covering every section of the state of Texas are being evolved through cooperative action of the office for emergency management in the executive office of the president and the office of the governor of Texas, it was revealed today.

Outside observation posts are to be established under direction of the commanding general of the CHQ Air Force, acting through commanding generals of several interceptor commands throughout the nation. Because of the large size of Texas, two commanding generals will direct activities here.

The posts will be located at designated areas, one probably to each one-mile circle, with an unobstructed air view of approximately eight miles in all directions. The view areas of the several observation posts will overlap, so that by locating the observation post within each indicated one-mile circle, the state will be completely blanketed by tacti-

cally located observation posts. The outside posts will be supplemented by filter and information centers at appropriate points.

Details of the plan have been practically completed in correspondence between the governor's office, the office of emergency management and the commanding generals, and will be put into operation immediately, it was announced.

The adjutant general's office and the Texas state employment service are cooperating with the governor's office in carrying out the army's plan in this regard.

Registration of volunteers for service will be started in the near future and detailed announcements in this regard will be made shortly, it was said.

Mrs. Smith and Miss Koon were roommates while in training at Scott and White, Temple, in 1940.



IT'S

DR. W. C. GRUBEN, O. D. JEWELER & OPTOMETRIST SPUR, TEXAS

Welcome to Spur's



3rd Annual RODEO

June 20 and 21

Be here for every performance these two days. There'll be so much fun you'll forget your troubles.

We invite you to visit us while here

MUSSER LUMBER CO

Welcome Visitors

to

DICKENS COUNTY'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

and

Spur's 3rd Annual

Rodeo



Enjoy two big days of fun and excitement among friends. Plan now to be here both days.

We invite you to visit us while here.

Tri-County Lumber Co.

Spur, Texas

WELCOME

to

Spur's 3rd Annual

RODEO

Greetings from one pioneer to another from Spur's oldest cafe

We Specialize in

STEAKS

We have a large supply of the very choicest steaks

Short Orders

DINNERS

Lunches

Sandwiches

Cold Drinks

Cigarettes

OUR PRICES HAVE NOT BEEN RAISED!

Bells Cafe

Open Day and Night