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RURAL URBAN RELATIONSHIP

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The American people, as a whole, have always prided themselves upon their congeniality, upon their hospitality and upon their friendliness, especially those sections of the West and Middle West.

Years ago, when the only mode of transportation from one community to another was by means of the animal-drawn vehicle or on horseback, a greater feeling of friendliness and unselfish interest prevailed among our people.

Even in the short span of twenty-five years, the old-time Sunday visit with the neighbor has been practically dispensed with. The people congregated in the community church house for Sunday School and Church and went home with his neighbor for dinner, and the children played together in the afternoon while the older folks talked about things in their local community that interested them.

That same spirit prevailed at that time in the smaller towns, but the thing that happens today is that we jump into our automobile at the last minute and rush frantically to the church house—much larger than the old church house—in order to hear a sermon, and then rush madly back home in order that we may have a quick dinner so that the children may go to town to see a movie or entertain themselves in some other manner—probably just "joy-riding"—while the parents sit at home reading the papers.

In the past twenty-five years, we certainly have developed a mania for speed, fast living, rushing, rushing toward we know not what, and care less. We have forsaken the slow, deliberate way of our forefathers; hence our friendliness and our hospitality and our unselfish interest in our neighbor's welfare have diminished.

The only time the urban citizen visits the rural citizen is when he wants to collect a bill or when he wants the rural citizen to make a bill. Thinking in terms of the almighty dollar has caused the destruction of the most worthwhile principle of our American citizenship—that of unselfish interests.

Social intercourse in the rural section heretofore has been localized to a certain location that is centered in the school and the local church. With the advent of the automobile and the good roads, the community has become consolidated with other communities and the center of that community is now the trading center.

The trading center of the community is the small town that serves the needs of the rural folks. The business man is the man who can consolidate the interest of the rural folks in an ultimate goal of unselfish service for the betterment of the community as a whole.

We no longer think in terms of the local post office and its immediate surrounding population as a community, but we think of the community as the population in a surrounding territory of the larger trading center. The interest of the business man located in that trading center should be the welfare and the happiness and the success of the surrounding population. He can manifest this interest only by visiting, whether he go to call on the people of the rural district in a social way; whether he may attend their church or their Sunday School; or whether he may take a part in the rural entertainment.

The business man of this, or any other municipality, must again assume the responsibility of paving the way for a more friendly relationship between the people of the rural communities, as well as between the people of the rural communities and the business man. This program can and should be worked out by civic clubs; namely, Rotary; Lions; Kiwanis; Women's Clubs; American Legion; Boy Scouts; and any number of other like organizations.

The spirit of co-operation in the minds of our American people should again be the paramount issue between the people of the town and the people of the country. The success, prosperity and happiness of our Nation are absolutely dependent upon the outcome of this movement.

The trading center of a community

Ritz Theatre Reopens Saturday

Because of the numerous requests that pictures not of a Western type be shown in the Palace on Saturday, the management has decided to reopen the Ritz Theatre on Saturday, February 2nd and to continue each Saturday thereafter so long as patronage justifies, to feature all western stars.

Tom Mix is to be the first cowboy to grace the Ritz screen in a return engagement of "My Pal, The King" featuring Tony, the Wonder Horse. This picture was shown in the Palace over a year ago and was rated as one of Tom's best pictures. It has many scenes taken from the Pendleton Round Up which were enjoyed very much by those who saw the picture.

To round out the program, a comedy of "The Frolics of Youth" series and a cartoon have been booked and the admission price will be the same as in the past, 5 and 15 cents for the matinee and 10 and 25 cents for the night show.

Notice Of Car Registration

According to a letter from the State Highway Department the issuance of 1935 plates will begin Feb. 1, 1935.

1934 automobile registrations and chauffeurs licenses expire at midnight April 1, 1935.

J. L. KOONSMAN, Sheriff and Tax Collector.
W. Lee, Deputy. 1-17-31

NEW MAN AT SAFEWAY STORE

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Joiner, formerly of Winters, arrived here this week and Mr. Joiner will be with the Saway Store here. He has been with the company about two years and was transferred here this week. They were looking for a furnished apartment Monday.

JED C. ADAMS PASSES AWAY

Jed C. Adams, member of the United States Board of Tax Appeal and former National Committeeman from Texas, died in Washington at 11:17 o'clock Tuesday evening. Mr. Adams, who was stricken with pneumonia, had been in a state of coma since Monday.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, Texas, will open and consider bids for a County depository, for County and school funds during the next two years at the regular term, February 11, 1935.

The Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
JIM CLOUD,
County Judge. 1-31-21

Judge C. L. Glenn, of Matador, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

is likely to change with the increase of good roads leading to and from the greater trading center. For example: in the old days when the only means of transportation was the animal-drawn vehicle and horseback, the principal center of trade was the local mercantile stores. With the advent of the automobile, this trading center moved to a little larger village where a greater quantity of merchandise was to select from. With the coming of better roads, great competition has sprung up in the smaller towns in order to secure the business of the rural districts.

The trading centers that have won out and that are going to win out, have been and will be entirely within the power of the business man of these towns or villages. His customers are going to be, as they have always been, his friends. He must attract himself more thoroughly with the needs of his customers in order that he might properly supply their needs.

The business man's volume of friends in the rural districts is measured by his unselfish interest in their problems, in their welfare and in their happiness.

America is awakening, after a long slumber, to the fact that rural America dominates the economic structure of our Nation. The business man in his dealings and in all his relationships to the rural people should keep this fact ever foremost in his mind.

Golf Association Appoints Committees

The Board of Directors of the Espuela Golf and Country Club held a meeting recently and appointed the various committees and drafted some regulations for the year. The directors are: E. L. Caraway, C. P. Ensey, C. B. Jones, W. T. Andrews, W. F. Godfrey, W. P. Simpson and F. W. Jennings.

The membership committee are: M. C. Golding and C. P. Ensey.
The greens committee are: Charlie Powell, T. C. Ensey and Jno. A. Moore. The membership fee was established at a meeting of the members two weeks ago. It will be \$20.00 for 1935 and can be paid \$12.00 down and \$5.00 per month.

The annual dues for 1935 were established at \$15.00, payable \$5.00 per month beginning January 1, but all dues must be paid by April 1, 1935. No dues will be carried after that date.

The Board of Directors expect to employ a greens keeper who does not play golf and who will not be permitted to play golf during the time he is employed.

Several regulations have been drafted. No caddies will be allowed on the course unless employed by a member and the member shall be responsible for the caddy. Members who use caddies are to take them out to the course and then see that the caddy leaves the course when through. Members nor caddies are not to appear on the course, or play unless properly clothed.

Children of members are not to be on the course unless they are with their parents, unless the children are 18 years of age.

Non-members will be allowed to play on the course only after they have paid the greens fee. Visitors of club members will be privileged to play for a period of two weeks without paying a greens fee.

It is the hope of the various committees, officers and directors of the club that every member will cooperate and try to see that all regulations are properly followed.

PRESIDENT'S BALL WELL ATTENDED

As we go to press people from several counties arrive at the Spur Inn to attend the President's Annual Ball given to help those unfortunate children who are afflicted with infantile paralysis. The host committee were meeting the guests and a great time socially is expected as well as the benevolent feature for which the ball is given.

CONFER ON MINING INTERESTS

Officials of the New Mexico Gold Recovery Company met with some officials of the Golden Spur Mining Company here this week and discussed plans of operation on the latters holdings in New Mexico. Lloyd Duncan and F. B. Gilbreath, of Dallas, mining engineers, were among the visitors.

It is thought that operations on the Golden Spur Company's holding will begin about March 1, and the prospects look good for an abundant output of the precious metal.

Sanitarium News

Mrs. Bud Allison and daughter, of Afton, are doing nicely and will be able to return home soon, possibly today.

Mrs. Jack Moore, of Catfish community, who had a fractured limb, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. L. A. Lollar, city, who underwent an operation two weeks ago, continues to improve.

Mrs. T. C. Sandlin, of Espuela, who underwent an operation last week, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. M. F. Ewton and little son, city, were able to return home Sunday.

Miss Margaret Koon, city, underwent an operation the last of the week and is improving nicely.

Mrs. B. P. Woody, of Girard, who underwent an operation three weeks ago, had improved sufficiently to be able to return home Monday.

Mrs. Pearl Brooks, city, is now with the sanitarium as a nurse.

FOR SALE—Nice bright bundle feed with plenty of grain on it. Also can furnish heads, sorghum and other types of feed. If you are in need of feed, please leave your orders at the Times Office, stating the amount and kind you want. CAL MARTIN 1-244

League Offers Variety Of Contests

The Interscholastic League of this county offers the schools this year a wide variety of contests, according to O. L. Kelley, recently elected Director General of the organization for the current school year.

"No other extra-curricular activity," he said, "engages the interest and stimulates endeavor along helpful lines more than the contests which are scheduled for the county meets. Here we have an activity for practically every child. There is opportunity for participation in fifteen different fields, both athletic and literary, ranging from the third grade on up to the last year in high school.

"We are advised from the State Office that the Constitution and Rules is ready for distribution and that applications for membership are coming in from schools in all parts of the state. The schools in this county should get in on the ground floor and begin preparation early. Each school that joins is given a copy of the Constitution and Rules, a copy of the current spelling list and is entered for a year's subscription to the Interscholastic League. Last year nearly six thousand schools joined the League and participated in its work in 220 different counties. There are contests arranged for every class of public school, including rural, ward, and both small and large high schools, and all-round championships are decided in each of the divisions at the county meet."

Farm Association Elects Officers

The Dickens County Farm Association had their organization meeting at the Palace Theatre in Spur, January 29. At this meeting the following officers were elected to serve for the year: R. R. Wooten, Chairman; J. L. Karr, vice chairman; W. P. Shugart, secretary; representative from Precinct 1, Clayton Bridge of Elton; of Precinct 2, Luther Stark, Afton; of Precinct 3, A. W. Watson, Spur; Precinct 4, L. G. Crabtree, Croton.

A County Cotton Committee composed of Joe M. Rose, Roy Armington, W. F. Cathey and Alternate Albert Power was elected to serve for 1935.

For the purpose of administering the cotton program the county has been divided into three sections composed of the following communities:

Group 1
McAdoo, R. R., Wooten, Committeeman; Afton, H. E. Bennett; Midway-Duncan Flat, G. W. Bennett.

Group 2
Dickens-Soldier Mound, S. R. Austin; Croton-Wichita, O. E. Minix, Espuela-Dry Lake, Coy Dopson.

Group 3
Highway-Red Mud, M. E. Tree; Red Hill-Duck Creek-Steel Hill, L. A. Grantham; Spur, W. P. Shugart.

MATERIAL AVAILABLE FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC DEBATE

Abundance of debate material on the season's Interscholastic League debate question is available, according to Tom Porter, Director of Debate in this county. "Much of this material is free," he said, "and some of it at nominal cost."

"Of importance to the negative side is the special bulletin of more than 150 pages by Judge Clarence R. Wharton, of Houston. Member schools may obtain any number of copies of this bulletin free of charge by addressing the Interscholastic League office, University Station, Austin, Texas.

"The regular League debate bulletin, No. 3438, contains 265 pages, and presents both sides. The Municipal Utilities Record, 35 Tower Building, Dallas, is publishing valuable material each month and offers a special rate to high schools.

"The school which utilizes the material offered will do nothing short of providing a sound course in one special aspect of government for the pupils who enter the try outs."

OUR OPINION IS

That many of us spend too much time discussing the other fellow's affairs in a negative manner.

Mrs. Emma Shields, of Broadway, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Cairns, of Clairemont, were in Spur Friday visiting friends and attending to business.

Bob Little, of Benjamin, was the guest of George S. Link, Jr., over the week end.

Senator Duggan Is A Busy Man

Senator Arthur P. Duggan of the 30th Senatorial District is a member of 11 outstanding committees, four of which are among the more significant in the upper house. New committee assignments were announced by Lieut-Governor Walter Woodul.

Senator Duggan is Chairman of the Committee on Educational Affairs, concerned with the problems of Texas' Fifty Million Dollar System of public schools and higher education. He is Vice-chairman of the Committee on Internal Improvements.

The South Plains Senator is also member of the powerful Committee on Finance and Agricultural Affairs. Other Committees to which Senator Duggan belongs are: Public Lands and Land Office; Roads, Highways and Motor Traffic; State Penitentiaries; Counties and County Boundaries; Public Printing; Congressional Districts and Senatorial Districts.

Jones Heads Tech Board Another Year

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford B. Jones returned from Fort Worth Sunday where they had been while Mr. Jones attended a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Texas Technological College Saturday. Mr. Jones was elected chairman of the Board again.

Other officers on the Board are: Roscoe Wilson of Lubbock, Vice Chairman; W. T. Gaston of Lubbock, Secretary; and Dennis Zimmerman of Tulia, Treasurer. Mr. Zimmerman's place was formerly held by Mrs. Emma Meharg, of Plainview, who is reported to be seriously ill at this time.

The Board discussed some minor changes in the building provisions for the dormitories and settled with contractors. Draperies and pianos for the dormitories will have to be provided for later. Certain appointments made by the President of the College since the last meeting of the Board were approved.

In the face of one of the most critical conditions this country has ever witnessed the Technological College is enjoying a very fine school record, a good attendance and the work is much above standard.

E. B. LONG OPENS SEED STORE

Early B. Long has opened a new feed and seed store in the O'Reilly building just south of Riter Hardware Company. Mr. Long has a stock of feed for dairy cows and other cattle. In addition he has a variety of field seed such as maize, cane, sudan, etc. He says he is ready to supply the farmers with their field seed just as soon as a good rain comes.

ALEXANDER'S SALE A SUCCESS

The sale which was instituted by Henry Alexander & Company Thursday of last week proved to be a good one. Mr. Alexander, the manager, stated that people came in for the bargains they were offering with greater enthusiasm than he expected. This store has a very complete line of merchandise for the selection of the public. The sale will continue in progress throughout this week and there are many bargains for the people.

J. T. LEWIS, JR., PASSES AWAY

J. T. Lewis, 13-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lewis of Steel Hill community, died of pneumonia about 4:20 o'clock Friday morning. The little fellow had been attending school at Duck Creek and came home ill Friday, January 18. A physician was called the next day and everything was done to relieve his suffering.

Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ in Spur Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Morris, of Duck Creek, read the funeral rites. Interment followed in Spur cemetery, Webber Williams acting as funeral director.

It is reported that the boy was just ready to enter Spur High school when he became ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Middleton, of Evergreen Valley Ranch, Las Vegas, New Mexico, were in Spur the last of the week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Goen, of Dickens, were among the visitors in Spur Saturday.

PAY POLL TAXES TODAY

This is the last day in which citizens of Texas may pay their poll taxes and enjoy the full rights of citizenship for 1935. If possible, people should pay their poll taxes since practically all of this money goes to the support of the schools, and again, no one knows when they are going to need the right to vote. It pays always to be ready because voting is the only sovereignty the people of this country enjoy.

Delinquent Taxes Can Be Paid Now Without Penalty

For one week the taxpayer who has been unable to pay his taxes in the past and who had suffered the humiliation of being fined a ten per cent penalty for his short coming, has had an opportunity to pay his back taxes without the penalty of humiliation. The Texas Senate last week passed a resolution which was signed by the Governor which gave the delinquent tax bill the required two-thirds majority making it a law at once.

This bill had been passed by the fourth special session of the 43rd Legislature, but at that time the State Senate failed to give it the two-thirds majority vote which made it a law as soon as signed by the Governor, and forced it to ride the ninety day period from the adjournment of the Legislature in order to become a law. The State Senate last week took a new vote on the bill sufficient to make it a law at once. The time it becomes effective was set up from February 8 to January 24, and all delinquent taxes can now be paid without any penalty attached. The law is effective until March 15, 1935, which gives about 60 days for taxpayers to meet their delinquent taxes without the penalty.

A Good Resolution

Our State Legislature did a wise thing in passing the above mentioned law. There are some who say it is not right since probably some taxpayers have paid delinquent taxes including the penalty. That could be possible, but at the same time in order for taxing bodies to carry the delinquent tax load they probably have hiked a ten to fifteen per cent hundred rate on current taxes in order to get enough money from those who have always paid their taxes. It is far better to take off the penalty and even the interest on all delinquent taxes and get them paid, for by so doing the taxing bodies can reduce the rate for another year enough to more than make up for the penalties others have paid, and everybody will get the advantage of the rate reduction. It will pay greatly for every taxpayer—cities, schools, counties and state—to take off the penalties and enable the citizens to get even with the government without the idea of being punished for not being able to take care of their obligations to the government under times much out of the ordinary.

Many people in order to collect a note or account will cut off all interest at times. Many merchants when they find they have a certain type of merchandise which is not moving, the merchant will put a greatly reduced price on that merchandise in order to move it and get it replaced by newer and better merchandise. Some of his customers have paid the full price for that same merchandise, but no doubt the goods was worth the price then and he could pay it easily. No doubt the taxpayer was in a position to pay the penalty when he paid delinquent taxes, but now he may be in a great financial strain and probably would be glad to see the tax penalty removed from his neighbor in order to get in back taxes and by so doing have the rate reduced on his current taxes. The wisdom of the State Legislature should be commended by the citizens of our state, and all taxing bodies should cooperate to the fullest in order to assist people to get their delinquent taxes paid.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rucker of the Catfish community, were trading and shopping in Spur Saturday.

Miss Virginia Elliot, of Spring Creek, was shopping and visiting here Saturday.

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Address Made To Educational Assn.

The following is a portion of an address made by Fred C. Haile to the Dickens County Educational Association at its regular meeting in Spur, Thursday night, January 17:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to have the privilege of coming before a representative body of the Educational Administration of the County, and as I look out over this audience, I realize that I am addressing an intelligent body of people, coming here for the express purpose of bettering the educational facilities of this section, and I feel very much as the Italian did on a certain occasion, because I was notified this morning about 9 o'clock to the effect that I was expected to make an address here this evening.

Pete had been on this side for only a short time when he became interested in cow work in our Western region. After having been duly warned about the terrors of the rattlesnake, he was sent out to cut mesquite trees, and as he sat upon a log, a rattlesnake crawled up and promptly struck at him, sinking its fangs into the wood. Pete jumped up and exclaimed, "Son-of-a-gun! Why you no ringa da bell?"

Naturally, I would have like for this bell to have rung a little bit earlier in order that I might have prepared and studied more extensively the problems that you have come here to discuss.

Pain Passes Off advertisement with image of a man's face and text describing relief from various pains.

ROSCOE CAFE advertisement: Will be with you another year. Your trade appreciated!

IF YOUR BREATH HAS A SMELL YOU CAN'T FEEL WELL advertisement for Carter's Little Liver Pills.

RAVENWOOD - NIGGERHEAD SUNSHINE - MAITLAND BEST COLORADO COALS advertisement.

As I view the transition of our educational facilities in this section since I was a boy, up to and including the present time, I am amazed beyond measure and really cannot express my appreciation for the efforts on the part of the trustees and on the part of the Educational Department of this section for the wonderful progress brought about for the benefit of the rising generation.

I can remember when I attended one of the first five schools in this County, at Afton, in 1907. It was without organization, and very little attempt was made by the State to maintain a school in this particular section, and as a result, the child grew up in comparative educational neglect, and as I view the particular condition of educational efficiency as we have it now in this section, made manifest by the splendid efforts of the leaders in their respective communities, I am reminded of the negro who was in the front line trenches during the World War.

At the zero hour one morning, the Germans launched an attack and George, the negro private soldier, immediately decided that his health would be better if he were some place farther back on the lines, so as a result, his feet began to move and his body promptly followed, and as he went running through a very dilapidated village, he heard a command to halt. Having been trained to be very military in all his activities, he immediately came to a halt at attention, facing another soldier. He was asked this question, "Why are you running that way? Why don't you go back into the front lines and fight for your Country like the brave, strong soldier that you are." The negro replied, "I, I—'se skeered of them front lines and them devils that jest came over." He was commanded to return at once to the front lines and take up his duties as a soldier, fighting for his Country. He then asked in a rather impudent manner, "Who are you?" He received the reply, "I am the General in command of this Division." The negro, in a dejected way, murmured—perhaps more to himself than to the General—"I had no idea I was so far back."

America is at the crossroads, and America is going to take the road that this generation takes, and this generation is going to take the road that it has been trained to travel and the road that you are going to point out.

The parents, the trustees, the teachers, the principals, the superintendents, the district supervisors, and the State Department of Public Instruction have the future and the destiny of America in the hollow of their hands.

The responsibility is great, and no greater public service can be given by any individual than that of training young minds in order that they may become efficient and constructive citizens of this Nation.

I think I voice the sentiment of the average business man in this section when I say that we are very much pleased with your efforts in the past and at present, but we wish to caution that the responsibility is going to bear down on your shoulders in the future much heavier than it ever has in the past, but the way in which your duties have been acquitted in the past, makes us feel secure in your ability to handle the problems as they may arise.

Ladies and Gentlemen, may I again express my appreciation for having this wonderful opportunity of being with you this evening, and may I wish you success in the tremendous problems that the Educational Administration is sponsoring in this section.

HIGHWAY

The annual birthday dinner and special gathering was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hahn Sunday, Jan. 20th.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Sandlin and family, Mrs. H. C. Draper and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Mandy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pen Howell, Mrs. Hugh Denson and sons. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lem Rucker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orville George and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris of Dry Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cox and daughter and a friend from Matador, Annabelle Frazier, Mary Rucker and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hahn and family. The main feature of the day was the bountiful dinner prepared by the several families and enjoyed by everyone present.

Games were played in the afternoon and about five o'clock the gathering broke up, each one expressing themselves as enjoying the day and hoping for another birthday dinner next year. There are thirteen members of the several families whose birthday occurs in January.

Miss Beth Harper, a teacher in the Dumont school, visited with Mrs. A. O. White and other friends here Saturday.

Mrs. Harvey Draper, of Highway community, was in our city Saturday visiting friends and doing some shopping.

PEACEFUL HILL

The Peaceful Hill School can boast of brand new playground equipment. Come out and play with us. Swings, see-saws, volley ball, croquet, baseball and fifteen lively children will be glad to show you a good time. Come visit our school and get acquainted.

Since October 15th, sixty-five different persons have visited our school. Some of these have come back as many as six times each.

Wednesday afternoon, January 16 at 3:00 o'clock, through a binding West Texas rain (sandstorm), a number of parents met in the Peaceful Hill school house for the purpose of organizing a Parent-Teacher Association. A short talk on "The Good One Receives from These Meetings," was given by A. Ince. Then officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

W. B. Reid, President; Mrs. Cross, Vice President; A. Ince, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Jim Garrett, Chairman of the program committee.

After the business was finished, a delicious refreshment plate was served by Mrs. Houston Smith.—Reporter.

TWENTIETH CENTURY STUDY CLUB

The Twentieth Century Study Club met Tuesday in the home of Mrs. E. S. Lee with Mrs. O. L. Kelley as hostess. Mrs. Caraway presided during a short business session. Mrs. A. M. Walker was elected delegate to the Seventh District Federation meeting at Plainview in March.

Mrs. Thad Murley was leader of the program. The topic was "Plays Representing Life in the Gulf States." Mrs. Murley reviewed "The Cajun" by Ada Jack Carver and Mrs. Koon gave "Lijah" a one act play by Edgar V. Smith. A most interesting discussion was held at the close of the program. Mrs. Kelley assisted by Mrs. Lee and Lavis served delicious home made candy and pop corn balls during the social hour. Mrs. Ray Taylor was a guest for the afternoon.

Officers for next year have been elected as follows:

President, Mrs. F. B. Crockett. First Vice President, Mrs. B. F. Hale. Second Vice President, Mrs. Thad Murley.

Treasurer, Mrs. Ray Sanders. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. L. Kelley. Recording Secretary, Mrs. P. C. Nichols.

Club adjourned to meet February 5 with Mrs. V. J. Campbell as hostess.

HIGHWAY SCHOOL NEWS

We are expecting several schools at our tournament for Junior boys and girls playground ball. This tournament is to be Friday afternoon.

Everyone is very busy making plans and practicing for the county meet. We have the largest amount of entries this school has ever had.

The school is enjoying the new phonograph very much and all of the students are taking an unusual amount of interest toward learning the songs.

We received a variety of new and interesting books for the library this week. Everyone enjoys reading good books and this is especially true of the students of this school.—Reporter.

W. W. Ellis, of the 24-Ranch country, was attending to business affairs here Saturday.

W. G. Bennett, of Midway community, was transacting business in our city Saturday.

C. C. Haile, of Afton, was greeting friends and trading in our city Saturday.

W. F. Neaves, of Espuela, was looking after business affairs here Saturday.

J. S. Callihan, of Wake community, was attending to business affairs here Saturday.

E. C. Robertson, of McAdoo, was trading and greeting friends here Saturday.

Tom McArthur, of Red Mud country was attending to business affairs in our city Saturday.

W. C. Cartwright, northwest of town, was in doing some trading Saturday.

W. H. Allen, northwest of town, was trading and greeting friends here Saturday.

John C. Huffstutler, of Duncan Flat, was transacting business in our city Saturday.

Joe M. Rose, of Duncan Flat, was attending to business matters in our city Saturday.

John D. Huffstutler, of Highway community, was looking over affairs of our city Saturday and telling the boys not to be discouraged.

Dr. M. F. Ewton, of the First Baptist Church, went to Floydada Tuesday where he addressed the Floyd County Baptist Association.

W. F. Shugart, of Red Hill community, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs here Monday.

WICHITA

There has been quite a bit of moving in our community. We regret losing our people and welcome the new families.

Misses Dot Lisenby and Ovia Carney spent the week end in Spur. Mrs. J. P. Legg of Croton, visited with her mother, Mrs. M. S. Lambert Thursday.

We are glad to report that Grandpa Rogers, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

Several of the young folks of this community enjoyed the party given in the Harley Terry home at Croton.

We are indeed proud of the score of our school in the recent scoring made by State Supervisor, Miss Sue Mann.

Hardy Thannisch has recently completed a new house in the Deer Lake community.

George Pierce had the misfortune of getting his canned good broken, A mule, stepping into the cellar, was responsible.

MCADOO

Our school continues to progress nicely. The school room walls are being newly calcimined. New reading table and benches are being made for the primary room and the hot lunch plan is being started. Improvement on the playground is to be done and plans are being made to purchase more playground equipment.

Within a few days the school expects to receive another collection of books from the state circulating library.

The McAdoo senior girls basket ball team has played fourteen games this season and lost only two of them.

Last Wednesday, January 23, was visitors day at the school. Mrs. Twaddell, County Superintendent and more than seventy visitors attended school Wednesday. The P. T. A. gave a prize to the school room that enrolled the largest number of visitors during that day. There was also a contest between the men and women. If the women had the largest number of visitors to visit the school, they were to be entertained by the men and vice versa.

A playground ball tournament was held at McAdoo, Saturday, January 16. A number of schools attended. We enjoyed having these schools visit us very much. A number of interesting games were played with McAdoo winning and losing part of the games played.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF TEXAS

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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dickens County, on the 31st day of December, 1934, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Joe T. Spivey versus W. H. Condron, T. H. Blackwell and E. E. Jones No. 1209, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the FIRST TUESDAY IN FEBRUARY, A. D. 1935, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Dickens County, in the State of Texas, the following described property, to-wit: certain tract or parcel of land in Dickens County, Texas, and being the South West Quarter (SW 1-4) of the H. & G. N. R. R. Co. Survey No. 341, Block No. 1 containing 166.96 acres of land.

Levied on as the property of W. H. Condron to satisfy a Judgment amounting to \$2483.11 in favor of Joe T. Spivey and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 2nd day of January, 1935.

J. L. KOONSMAN, Sheriff.

By Wayland A. Lee, Deputy.

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TIMELY QUESTION FOR DEBATE

The question for debate among Texas high schools this year is stated as follows:

Resolved: That the Government should own and operate all electric light and power utilities.

"This question," according to Tom Porter, who has been elected Director of Debate in this county, "has the great advantage of being a very timely one. Under the New Deal one of the great problems concerns generation and distribution of electric power. The TVA is undertaking to furnish a measuring stick by which the justice of rates may be judged over the entire country. The Federal Power Commission is now engaged in a most exhaustive inquiry into this great industry which affects the daily life of millions of our people.

"The question to be debated is, of course, one of public policy. There is much argument on either side. A great many authorities believe that an industry of this nature cannot be conducted efficiently by any government agency. Other authorities just as competent and just as sincere believe there should be a shift from private to public ownership in order best to subserve the interests of the people as a whole. Thus the question as stated makes an almost ideal one for high school debate. It touches very

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"Great power projects are now under way in Texas, and the problem of their administration is a very pressing one. The study of this question by high school students under competent direction and with the stimulus of the debate contest to induce hard work on it should be productive of fine results. "Schools intending to enter should file entries with me before February 1

ESTEL SMITH RETURNS TO SPUR

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YOUNG MOTHERS advertisement for VICKS VAPORUB with image of a woman holding a child.

"NERVES" advertisement for Dr. Miles' Effervescent Nerveine Tablets with image of a person holding a glass.

WEST TEXANS KNOW advertisement for the new WORTH FT. WORTH, TEX. 7TH and TAYLOR.

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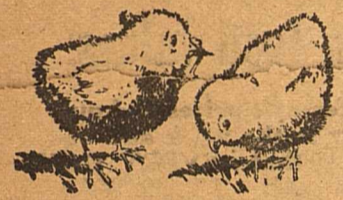
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