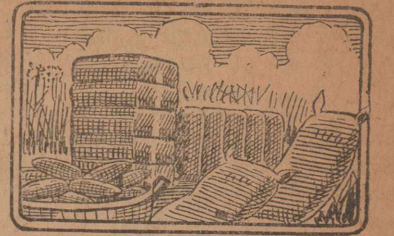




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## Cotton Co-operative Meeting At Palace Next Thursday, Jan. 15 Important In Regard to '31 Crop

The Dallas office of the Texas Cotton Co-operative association in a recent communication with D. L. Granberry, local receiving agent, ordered a general membership meeting to be called to meet in Spur, January 15th. Mr. Barrett of the Palace Theatre has graciously consented to the use of that building for the occasion. The time has been set for 10:00 o'clock in the morning of the fifteenth. The members of the organization in this county and trade territory are requested to be present and any one else interested in the organization will be welcome. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the big slush fund being raised by enemies of the co-operative movement and the fight they are planning to put up in the coming year.

## Takes Over Stock And Management C. R. Edwards Co.

Ralph Jackson, former manager for C. E. Stone Company, has purchased the dry goods stock of C. R. Edwards & Company and has assumed the management of that store. The transaction was far enough advanced to assure it would go over and Mr. Jackson wired his resignation into his company Friday evening. All papers were signed over Monday and Mr. Jackson assumed control of the business at once.

In taking over this business Mr. Jackson is not a new man in this line. He was manager for the Layne-Yates Company here a few years ago and did the best business for his firm in their history here. He was connected with J. C. Penny & Company as a manager at Ponca City where he gave complete satisfaction for that large firm. About two years ago he became affiliated with C. E. Stone Company and has had charge of their Spur store since.

Mr. Jackson stated that he will install many new lines of merchandise within a few days and will be able to offer the people of this country as great a variety of dry goods, ready to wear and other lines.

Mrs. G. R. Elkins, who has been with C. E. Stone Company for some time, will be associated with the new store. Mrs. Elkins is one of the best sales ladies in this section of Texas, and has many friends who will be glad to trade with her.

In summing up his slogan Mr. Jackson stated his greatest aim will be to give the people real bargains and good service in his line.

## LOCAL DEBATERS TRY OUT TONIGHT

All persons entering the debating contest to represent Spur schools in the Interscholastic League debating contest, will hold their try out at the East Side School tonight. The debating will be extemporaneous in order to bring out each speaker's natural ability for producing an argument. Those in the contest are: Cecil Wolfe, Welton Horner, Walter Dunn and Morris Lain.

The public is invited to be present tonight and hear the boys. There will be no admission charged.

Mrs. Josie Carroll of Anna, Texas, is visiting her brother F. G. Rodgers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Durham of Center-view and Rev. Dickerson of Grand, pastor of First Baptist church at the last named and a friend attended church at the Spur Baptist Church Sunday night.

## MAD WOLF TRAPS MEN IN VACANT HOUSE

The Odessa Times-News, Ector County's only newspaper, last week gave an account of a mad wolf keeping three men in a vacant house from eleven o'clock in the evening until daylight next morning of the night of Sunday, December 28. The incident occurred on the Pool place about seven miles southeast of Odessa.

The three persons were L. Self, his son, Casey, and Clyde Stringfield, a nephew. The men had stopped to camp for the night in the vacant house and at eleven o'clock they heard something on the front porch. Mr. Self went to the door struck a match and held it above his head, but was unable to see anything. Just as the match flickered out he heard a rustle, felt some thing grip his hand and his fingers came in contact with the fur about the animals mouth. Sharp fangs repeatedly sank into the hand before Mr. Self could draw it back.

After drawing his hand back inside the door, bleeding and badly lacerated, it was decided they would go into town for medical aid. As they started out, a lantern as the only light, to reach their car, the animal attacked Mr. Stringfield who happened to be in the shadow of the other two men. All three retreated into the house again, the second one bleeding from flesh wounds. Each time the door was opened the wolf would lunge at it in an effort to gain entrance. After a time one of the boys remembered seeing some strychnine in the house. A small piece of bacon was treated and pitched out on the porch. After daylight the next morning the men went out and discovered the bait was gone. About 100 yards away they found the wolf dead, the poison having done the work. Examination proved rabbies and the two men are taking treatment.

## Many People Of Spur Country Raise Rabbits

The crop failure in our country for the past three years has caused our citizens to seek out different means for a living. At this time there are fifteen or more who are devoting their spare time to the raising of rabbits of different types. Those who are in the business state that they find this more profitable than raising chickens and much less trouble.

Rabbit skins are being used at this time very extensively for fur on ladies coats and other garments. In 1928 the United States imported 109,668,652 rabbit skins for their fur value. As a meat supply rabbits are a success. The average fryer will dress about three pounds at three months old. The more mature rabbits will dress from four to six pounds at seven or eight months old.

The raisers of Spur country are talking of organizing a rabbit raisers association soon and get in to cooperation for the markets. They feel there is good money in the business for the time required.

## EASTERN STAR MEETS TONIGHT

The Spur Chapter of the Eastern Star will hold their regular meeting at the Masonic Hall tonight. There is quite a lot of business to be looked after and all members are urged to be present if possible.

Mr. Faulkner, representative of the York Ice Machinery Company of Houston, was in our city Monday conferring with our officials relative to a city ice plant.

## NEWSPAPERS CONSOLIDATE FOR BETTER SERVICE

Beginning with the issue of January 1, 1931, the Snyder Times-Signal and the Scurry County News started off as a consolidated publication. There will be just one paper in the town of Snyder now, the mast head being the Scurry County Times, under which is placed the Snyder Signal and Scurry County News.

The first issue of the consolidated publication came off press Thursday of last week with a 12 page edition containing a good line of business and plenty of news. It is understood that "Jimmie" Smith who has served Scurry County faithfully and a long time in the newspaper world, will not be active ly connected with the business for a while at least. He still retains an interest and is a director in the corporation.

Expecting car Lump Coal this week, from Northern Colorado. Contains some "Niggerhead" Coal Swafford & Hill, Phone 32.

Second Sheets for sale at the Times Office.

## Gives Report On Farm Flock

Harvey S. Holly of Dickens, brought in another report on his farm flock. It will be remembered that we published the November report on his flock some weeks ago. Below is the December report on this flock.

The flock contains 215 pullets that were eight months and 21 days old at the beginning of this month.

During the month they produced 3414 eggs or 284 1-2 dozen. The eggs were marketed as follows:

150 dozen @ .35	\$52.50
60 dozen @ .30	18.00
37 1-2 dozen @ .25	9.37
37 dozen @ .20	7.40
TOTAL	\$87.27

Expenses for the flock were as follows:

802 pounds grain @ \$1.50	\$12.03
560 pounds mash @ \$2.75	\$15.40
Oyster shell, salts, milk medicine and electric lights	\$5.05
Total expense	\$32.48
Net Profit	\$54.79

Mr. Holly has stated frequently

## CREDIT CORPORATION AT ROTAN

A number of citizens of Fisher County met at Rotan Thursday of last week and completed the organization of an Agricultural Credit Corporation similar to the one organized in Spur last month. People from all parts of the county took stock in the corporation but the greater part of the stock was subscribed by business men in Rotan. The main office will be a Rotan and loans will be distributed out over the county in proportion to the amount of stock each community subscribed, according to an account in the Rotan Advance.

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that his income from the farm flock more than takes care of the expenses for groceries, etc. for his family. He has a modern farm home equipped with electric lights frigidaire, and has lights in his poultry house. He does not neglect his flock and has one of the most modern poultry houses found in this state.

## City Wide Clean-Up Being Staged; All Organizations Co-operating To Local Unemployment Situation

### CREDIT CORP. ISSUING LOANS

The Dickens County Agricultural Credit Corporation has opened an office for business in room 5 of the Spur National Bank building. This is the office that for many years was used by Dr. Brannen.

The Board of Directors met last week and elected officers as follows: President, W. B. Lee; Vice President, Dr. T. H. Blackwell; Secretary-Manager, James B. Reed; Treasurer, F. G. Collier. The directors are: Chas. McLaughlin, B. W. Haney, W. B. Lee, W. F. Godfrey, Dr. T. H. Blackwell, Dr. B. F. Hale, Geo. S. Link, M. C. Golding and Clifford B. Jones.

Quite a number of applications for loans have been received and are up to the loan committee. It is going to require a little time to get the first loans through, but after that the service ill be rapid. It probably will require two weeks for the first ones, then after that from five days to a week will be plenty of time.

Each person taking a loan becomes a stockholder in the corporation. The security required is of the best which makes all loans of a gold bond nature. All collateral given must be clear of any mortgages. Mortgages given must cover all crops, all teams, all tools, all equipment, and all cows. No split mortgages will be handled. The terms of the loans are a little rigid, but since each borrower is a stockholder, it is to the interest of each one to have the best security possible.

T. H. Dickey is assisting Mr. Reed with the work at this time in getting it started.

### LINK HEADS COMMITTEE ON DROUTH RELIEF

In pursuant to the work of the federal department of agriculture, plans for drouth relief are being formed in the various counties affected. The Drouth Relief Committee for Dickens County was announced by W. B. Lee, member of State Committee, and it is said they are ready as soon as blanks and instructions are received. The committee is to be composed of a business man, a banker and a farmer. The members of the committee are Geo. S. Link, chairman; E. S. Lee and S. R. Bowman for this county.

It is thought the committee will be ready for business about January 15th. However, that depends on how quickly the department of agriculture can get instructions and blanks out to the different counties.

### NEW COUNTY OFFICERS TAKE OFFICE JAN. 1

A special term of Commissioners' Court was held last week for the purpose of qualifying the new county officers and approving their bonds. Many of the officers held over from former terms, but a number of new officers were installed.

Officers who qualified for the current term were as follows:

County Judge, O. C. Newberry, second term; Sheriff and Tax Collector, W. B. Arthur, first term; County Attorney, Alton B. Chapman, first term, but was appointed to fill out an unexpired term last August; Clerk of the County Court Robt. Reynolds, first term for this office but had served as clerk of county and district courts; Clerk of the District Court, Miss Virginia Worswick, first term. County Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Madge D. Twaddell, first term; County Surveyor, D. J. Harkey, second term; County Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Cobb, second term; Tax

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week the Welfare Association of Spur put on a clean up campaign. All citizens were requested to collect all old cans and put them in sacks or in boxes where the wagons could get them. A number of people in our city who did not have any work or means of support were given jobs in the work and were paid for their service at a minimum rate per day. A number of vacant lots where much paper had collected, were grubbed and the brush cleared away to prevent this collection.

It is the purpose of the Welfare League to give as many people employment as they can. The management asks that people who can do so, to please have their gardens plowed, home painted and papers, fences repaired and painted, yards cleaned off, flower beds built, or any work that is needed to be done, to have it done in the near future in order to give the unemployed something to do to provide a living for their families. People need work and are willing to do work at a very low wage per day in order to provide food for their loved ones.

The local Red Cross organization is working in conjunction with the Welfare League and is furnishing quite a lot of clothing. They have a very fine stock of clothing in the building formerly occupied by the Famous. Many people are getting these clothes, not as charity but as an emergency which is the result of drouths, foods, etc.

Try to make up a job for some one and phone D. L. Granberry at 239 and you will be able to get the work done at once and done cheap.

On last Friday afternoon at Mrs. W. D. Wilson's home, there was called together the officers of the different Study and Social Clubs for the purpose of cleaning up the town. Mr. Whitner met with them and acted as chairman of the meeting. After it was fully discussed and different ladies assigned different streets for them to see that that street and alley were properly cleaned up.

Then the chairman called the house to order for the purpose of organizing a Civic League. This was done properly with Mrs. Key Stovall as president, Mrs. W. D. Wilson, vice-president, Mrs. W. T. Andrews, secretary, and Mrs. P. C. Nichols, reporter. The league adjourned to meet again at Mrs. Stovall's the first Friday in February at 3 o'clock. We want every lady in town to come to this meeting that is interested in beautifying their yard.

Assessor, A. B. Hogan, second term. County Commissioners are: Precinct 1, Austin C. Rose, second term; Precinct 2, E. N. Johnson, second term; Precinct 3, W. F. Foreman, first term after appointment; Precinct 4, Lee Mimms, first term.

The sheriff's department will retain Fred Arrington as office deputy. J. W. Nichols, Spur, will act as deputy in Precinct 3. Others have not been announced yet. Miss Leon Fortson will remain with the office of County Clerk as deputy.

The last called session of the Legislature passed a law requiring cash in advance for all fees for county and precinct officers. This applies to any fee collected by any officer for service rendered and went into effect, January 1, 1931. The officers are held personally responsible for the collection of these fees as the service is rendered and several reported that they did not wish to offend any one when they asked for this fee promptly but would do it to comply with the law.

R. L. English of Highway community, was transacting business in our city Wednesday.

## State Drouth Relief Committee Meets In Spur: Makes Plans

State Chairman O. B. Martin of College Station and the members of the Drouth Relief Committee for Texas held a meeting in Spur Monday of last week. It was the chief purpose of the meeting to obtain information and jot down data as to the conditions of this section of the state. The meeting lasted thruout the day and was attended by bankers from Stone-wall, Scurry, Garza, Lynn, Lubbock, Hale, Floyd, Crosby, Motley, Childress and Cottle Counties. In addition to these there were a number of farmers and other business men in attendance. The Spur Chamber of Commerce entertained the guests at a luncheon at the Spur Inn at 12:00 o'clock.

In making his report to those present at the meeting Chairman Martin said it was the hope and aim of the State Committee to be able to place checks in the hands of the needy farmers by February 1st. However, the recent controversy in congress started by Senator Caraway as a result of a food rush made by citizens at England, Ark., may delay the feed, seed and fertilizer relief that is provided for in the \$45,000,000 relief fund. However, it is understood that Texas is to get the first relief and Mr. Martin vouchsafed the efforts of the committee in this respect.

### Crops Must Be Clear

It will be best for those farmers who are depending on government drouth relief to see that there be no advance mortgages on their 1931 crops. It is understood that any farmer who is able to secure a loan in any other manner will not be eligible to help from the drouth relief fund. It is intended for those farmers only who have exhausted their every means of credit and have nothing but their crops for 1931 to give as security. The following is a statement given out by Mr. Warburton, director of extension, in a statement to Congressman Marvin Jones this week. It outlines the method as follows:

"The department prepares and distributes application forms, note and mortgage forms, and other necessary papers for use in handling applications. . . Full information as to how loans may be obtained is sent to the county agent in each county within the distressed area with the request that this information be made available to the local newspapers.

"In each county a county committee is designated by the department. This committee usually consists of the leading banker in the county and two producing farmers. Suggestions for such committee

membership is obtained from the state director of extension and county agents. . .

"If the county is large the committee and agent are urged to set up community committees. The county committee makes recommendations to our seed loan office with reference to each application on their recommendations being based on either personal knowledge of the applicant or recommendation of the community committee.

"After the several county committees have passed upon the applications, they are sent to the seed office. Examinations are made and a decision is made. These are usually within 24 hours after the application is received.

"If the application is approved a check is drawn upon the treasury of the United States for the amount in the recommendation. All applicants are advised of the case whether the application is refused and reason therefor, the reduction, if any and the reasons or amount approved. Incorrectly made out papers are sent back for correction.

"The checks go usually to the representative of the department in the county and then the county records searched to see if there is a crop lien against the crop. If the record is found clear the mortgage is filed and the check released to the borrower."

From the last statement made by Mr. Warburton it looks as if it will be best for farmers to keep this year's crop free of mortgages since a mortgage might prevent them from securing a loan, or at least might delay that loan for a time.

## New Manager At C. E. Stone Co.

Claude Reed is now manager for the local store of C. E. Stone Company, taking the place vacated by the resignation of Ralph Jackson the last of the week. Mr. Reed has been with the C. E. Stone Company about five years and before coming to Spur was associated with the store at Pampa. He is a young man with plenty of energy and has a good understanding of the dry goods business. We join the business men in welcoming Mr. Reed to our city and trust that he finds success here.

Typewriter ribbons at the Times Office.

## Schools Re-Open

### Last Thursday

The Spur Public Schools closed out the holiday period last Thursday by starting in for the new term. All of the teachers were back and seemed much rested after the holiday rest and are entering into their work with more enthusiasm. The student body is settling down to business in a fine manner and the indications are that our schools have been improved by the few days recreation.

Spur has as good school spirit as is found in the state. The student body is loyal, the patrons are interested, and the faculty are competent and eager for work. Every boy cooperates to make the school a success.

## Looking Forward With Hope

According to the report published in the Herald last week Terry County citizens are capacity full of hope for success in 1931. The Herald goes on to state that while there is very little cotton in the fields at this time, yet there is a great amount of good corn still hanging on the stalks. Business men of Brownfield report that farmers are in as good or better shape this year as last. According to ginning reports given out December 13, Terry County had ginned 21,620 bales of 1930 crop of cotton. There is another proof of the hope and prosperity of Terry County. The Herald last week, its first issue of 1931, carried a good full line of advertisement which was not of a special nature but just the regular line used by merchants at Brownfield. It is said the advertising carried in any paper is a good index of the success or failure of the country.

### PULLS IN THE GAME

City Marshall Charlie Denson captured a bootlegger in our city Monday night in his rounds. The offender had 10 half gallon jars of whiskey in his possession, all of which were full. Mr. Denson turned his man over to the sheriff's department and he is now incarcerated in the county jail at Dickens.



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High Sheriff—W. B. Arthur  
Co. Attorney—Alton B. Chapman  
County Clerk—Robt. Reynolds  
District Clerk—Virginia Worswick  
Co. School Supt.—M. D. Twaddell  
County Treas.—Mrs. C. C. Cobbs  
County Surveyor—D. J. Harkey

**County Commissioners**  
Precinct 1, A. C. Rose  
Precinct 2, E. N. Johnson.  
Precinct 3, W. F. Foreman.  
Precinct 4, Lee Mimms.

**WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN SPUR**  
A Five Year Program

1. City Auditorium.
2. Paved Streets.
3. Closer Co-operation of Farmer and Merchants
4. Establishment of a Cotton Mill.
5. Establishment of a Cannery.
6. Paved Highways Leading Out
7. A Cotton Oil Mill
9. Farmers in the Chamber of Commerce.
10. Vocational Work in Our Schools Extended.

Miss Annie Mae Hale left Sunday for Abilene where she will be a student in A. C. C. the remainder of the year.

H. D. Hubbard of Plainview was in our city Tuesday looking after his monument business.

**At The Churches**



**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Rev. M. H. Applewhite, Pastor.  
J. C. McNeill, Sunday School Superintendent.  
You are always invited to the regular services which are observed every Sunday.

Sunday School 9:45  
Morning Worship 11:00  
Evening Worship 7:15  
Prayer Meeting, every Wednesday evening 7:00  
Woman's Auxiliary, every Monday 8:30

Our Revival Meeting will begin the last week in January. Rev. Bryen H. Keathley of Graham, Texas, is to do the preaching.

Mr. Keathley is an excellent speaker as well as a most efficient evangelist and pastor. We urge you to remember the meeting—pray for it, and avail yourself of the privilege of taking part when the time comes.

Among the things that this year brings will come to you a call, The which, unless you are listening, You will not hear at all. Lest it be very soft and low, Whate'er you do, where'er you go, Keep listening.

Then, whatso'er the call may be,

To service small or great—  
To cross the seas to tell God's love,  
To smile, to rule a State—  
When God shall come and say to you,  
"Here is the work that you must do,"  
Be listening.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Rev. Herbert Newman of Abilene will preach at the Church of Christ Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Bible study at 10:00. Young peoples services preceding the evening services.

The public is cordially invited to attend any and all of these services.

**NEW PRESIDING ELDER AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY**

Dr. Geo. S. Sloan, Presiding Elder of Stamford District will preach Sunday, 11 a. m. The Quarterly Conference will be held Sunday afternoon.

All members are urged to be at Sunday School and preaching Sunday.

Leagues meet at 6:15 p. m. Preaching 7:00 p. m. All are invited.

W. B. Vaughn, Pastor.

**METHODIST WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

First meeting of year with our new president, Mrs. W. S. Campbell, presiding. Opening song, 225. Prayer by Mrs. C. Hogan. Scripture lesson, 100th Psalm.

Mrs. Foster led the study of the Four Gospels.

The following ladies were present: Mesdames Watson, Powell, Smart, Barber, Ensey, Rawlings, Joplin, C. Hogan, Vaughn, Snider, Morris, Keen, Carson, Manning, Barrett, McCrary, Payne, Twaddell Mayfield, Foster and Campbell.

If you are a Methodist, we need you and you need us. Every Methodist woman in Spur is invited to meet with us and worship at three p. m. in the pastors study at the church.

—Reporter

**WICHITA NEWS**

Mrs. D. H. Giddens returned home from Seminole, Okla., Sunday where she has been visiting her sister Mrs. Rideout.

Mrs. J. B. Harkey was in Dickens Tuesday.

The young people enjoyed a party Monday night at Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Porters' of Croton.

D. H. Giddens and T. S. Lambert were in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lester moved Tuesday.

Mrs. T. S. Lambert and Mrs. J. J. South and children of Spur, spent Wednesday with Mrs. J. J. Legg of Croton.

Dick Shields and Beth Blackwell of Spur, returned home Tuesday after spending the week with their sister and aunt Mrs. Fred Harrison.

Ilex Winkler of Croton, was in Dickens Thursday.

Henry Johnson of the Folley Ranch and W. H. Nichols of Deer Lake ate dinner with T. S. Lambert Thursday.

Mrs. George Price of near Spur and Mrs. D. H. Giddens spent the day with Mrs. M. B. Thannisch of Deer Lake Wednesday.

D. B. Sauls of the Colbert Ranch moved a herd of cattle to the Folley Ranch Thursday.

Miss Eola Lambert visited Miss Dana Street in Dickens Thursday.

F. C. Coker of Dickens, brought out the Lawis Allen stove on Croton Friday.

Mrs. Floyd Adams and Mrs. George Boles of the Pitchfork Ranch, were shopping in Spur Friday.

Harley Winkler of Croton, had dinner with his sister, Mrs. Jewell Koon of Spur, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Clay moved to Lee Taylor's place Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Giddens and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thannisch and daughter, and Miss Essie Thacker enjoyed a 42 party at Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lamberts Friday night.

Wade Hash Misses Carrie Hill and Eola Lambert visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harkey of Croton Camp Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Legg and Sue Beth Legg of Croton, spent the week end with Mrs. Legg's parents Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lambert.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thannisch of Deer Lake, were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg and Peyton, were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Rev. H. T. Harris filled his regular appointment at the Friendship Church Saturday and Sunday.

The young people enjoyed a party Saturday night at Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Allens of Croton.

Miss Jennie Legg of Croton, was shopping in Spur Saturday.

W. L. Thannisch and R. B. Thannisch, Jr., and Byron Miller left Sunday with a load of cotton seed for New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Beechley of Dickens moved to the George Piecke place Saturday.

We had a nice rain Sunday.

Don Perrin of Lubbock, spent the week end with his uncle, Harley Winkler of Croton.

**GIRARD NEWS**

Miss Ruby Bess Darden, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mat Darden for the past few weeks returned last week to Abilene, where she will continue her work with the West Texas Utility Company.

Mrs. George Spradling's brother of Canyon, visited in Girard a few days last week with his sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Vincil and baby, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Vincil's parents, who live in Carbon, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Turner of Throckmorton, were here a few days last week.

Miss Grace Langford, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Girard during the Christmas holidays, returned last week to Lubbock, where she will enroll for another term of school.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Rucker spent the Christmas holidays with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hawley of Big Spring. While gone Mr. Rucker purchased a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. Dough Graves and daughter returned last week from the plains where they spent the Christmas holidays.

Ben Boland, who has been working at Brownfield, returned last week to his home in Girard, where he will stay for the winter.

A large crowd of both Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Carlisle's relatives from Peacock and other places took Christmas dinner with them.

Carl Williams of Skelley town, was here during the Christmas holidays. His wife and baby, who had been visiting friends and relatives at Girard returned with him to their home.

Mrs. Berkley of Hobbs, New Mexico, visited her parents and other relatives in Girard last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Hawley of Big Spring, were visiting relatives in Girard Sunday.

A few of the Christian people met at the home of Mrs. Slim Hood Saturday evening and practiced some new songs.

E. W. Clark and family, who formerly lived north of Girard, moved last week to Bonds Chapel. Mrs. Glen Huls made a business trip to Abilene this week.

Red Coper and sister, Miss Moody Cooper of Oklahoma City, were visiting relatives in Girard this week.

A large crowd of men from Kent County met last Thursday night at Girard to discuss the Farmers Cooperative Marketing Act.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Vincil and baby were in Peacock a few days last week.

Mrs. Hobert Lewis who has been visiting her husband in their home at Girard, returned this week to Denton where she will continue her college study.

Miss Elsie Clark, Mr. Hugh Turner and Mr. and Mrs. John Langford were in Lubbock a few days last week visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Hahn of Bonds Chapel, moved last week to their old home five miles west of Girard.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry StSiles were in Haskell one day last week attending to business.

The Girard Senior boys basketball team played a match game with Peacock last Friday evening. The Girard boys won the game.

Rev. Black of Thurber, preached several sermons at the Christian Church last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Phipps are at San Antonio visiting Mr. Phipps mother, who is very ill.

The Girard bank moved last week to Jayton and Girard regrets very much that we no longer have a bank here.

Mrs. Tom Wilson who has been ill for several weeks is now able to be up again.

Little Floy Dell Carlisle has been very sick but is now much better.

The W. M. U. met at Mrs. C. A. Davisons Monday afternoon.

Fred McGaha of Lubbock was transacting business in Girard a few days last week.

Mrs. M. E. Beavers, who has been visiting relatives near Dublin returned to her home at Girard this week.

**NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS**

**TREASURY DEPARTMENT**  
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Washington, D. C.  
November 22, 1930.

Notice is hereby given to all persons who may have claims against "The City National Bank of Spur," Texas, that the same must be presented to L. B. Withers, Receiver, with the legal proof thereof within three months from this date or they may be disallowed.

J. W. Pole,  
Comptroller of the Currency.  
Nov. 27-1930 to Feb. 22-1931.

**TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB**

The Twentieth Century Study Club met Dec. 31, with Mrs. McCrary. The life of Marquis James was given by the hostess, followed by a review of Jaies' book "The Raven". This review was ably given by Mesdames Roberts and W. B. Lee. Little Misses Grace Foster and Regina Lee gave us "Turkey in the Straw" as a piano duet, which was certainly appreciated and enjoyed. The following members responded to roll call: Mes-

dames Hall, W. B. Lee, E. S. Lee, Carson, Caraway, Walker, Teague, Foster, Smart, Nichols, Brown, two new members, Mesdames Mah Roberts and McCrary. We have Brown and Rob Davis. These two ladies, we are glad to welcome into our study club for "Knowledge is the Treasure of which Study is the Key."

January 14th will be the next regular meeting at which time the "Annual Love Feast" will be held at the home of Mrs. P. C. Nichols. This is the only regular meeting this week.

throughout the year when refreshments are served and the entire meeting given over to fun. Each member is to bring a covered dish and be there by eleven A. M. At this meeting there will be the election of officers and every member is urged to be present.

—Reporter.

Miss Louise Collier, who has been on the sick list the past two weeks, is able to be back at her place with C. E. Stone Company this week.

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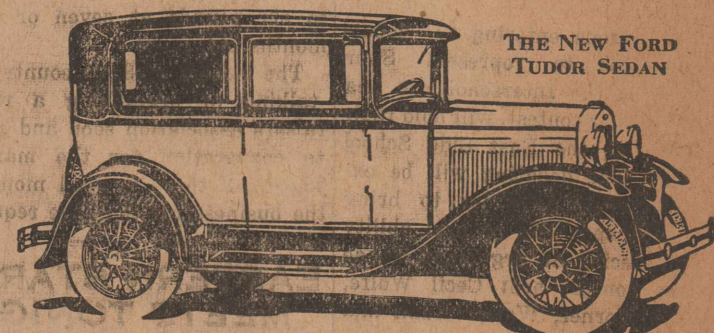
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**CITY OF PONCA CITY**

OFFICE OF CITY MANAGER  
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

December 2, 1930.

Mr L. R. Burrows,  
Clerk and Manager of Utilities.  
Spur, Texas.

Dear Sir:—Replying to your letter of November 13th regarding our municipal taxes, wish to state that the statement in your advertisement is correct. We have no tax for General Government and have not had any since 1925.

Our Sinking Fund Tax is 0.00963 mills.

I note that some of our competitors are attempting to make much over the fact that we have State, County and School Taxes. We do have them but we certainly have no control over such levies.

One thing we feel certain of, that should the State, County, and School District decide to own and operate those utilities existing within their limits, they could materially lower and in all probability eliminate their tax rate.

It requires some \$500,000.00 annually to operate our city and we invite anyone to investigate our county records in an effort to find where we levy any tax to raise this amount.

It would seem that you were having some difficulty with your competitors in the electrical business.

We wish you success and know that you can succeed if you stick to business, and give your consumers service.

Yours truly,

GEO. SMEE  
City Manager.

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Inn. Visiting Rotarians welcome  
Elvis C. Edmonds, President.  
Joe Kellam, Secretary.

**SPUR REBEKAH LODGE**  
No. 178  
Meets each Friday night. Mem-  
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Mrs. Lula Hail, N. G.  
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**BUS LINES**

Leaves Spur 12:30, p. m. Arrives at Lubbock, 3:00, p. m.  
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Leaves Lubbock, 1:00, p. m. Arrives at Spur, 3:25, p. m.  
via Crosbyton, Ralls, Lorenzo and Idalou

Direct connection at Lubbock for Plainview, Amarillo, Littlefield, Clovis, Snyder, Post, Tahoka, Lamesa, Big Spring, Brownfield, Roswell, HOBBS oil field, CARLSBAD CAVERN.

**NEW BUS LINE TO QUANAH**

Leaves Spur, 9:15, a. m. Arrives at Quanah, 1:00, p. m.  
Leaves Spur, 2:40, p. m. Arrives at Quanah, 7:45, p. m.  
Leaves Quanah, 9:45, a. m. Arrives at Spur, 1:30, p. m.  
Leaves Quanah, 4:45, p. m. Arrives at Spur 8:05, p. m.  
via Dumont, Delwin, Paducah, Swearingen

Direct connection made at Quanah for Chillicothe, Vernon, Wichita Falls, Childress, Memphis, Estelling, Amarillo.  
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**Bus Terminal At Bell's Cafe**  
Spur, Texas

**LOWER RED MUD NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Spain received a telegram Saturday night from their brother and wife, Ike Spain that their baby had died.

Mrs. Tom Rumfield is up at home with her baby which is sick. Luther Webb moved Monday over Close to Gilpin, where he will farm the next year.

L. B. Fuqua is moving to the place formerly occupied by Luther Webb.

Mrs. Ike Spain is here visiting Mrs. Luther Spain at the Grubbs home.

Miss Mary Emma Lewis was honored with a birthday party at Ms. L. B. Fuqua's Tuesday night. Quite a number attended and all wished Mary Emma many more happy birthdays.

Mrs. O. L. Darlin's aunt, Mrs. Steward visited her during the holidays.

The Epworth League put on a play Friday night and every one did fine and the benefits were to go to send a delegate to Abilene next summer to the district assembly.

Several people from Catfish were at the play.

A. E. McClain and son, Harold, passed one day last week to the Paddle Ranch.

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**HIGHWAY NEWS**

Mrs. Ben Blackmon and children spent the Christmas holidays at Amarillo, with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yarbore.

M. E. Tree and daughter, Miss Oleta and Mrs. Leonard Blackmon, were in Spur shopping Monday.

J. E. Sparks was in the Red Mud community Monday to get a load of feed.

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Boyd M. Williams Post, No. 161, meets first and third Thursdays of each month. Visitors welcome.  
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RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 394,035.55
Overdrafts	104.47
United States Government securities owned	25,000.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned	171,903.08
Banking house, \$20,925.72. Furniture and fixtures \$8,199.17	29,124.89
Real estate owned other than banking house	18,697.94
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	23,720.12
Cash and due from banks	19,366.02
Outside checks and other cash items	3,269.49
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$686,471.56</b>

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided profits—net	8,431.29
Reserves for dividends, contingencies, etc.	3,000.00
Circulating notes outstanding	24,220.00
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding	9,407.61
Demand deposits	279,666.65
Time deposits	112,646.01
Bills payable and rediscounts	124,100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$686,471.56</b>

State of Texas, County of Dickens, ss:

I, F. G. Collier, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
F. G. COLLIER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1931.  
JULIA M. HICKMAN, Notary Public.  
Correct Attest: C. A. Jones, W. B. Lee, W. T. Andrews, Directors.

FOR OR AGAINST

In some of the school books is written "Now is the time for all good men and true to come to the aid of the party." This expression though trite, is of particular importance today. The call has gone out for every person interested in the improvement of Agriculture to rally around the banner of Co-operative Marketing and assist in working out the difficulties of Agriculture.

For many years agricultural organizations of this country have sought legislative assistance from the Government. The question was discussed and discussed for years in the halls of Congress. It was the issue in Presidential elections. Finally Congress after digesting the reports of various commissions who were designated to study the problem, passed a piece of legislation designed to meet the demands of everyone and establish a successful means for correcting the difficulties that could be corrected by legislation. No one believed that all the difficulties could be corrected by legislation. Everyone knows that much of the difficulty lies with the individual producer, in his blind attempt to remain independent of his neighbor, and his unwillingness to join hands for mutual good with the other producers of the same community.

A large group of progressive farmers throughout America however, a total of about three millions, saw the possibilities of strength in group action and formed cooperative associations for purchasing, production and merchandising of farm crops. These groups have had no small part in getting Congress to pass the type of legislation we have in the Agricultural Marketing Act. This Act is designed to improve agriculture through the means of farmers working together in groups in each commodity for the more effective merchandising of that commodity. Many producers are beginning to see the wisdom of this course and are for the idea.

There is still a large number of individual producers, however, that have not affiliated with the groups and who have adopted a "stand off" attitude, waiting to see how "they come out". There is another very powerful group composed of those individuals who have engaged in the handling of farm products, neither as producers nor as consumers. This group is very powerful and feel that, under conditions such as planned in the Agricultural Marketing Act, they will lose something that they have enjoyed for a long time. This group is having much to say about the alleged inefficiencies of the system proposed by the Agricultural Marketing Act. They have raised vast sums to fight the principle of Co-operative Marketing. This action sets them definitely apart from those in favor of the principle. It has become an issue of paramount importance to the agriculture of this country.

For or against the Cooperative Principle in the handling of agricultural commodities. For or against the ideals of the Agricultural Marketing Act. For or against the Federal Farm Board, the agency established under this act to plan the future of American Agriculture. For or Against the improvement of Agriculture through group action, is the issue that will claim the attention of all people living in the agricultural belts of this Nation during the next decade.

Now is the time for every person engaged in a pursuit depending on agriculture to think the matter out carefully for himself and decide on which side he is going to align himself. There can be no middle ground. The man that stands aside and waits to see what will happen is only delaying success. He really is lined up AGAINST the principle if he isn't actively FOR it.

Every person who is FOR the principle should be actively-militantly FOR it. He should be doing everything he can to convince the undecided fellow that he should get in the fight and see it through. The prosperity of the agricultural sections of this nation depends upon it.

NEW FIRM STARTING OFF NICELY

The Spur Power Farm Machinery Company that is just opening for business in our city, is starting off with a nice line of trade. This firm sells the implements and farm machinery that is manufactured by the International Harvester Company, and in their stock will be found every implement and machine made by the International people. The record is that the International Harvester Company manufactures 56 different kinds of implements and machines and the local firm has all of them in stock here.

In their stock can be found those famous Farmall which is the trusty tractors used by farmers. All kinds of listers and planters for both tractor power and horse power; cultivators of every class an dtype, breaking plows, sleds cream separators and other types of machinery. In addition the firm is stocking a big line of parts and should a farmer break a piece to his cultivator, lister or any other machine used, should it be a McCormick-Deering or any other manufactured by the International Harvester Company, that part can be replaced from the Spur stock.

D. D. Porter has charge of the local house and will take orders and sell parts. L. Wienke, a member of the firm, will be the service man and look after the machinery after it is sold and see that it runs right and gives service. J. P. Caudle, another member of the firm, will be the field man and will make the sales of tractors and other machinery. W. P. Shugart, who has been with the Spur National Bank for some years, will be on the sales force, having started in with the firm Monday of this week. H. L. Sheppard, advertising manager for International, was here this week and outlined a fine program for them. Since opening business two weeks ago the firm has

sold 8 farmalls and have many other sales in view.

BOBBY JONES GOLF SERIES TO BE BROADCAST OVER WFAA

Bobby Jones is going on the air. The famous Atlanta golfer, winner of the four major golf championships for 1930 and recently voted the most popular amateur in the world by the A. A. U. census, will make his radio debut over a National Broadcasting Company network Wednesday Jan. 14.

Bobby signed a contract just a few days ago with the Lambert Pharmacal Company, calling for his appearance before the "mike" for 26 consecutive Wednesday nights. He will first broadcast from Atlanta and later from Hollywood where he is to spend some time.

The weekly broadcast will be heard each week from 7 to 7:15 p. m. over a coast-to-coast network of NBC including Station WFAA, Dallas. He expects to interest not only the four or five million golfers in this country but also many other millions who might be just as interested in the dramatic athletic struggle of fifteen years duration.

During the weekly broadcasts, Bobby will devote only a limited time to actual instruction. He had planned to go well beyond this phase: To tell of his first appearance in a national amateur meet at Merion, Pa., in 1916, when only 14 years of age; to tell anecdotes on the great golfers he has met, and to recall some of the great shots made by golfers in the fifteen years of tournaments.

But foremost of all Bobby intends to give a human element to his talks. In his intimate stories of the greatest shots he and other golfers have made, the champion will tell also of the great mistakes made by himself as well as other golfers when crowns and titles were at stake.

As an instructor, Bobby intends to offer advice to young stars and beginners on the best methods to follow in building up their games. He also will take up the trials and troubles of the average golfer through suggestions to help his play. The most important rules, illustrated by humorous and tragic incidents, will receive consideration.

Jones has travelled more than 100,000 miles between California and Scotland in playing the international game. The stars he has faced in match or medal play run into thousands.

He consented to broadcast after he resigned his amateur standing. Prior to that time he felt that he should not consider offers to appear before the microphone.

George Washington

General George Washington's surrender of his Commission as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army on December 23, 1783, to Congress, which was then sitting at Annapolis, Maryland, was one of the most memorable scenes connected with the Revolutionary War, according to the Division of Information and Publication of the George Washington Bicentennial Commission.

Washington had left New York City on December 4, after bidding a fond farewell to his officers at the famous France's Tavern in that city. As he approached the city of Annapolis, his coming was announced by the discharge of cannon, the ringing of bells and the cheers of the inhabitants.

He arrived at Annapolis on December 19, and was met on the outskirts of the city by General Gates and Smallwood, accompanied by leading citizens of the town. On the following day he dined with the president of the Congress, Gen. Thomas Mifflin, in company with members of that body and the principal military and civil officers of the State. On December 22, Congress gave General Washington a public dinner, followed by a ball at the State House.

The following day, December 23, 1783, George Washington appeared in the Congressional chamber, and, being seated, Gen. Mifflin informed him that the United States in Congress assembled, were prepared to receive his Communication. General Washington arose, and said, in part:

"Mr. President: The great events upon which my resignation depended, having at length taken place, I have now the honor of offering sincere congratulations to Congress and of presenting myself before them, to surrender into their hands the trust committed to me, and to claim the indulgence of retiring from the service of my country."

In this characteristically simple fashion did George Washington lay down the reins of authority. These few simple lines marked the termination of eight and a half years of devoted and unselfish service, unsurpassed in the history of the world. The storm and stress of military campaigning was over. Victory and independence had been won. The leader's task had been successfully carried out.

Following the ceremonies at the State capitol, General Washington departed for Mount Vernon, where he arrived on Christmas Eve. It is not hard to imagine with what satisfaction and gratitude he, to whom home was the dearest place in the world, returned to Mount Vernon, which he had seen only once since the beginning of the Revolution some eight years before.

It must have been with a deep sigh of relief that he sat down once again by his own fireside, for all through the war the one longing that never left his mind was for the banks of the Potomac. He liked its quiet occupations and wholesome sports, and the open air existence. He felt that he had earned his rest and all the temperate pleasures and employments that came with it, and fondly believed that he was about to renew the habits which he had abandoned to become commander of the Continental Army. Four days after his return he wrote Governor Clinton of New York: "The scene is at last closed; I feel myself eased of a load of public care, I hope to spend the remainder of my days in cultivating the affections of good men and in the practice of domestic virtues."

Into the old life of the proprietor of a large estate he threw himself with zest and thankfulness, more than happy to straighten out the affairs of the estate, much disordered by his absence. In the midst of these employments, too, he attended closely to his domestic duties. At frequent intervals he journeyed to Fredericksburg to visit his mother, to whom he was always a dutiful and affectionate son. He watched over Mrs. Martha Washington's grand-children, and two or three nephews of his own, whose education he had undertaken, with all the solicitude of a father and at expense of much thought and many wise letters of instruction an d advice.

However, with all his longing for repose and privacy, General Washington could not separate himself from the great problems which he had solved, or from the solution of the still greater problems, which he, more than any other man, had brought into existence. The new Nation needed the counsel and service of George Washington too much to allow him to remain in retirement. After only three years and a half of blissful happiness at Mount Vernon, the country again called George Washington, to preside at the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia. And shortly after, the electors unanimously chose George Washington to be the first President of the United States. Thus began eight more years of arduous labor and intense devotion to his country.

SARTIN-PATTERSON

On Sunday evening, January 4th at 3:30 Mrs. Elizabeth Tegner Sartain of Spur, and Mrs. C. B. Patterson of Ranger, ere happily united in marriage at the home of Mrs. Lula Rutledge of Spur by Rev. F. G. Rodgers, Pastor of Spur Baptist Church.

Mrs. Paterson is an employe of the Spur Laundry. They will make their home in Spur for a while. We are glad to have them in our city and hope they like it well enough to make it their permanent home. They are very fine people and their many friends wish for them much happiness and prosperity.

NATIONAL SHOW OPENED LAST SATURDAY

When the doors opened last Saturday on the 31st National Automobile Show at Grand Central Palace, New York, the Chevrolet Motor Company occupied the position of honor on the show floor for the fourth consecutive year.

Each year the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce awards first place at the national automobile shows to that member company doing the largest volume of business during the previous twelve months.

The award is one much coveted within the industry, for in addition to the distinction it conveys it also carries with it the right to first choice of exhibition space at

the national automobile shows at New York and Chicago.

Back in the days of the four cylinder Chevrolet this honor first fell to the company. Since that time the margin between the leader and the runner-up has measurably widened, even since the change over from a four to a six

MR. AND MRS. P. H. MILLER HOSTS TO FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Miller were the charming hosts to a number of their friends last week with a delicious turkey dinner. The table was made beautiful with narcissus and ferns. A four course dinner was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller left nothing undone to make their guests feel happy. The occasion will be long remembered by all.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF JAYTON BUYS GIRARD BANK

A deal was closed Tuesday in which the First National Bank of Jayton purchased outright the First State Bank of Girard, and the business and deposits of the Girard Bank as shown by the books of the bank at the close of banking hours Tuesday were transferred to the Jayton Bank. This deal was made simply because the Girard bank desired to sell and the Jayton bank was financially able and desired to buy. The Girard bank was in extra good condition, but it has been realizing for some time that there was not enough business in the county for two banks to make much above expenses, so just as a matter of good business the Girard bank decided to sell out and the Jayton Bank to make the purchase.

The transaction gives the Jayton bank not only the personal deposits of the Girard Bank but also the county and school deposits. Just last week the Jayton bank secured a liberal share of the business of the Swenson bank and now this week buys out the Girard bank which makes it one of the largest and strongest financial institutions in this part of the state.

Expecting car Lump Coal this week, from Northern Colorado. Contains some "Niggerhead" Coal. Swafford & Hill, Phone 32.

J. E. Sparks of Highway, was attending to business matters in our city Monday.

Miss Naoma Lee of Lubbock, is in our city the guest of her sister, Mrs. Carl Proctor.

HOWDY FOLKS

1930 IS HISTORY NOW!

1931 is looking very promising, so let us all wear a broader smile and not forget there is a reward for every effort.

Call Jno. A. for that next job of Cleaning and Pressing.

SPUR TAILORS PHONE 18

DECOY POWELL PASSES AWAY

Decoy Powell, 18, living about 7 miles north of Spur, died Sunday night of spinal meningitis. His illness was of short duration. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Powell.

Funeral services were held at Afton at 7 o'clock Monday afternoon. Interment was made in Afton cemetery, Webber. B. Williams acting as funeral director.

SCHOOL TAXES SHOULD BE PAID

It is hoped that people of Spur Independent School District will make an extra effort to pay their local school taxes this year. A great deal of the school funds have been tied up all fall and it is only by the payment of school taxes now that our schools can run. Other taxes might be let go by, but the schools will have to close for the year unless the school taxes are paid. It would be a calamity to have to turn our boys and girls out of school at this time of the year as there is nothing they can do by way of work as a useful occupation. If possible, the school authorities entreat that people do their best to meet their school taxes.

J. B. Martin, a former citizen of Spur country but now in New Mexico, was here this week marketing some fine milo maize.

T. L. Conaway of Muleshoe, a former resident of our country, was here Wednesday greeting old friends.

Miss Pearl Cammack, who spent the holidays with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Starcher, returned to her home at Matador Sunday to enter school.

Joe Kellam, manager of Kellam Dry Goods Company, was attending to business in McAdoo Tuesday.

W. T. Harris of Dry Lake, was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

W. F. Cathey of Soldier Mound, was transacting business in our city Monday.

B. F. Simmons of Elton, was among those in our city Saturday doing some trading.

Bert Deaton of the Pitchfork Ranch, was attending to business matters here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Halle of Afton, were trading and greeting friends in our city Saturday.

J. W. Davis of Soldier Mound, was attending to business matters here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Parr of the Pitchfork Ranch, were in our city Monday doing some trading and looking after other business.

L. C. White of Jayton, was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

B. A. Goss of Afton country, was in our city Saturday doing some trading.

H. L. Starrett of McAdoo, was attending to business affairs in our city Saturday.

"You Can Turn a Farmall on a Dime and Have Nine Cents Left Over!"

"YOU can turn it on a dime!" We often hear that said about the McCormick-Deering Farmall. There never was anything like it for getting around fast and easy in cramped space. It has the original exclusive patented square-turn feature found in no other tractor, bar none.

We have never turned it on a dime but here's what we will show you—a Farmall with 4-row cultivator and also with a 7-ft. Farmall mower, working and turning in a patch of ground 20 by 40 feet. That one-fiftieth of an acre! Did you ever see any other tractor that could do much more than stand still on that?

The Farmall is the only square-turn other row crops. Many men are using Farmalls on little and big farms alike, without a single horse on the place.

Come and see us demonstrate these things. Drive the Farmall yourself.

Spur Power Farm Machinery Co. Spur, Texas Phone 53