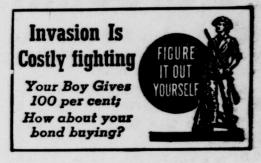


THE TEXAS SPUR

and THE DICKENS ITEM

Official Publication for the County of Dickens and the City of Spur



VOLUME XXXIV

ALL THE LOCAL NEWS WHILE IT IS NEWS

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 1943.

NUMBER 42

Back the Attack With Bonds In September

Local Air Field Opened As Student Pilot Training Site Preparations Being Made For Biggest

Plan of Local Men To Give Flying **Lessons Each Sunday**

Spur's municipally-owned air field was "officially" opened Sunday as a student pilot training center when J. W. Herndon Jr. Friday, July 30th of Stamford brought the plane belonging to V. C. Smart, Richard Gibson, E. D. Engleman and Spencer Campbell here for the those who want to travel by the ether waves.

the specific purpose of giving life. There were 30 relatives and lessons to student pilots, an Herndon, an experienced pilot with approximately 1,000 hours flying time was employed to give 1893. Mr. Norris came to Howthe instructions. When he arrived at 10:30, a small group of air enthusiasts awaited his landing, born. Mrs. Norris, the former although no previous publicity Miss Mattie Spears, camee to had been given of his coming.

C. A. A.—Smart, Engleman, Gibson and Campbell-each took a 20-minute lesson, as did Mrs. Jack Christian, Spur's second air enthusiast. Mrs. Lester Garner is the other. Several passengers also were taken up.

A slight accident occurred late in the afternoon as the plane was taxing after landing when the right landing wheel dropped into a hole causing the tail of the plane to shoot upward causing the front end to nose into the ground, breaking the propeller. No one was injured and the accident was nc fault of the pilot, but was caused when the wheel dropped into a hole in the yet ungraded

It is the plan of the owners of the plane to have it here each Sunday for the purpose of giving instructions to student pilots, and a large number have already expressed their intentions of taking the instructions. If a new propeller can be secured in time the plane will be brought here again Sunday, otherwise it will be Sunday, Aug. 29, before the plane will again be available for training

purposes. Officials are expected here today (Thursday) for the purpose of inspecting the air field to determine what will be necessary to get the field designated as an air port or put on the map for auxiliary landing.

It is the plan of the owners of the plane to have the runways graded and smoothed over as soon as possible.

-65 **Depletion Of Soil Basic Problem Of Nation After War**

As the war drags out, the treatment which we give our land gains in importance every day. When victory shall be ours, the fundamental problem will be the depletion of the soil. Upon the soil's productivity depends the success of our attempt to rebuild our own wealth and bring prosperity and peace to our land and health to our people. Upon the soil's productivity depends also our ability to help the peoples of other nations to develop their own securi-

The people in the Duck Creek Soil Conservation District are doing their part to help maintain the productivity of the soil. The past week a soil conserva-

tion plan was completed on the farm of F. W. Jennings.

Terrace lines were run for F. W. Jennings, L. A. Welborn, and Bynum Briton.

Completed terraces were checked the past week for John L. Williamson, Lee McCombs, W. K. Harvey, L. A. Welborn, Paige Gollihar, Mrs. Minnie Gollihar, and S. L. Benefield.

Grader work was completed the past week for John Williamson, S. L. Benefield and L. A. Welborn.

TEXTBOOKS ARRIVE

Over 1,000 textbooks arrived last week in the office of County School Supt. O. L. Kelley, all numbered and issued to Patton Nichols sanitarium. Weight eight Springs, Dry Lake and Wichita pounds two ounces. He has been named Frankie Don. schools.

American Legion Post Reorganized

OUR BOYS

Williams College for advanced

Clay Woods left Monday a week

ago for New Orleans where he

Pvt. Frank Hale came in Sat-

Pvt. Clyde Whitford of the Ar-

Communication Zone, stationed at

Camp Young, Calif., is home on a

15-day furlough to visit his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ford of

Corp. Aubrey McGaughy re-

turned to his station at Asheville,

N. C. Friday of last week, after

spending a 15-day furlough here

.S Sgt. W. C. Scott writes his

is well and getting along fine.

Sgt. Scott is a Bombardier and

aerial gunner, and has seen con-

Pvt. Jesus Ochoa of the Signal

Corps, stationed at Selkins, W

Va., is here visiting his parents

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ochoa. on a 15-

Dick (Sonny) Hindman, sea

man second class. writes his mo-

ther, Mrs. Lee Hindman, that he

may be stationed at Corpus

S. C. Poteet, on a 10-day furlough.

Birl Hutton, seaman first class

stationed at New York, is here on

a 30-day leave after being in the

Mrs. Bowman will accompany

Mrs. Slim Myers received word

siderable action.

day furlough.

Christi very soon.

transferred soon.

with his parents, and friends.

wife on a 15-day furlough.

training.

for 15 days.

Kalgary.

Celebrate Golden **Wedding Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Norris of Glenn celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary Friday, July purpose of giving instructions to 30. A host of relatives and friends called during the day bringing gifts and congratulations for their The plane was purchased for cutstanding 50 years of wedded 54 friends present.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris were married in Coahoma, Texas, July 30, ard county from Nacogdoches county in 1892, where he was Howard county in 1887, having several weeks. The four local members of the moved there from Louisiana where she was horn.

> They lived in Howard county until 1918, then moved to Dickens county where they have since resided. To this happy union were born nine children, six of whom are now living. All were present at the celebration. They are: Willie Norris of Dumont, Mrs. B. H. Shields of Kennewick, Wash., Mre. Lee Anderson of Lubbock, Mrs. L. B. Pipkins of McAdoo, Mrs. W. J. Wilson of Glenn, and L. D. Norris of Afton.

They have 24 grandchildren, 19 of whom were present. There were four generations present. Mr. and Mrs. Norris have eight grandsons in service.

George Reynolds To Direct Music At **Baptist Revival**



GEORGE REYNOLDS

Sunday, Aug. 22, has been set for the opening date of the summer revival at the First Baptist church, it was announced this week by Rev. Herman Coe, pastor. The services will continue through Sept. 5 with services twice daily, at 10 a. m. and 9 p. m. until further notice, the pastor annunced. Services Sunday, however, will be at the regular hours - Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. with the Training Union at 8:15

Mr. George Reynolds, educa- thick of things overseas for altional director of the First Baptist | most two years. Seaman Hutton church, Miami, Okla., will be in has seen much active service since charge of the music. Mr. Reynolds the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He is a great christian and a fine is the youngest son of Mrs. Bermusic director. He will bring tha Hutton of Spur, and brother many of the messages at the of Mrs. Lois McNall, and Mrs. morning hour. The pastor will Francis Gipson. preach at the evening hour.

and evening worship at 9:00 p. m.

Everyone is urged to attend each service of the revival.

ATTENTION MEMBERS OF TROOP 36

all members of Troop 36 to be vanced Technical Training de- there will be several different present for a weiner roast, with partment in Virginia. He has re- types of rodeo performances. plenty of ice cream Thursday cently been claced in command night, Over The Hill. There will of his detachment and will be be out door games and plenty of transferred to the West coast.

Congratulations to Pvt. and Mrs. Saturday that her brother, Robert Frank Hale on the birth of a son, V. Hart, had landed safely over born Wednesday morning in the seas and was well.

J. B. Morrow New Post Commander;

Realizing that the necessity for WITH THE COLORS the American Legion to function is greater now than at any time in its history, a small group of mem-Winfred Morrow, seaman secters of the inactive Spur Ameriond class, left Monday a week ago can Legion post gathered on the for Lake City, Fla., where he will hill near the City park last Friday take V-5 Navy training for a four right and initiated steps for remonths period. Upon completion organizing the local post. of this work he will be sent to

To Meet Sept. 3rd

Enticed to the meeting by a watermelon feast, the group discussed the problems with which the American Legion is confronted, after which officers for the coming year were elected.

will take V-5 Navy training for J. B. Morrow was named to head the post as commander, and Austin Bell was elected adjutant. Other officers named are: David urday morning from Richmond, Wilson, first vice commander; I. Va., to visit his wife and to make O. Blakeley, second vice comthe acquaintance of his young son mander; L. S. Wilson, finance ofand heir. Pvt. Hale will be here ficer; R. C. Brown chaplain, and James B. Reed, service officer.

The group voted the first Friday night in each month as meetmored Division, stationed in North ing night, and its first meeting Camp, La., is here visiting his will be Friday night, Sept. 3, in the Legion hall over the Spur Security bank. Pfc. R. D. Ford of the Advance

Prospect of re-organizing the post is already drawing interest from Legionnaires and ex-service men, and the newly-elected commander has already made arrangements with the representative of the Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co. to send cigarettes to service men in foreign fields. Containers in which donations for the purchase of cigarettes may be placed are expected to arrive in a few days, which will be placed parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Scott at convenient places throughout from somewhere in India that he the city.

All ex-service men should begin making plans now to attend the first meeting, further announcements of which will be made in the next two issues of The Texas Spur. Anyone desiring to sign up for membership in the Legion in advance of the meeting, should see Mr. Morrow, or any other officer of the post.

REVIVAL AT ANTELOPE

A revival meeting is now in progress at the Antelope church Pvt. Raymond B. Ince of the Air with Rev. Hinton of Norman, Corps, stationed at Shepherd Field Okla. doing the preaching. Day spent an over night visit here services are at 10:30 a. m. and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. night services at 9 o'clock. The B. Ince. Pvt. Ince expects to be public is cordially inviter to attend the services.

Mrs. George Lisenby received word that their son, Staff Sgt word yesterday that her husband, Cleo Rogers, had been promoted Pfc. Lisenby, had sailed from to Technical Sergeant. Sgt. Rog-Seattle, Wash., for foreign service. ers has been with the U.S. Air Corps for almost three years. At Pfc. J. N. Poteet of the Air present he is stationed at Alexan-Corps, stationed at Bryan, is here dria, La. visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

> Seaman Calvin Simmons and Seaman Riley Adcock were accompanied by Seaman Simmons' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Simas far as Lubbock where they boarded the bus for San Diego, Calif., wwhere they are both stationed.



THE GENERAL'S CHAUFFEUR.—Aircraftswoman Janet Arthur o the Women's Auxiliary Australian Air Forces, Motor Division, has the distinction of driving for General Douglas MacArthur, commanding officer of the Southwest Pacific Forces, when he is on duty at his Australian Headquarters.

Jack Christian To Coach Football Again This Year; Meeting of Boys Interested In Playing At High School Friday Night

Despite the fact it will take lie Powell. sorely needed time from his business, Jack Christian, who carried cipal, arrived Monday and for the the Spur Bulldog football squad to the bi-district finals last year, has consented to coach the team | Brantley will join him in the again this year—provided there near future.

A meeting has been called for Friday night at 7 o'clock at the high school building to determine whether or not we will have a football team this year. All boys interested in football are urged to attend.

Christian, recognized as one of the best coaches in this section of West Texas, consented to coach the team only after efforts of the school board to secure a coach had proved futile, as the press of his own business necessarily requires all his time, and his decision to coach the local football squad again will be a sacrifice to his business, and any of his customers who fail to find him at his place of business at times during the football season, should bear in mind that is necessary : we are to have a football team

this year. The school board last week employed a band instructor but he declined to accept the place. The board is continuing its efforts to secure an instructor before the opening of school Sept. 6.

A new roof has been put on the ward school building and the mons, and Miss Wilma Dee Nix north side of the grounds terraced. The work was done by Commissioner Hindman and George Glover. Weeds on the ward school grounds were cut by Char-

Foy Brantley, high school prinpresent is staying in the home o Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee. Mrs.

Christmas Packages **Must Be Mailed To Service Men Early**

The War Department has advised the local post office that Christmas packages for our oversea forces must be mailed between September 15th and October 15th in order to assure delivages for the Navy which may be Spur office. mailed until November 1st.

No request is necessary but the package must be plainly marked 'CHRISTMAS PACKAGE".

Perishable articles cannot weigh more than 5 lbs., not over 15 inches in length or 35 of cotton in War Bonds. inches in length and girth com-

Be sure your package is well

packed, and mail early. Packages for prisoners of war should be mailed between August 15th and September 15th and every effort possible will be made to deliver same by Christmas. For more information, inquire at your local post office.

> Respectfully, O. C. Arthur, Postmaster.

A memorial talk for the boys

War Bond Loan Drive Preparations and plans are being formulated this week for the greatest War Loan drive in the history of Dickens county, it was announced Wednesday by O. B. Ratliff, chairman of the Dickens County War Finance committee. While the quota for Dickens county has not been released by the Treasury department, it is generally assumed that it will be larger than the quota in the last drive, Ratliff pointed out, as the national quota exceeds by three billion dollars that of the last drive. As soon as the new quota is released it will be announced

to the citizens of the county, Ratliff said. The chairman of the county War Finance committee and Postmaster O. C. Arthur jointly announce that for the Third War Loan Drive the county will be divided according to commission-

er precincts, and each precinct given a quota to meet based upon the taxable values within such precinct. The Treasury department, through the Dickens County War

Finance committee, announces the following commissioners pre-Precinct 1 will be headed by

R. R. Wooten, chairman; Willow Street, vice chairman, and A. Z. Hays, superintendent of Dickens Precinct 2 will be headed by

Carl Randolph, chairman; Jim Offield, vice chairman, and J. W. Adams, superintendent of Patton Springs schools.

Precinct 3 will be headed by Raul English, chairman; W. H. Hindman, vice chairman, and James B. Reed.

Precinct 4 will be headed by Lee Mimms, chairman; M. B. Gage, vice chairman, and Robert McAteer.

It will be the duties of these committees, Ratliff stated, to organize their precincts in order to meet the quotas to be set for them. Thse committees will in turn work with the committees of the various school districts within their precincts and organize Bond rallies and personal solicitations of Bond sales from the people of their communities.

The school district committees will remain much the same as they were during the last drive minus a few changes, Ratliff stated. He urges all schools and committees to proceed with plans for the drive, stating that his advice and services will be available at all times for assistance in their plans. Ratliff has opened his Third War Loan Drive office ery by Christmas, except pack- in the front part of the City of

The new national slogan for the Third War Loan Drive is "Back the Attack with Extra Bonds in September," and Ratliff announces the new Dickens county slesent and the package must not gas as "Bales for Bonds", urging be the investment of the first bales

> Watch following issues of The Texas Spur for other announcements on the third War Loan

-6 P **ROTARY TODAY**

A subject in which all Rotarians are interested, "Crop Conditions," will be discussed by County Agricultural Agent Chas. Taylor at today's luncheon, and President Jack Christian urges all members to be present promptly

One new member, Andy Hurst Sr., was welcomed into the club last Thursday, and two additional members are scheduled to come today.

Rotarians absent last Thursday were Henry Alexander, Ned Baird, Winston Brummett, Chas. Fisher, Truman Green, Dr. J. F. Hughes, George Gabriel, Lester Garner. Carl Proctor, O. B. Ratliff and

Walter Lebay. **Farmers Meeting**

Dickens county farmers are urgently invited to attend a meetreared in this country and is about pected to have a good time during establishing a fair wage for cotton harvesting. Please be

Motley-Dickens Old Settlers To Meet August 26th

The Motley-Dickens County Old Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Adams have with them this week their son-in- | Settlers association will hold their petty officer, and Mrs. Bowman. Thursday, Aug. 26. The associa-Seaman Bowman arrived here tion meeting will be followed the from Virginia last week wwhere next day by the Rodeo associa-

> The Old Settlers association is always held the last Thursday in August each year. The program will begin this year with a parade starting at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

The memorial services which are in memory of those members who have passed away during the year will be held under the taber-Mr. and Mrs. B. Rogers of the nacle at 11 o'clock Thursday Dry Lake community, received morning.

There is one part of the program that cannot be carried out who have been reported killed or law, James H. Bowman, chief annual meeting at Roaring Springs this year. The chuck wagon din- missing in action will be given by ner will not be served to the peo- Judge G. E. Hamilton, of Matador. ple this year on account of OPA This address will be followed by rationing foods. People will have some other numbers of interest. Scout Master Cecil Fox urges he has been at the head of Ad- tion with a rodeo program at which to carry their lunches with them -and that means everybody wili have to carry their lunches if sion of the association and officers they expect to eat. The cafes at for next year will be elected. both Roaring Springs and Matais to take your lunches along.

the youngest Old Timer in the the two days. membership of the association.

About 4 o'clock in the after-

noon there will be a business ses-The Rodeo association will give

dor will do all they can to help their show both Thursday and feed the people but the best plan | Friday, starting at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of each day. During At 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon the evening of both days the Old a patriotic address will be given | Timers Dance will be conducted by Judge Alton B. Chapman, by the Old Settlers. There will ing at the Spur theatre Saturday judge of the 110th judicial district be provision made for the young afternoon at 2:30 for the purpose court. Judge Chapman has been people also, and everybody is ex- of discussing the possibility of

Personal Mention

NOTICE

To enable me to take post graduate

work, under the faculty of the Texas

Chiropractic College of San Antonio,

my office will be closed from August

DR. O. R. CLOUDE

CHIROPRACTOR

27th until September 1st.

in this emergency.

of their own livestock.

territories served by our mills.

M. S. Lambert of Wichita community was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday morning.

Miss Lola Drennan has returned to Lubbock after spending a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Drennan of Afton, and sisters, Mrs. Frank Ragland and family of Roaring Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Morrow of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gabbert and two sons of Lubbock came in Saturday afternoon to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen. Mrs. Gabbert and sons will spend all the week here, Mr. Gabbert returned Sunday night.

Robert Drennan Jr. of Afton, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Luther Drennan of Levelland for the past two weeks.

Jimmie Koonsman and daughter, Peggy Berth, were business visitors in Spur last Saturday.

Mrs. Earl Murchinson returned Saturday morning from Dallas where she visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Poindexter for several days before visiting her brother, Pvt. Jimmie Sparks, who is stationed at Bryan. Pvt. Sparks is in the Air Corps there.

Miss Mona Lawrence left Friday for Carlsbad, New Mex., to will go through the caverns.

Spur

Little Miss Donna Mae Mc-Laughlin of Brownfield, is here visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Aston of the Dry Lake community, for several days.

Commissioner and Mrs. Jim Offield and daughter, Rosa Lee of Afton, were in town Friday attending to business affairs.

Morris Scott Clay returned Friday from a visit with his sister, Mrs. Weldon Cannon of Tulsa, Okla., where he visited many places of interest, including the Will Rogers memorial.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gregory of the Duck Creek community, were trading in Spur Friday.

Tech. was home for the past week there. end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Allen.

Friday of last week.

Earl Long returned Monday a Mrs. Sullivan of Vera.

Mrs. Etta Webb of Munday is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leon Reagan and family, for a

Tom McArthur, who is ill in the West Texas hospital in Lubbock, visit with friends, and while there is slowly improving relatives re-

Texas

To Producers Of

Cottonseed

Our Policy For the Coming Season

Will Be As Follows:

We recognize and whole-heartedly pledge ourselves to

do everything possible to help you and your neighbors

We recognize that the producers of cottonseed have a

priority on the feed produced from your seed and in or-

der that you will get the amount of meal and hulls you

absolutely need for your livestock, the prompt market-

ing of cottonseed for processing will make the meal and

hulls, above your own requirements, available to dairy-

men, beef cattle raisers and other livestock producers

of this section. The only profitable way for livestock

producers and dairymen to continue in business is for

cotton growers to share the cottonseed meal and hulls produced from their seed in excess of the actual needs

Some producers of cottonseed need all of the products out of the seed, and then some. Many producers of cot-

tonseed do not need but a small percentage of the products out of the cottonseed they produce. Therefore, this excess, we pledge you, will be distributed to the

dairymen and non-cotton producing ranchers in the

We urge you to sell your cottonseed to the gin as you

gin your cotton in order that the seed may move to

the oil mills so that you may secure feed as soon as pos-

sible, and that needed materials may be produced

RULE-JAYTON

COTTON OIL COMPANY

(OWNERS & OPERATORS)

Rule Cotton Oil Mill, Rule, Texas

Jayton Cotton Oil Mill, Jayton, Texas

Stamford Cotton Oil Mill, Stamford, Texas

promptly for the armed forces of our country.

Miss Margaret Mae Weaver guest of Mrs. Sam Augustine, while attending a teachers meeting there.

W. B. Francis Jr. returned last Thursday from Cheyenne, Wyo., where he has been working through the harvest season.

Rev. Fred Carnes and Mrs. Carnes and two children, of El Paso are here visiting Mrs. Carnes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James B.

Judge Alton B. Chapman of in Spur last Saturday.

Mrs. Fannie Sullivan and son, Bernice, recently returned from a 10-day stay in Clovis, New Mex. Bernice rested and recuperated, and Mrs. Sullivan visited an old James Victor Allen of Texas friend, Mrs. H. F. Plaster, while

W. J. Elliott returned last Monday from Dallas where he has Ott Denson of the Highway been for medical attention, and is community, was trading in Spur feeling much improved at this

Mrs. Louis G. Williams returnweek ago from a visit with his ed Thursday to Camp Carson, son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Colo., to be near her husband, Pvt. Williams, who is stationed there. Mrs. Andy Hurst returned Wednesday frim an extended trip to Fort Worth, Dallas, and Mc-Leod, La., where she visited her son, L. J. Hurst and family of Fort Worth. In Dallas she visited Marion Hurst and family, and Rev. and Mrs. Lance Hurst of Mc-Leod, La. On her return trip she

> visit before returning home. Ruby Carter has returned to her home in Hobbs, New Mex., after a six weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Bob Dickson on Spur

> visited her mother, Mrs. J. L.

Hurst joined her for a week end

ranch headquarters. Jim McArthur of Red Mud was attending to business in Spur Saturday.

Bud Long of Altus, Okla., visited his sister, Mrs. Hettie Calvert here for a few days last week. J. M. Aston left Monday a week ago for Dallas where he will be parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L.

employed in North American Adams, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Calvert of spent last week in Lubbock the Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. her home in Girard Monday after came in Saturday and will spend W. M. Calvert, and Mrs. Hettie a week end visit to the Carlsbad this week in the home of Mr. and Calvert here last week, before leaving for Brownfield where they visited their daughter, Mrs.

> Carlos Kissinger, for several days. Miss Alene Morrow of Lubbock recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrow here, and to be with her brother, Winfred Morrow, who was leaving for

Navy training in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Boy Hand had as their guests last week their Floydada, was a business visitor nephew, Shannon Davidson, a neice, Mrs. Howard Rogers and small son, Ronnie of Flomont, and sister, Mrs. Dora Davidson. Many will recall when Shannon Davidson made his marathon ride from this part of the country into the golden gate at San Francisco. Calif., and won a nice purse, and was given a part in the cast of a Western picture.

Mrs. Neal A. Chastain and Neal A. Jr., Mrs. W. D. Starcher, and Billie D., returned last Saturday morning from Ruidoso, New Mex. where they had spent a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Butler and daughter, Mrs. Nathan Patterson and small son, Curtis Derrell, visited Mrs. Butler's brother, Virgil Webb and family of Muleshoe, from Sunday until Tuesday night of this week.

Mrs. E. M. Cox of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Floyd Murry and little son, Ronnie, of Floydada, came in last Saturday to visit with Smith in Abilene, where Mr. | heir moher, Mrs. M. P. Green They will be here for an extended

> Mrs. John Howard Bailey is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bailey, and her aunt, Miss Lillian Rape. Corp. Bailey has recently been transferred to Camp Maxey, near Paris.

> Teddy R. Brannen, son of Chief Fetty Officer and Mrs. H. Bowman, arrived here from Corpus Christi Sunday morning to visit with Seaman Bowman who is here from Virginia, and his grand-

> Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore and little son, of Fort Worth are here visiting Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Arthur, and other relatives and friends. Mr. Moore has been employed for several months at Fort Worth Con-

> Mr. and Mrs. George Gabriel and family returned Monday from a seven day visit with Mrs. Gabriel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cohlmia of Wayoka, Okla.

Mrs. Charles Taylor and daughter, Genyce of Dickens, were shopping in Spur Tuesday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Shugart of Amarillo, and Mrs. Dot Sargent of Roswell, New Mex., came in Sunday to return their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shugart home and to remain here for a week's visit with their parents and other relatives. They returned Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Floyd of Elton returned Sunday from a month's visit with their daughter, Mrs. A. E. Garrett of San Antonio, and with friends in Marlin.

Mrs. Dick Speer of Dallas and Miss Creaghead of Breckenridge were guests in the home of Mayor and Mrs. Lawis Lee Sunday.

Mrs. Hayden Pierce and Delbert and Elizabeth Ann of Los Angeles, Calif., have been here for several weeks, gcests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawis Lee. Mrs. Pierce is a sister to Mrs. Lee.

Mrs. Ella Miller made a business trip to Lubbock Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore Jr. and Gary Baxter of Fort Worth are visiting in the home of Postmaster and Mrs. O. C.

Miss Betty Langford returned to Cavern, New Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Pierce of Abernathy were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Abernathy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Glass are here this week visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gilcrease and family. They are the parents of Mrs. Gilcrease.

Mrs. Ben Perry returned to her home in Spur Monday after a week end visit with her sisters, Mrs. Velma Owens, and Mrs. Francis Perry of Lubbock. Mrs. Loretta Beeson returned

Monday from a weeks visit with tin, and friends. friends in Carlsbad, New Mex. While there she went through the Carlsbad Cavern.

S. E. Hatfield returned to Spur Monday after a three weeks stay in Borger, where he has been working.

Mrs. W. B. Bennett is visiting Mrs. E. J. Cowan of Lubbock for a few days this week before going to Bluett, New Mex. to be with her son, Rev. W. C. Bennett, who is holding a two weeks revival meeting there.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ince left Tuesday morning for California where they will visit their sons, W. T. Ince and family of Englewood, and D. B. Ince Jr., of Long Beach, Calif., for a two weeks visit. Their daughter, Miss Louise Ince, accompanied them as far as Morton where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Charley Cravey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Green and children, Allen and Shela, are on a vacation to Ruidoso, New Mex., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fox left for Mineral Wells Sunday where Mrs. Fox will remain for awhile. Mr. Fox returned Monday.

Rev. S. J. McMurry and son, L. M. McMurry, of Bangs, were week end visitors in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Ramsay, with Rev. McMurry filling the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Mrs. Lee Hindman is spending two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Leonard McBrinly and family in Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. C. B. Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fox and Cecilia, visited friends and attended church services in Floydada Sunday. Miss Vera Shepherd accompanied them as far as Matador where she spent the day with friends.



Baby Curl Permanent With A Naturally Lovely Look

Whole head permanent with the soft feminine beauty so much in vogue. To assure your complete satisfaction, we'll take a test curl. The price of your permanent includes an oil shampoo, wash, hair styling and set!

Jimison Beauty Shop



Don't Wait UNTIL the LAST MINUTE!

We are ready to serve you with quality shoe repairing as we have in the past . . . but we urge you to allow us a few days time to make the necessary repairs your shoes need. Don't ask for rush jobs but remember, repairs save wear!



Rucker's Shoe Shop

Mrs. Marie Gruben of Royston Mrs. Walter Gruben and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Rucker of Guthrie are spending a few days here with Mrs. Rucker's sister, Mrs. Troy Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Manley of Rochester, and daughter, Mrs. K. R. Deemen of Abilene, spent Sunday here visiting their sister and daughter, Miss Lois Manley.

Albert Cargile returned to his home in Abilene Friday, after a weeks visit here with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Mar-

Mrs. T. N. Morgan left Monday morning for Kermit, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Levi Kruse, 10 days before leaving for Colorado City, where she will visit another daughter, Mrs. V. I. Moser and family.

Pvt. A. Sprayberry, stationed at Camp Swift, is in Spur on a 10day furlough visiting his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sprayberry

Spencer Corsetiere Mrs. Stella Morrow Phone 203-W 523 N. Carroll



\$2.98 TO \$4.95

SEERSUCKER Stripes, Dots, Checks

49c

YARD

Florals, Dots, Solids 79c

RAYON

YARD

BOYS SCHOOL SHIRTS SIZES 6 TO 141/2

\$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.49

GIVE THEM A -Complete Line Boys and Girls School Shoes, All sturdily built for hard, durable wear. Priced from \$1.98 to \$3.95



The Fair Store

Adapted from the METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER Picture by BEATRICE CAMMER SYNOPSIS: In the little town of Ithaca, California lives the loving, human Macauley family. The eldest brother Marcus is off in an army camp. Sixteen year old Homer (Mickey Rooney) with his after-school job as messenger boy is proud that he is now head of the family . . . growing up, learning about life. Now he is troubled. A letter from Marcus fills him with foreboding. Suppose his brother never comes back home.

NOW READ EPISODE FIVE-BELOW



evi

ill

L.

led

ry.

"But Homer, girls like to get out and flap their wings."

Homer is disturbed at breakfast the next morning when he hears Bess his sister (Donna Reed) and Marcus' girl Mary (Dorothy Morris), talking to his mother (Fay Bainter), about getting jobs. What's the idea? Homer demands. He's the man in this family. The girls oughtn't to be thinking about jobs. Marcus wouldn't like that idea at all.



"You say I was afraid, Homer? But what is 'afraid'?"

He dwells on the thought the whole day. Bi-cycling along the street that evening he sud-denly sees his little brother Ulysses (Jack Jenkins) surrounded by a crowd. The child is weeping because a "mechanical man" in a store window has frightened him. Homer comforts him and feels wonderfully adult and protective



"I used to think you were just fluff, Diana, but I was wrong."

The seasons pass. Diana Steed (Marsha Hunt) and Tom Spangler (James Craig) have been married six months. Now Marsha shows her true colors. Spangler is going into the Navy soon and she will be having her baby while he is away. Gayly and courageously, she faces the situation. She will carry on. She knows how to pray.



"Wake up, Mr. Grogan! You've got to wake up!"

Homer goes back to the office. Mr. Grogan (Frank Morgan), seems to be asleep. Following past instructions Homer splashes him with water, tries to get hot coffee. Then Homer realizes that he is dead. Suddenly, he spies an unfinished telegram in the typewriter just off the wire. He trembles as he starts to read it. Be sure to see the concluding episode.

Grade of Cotton

War Food Administrator Mar-

vin Jones has appealed to cotton

farmers, ginners and pickers of

Dickens county to help relieve a

critical shortage of high grade

cotton for war purposes. He points

out that while the nation's total

stocks of cotton are still large,

"the decline in grade is startling."

In line with Mr. Jones' appeal,

the War Food Administration and

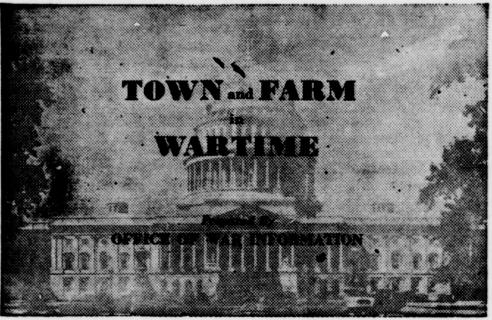
of Chas. Taylor, supplies of litera-

ture and other materials which

show the methods through which

seed cotton.

TURN TO PAGE FIVE AND READ THE 6th AND FINAL EPISODE OF "THE HUM AN COMEDY."



RATION REMINDER

GASOLINE-in 17 states of eastern shortage area A-6 coupons are valid until November 21. In states outside the eastern shortagt area A-7 coupons are valid through September 21. All gasoline coupons in the possession of car owners must be endorsed with the owner's license number and state of registration. (A coupons now good for 3 gallons instead of 4.)

FUEL OIL-Period 5 coupons in old rations remain valid through September 30. Period 1 coupons in new rations are valid now. Occupants of oil heated homes are urged to return their applications for next year's fuel oil to their dealers for summer fill-ups.

SUGAR - Stamp No. 14, good for 5 lbs., is valid through October. Stamp Nos. 15 and 16 are good through October 31 for 5 lbs. each for home canning purposes. House wives may apply to their local ration boards for more if nec-

SHOES-Stamp No. 18 (1 pair) is valid through Octo-

STOVES—Purchase certificates now issued and normally valid for thirty days from date of issuance, will be invalid after August 23, by which time it is expected the new nation - wide stove rationing plan will be in effect.

MEAT, Etc. — Red stamps

T. U, V. W, now valid, ex-

pire August 31.

PROCESSED FOODS—Blue stamps, R, S, and T, remain valid through September 20.

AGRICULTURAL PAYMENT

RATES A revised scale for payments to farmers under the 1943 Agricultural Conservation Program has been set up by WFA to adjust number of eligible farmers. The revised rates (with the former rates in parentheses) are: cotton, one cent per pound (1.1 cents), corn, 3 cents per bushel (3.6 cents) and wheat, 8.5 cents per bushel (9.2 cents). Rates remain unchanged for rice and tobacco.

EQUAL DRAFT OF FATHERS

Drafting of fathers with children born before September 15, 1942, will begin at approximately the same time throughout the nation, the Selective Service Bureau of WMC said recently.

AUGUST CROP REPORT

The following comment on the August crop report was made recently by Marvin Jones, War Food Administrator: "The July crop report made it clear that farmers in the face of many difficulties had substantially met, and in some cases exceeded, the crop acreage goals. During July, growing conditions were favorable and current indications are that yields per acre in 1943 will be the second largest on record. The progress of the year's production so far is gratifying. The hard work and the determination of farmers have placed us in a position to meet essential food needs, given aver-

age weather from now on. "However, the crops are still to be harvested, marketed, and processed, and in the case of the feed crops, fed to livestock. Farmers will need additional workers for

harvest, and food processing industries are short handed. The wartime food problem is not solved, though present production prospects are encouraging."

WAR BALLOTS FOR ARMY

Blank forms are available to all officers and enlisted men of the Army to enable them to apply for war ballots for elections to be held this year, the War Department reports. Public Law 712 requires these forms to be available in years when officers of the National Government are elected. The forms will also enable legally qualified soldier voters to participate in state elections.

REPAIR SCHOOL BUSSES NOW

School authorities and school bus operators have been warned by ODT against delaying the overhauling of school busses. Lastminute efforts to obtain necessary repairs may result in busses being laid up when schools open this fall. The shortage of skilled mechanics and the scarcity of repair available funds to the increased parts may result in unexpected delays, and a check-up may reveal that some busses cannot be repaired and must be replaced. The ODT suggests that school authorities or school bus operators contact local ODT District Maintenance Advisory Committees to help solve problems that may

CIVILIANS GET CANNED **GOODS**

Civilians will receive approximately 61/2 million more cases of canned apples, fruit cocktail, beets, sweet corn, pumpkin or squash, lima beans and tomato puree under an amendment to Director Food Distribution Order 22.4 which reduces the quantity that canners are required to set aside from 1943 production to meet government requirements.

GIFTS TO THE U.S.A.

Thousands of Americans, in addition to paying taxes and investing in war bonds, have given several million dollars in cash and many other gifts to the government. The Treasury to date has completed more than 20,000 transactions in connection with contributions ranging, in cash, from one cent to several hundred thousand dollars, and in gifts, from tinfoil to Rolls Royces. Cash donations total about \$4,423,000.

BENEFITS GRANTED TO WAC Members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, as soon as they take the oath as members of the Women's Army Corps, become eligible for National Service Life Insurance and the free mail privilege. Furthermore, a member of the WAC who is married to a service man is eligible to receive the usual family allowance for soldiers' wives.

CLOTHING CEILING

Retail and wholesale ceiling prices for women's, girls', children's and toddlers' fall and winter dresses, suits, coats, blouses, and other outer clothing have been provided by OPA at levels equal to or lower than those of last fall, in Amendment No. 1 to Maximum Price Regulation 330.

ARMY NEEDS DOCTORS

To continue the standard of the U. S. Army as the healthiest Army in the world, 7,500 additional physicians and surgeons will be needel during the coming three months, and an additional 2,500 by January 1, 1944. Major General Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General says: "The casualty rate in the Army to date has been very low, and one of the main reasons has been the availability of trained surgeons on the battlefields and in hospitals behind the lines to give our wounded men quick, efficient and expert

FOOD PRICES DOWN

Farmers Urged To "Retail food prices as a grouprepresenting about two-fifths of total living costs—declined by 2.0 Fight For Higher per cent," Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins said recently in discussing changes in the cost of living from June 15 to July 15. "Clothing costs rose 0.5 percent. Other costs, including house furnishings, utility rates and services, were stable or increased moderately." With meat prices cut back by OPA and vegetables seasonally lower, the cost of living for city workers dropped 0.8 per-

TO USE NYA EQUIPMENT

Vocational schools which were using National Youth Administration equipment or buildings on June 30 have been advised by Paul V. McNutt, Chairman, War Manpower Commission, to file applications before October 12 with the regional offices of the Procurement Division, Treasury Department, if trhey wish to continue using these buildings, tools, and machines for training students during the war.

SET ASIDE DRIED FRUITS

"Dried fruit packers must set aside for government procurement their entire holdings of raisins, prunes, apples, apricots, peaches, pears, and currants during the 1943-44 season under a continuation of last year's program," the WFA said recently. Last year more than 234,000 tons of dried prunes and raisins were released for civilian consumption.

CARS TO KEEP RUNNING America's 30,000,000 motorists have been assured by WPB that sufficient new and reconditioned parts will be made available to keep the nation's essential cars rolling through 1944. Even the country's 5,000,000, ten years old or more, will be kept on the road by necessary replacement parts.

ORDER FUEL NOW With War Price and Rationins Boards rapidly completing the task or renewing consumers' heating oil rations, OPA is urging householders to place orders immediately to give both consumers and dealers plenty of time during warm weather to get a supply of heating oil in home storage tanks.



GOOD **EATING**

From A Snack

Whatever food we serve you is the best available quality, and is carefully prepared in an immaculate kitchen. We never close.

Leaf Worm Threat To Cotton

The leaf worm is the biggest threat to the Texas cotton crop at this time, according to Dr. H. G. Johnston, entomologist for the A. and M. College Extension Service. The boll weevil population is about normal for the season, and there is not likely to be further damage by flea hoppers.

the state at least three to four 6 for _____ 25c weeks earlier than normal, he 12 for _____ 45c says. An abundance of adult 24 for _____ 85c moths are appearing and a new generation will develop in the next week or ten days. Dr. Johnston says that this is the generation of leaf worms which normally appear in early September. On that account it may be expected that many cotton fields will be stripped completely. Because of temporary constipation, ask for and the large acreage of late-planted be sure you get cotton over the state, such a condition threatens heavy loss to the Texas cotton crop unless the leaf worms are controlled. The pest is readily controlled if poisons are applied when the worms are small. But after they are onehalf to two-thirds grown control is more difficult. Dr. Johnston suggests that growers see their county agricultural agents for details concerning control of cotton insect pests.

Although the boll weevil population is comparatively low throughout the northern and western part of the state, the entomologist emphasizes that this enemy always , should be given special consideration. The boll weevil depends entirely upon the cotton plant for its food and cannot live on other plants. Consequently, when cotton stalks are destroyed in early fall the insects

cedures.

The National Cotton Council, the National Cotton Council have heading up the program in behalf placed in the hands of ginners in of all branches of the industry, is Dickens county, and in the office calling for "superhuman effort to deliver a maximum of high grades despite the obvious difficulties of labor shortages."

grade may be improved by the individual harvester and ginner of supply of the grades required for military goods," says the Council, Gins in the county have been "it is going to be necessary for asked to display large posters emevery individual to: (1) pick his phasizing the importance of grade cotton only when it is dry; (2) improvement. They have likekeep leaf and other trash out of it; (3) get cotton out of the field wise been asked to attach cards to wagons and trucks bringing before it suffers weather damage; cotton to the gin, in order that the (4) be sure that he does not mix message may be carried back to good cotton with bad."

insure fewer weevils to fight for

pickers in the field, and to distribute leaflets which point out various grade improvement pro-

"To give the army an adequate

next year's cotton crop. -66 Scarcely bigger than a wooden match, a newly developed mercury lamp can be used for one million photographic exposures.

are deprived of food and many per-

Stalks should be destroyed early

-by all means before frost. Thsi

will prevent further growth and

ish during the winter.

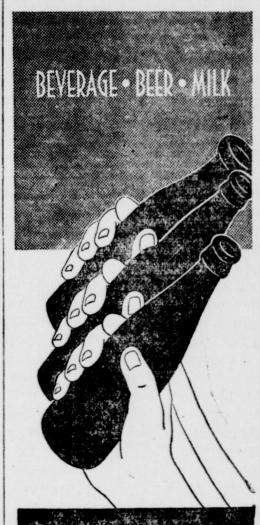
SALES BOOKS Leaf worms have spread over Price each _____ 05c

THE TEXAS SPUR Phone 128

THE OLD RELIABLE

If you need a good laxative or cath. artic to relieve headache, biliousness; or that lazy tired feeling when due to

> HERBINE CITY DRUG CO.



and the state of t ROUND UP AND RETURN DEPOSIT BOTTLES NOW! CONSERVE VITAL MATERIALS IT'S YOUR PATRIOTIC DUTY!



"I just tell Hyatt's what I would like to have. They tell me if it is available, and if it is not on the market, they tell me the best and cheapest substitutes that are available. So I just don't worry about the food problems for my family. Sure I advise all you homemakers to phone 59 and let Hyatt's help you with your food problems.

Hyatt's Food Market

How Long ARE YOU USING YOUR LINENS?

. . . You'll be able to use them much longer regardless of age if you give them proper care. Ask us or our route man for details to help you make the best of curtailed laundry service . . . with less work. Now more than ever, things must last.

Spur Laundry-Cleaners

Published Weekly on Thursdays at Spur, Dickens County, Texas.

TELEPHONES: _____128 Residence_ Intered as Second Class Mail Matter on the 12th day of Movember, 1909, at the Post Office at Spur, Texas, under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879, and published rentinuously without recess

ADVERTISING RATES:

ADVERTISING RATES: Cards of Thanks, 50e; Reading Notices, 10c per line.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

Dickens and Adjoining Counties, per year _____\$1.0 Elsewhere, per year_____\$1.50 NOTICE-Any erroneous reflection upon the character standing or reputation of any individual, firm or corpor-ation, which may appear in the columns of The Texas Spur will gladly be corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

Magnifying Difficulties

(EDITOR'S NOTE: - The following editorial which appeared in a recent issue of the Fort Meade Post, camp publication at Fort Meade, Md., was written by Chaplain Lt. Forrest G. Rodgers, pastor of the First Baptist church in Spur from 1930 to 1935.)

The most dangerous enemies, and the most deadly saboteurs in our land are the people who magnify our difficulties of this war, and there should be meted out to them the most severe punishment, regardless of who they are or of their rank or station in our nation.

Numbers 13:26-66; Numbers 14:1-4.

These Scriptures give a brief sketch of the mixed multitude, who were under orders to proceed, and take the Promised Land, but they had passed through two, long, weary and hard years since they had started to march against the enemy, and they had met with many difficulties; some of them had grown faint hearted, and were afraid of everything -even afraid of themselves, and this is the dangerpoint in many a great undertaking.

These people had t raveled several hundred miles and were encamped on the very border of the promised land; the faithful and courageous ones were ready to go up and take the land, and their leader, Moses, had no other idea, and he addressed the people: "Behold, the Lord thy God has set the land before thee; go up and possess it."

The fearful wanted to send out an investigating committee, or spies, into this new land. So a committee of twelve was sent, and they went over, and searched out the land. The twelve, however, did not see things alike: the people and the cities. Ten of the spies were fearful, doubters, gossipers; they did not zip their lps, and they were without faith in God or void of faith. There were only two who believed God.

Now we find the twelve before the "C. O." submitting their report. On the first part of the report they were all agreed because had evidence from the land, fruits, etc. They agreed before the "C. O." that Canaan was a goodly land and much to be desired; a land well-watered, wonderful vineyards, great cities and much food, and that God had promised it to them and they would like to have it. Also, there were giants in the land, welltrained men, and great fortifications, walled cities; that they were as grasshoppers in the giants' sight, and that is would be a big task to take the land. They were not acquainted with the land, for they had not passed that way before. There would be

many sorrows, losses and expenses. Now we see the same twelve submitting the last part of their report to the "C. O." and on this part they disagreed. The devil always tries to get God's children to doubt the Lord and His Word, saying that you cannot do what God says. The devil is going to make some people in this country believe we cannot win this war. But by the grace, power and wisdom of the God of Israel, the eternal God, the God of all power and the only God of salvation for the sinner's soul, by Him we shall win this war! Let us as a Christian nation give to Him all honor and praise for the victory which will bless the whole world. They disagreed on these points: the ten said they were as grasshoppers in their own sight and were not able to take the land. But the two said, "We are not as grasshoppers in our sight, and are well able to possess the land." The ten said the enemy was all giants and cannibals and we cannot go up against them. The two said, "They are giants and cannibals but we are well able to take the land." The ten said "The enemy is stronger than Israel because God will be with us; therefore, we are the stronger. Let us go up at once and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it."

We agree that without God it would be impossible but with God all things are possible. "Pray unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

We agree that the enemy has trained men, giants, and equipment, but they are no match for our God. We agree that some of our great leaders and warriors are dead, but God is not dead. We agree that there are many difficulties out before us, but if we will let God, He will go before us, follow after us, and be our protector from above, beneath, and on every side, and under every condition and on all occasions. He is the unfailing one. "I will not fai thee," "I am the almighty God of war." "God our refuge and strength" . . . "the Lord of hosts is with us; the god of Jacob is our refuge."

Things that cause difficulties to be magnified are: doubts, fears, weaknesses and faint-hearted ness; these always come to people who do not be lieve God and the Bible, and when they leave God out of their plans and lives.

The penalty for magnifying difficulties; God places the greatest penalty on this of any sin in the time of war because we are to magnify God instead of our difficulties. As a result of magnifying their difficulties their leader was defeated, their nation was defeated, and God brought on them as a penalty: turmoil, strife, hatred, jealousies, confusions, rebellion, divisions, sorrows, sufferings, poverty, idol-worship, shame and death. God withdrew His presence and power from them, and would not go up with them to battle and refused to give them victory over their enemy (although these people were the apple of His eye) because they magnified their difficulties instead of God and His power.

The look that brings victory out of difficulties: this is the secret of it all, and where all people win or lose, and it all is in the look you take or how you look. They were all twelve looking at God, and all good men as the world counts good) but ten of them looked the wrong way; they looked at God through their difficulties, and naturally their crease) has prepared a graphic difficulties appeared to be greater than God. The two looked at the same difficulties through God and therefore God was greater than the difficulties. Many great enterprises have failed because difficulties occupied the forefront instead of God. Which occupies the forefront with you: God or difficulties?

LT. FORREST G. RODGERS, Assistant Post Chaplain.

We Can't Win Walking

Increase in the traffic load, both passenger and freight, for the first half of 1943, has exceeded all the advance estimates on which government authorities based allotments of material for new railroad equipment and for maintenance. Half again more freight service than in the pre-war years has been performed by American railroads during the past 12 months, and passenger volume has been three times as great as in any of the 11 years pre ceding 1941, according to Z. G. Hopkins, representing western railways.

In spite of staggering rises in wartime transportation requirements, there has been no material increase in the supply of railroad equipment. With the aid of the country's shippers, a record has bee made in getting maximum possible service out of all available transportation facilities.

But there are limits beyond which shippers and the railroads cannot go with present tools, however active and unified they may be in cooperative and patriotic effort. It must be realized that too little and too late can stymie American shippers and railroad men no less than armies. Adequate additional equipment must be available if the railroads are to maintain their remarkable war transportation service. We should remember that this war is being fought on wheels-we can't win it walking.

Encourage Oil Production Now

William R. Boyd, Chairman, Petroleum Industry War Council, warns that: "The huge and increasing military demand, the failure of the government to provide crude oil price incentive to increase desperately needed reserves, our manpower and materials difficulties, and the necessity to make fuel oil in preference to gasoline, have all combined to create what properly may be called a critical oil situation . . .

"So far," says Mr. Boyd, "no plane, no tank, no jeep, no truck has failed to move; no ship used for war purposes has had to remain in port for want |

And that is the message which the families of men in the service wish most to hear. Though automobiles may rot in garages and homes may be chilly, these inconveniences will be taken in stride so long as oil reaches our fighting men. All of which emphasizes a little-appreciated fact. Individuals holding the highest positions in industry have sons in this war, just the same as the hardest working welder. They have a common stake in quick victory, and in an uninterrupted flow of

LOOKING W GEORGE S. BENSON President-Karding College Searcy, Askansas

COMMON SENSE

The work of a farmer is entirely creative. The youngest plowboy recognizes growth as gain and knows work improves growth. Maybe that's why it is hard for a farmer to figure profit on an act of destruction. Even in the early days of Planned Economy when little pigs were being slaughtered and growing crops uprooted io create an artificial scarcity, many a farmer doubted the prudence of trying to raise prices by such sinister methods.

Close association with God's world must have given farmers better insight than big-time agricultural experts for they exhibit more wisdom. Ten years since 1933 provide ample perspective for viewing the results of those man-made shortages. The decade brought sudden changes, too, which make the depression years sand off by themselves. Now we can all look back and see how little good it did to plow up the cotton and "purge" the shoates.

A Clear Picture.

DeWitt Emery, president of the National Small Business Men's association (may his tribe instory of the consequent results of wrong methods. He uses figures from two government departments, Commerce and Agriculture, to point out exactly what a great many farmers had believed all the time; that destroying the growing stuff did more harm than good and achieved no important end.

Mr. Emery computed the average price on several farm products for two periods of time; one through 1932. The second period was 1933 through 1937. Did Planity in the second period? It did not. It jacked up some prices slightly and briefly but brought age. no such times as came in the first period before Planned Economy was tried. Average prices actually were lower, as follows:

Hogs _____ 15.9 Wheat _____ 16.2 Cattle _____ 17.1 Potatoes _____ 26.9

Chopping down supply to make a price-boosting lever was an extravagant experiment and it was at the farmer's expense. Crops and livestock that he might have had were gone and prices reacted much more to other and natural influences than they did to the man-made scarcities. A drought which certainly was not manmade, caused imports of farm products to reach record heights in 1937; a development that the planners did not plan. Imagine the United States of America purposely buying 16,555,218 pounds of pork and 86,337,248 bushels of corn and nearly a half-million head of beef cattle from foreigners.

Planned Economy has scored an interesting series of failures in this country. Planning in preparation to meet circumstances as they arise is sensible, but planning to control circumstances, when most of the power is out of the hands of mortal man, is foolish. Presumptuous meddling with natural laws is always costly tinkering with these economic laws has proved expensive to producers and consumers alike.

The Key Is Work.

America's political price-rigging equipment is a makeshift and ready for the junk heap when the war is over. Farm prosperity comes when industrial employment is high. When a great many workers are busy every day earning good wages their families buy farm products and live well; otherwise they don't. If destructive economy failed to solve the nation's 1933 problem, what can it avail in 1944? It is not worth trying again.

The only safe road in the dark is a known road. The United States quickly became the world's richest and most influential power with Private Enterprise to fire the ambition of its people and reward their common sense. The known way is still the only way for labor, for agriculture and everybody.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

YOU'LL LIKE **OUR COOKING**

Whether it's just a snack or a big Sunday dinner, you'll enjoy the foods at our place.

Mrs. Smith's **NU-WAY CAFE**



U. S. Treasury Departmen

TEXAS BY BOYCE HOUSE

I GIVE YOU

Hibiscus flaunts its big, crimson blossoms down in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and bougainvillea's light purple is all around. Thousands and thousands of orange and grapefruit trees line just before Planned Economy took | the highway and, in season, are effect, the other just after. The radiant in blossoms and fruit. first period was longer; 1921 Then there are olive trees and lemon trees as well as palm trees of contrasting kinds - one a ned Economy bring farm prosper- | chunky "explosion" of dense green leaves, the other a slim and graceful trunk crowned with foli-

> Then there are mocking-birds and butterflies, the Gulf of Mexico and the Rio Grande with "a foreign land only a step away."

With this tropical wonderland of beauty, perfume and song in Texas, nevertheless it is estimated that only a million out of our 6,500,000 inhabitants have ever visited the region. It is probable that more of the inhabitants of the upper half of the State have viewed much more distant but less charming Southern California.

This should not be. Texans should see their own Magic Valley at their first opportunity.

Jim Grisham, Dallas attorney who used to practice law in West Texas, has a droll sort of wit. One day, a young lawer of the oil boom town who had very little learning or experience, met Grisham and exclaimed, "I've just been paid a

thousand-dollar fee to represent a man accused of murder. If you were me, what wuld you do?" Grisham solemnly answered, "I would use part of the fee to hire me a good lawyer." Afterward,

he related, "You know that fellow

walked away, downright mad. I never could figure out why."

There once was a man from Nantucket Who kept all his cash in an bucket But his daughter, named Nan,

Eloped with a man And, as for the bucket, Nantucket. Father followed the pair to Paw-

tucket-The groom and the bride and the bucket;

And he said to the man He was welcome to Nan But as for the bucket, Pawtucket.

A favorite bit of philosophy: "No gentleman will offend me; no other can."



THIS IS NOT **NECESSARY!**

Instead—relax, don't worry about the heat and what you'll prepare for dinner. Plan to eat out—at our cool cafe; whether it's just a snack, or a big meal, we can please you.

SLIM'S CAFE



A Sturdy Hand To Help You the **Kindlier Way**

In times of distress your greatest need is for experienced counsel to help you express in your last act of devotion, the perfect tribute.

Services by Chandler directors, with each detail blending quietly, forms the enduring memory picture that BRING EVERLASTING COMFORT.

CHANDLER **FUNERAL HOME**

SPUR

PHONE 248

TEXAS



We're In the Fight, Too!

Yep, today when everybody's helping all they can we're prouder than ever of our fighting-food-value proud to be called the perfect food.

Robinson's Jersey milk with extra vitamin D added costs no more. 13c a quart.



FDR says: Curtail spending. Put your savings into war bonds every payday.

Robinsons Dairy

Day Phone 47-Night Phone 155 Clemmons.

Spur, Texas

James B. Reed

Notary Public

GIBSON

INSURANCE AGENCY

• General Insurance •

Day Phone 40; Night Phone 152

C. H. ELLIOTT

Your

BUTANE GAS DEALER

Phone 31

McAlpine & Co. 103 West Hill Street GENERAL INSURANCE

Dr. O. R. Cloude Graduate Chiropractor

O. L. KELLEY

FARMS • RANCHES

• LOANS •

Telephone 103-J — Spur, Texas

L. H. PERRY

INSURANCE

NOTARY PUBLIC

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

H. S. HOLLY

INSURANCE AND LOANS

Notary Public

201-PHONE-201

Texas

L. D. Ratliff, Jr. Attorney-at-Law Spur, Texas

Dr. W. C. Gruben

SPUR, TEXAS

Jeweler and Optometrist

Walter Gruben Radio Technician GRUBEN RADIO AND APPLIANCE

Spur, Texas

Garner Gas & Oil HIGH TEST BUTANE

AND PROPANE Spur, Texas

Adapted from the METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER Picture by BEATRICE CAMMER

SYNOPSIS: In the little town of Ithaca, California lives the loving, human Macauley family. The eldest brother Marcus is off in an army died while taking down the unfinished telegram in the typewriter.

NOW READ FINAL EPISODE-BELOW



Perhaps it was the shock of the telegram that hastened Willie's death.

The unfinished telegram is from the War Department. It is about Marcus. Homer has the dreadful conviction that it means Marcus is dead. Mr. Spangler comes in and sees that Grogan has passed away. The telegraph box is still rattling. Quickly, he takes down the complete telegram. Homer's fears were well founded. Marcus has died in action.



"I want to talk with Marcus. I even want to fight with him again."

Spangler makes arrangements for poor Grogan's funeral. Homer can't face going home just yet. Spangler takes him for a walk through the park. Homer is wild with fury at life. The world is bad. He hates it. He wants to spit at it. Why did Marcus have to die? He was young and good. Where was the sense in such



They had no premonition of tragedy.

At home, Bess, Homer's sister (Donna Reed) and Mary Arena, Marcus' girl (Dorothy Morris), talk about Marcus and the war without premonition of tragedy. And through the streets of Ithaca at this moment, breathing in the spirit of the town, delighting in it, walks a young soldier. He has been sent home for good, with a leg injury



"Yes, I know you. I feel that I know you well."

Homer has left Spangler. He walks up the path, finds the soldier in front of his house. He is the orphan Tobey (John Craven), Marcus' pal. To him Marcus has left his birthright. Homer sees in Tobey the soul of Marcus and all good men. With exaltation he and Ma and Bess welcome the returning soldier into their home and hearts. home and hearts.

Sgt. Erma Dee Butler Now At Tinker Field

OKLAHOMA CITY AIR DE-

POTTinker Field, Okla., Aug. 18.

-Now stationed at Tinker Field

is Sergeant Erma Dee Butler, for-

merly of Spur. He is attached to

a repair squadron at this model

establishment of the Air Service

Cmmand for the maintenance and

repair of aircraft and the training

Sergeant Butler is the son of

Mr. and Mrs. Allen M. Butler, 903

Second street of Spur. He at-

tended high school in Patton

SALES BOOKS

Price each _____ 05c

12 for _____ 45c

THE TEXAS SPUR

Phone 128

of air depot groups.

Springs.

'THE HUMAN COMEDY" SHOWING AT PALACE THEATRE PREVUE SATNRDA Y NIGHT, SUNDAY-MONDAY

DICKENS

Dickens folks attending Methodist Quarterly conference at Duck Creek church Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. John Sharp and Mrs. Nettie Litlefild, where they enjoyed an old fashioned dinner on the ground at the 12:00 o'clock hour. Rev. Sam Young, district superintendent, was present to direct the conference.

R. C. Littlefield is spending a few days visit with Mrs. Ida Perand Mr. and Mrs. Bob Littlefield of Lubbock this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Swaringen met Mrs. Swaringen's mother, Mrs. F. R. Middlebrook of California, in Lubbock Friday, returning her to her home in Dick-

Casey Alldridge Barber Shop

For First Class Barber Work

Will Soon

THE DICKNES

SCHOOL

OPENS MONDAY

AUGUST 23rd

ens where she will spend an ex- | has been there for some time. tended visit.

Mrs. L. B. McMeans, south of Spur, was a business visitor in Dickens Monday morning.

A special session of Commissioners' court met Monday morning to discuss the county budget and to cancel out this quarter's

G. H. Watson transacted business affairs in Dickens Monday morning.

Commissioner and Mrs. M. B. Gage visited their neice, Mrs. Bertha Harrison in Knox county, the past week end. Commissioner Gage said the crops were badly damaged by the dry hot weather

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hindman spent the last week end in Lubbock where they visited relatives and friends and attended to busi-

from an extended stay in east days here with her parents, Mr. Texas, where he visited relatives and Mrs. D. J. Harkey, while enand old friends, and was accom- route to San Antonio where Mr.

After a summer of war work . . . and some play. . . you're on your way

back to school! But the new school season won't write an end to your personal war efforts, for a great deal depends on our youth. . . America

depends on you! You can continue to help in numerable ways, but

first and foremost . . . it's important that you stay healthy. It's mother's

job to plan healthful, nutritious meals . .. it's up to you to eat them,

so you will have the energy to study . . . the stamina to do your share

of war work . . . and the strength to play. Ask for various tasks around

the house that you can do efficiently and release the adult members of

your family for war jobs that only THEY can do! Help conserve your

clothes, shoes and personal belongings by caring for them regularly . . .

even a soldier sews his own clothes and polishes his own shoes . . . and for health's sake, make cleanliness a daily habit. Get an after school job in your neighborhood . . . and put your spending money into War Stamps. It's by all these things that you will help bring about Victory!

J.W. Offield and wife from Sullivan City, in the valley, are here for a three weeks visit with his brother, Jim Offield and family of Afton.

Two big prairie fires, one north and one east of Dickens, covered quite a bit of ground before the volunteer fire fighters got them put out last week. One was thought to be due to carelessness with a cigarette and the other was started from trash burning.

Miss Earlene Bailey of Corpus Christi, returned to her home Tuesday after a two weeks visit here with her uncle. Jack Gipson and family, and other relatives.

sonville, is here visiting her aunt, is stationed at Will Rogers Field, Mrs. Jack Gipson and family, and Oklahoma City. other relatives until the first of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Van Pelt Roy Ward returned this week of McAlester, Okla., spent a few panied home by Mrs. Ward who | Van Pelt will be employed in de-

fense work.

Mrs. W. H. Hindman returned last Thursday from Galveston where she has been for the past three months for medical treat-

Mrs. A. B. Herring returned Wednesday from Ralls where she had been visiting her father, D. E. Bloodworth since last Thursday.

Mrs. D. J. Harkey attended the funeral of her father, J. M. Chumbley in Phoenix, Ariz. Wednesday of last week who succumbed to a heart attack. He was 82 years old.

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Joe Ousley arrived Tuesday night for a threeday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Ousley, and her mo-Miss Louise Grimes of Jack- ther, Mrs. John C. Reynolds. He 24 for _____ 850

> L. S. Putman is visiting relatives in Amarillo a few days this

Mrs. Frank Speer is in Hollywood, Calif. at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Terrell Buford, who was stricken with pneumonia following an appendectomy. Her condition is reported as improved.

H. A. C. Brummett and Judge E. H. Boedecker were in Matador on business Thursday.

B. C. Stapleton, seaman first class, stationed at San Francisco, has wired Mrs. W. T. Wilson that he will arrive soon for a visit with her and Mrs. Lodie Herbst of Dickens.

Mrs. Reginald Lindsey and little son of Hamlin, arrived Monday to be here indefinitely with her aunt Mrs. Lodie Herbst.

The first month of the tin can salvage 1,000 tons were collected; in April 20,000 tons were collect-

We Specialize In

Foods...

We are at your service for a Tasty Snack or a Satisfying Meal.

PAY US A VISIT YOU'LL FIND OUR PLACE COOL.

HILLTOP CAFE Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cooper

DICKENS BARBER SHOP

Courteous, efficient service where your business is appreciated.

> W. H. BAKER Prop. DICKENS, TEXAS

Personal

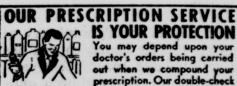
Sgt. and Mrs. George Gelles spent the week end visiting Mrs. Gelles parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Drennan of Afton, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank Ragland of Roaring Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Morrow and family of Spur.

Miss Lois Manley made a business trip to San Angelo Wednesday of last week returning Sun-

Mrs. Stella Morrow and son, Thurman Jr. spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Drennan of Afton. Frank Franklin left Monday for The Sant STORE system guarantees accura Lubbock induction center to en-

ter the Air Corps. He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. J. W. Franklin, who was meeting her daughter, Miss Jaunita Franklin, supervisor of the electrical department of the defense plant in Clovis, New Mex., for an over night visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keen and small son of Midland, are here visiting Mr. Keen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen, for two



S YOUR PROTECTION

CITY DRUG COMPANY



August 19th Honor Our Navy Flyers By Buying More War Bonds

Uncle Sam now needs more eggs than ever before. Bring 'em in to us, our prices are tops.

We Want Your Cream, Poultry, **Hides and Eggs**



Spur Produce



FOOD Helps Our Fighting **Men Win Battles!**

Not only America, but the entire allied forces are depending on our farmers to get the proper food to the fighting fronts and to the distressed battle zones where it has been impossible to raise crops this year. Our farmers have a big job to do . . . just as big as the job of firing the guns. Unless the fighting men are properly fed, they cannot do the kind of job they have to do to win the war. Just the sight of food has won battles. When starving soldiers have seen trucks filled with rations, they have surrendered without a shot being fired and since our farmers know this, they are working long hours so that every man and woman, at home and overseas, will be assured of the proper things to eat.

Do Your Part By Volunteering Your Services On A Farm.....



Spur Work Shop **Jones Plaining Mill** S. I. Powell Shop

Green Turner Station Brazelton Lumber Co. O. B. Ratliff

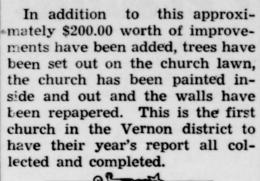
E. H. Boedeker E. H. Ousley D. J. Harkey Johnson's Market Frank Speer
Red and White Stores

This Ad Sponsored By the Following Individuals and Businesses of Dickens: Rock Inn Service Station Dickens Lumber Co. Dickens Barber Shop Mrs. Vela Turpin Fred Arrington

Methodist Pastor At Dickens Resigns **To Attend College**

Rev. Conrad Ryan, pastor of the Methodist church at Dickens, has resigned his pastorate to attend school at McMurry, in Abilene this fall.

Under Rev. Ryan's ministery at Dickens the Methodist church has set an enviable record this year, by paying out every church obli- and Mrs. Bud Morrison, and other gation at the present time.



Mrs. Luther Jones returned to her home in Morton Monday morning after a week's visit here | Marines. with her sister, Mrs. Betty Hyatt,



Hey! You remember don't you what the Japs did to Pearl Harbor? Well don't forget on this National Aviation Day August 19th to buy more War Bonds and Samps.

See us for that extra piece of furniture or other items needed, We will appreciate your business and assure you we can please

Spur Trading Post

Picnic Supper For Two Service Men **At Roaring Springs**

Friends and relatives gathered at Roaring Springs Falls last the job. Thursday evening for a picnic honoring two service men who were home. Sgt. Dumont Bridge, stationed at Nashville, Tenn., and John Norris Mitchell of the U.S.

Sgt. Bridge is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claton Bridge, north of Dickens, and Mitchell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell of Roaring Springs.

Mitchell joined the Marines four years ago, and he has upheld that old tradition that it was a Marine that came, sow and conquered. He has participated in seven major battles in the southwest Pacific area. He was present at the siege of Manila where he had two airships shot from under him. In the last few months he has been in one of the most active theatres of the war. He has been given an honorable medical discharge from the army, and after resting and recuperating, will enter school for a two years college course, made possible by the government.

It was an interesting fact that each family present for this occasion had a son in service. Mr. and Mrs. Eric Ousley and family, of Dickens; Mrs. Minnie Smith, Leslie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell of Roaring Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bridge, and Miss Donna Lou Gipson and friend of Dickens.

Cpl. Wm. P. Ballard Awarded Good **Conduct Medal**

LUBBOCK ARMY AIR FIELD. P. Ballard of Spur at this twin-

engine air field Saturday. The medal was presented to Cpl. Ballard by Col. Ralph E. Holmes, commanding officer.

The medal is awarded those who have completed a year's service with a rating of "excellent" as to conduct and efficiency on

Cpl. Ballard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ballard and graduated from the Spur high school. He and his wife now reside in Lubbock and he was a farmer prior to entering the Air Forces and is now a mechanic on the

Patton Springs School To Open Next Monday

The Patton Springs school wil open August 23 with a full faculty. The school is starting about a week earlier this year in order that more time may be given to the cotton harvest this fall. A faculty meeting has been called for Saurday morning August 21. One of the teacherages has been equipped for the single lady teachers. After a brief program, registration for the high school students will begin.

Extensive repairs have been made on the building and Home Economics Cottage. A new room has been equipped for the high school band.

All school buses have been repaired and are in good condition. The faculty consists of the following members: Roy Thurston, Social Science in high school and coach; Herbert Lindsey, band and high school Math., and grade school principal; Mrs. Thurston, English and Speech; Edward White, Vo. Agriculture; Velma Dean Spear, Home Making; J. W. Adams, Commercial.

Grade school: Ruby Lee Slay-Aug. 18. - The Good Conduct den, music and girls physical edumedal was awarded Cpl. William cation; Mrs. Robert Parker, language arts; Mrs. Sally Jacpson, math and science; Lois Gillentine, recreative arts; Mrs. Adams, fourth grade: Miss Jack Powell, third grade; Mrs. Herbert Lindsey, secend grade; Mrs. Varnell, first

All patrons are encouraged to be present for the opening exer-

J. W. Adams, Supt.

Courtesies Extended Calvin Simmons On Recent Visit Here

Calvin H. Simmons, seaman second class, was extended courtesies on his recent visit here. Mr. and Mrs. Simmons gathered the "old gang" together and they had a hamburger supper in the City Park. Those present were Billy Addy, Jimmie Vernon, Calvin H. Simmons, Robbie Hoover, Wilma Dee Nix, Elsie Klee Fraisher, Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and children, G. W., Jamie Nell, and Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. Foy Vernon entertained with a supper in their home honoring Seaman Simmons on his recent leave here. Before the evening meal was served, pictures were taken of the crowd. The menu of fried chicken, cream gravy, green peas, fresh

Automobile Loans

\$100.00 to \$1,000.00 Borrow \$100.00 and pay back in 12 installments of \$8.95 each -Total cost not more than \$7.40. Larger loans at even lower rates. Prompt, Confidential Service

Phone 201 Spur, Texas We write all kinds of Insurance

PREVENT FATIGUE!



Ordinary routine work induces terrific strain on the eyes. If your eyesight is causing you to lose your ef-ficiency, then by all means have proper glasses to remedy your particular condition. So come in today for

Dr. W. C. Gruben **OPTOMETRIST**



Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell of corn, vegetable salad, ice cream the Dry Lake community, were trading with the Spur merchants Friends present were Wilma Saturday.

Dee Nix, Robbie Hoover, Jimmie

relatives for about ten days or

FOR SALE: 1 dining room suite.

1 bed springs, 1 rocking chair, 1

occasional chair, 1 lavatory. See

LOST Two black eight weeks

old pigs, finder please notify Love

FOR SALE: Bicycle, good condi-

tion, good tires. See J. B. Mor-

FOUND: Three ration books

bearing names of Laura Nell

Washington, Annie Jane Wash-

ington and Johnnie Will Washing-

ton, Route 2, Spur. Owner can

get books by calling at Texas

Spur office and paying for this ad.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: I have

one sandy place, 160 acres 12

miles west of Spur, 140 acres in

cultivation, lots of water. One

good little dairy farm 5 miles east

of Spur, 130 acres in cultivation,

40 in grass. I want to sell. Will

take some trade. See H. J. Parks,

PALACE--SPUR

'CRASH DIVE"

TYRONNE POWER and

ANN BAXTER

Last Time Today

Friday-Saturday

"ROBIN HOOD OF

THE RANGE"

-with-

CHARLES STARRETT

'Mountain Rhythm"

WEAVER BROS. and ELVIRY

Tuesday

'Margin for Error"

JOAN BENNETT AND MILTON BERLE

BOND NITE

owner, on east place.

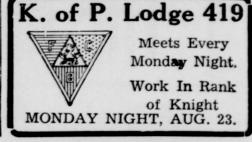
1-p

Mrs. Myrtle Whitwell.

Shoe Repair.

Vernon, and Calvin Simmons.

Miss Doris Brantner returned to her home in Sudan Saturday, Calvin Hull left Wednesday for after a weeks visit here with Miss Fort Worth where he will visit Robbie Hoover.



SPUR, TEXAS

PREVIEW SATURDAY NITE SUNDAY, 22 MONDAY, 23



The Boy Who Has Thrilled Millions!!!

Cost of

RATES COMPARED!

Taking 100 Kilowatt hours as the average use in a residence, the table below shows the cost of this amount of electric energy in the neighboring towns. These costs are based on the residential light rate.

	COSUUI
	100 KWI
Aspermont	\$6.00
Jayton	
Dickens	
Roby	6.00
Rotan	
Matador	5.75
Stamford	5.18
Abilene	4.88
SPUR	4.63

Your Light Plant Is Saving You Thousands of Dollars Every Year!

Municipal Utilities

LIGHT • POWER • WATER • GAS

Let Wackers Help You

Back To School

Little Girls Fast Color

PRINT DRESSES

Styles and materials that will surprise you at this price-

98c

HAIR BERETS

Are not being made now. So stock up now from our big assortment

15c 5c 10c

> Boys **QUALITY SHIRTS**

These are scarce so don't delay

79c

The Town's Biggest Selection of

ANKLETS

Styles and prices to suit all

10c to 39c

BOYS SOX

Long and ankle length

20c and 25c

Our Stock of

GIRLS PANTIES

Is unexcelled in variety, quality, and price

25c to 69c

Cotton and Rayon

Big Boys and Little Boys Knit **SPORT SHIRTS**

We can please you as our selection ranges from

25c to \$1.79

LUNCH BOXES

Hurry, and get a Tin One!

49c

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Our Stock Is Complete! Our Prices Are Right!

"Always First With the Latest"



THE TEXAS SPUR

and THE DICKENS ITEM

Official Publication for the County of Dickens and the City of Spur

Invasion Is Costly fighting Your Boy Gives 100 per cent; How about your bond buying?

VOLUME XXXIV

ALL THE LOCAL NEWS WHILE IT IS NEWS

SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1943.

Huge War Loan Drive Starts Sept. 9

County Maize Crop To Supt. Cook Makes Statement of Policy Yield Over \$150,000; 20 Carloads Shipped



Mrs. Lucy Cowan has received word that her son, James Henry Cowan, has recently been promoted to the rank of Captain in the U. S. Army. Captain Cowan is in the Engineers Service Command, stationed in the South Pacific. He writes his mother that he had recently had dinner with one of the Tribal Chiefs, and that it was all very well, but adds, "I would certainly enjoy a hamburger from the states.

Captain Cowan was in school at University of Texas at the time of his enlistment, and was one among the first to go. He has been in foreign service for almost two years. He is the only son cf the late E. G. Cowan and was born and reared here and his friends feel a keen interest in his achievements.

seaman, left Monday for San Diego, Calif., where he is stationed, after spending his leave with his wife and parents here.

Pvt. Homer B. Allison is here from Ft. Benning, Ga. on a 12-day furlough to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Allison and

Pvt. W. R. Henderson of the Ar Corps, stationed at South Plains Army Air Flying school, is here on a 10-day furlough to visit his brother, Luther Henderson and family.

Corp. S. C. Fallis of the Technical Department of the Air Corps, stationed in Missouri, visited friends here for a few hours this

Sgt. Dee Butler of Tulsa, Okla, accompanied by Mrs. Butler and little daughter, are here on a 10day furlough with Sgt. Butler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Butler and family.

Bill Laine is now a qualified air cadet, and is stationed at Miami Beach, Fla., where he is waiting to be assigned to preflight school for more advanced training.

Lt. and Mrs. Billie D. Bell of Frederick, Okla., are here on a 10-day furlough with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bell, and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McGee.

Corp. James Culbert of the Air Corps, stationed at Shepherd Field, visited his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Culbert, on a week end pass.

Pvt. Fletcher Ballard and Mrs. Ballard visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ballard here the past week

Lt. Morris Laine is on maneuvers at Camp Camell Ky. where he has been made Special Service Officer, for the 50th service group. All athletic and social events come under Lt. Laine's supervision. He has recently returned to his post after six weeks in a hospital due to a stomach disorder.

Corp. Harold McCain of the Air Corps, stationed at Moody Field, Ga., arrived last Friday to spend a 15-day furlough with his parents in the Cat Fish community.

Dupree Allen, first class store keeper, accompanied by Mrs. Allen, came in Monday afternoon and stayed until Tuesday. Mr. Allen has recently made a week. He expects to be away for | relatives.

shipped Sept. 1 last year. go into the pockets of farmers this type.

from this year's maize crop. The grain was bringing \$2.10 per 100 Wednesday, which represented an outlay of \$2,100 per car of 100,000 pounds

Refusing to make an estimate McNeill "guessed" it would be which, figured on the basis of \$2,100 per car, would mean enriching Dickens county farmers by \$150,000 to \$200,000, which is a sizeable amount of spending money coming at this time of year.

Spur Gets Duwayne Willard, second class First Bale

Spur's first bale of cotton for day, several days earlier than the first bale was received last year. It was brought in by R. E. Paige of Girard and ginned by Williamson Bros. gin. The bale weighed have our teachers employed staple. It was bought by the Wiling market price.

A slight departure will be made this year from previous years on giving a premium for the first bale. Plans are now being worked cut by the chamber of commerce to raise a nice sum of premium money. This year, however, it will go to the ones bringing in the first and second bales instead of it all going to the one bringing in Funeral Services the first bale. It will be divided on a 60 and 40 per cent basis— 60 per cent of the amount raised going to the one bringing in the first bale, and 40 per cent going to whoever brings in the second

It is anticipated that the second bale will be ginned within the next day or two, and the premium money will be awarded at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon on the main street of Spur by O. C. Arthur, secretary of the chamber of com-

UNABLE TO FILL CHURCH APPOINTMENT SUNDAY

Rev. John A. Winslow of Lubbock will be unable to fill his regular appointment at the Episcopal church here Sunday, it has been announced by the church.

an indefinite period. Mrs. Allen will be employed in Lubbock. James Victor Allen was here from Texas Tech to be with his brother, Dupree, while he was here.

Mrs. Fred Kinney received word that her husband, Sgt. Fred Kinney, had recently sailed for foreign service. Sgt. Kinney is the M. L. Rickles, Ed Fuqua, A. A. son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Dal- Fry. E. S. Lee, O. P. Meadors. ton Johnson.

that her nephew, Sgt. Euel Hurd, ens and Imogene Fry. had arrived safely in Australia; was getting along fine.

B. C. Stapleton, seaman first class, arrived in New York last week from overseas and called his ried to Miss Susie Allcorn Jan. 29 mother, Mrs. W. T. Wilson, by 1912, at Spur. Four sons were phone. This was the first word born to this union—Herman, Tomthey had heard from him since mie, Jimmie and Woodrow Mclast January. Seaman Stapleton Arthur. trip across and will return to his came in Tuesday to spend his ship frmo an east coast port this leave with his mother and other among the oldest pioneer settlers secure approved milk. Rats and 1, when he will move to Stamford to start now arranging for such

Regarding Schools

The Spur school board has elected me to superintend your schools. I want to assure the school board and the patrons of this fine community that I will at all times try to guide and direct this school Spur's 1943 maize crop began in a manner that we will all be moving to the elevator several proud that we have a part in the days earlier than last year's crop, Spur schools. I find that the and 20 cars had been shipped by Spur schools already have a fine the Kimbell Milling Company standing with the state departelevator up to Wednesday night, ment of education and other according to J. R. McNeill, eleva- schools in this part of Texas. After tor manager. The first car was living here this short time I can see why. The people in Spur will Representing a large part of not be satisfied with any other Dickens county's farm income, it kind of school and they are to be is estimated by McNeill that be- commended for their stand. I am tween \$150,000 and \$200,000 will happy to live in a community of

I want you people to know that I will make many mistakes but I will assure you that they will be made trying to do what I think is right. We are all subject to common errors, so when I do make on the total amount of maize to this or those mistakes please help be marketed from the 1943 crop, me correct them in the most pleasant manner. It is my policy between 70 and 100 car loads, to treat your child as if they are mine, and when I have to correct your child please know that it is my belief that this child should be so corrected. I believe in being the same to all. Any child or person that expects to have more privileges than others will find that I am not so easy to get along with. We can all enjoy ourselves better by having the same rules for all. I welcome at all times your help and I know that I will receive the best. Please come and visit with your child's teacher and discuss any problems that may arise. Don't tell the other fellow about your dislikes, tell your superintendent. This will simplify our problems and make the 1943 crop was ginned Wednes- our school a better school. VISIT YOUR SCHOOL REGULARLY. PLEASE MAKE YOUR VISIT ENJOYABLE BOTH BY THE TEACHER AND YOURSELF. We 475 pounds. The cotton graded teach our children. They are strict middling with 13-16 inch trained to do this and if you disagree with them just remember liamson Bros. gin at the prevail- they are the child's teacher, employed to teach.

> We have made several improvements on our buildings. East Ward has been the building that has received the most. It will be impossible to do all we want to do in regard to improvements this (Continued on last page)

Held Last Friday For County Pioneer

Death claimed one of the most interesting and well-known men of this area, in the passing of Thomas Eugene McArthur, 65, on Thursday, Aug. 19, at the West Texas hospital, Lubbock, after an illness of over a month.

It is a fitting tribute to call Mr McArthur one of the "Trail Blazers" of the west, having settled here 52 years ago. He has been instrumental in the upbuilding and developing of this part of the country into what now is, that those who come after may enjoy the fruits of his pioneer years. Men like Mr. McArthur are preserved in the memory of their fellowmen.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 4:00 in the Church of Christ in Spur, with C. V. Allen officiating.

Interment was in the Spur cemetery with Campbell Funeral

Pall bearers were Bill Putman, Flower bearers were Misses Doro-

Mr. McArthur was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William McArthur, and was born Jan. 29, 1878, and moved to Dickens county with his family 52 years ago. He was mar-

The McArthur families are (Continued on last page)

Back the Attack!

This Soldier May Be Your Boy

I've got a home, too, Mister! Every extra bond you buy through the Payroll Savings Plan will help me get back to it. "Figure it

City Officials Urge Clean Up Premises to Prevent Spread Infantile Paralysis

cials who are urging citizens "to clean up their premises and to report any unsanitary conditions that comes to their attention," in The Texas Spur. They urge you to read the ad and cooperate wholeheartedly in keeping the city clean.

out yourself."

litis is primarily another of the several gastrointestinal infections. Therefore, control measures must emphasize clean-up campaigns and improvements in sanitation.

Strict sanitary measures must be observed in all communities. Stringent efforts should be made immediately. to eliminate the house-fly and to destroy its breeding places. All mosquito breeding places must be eliminated at once. Every effort should be made to institute approved garbage collection systems immediately. Safer water supplies must be assured. Where adequate municipal sewage disposal systems are not in operation, it is vitally important to promote and maintain sanitary septic tanks and outdoor privies.

All swimming pools should, under rigid supervision, maintain those standards approved by the Texas State Department of Health. This necessarily includes mainteance of proper chlorine level. Where such standards are not maintained, those pools should be closed immediately.

All raw foods and vegetables should be washed thoroughly bethy Foote, Jo Ann Smith, LaVoris fore use and protected from flies. Mrs. M. Wilson received word Lee, Mineola Ward, Evelyn Pick- filth and insects. All eating and food handling establishments should adhere strictly to the State Law concerning the sterilization of dishes and utensils. In present emergency, those restaurants with insufficient personnel to maintain approved sanitation should close one or two hours a day so that employees can assist in maintaining cleanliness and high sanitary

mice should be eliminated. Main- and manage his father's farm.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health | tain in the home the same sani-Officer, has issued the following tary standards that are necessary statement and suggestions con- in community life. Particular atcerning the control and preven- tention should be paid to personal tion of poliomyelitis which is as- hygiene. Excreta from cases and suming epidemic proportions in contacts should be handled and certain sections of the state, it was disinfected with the same scrupulrevealed Wednesday by city offi- ous care as in typhoid fever or bacillary dysentery.

Over-exertion in children should be avoided. Children should not visit homes where there is a sick ar advertisement in this issue of child. Cases should be quarantined for 14 days and adults who work in food establishments should be particularly instructed in personal hygiene. It is ad-Until recently it was generally visable to reduce to a minimum all believed that this infection is human contacts especially in chiltransmitted by means of dis- dren during an outbreak of this charges from the respiratory tract. disease. It is not advocated that It is now believed that poliomye- schools, churches, and theatres be closed.

Early symptoms of infantile paralysis are headache, fever, vomiting, drowsiness, followed by stiffness in the neck and back. When suspicious symptoms appear, a physician should be called

T. B. Paige First To Join Legion

held Friday night, Sept. 3, in the Hays. Legion hall over the Spur Security bank. Every ex-service man is urged to be present.

local post continues to mount, and Adams. several have already paid in their American Legion Post. Paige, who O. L. Kelley. recently received a medical discharge from the army, has seen two years service in the present

Don't forget to attend the meeting Friday night, Sept. 3, when the newly-elected officers will be installed.

WILL MOVE TO STAMFORD

Paul R. Bettis, who has been Every effort should be made to signed his position, effective Sept. drives or rallies. They are urged

Quota of \$410,500 For Dickens, Kent **Counties In Drive**

bination of Dickens and Kent The state quota is stupendous and counties for the Third War Loan each county of the state was in Drive. The two counties will turn given a large quota. Dickens strive jointly to meet the quota county has been assigned an unset for them, Ratliff said. He usually large quota of \$358,200. pointed out that there would be This is more than twice the no quota set for the separate counties, but the two counties will bend every effort to meet a quota of \$410,500, set for them by the state chairman on the Third War Loan Drive.

Third War Loan Drive is being Mrs. Ben Eldridge, McAdoo. liff stated, adding that the ar- county. rangement was conducive to better results at a less expense to the Treasury department.

Ratliff stated that the Dickens County War Finance committee will work hand-in-glove with Mr. Wade and his co-workers in Kent county, and that a member of the Dickens county committee would be delegated to spend some time and effort with the Kent county committee. A group composed of Ratliff, Bill Andrews, Olan Arthur and Carl Proctor met with Mr. Wade Wednesday morning to go over the coming War Loan drive with the Kent county committee chairman. Since plans and arrangements have already been made in Dickens county for its drive, there will be no marked changes in the plans of attack, and similar plans are contemplated for Kent county.

Both Wade and Ratliff realize that a stupendous task lies ahead of them in meeting the huge goal set for the two counties. Their best efforts will be given to make the drive a success, and they only ask for the full cooperation of the two counties. They also realize that the Third War Loan Drive comes in a difficult season, but nevertheless, the quota must and will be met.

Ratliff expressed the view that the combining of the two counties will tend to bring the people of Dickens and Kent counties closer together in the war effort, and that the ties created will last long into the future.

Plans will be made in Kent county for Bond selling rallies and for a thorough canvass of the county for Bond purchasers. Hundreds of prospects within the two counties will be requested to lend their money to the United and attend to business affairs. States of America.

Quotas For Commissioners Precinct In Dickens Co.

The War Finance committee of Dickens county announces he following quotas for the four commissioners precincts in Dickens county for the Third War Loan Drive which begins Thursday, Sept. 9, extending through Sept.

Prec. No. 1 has a quota of \$78,-All Legionnaires and ex-service 804. This precinct is headed by men are reminded that a meeting R. R. Wooten, chairman; Willow of the American Legion will be Street, vice chairman, and A. Z.

Prec. No. 2 has a quota of \$60,-894. This precinct is headed by Carl Randolph chairman; Jim Of-Interest in reorganizing the field, vice chairman, and J. W.

Precinct No. 3 has a quota of dues for 1944. To T. B. Paige \$169,354. This precinct is headed goes the honor of being the first by Raul English, chairman, W. H. "veteran" of World War No. 2 of Hindman, vice chairman, and becoming a member of The Spur James B. Reed, Carl Proctor, and thing good for us versus being

> Prec. No. 4 has a quota of \$50,-148. This precinct is headed by Lee Mims, chairman; M. B. Gage, vice chairman, and Robert Mc-Ateer.

the committeemen of the four precincts to meet the above quotas by any means deemed wise by those charged with the responsibility of raising the quotas. The committeemen, in turn, will work employed at the Spur Security with the various districts within bank for about two years, has re- their precincts for any special

County War Finance Commit-| While the quotas are large, it mittee Chairman O. B. Ratliff is felt by Ratliff that they can be Wednesday announced the com- met if every one works at the ich.

amount of the last drive quota. Working Committees.

Working committees in Dickens county are as follows:

O. B. Ratliff, chairman; W. T. Andrews, vice chairman; O. C. L. H. Wade, editor and pub- Arthur, A. C. Hull, Carl Proctor, lisher of the Jayton Chronicle, and V. M. Hand of Dumont. The and county chairman for Kent women's division of the executive county, requested, and Ratliff committee is composed of Mrs. E. wholeheartedly agreed to the com- S. Lee, chairman; Mrs. P. E. Gollibination of the two counties. har, Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Mrs. Combination of counties for the Johnnie Koonsman, Dickens, and

practiced over Texas, particularly Mrs. Wanda White will serve in the low-populated group, Rat- as executive secretary for the

Publicity Committee: Lester Garner, chairman; H. G. Hull, and Mrs. Nona Starcher.

Speaker's Committee: E. D. Cook, chairman; O. L. Kelley, vice chairman; Winston Brummett, R. C. Brown, and L. D. Ratliff Jr.

Rural Committee: V. M. Hand, chairman; Charles Taylor, vice chairman; Fred Christopher, Fred Arrington, and Eric Ousley.

Non-resident Committee: Eric Ousley, chairman; Jack Godfrey, vice chairman, M., C Golding, Rev. H. L. Thurstor and Fred Jennings.

Publicity Subdivi. . Committee: E. H. Boedeck .; chairman; L. E. Lee, vice chairman, Byron Haney, and Horace Gibson. Big Purchasers Committee: Boo

Weaver, chairman; Harvey Holley, vice chairman; Rev. Herman Coe, Dr. B. F. Hale, and Jack

Continuing Monthly Committee: M. C. Golding, chairman; Henry Alexander, vice chairman; Fred Jennings, W. F. Gilbert, Neal Chastain, Martin Pope, and George Sloan.

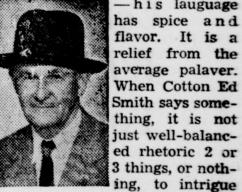
Ratliff requests that each of the above committees be called into immediate session by their respective chairmen to map plans

for the Third War Loan Drive. Ratliff has opened an office in the City Hall for the duration of the drive. He may be contacted there for further information.

"BACK THE ATTACK" by purchasing War Bnds in Septem-

S. C. Fallis of Brownwood, accompanied by his son, Corp. S. C. Fallis Jr. came in Monday afternoon to visit with friends here They returned Tuesday.

It is kinda refreshing to run across a person like this old South Carolinian Sand-hiller-Cotton Ed -his lauguage



average palaver. When Cotton Ed Smith says something, it is not just well-balanced rhetoric 2 or ing, to intrigue

us folks into thinking it is somegood just for the ones concocting the rhetoric.

Senator Ed says we gotta have a sales tax — he didn't mince words. He says we can choose between going broke or having a It will be the responsibility of tax. We can choose our own poison, he says. Also, he says, for 8 or 10 years before the war we danced to odd and fantastic music-now we gotta pay for that fiddlin' around, along with the war debt to boot. They don't like Cotton Ed there on the old Potomac, but the folks in South Caro-

> lina and elsewhere, like him. Yours with the low down.