Some Day The Spur Country Will be the Greatest Diversified Agri-

cultural Section of Texas.

# The Texas S THE DICKENS ITEMS

Sow and a Hen is the Farmers Slogan for 1927.

Alamo Stock Farm is

Cut Cotton Acreage, Raise a Cow, 1

#### VOLUME SEVENTEEN

#### SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY TEXAS JULY 8, 1927.

Work of Graveling the Remains of Indian Fight Hail Storm Damages

to Spur Cemetery

NUMBER THIRTY SIX

#### District Judge Milam **Died Sunday at Home** in Seymour

Judge J. H. Milam died Sunday at his home in Seymour, his remains has the work under way of gravel- an old Indian fighter who was killed was on the streets of Spur Saturday, and informed us that he gathered his oil lease and drilling contract was ic honors.

Judge Milam had been suffering one of the best roads of the county, troups of Col. McKenzie, was exhum and acquaintances of this part. Mr. of the country was fine and the crop strong oil development concern, of heart troubles for some time, he except the state highways which are ed Wednesday from the banks of Johnson informed us that his section now assured. We saw a car load of whereby Mr. McNeill leased for imhaving to dismiss court at the re- all hardsurfaced.

his illness.

coming to Texas soon after his mar- in that it offers an inlet to a rich re-interred with military honors he noted much damage from a hail While crops this year may be This transaction indicates that we riage, settling at Seymour and en- agricultural section with a large vol- under the direction of members of storm there the night before. He somewhat late, yet they are now are to have another oil test immedigaging in the practice of law. He umn of business in trade and mar- the Spur American Legion organi- stated that the hail storm covered most promising, and with favorable ately in the Spur country. The Alwas elected Judge of this the 50th keting of produce.

served two years of his third term business interests combined with the patrick from the banks of Dockum buildings. in this office at the time of his death. aid of citizens along the route and Creek, where he was placed by com-It is presumed that Governor at Watson, made the road work rades in battle, it was found that Spur Should Work for Moody will appoint a successor to possible at this time. Judge Milam in the office during the Spur business interests have ever view of the fact that only a single

the first day of August. 

Spur Ball Teams Play and the Past Week

went up to Quitaqua where they crossed bats with that team. On the Fourth the Quitaqua team came to Spur and played a match game. Both games were hotly contested, and 'professional plays' were made by members of each team.

The Paducah team is scheduled for a game with the Spur team on Texas made up the Texas Special, the Spur diamond Friday of this week, the game to be called at 3:30 party and doing the principal speakin the afternoon.

Sunday.

ms lets select a "Spur Nine" that tained the delegation. will make the world set up and take notice.

important of the county with ref- Cemetery.

in Progress

Watson Road is Now er Removed Thursday

zation.

his bones were well preserved in next ten days, since the next term been most liberal in contributions board protected him from the earth of the district court will convene on to the building of roads throughout covering. It was noted that he was the trade territory from the very be- killed by a leaden slug which lodg- J. P. Middleton came down Wed- troupes this week enjoyed an out- ered. It may be possible that this ginning of the town to the end that ed against the inside of his hip bone, nesday from Lubbock, stating that ing, spending the night in camps "mother pool" may be uncovered on Spur markets and its trading advan- this leaden slug being preserved for work is progressing rapidly on the outside of the city. A number of the Alamo Stock Farm tests.

rituals at this time.

From "All Texas Spe-cial" Tour of North this section in bowing our heads in tended to these places, Spur should Grande Valley to Ge

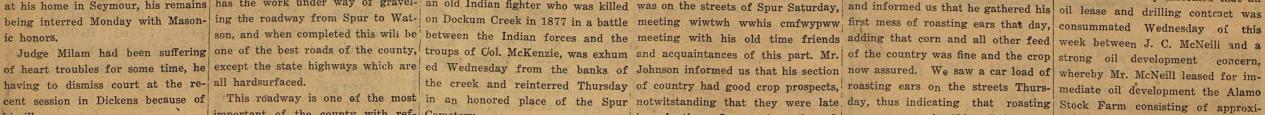
Messrs. Roy Stovall, W. B. Lee Kilpatrick and others who sacrificed tions. It would mean a big thing of the Northern and Eastern States. country. Representatives from all sections of

Governor Dan Moody heading the Saturday after Making ing for the delegation on the tour.

of the trade territory.

Q Comps

The Spur team will go to Paducah It is said that Governor Moody is an



Judg Milam was a North Carolinian, erence to Spur commercial interests The remains of Kilpatrick were Floydada, Mr. Johnson reported that sections.

a considerable territory, doing much conditions throughout the season, amo Stock Farm is on Cat Fish Judicial District in 1916, he having Contributions on the part of Spur In removing the remains of Kil- damage to crops, poultry and also the Spur country will enjoy one of Creek, along the breaks of the

> Connection With the Boy Scouts Enjoy an Gas Pipe Line now **Building on Plains**

Crops in Floydada

Section Saturday

Series of Games This tages be open to the remotest point reference in the belated funeral new gas pipe line being built there these boy scouts worked hard for from the Panhandle field. We under this outing, and we are quite sure

Though unable to attend the cer- stand that Floydada and Crosbyton enjoyed it to the full extent. Sunday the Spur base ball team Spur Delegates Return emonies as scheduled, we join the are also bidding for connection on

solemn and heart-felt tribute to also get busy and get gas connec-

and Ned Hogan returned this week their all that we might have the -- and Spur is after the big things from the "All Texas Special" tour privilege of living in a civilized in promoting the material interest of children left Wednesday of this the people.

> QL Carl Benson Captured Spur Cream & Bottling will probably be gone three weeks Works Participating or a month, spending the greater in Offering \$30,000 part of the time in the Rio Grande

impromptu speaker, never making Sheriff Jones and his deputies The Spur Cream & Bottling feet wet" down in the Rio Grande past eighteen years. During those From the Fort Worth, Dallas and one set speech, but fully meeting were successful in capturing Carl Works is cooperating with the Coco Valley. However, he is pretty well early days, at one time Fifth Street Wichita teams of Spur a ball team the situation and requirements at Benson Saturday morning after mak Cola Company in giving \$30,000 in established here, and unless a most along where the Texas Spur office is could be selected that could beat the the different places. In New York ing his 'escape Thursday evening prizes to those solving the "key ring alluring picture is drawn for him he league teams, and from these three Governor Al Smith met and enter- from the Dickens jail. He was at puzzle contest" which is being ex- will in future probably only refer to of the city, the trade and the public

Assured Throughout Leased for Oil With a the Spur Country **Drilling Contract** County Commissioner Albin now The remains of W. H. Kilpatrick, W. A. Johnson, of near Lockney, Ol Taylor called in Wednesday We are reliably informed that an

**Big Feed Crops Now** 

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in planting. In passing through ears are now in "bloom" in other mately thirty five sections of land located twenty miles west of Spur.

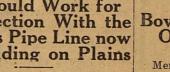
the biggest harvests within its his- Plains, the ranch extending up on the Cap Rock.

For years geologists and experienced oil men have stated that some Outing During Week where along the Cap Rock in this territory the "mother pool" of oil Members of Boy Scouts in both existed and in time would be uncov-

> Many Changes Made In Business Section of the City of Spur

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Grande Valley to Get W. A. Grizzle, of the Watson "His Feet Wet." community, called in at the Texas Spur office Friday while in the city Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hindman and and had us mark up his subscription week for an extended tour of the another year, and for which he has our sincere thanks. Mr. Grizzle is southern part of the state. They an 'old timer' here, being here in the early days of Spur, and noting the present substantial building in Puzzle Contest Valley. In fact, we infer that Lu- progress, recalled the movements ther has a hankering to "get his and changes occurring during the his home with Mrs. E. Luce in Spur. plained from time to time by the that section as a desirable place in benig able to get anything desired along this street. Later the center of activities moved to the east end if this street, and again later to the south end of Burlington, then to the north end of Burlington business section; then along Harris street, during the time, business activities does not mean to indicate that other sections were 'dead' during these noted changes of the 'center' of activities, because good business has joyed earlier in the evening, while ever been enjoyed in every section



tory.

# S. W. Phillips Sells the Afton Grocery Co.

This week S. W. Phillips sold the to appoint Attorney W. D. Wilson Afton Grocery Company business, as District Judge to fill out the un- Four Applicants For consisting of dry goods, groceries expired term of Judge Milam who and general merchandise, to W. H. died Sunday at Seymour, and num-Seale & Co. of Floydada. Mr. Seale, bers of telegrams are being sent to as will be noted by his advertisement that effect, and inuuential men in Following the death of Judge J. thing in stock on sale to be closed appointment. out in a single day, Saturday, after closed in Afton.

in the Afton country.

### A Number Visit Silver Falls Lake on the Fourth of July

Silver Falls Lake is becoming a most popular resort and picnicing place. While there on the Fourth, McAdoo country and throughout the Joe T. Salem came down from the country. among others of Spur whom we no- Plains section is now in full blast, Borger and spent Saturday and Sun-Mrs. E. C. Edmonds, Mr. and Mrs. ed with wheat going to the elevators ness interests here. Mr. Salem is Bill Puman, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sul-1 and markets, combines and threshers also preparing to close out his dry livan, Mr .and Mrs. Newt Harkey,' running on the farms. Misses Beth Harkey, Beulah Cope- The crop is harvesting from five Misses Beth Harkey, Behan Cope to twenty bushels to the acre, aver-land, Dorothy Williams, Nellie B. to twenty bushels to the acre, aver-be personally identified with his panied Mrs. Jones on a tour of the Albin, Jerry Ensey, Tang Smith, the corre Redell, Newt Kidd and family, Bob, the acre. Cross and family, Mrs. R. C. Forbis Shepherd, Mrs. S. B. Scott and Miss p. m. at Foreman's Chapple. Ad-are all getting away again. We For the past several months Mrs. shipment to other points, the tests ing which will continue ten days. Boothe, Ray Sanders, Cecil Hicks, proceeds go to the church.

Russell Smith, A. D. Ensey, E. C. Edmonds, Jr., Doga Putman, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. moved to Spur where they will here- tinent'-oil field towns not except- to be used by Mr. and Mrs. Jones is possible that other tests may be Word of God propounded in an unafter be permanently located. F. W. Jennings.

-Q Comment People of Spur and This made their escape from the jail the advertising columns of the Tex-Section Want Wilson late Thursday evening of last week as Spur.

Escape Thursday

From Dickens Jail

For District Judge by overpowering the jailer and throw The Texas Spur would like very ing him down. Chandler has not much to see some of this thirty thou-The people of Spur, Dickens yet been apprehended, but through sand dollars distributed among the Since we have become promoted Stock Which Will be county and this entire section of the the efficient work of our sheriff we Spur and Dickens county citizenship to editor-in-chief, linotype operator,

in their desire for Governor Moody be replaced in the jail.

District Judgeship in prizes. Place of J.H. Milam

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on another page, is placing every- oher sections ore working for his H. Milam, which occurred Sunday at his home in Seymour, there have Attorney Wilson has a superior been four applications made for the

in the practice of his profession, is the 50th Judicial District.

head of the Afton Grocery Co. for fession and life, and no better man to the place are Attorney O. C. New- rendered her almost completely help- Falls Lake. Among the party were a number of years, will hereafter be in all of Texas could be appointed ton, of Seymour, and former District less. engaged in the business of farming to this place. W. D. Wilson would Attorney of the District; Attorney Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle had just the Misses Leta, Marie, and Fanora, of make a judge of which the district; Fish, of Matador, in Motley county; week before celebrated their sixti- Cross Plains, Misss Alla B. Albin, would be proud.

Wheat Harvesting in of Spur, Dickens county.

Full Blast at McAdoo -O Com

The harvesting of wheat in the goods business in Borger, and will probbablby return to Spur and again from Freeport, and Monday accom- Casing and Other Equip A revival meeting of the Church

ed.

Carl Benson and Willie Chandler, Spur Cream & Bottlings Works in which to live.

An Outing Enjoyed at Silver Falls Lake The Fourth of July

Sold Out Saturday 50th Judicial District are unanimous are confident that he, too, will soon and any one desiring to participate pressman and general news gatherer covering every section-and this in the contest can get full particu- on the Texas Spur, we rarely have lars from Mr. Manning who will be an opportunity to get out even to glad to see a dozen or more win the pass the time of day with the more idle, much less solicit business or

Mrs. J. Carlisle Suffers iness season. However, on the of the town at all times. Fourth we did close up and with Stroke of Sciatic Rheu-

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Mrs. J. Carlisle, of Gilpin, is now a single exception-and that is that which time the business will be knowledge of law, is able and efficient place to succeed him as Judge of confined to her room and bed, having they draw oil royalties and revenues one day last week suffered a sudden while we labor for ourn) enjoyed an Mr. Phillips, who has been at the fair and square in his dealings, pro- Among those seeking appointment stroke of sciatic rheumatism which outing on Blanco Canyon at Silver Martin Neeb, wife and daughters,

> County Judge Whatley, of Cottle eth wedding anniversary, having Beulah Copeland and Dorothy Wil- good milker and being milked regucounty; and Attorney W. D. Wilson, more than one hundred children and liams, with the McClure family inclose relatives present for the feast. cluded. Swimming and sandwich It is sincerely hoped that Mrs. lunching and tire patching were enand on the Plains Spur is Proving to be the Carlisle may soon recover from this joying earlier in the evening, while stock raising, and is destined to be-

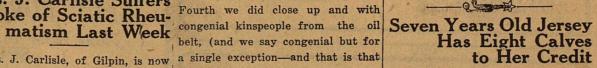
> > and Substantial City among the very earliest settlers of participated in the Terpsichore festivities. It is a pleasure to get out, cattle. Come to Spur.

be with real people and see some of ticed on the grounds were Mr. and and observers will note wagons load day in Spur looking after his busi- Mrs. Chas. A. Jones to the outside on occasions, and here is Tour the Country for hoping other opportunities will come

Being Shipped Out 15th, at Girard.

Sue Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Homer mission will be 25 and 35 cents. The have always considered Spor the Jones has been at the Spor Inn, unbest 'business' town and most sub- der the care of a nurse. Superin- holes." However, leases within the able preacher, has been secured to stantial trading point, and the 'big- tendet McClarity. of the Denver blocked acreage are being retained conduct the services, and all who at-

made later.



G. W. Rash owns a jersey cow which is only seven years old and has eight calves, having had two sets of twins. The cow's first calf was born March 14th when the cow was 22 months old. The cow is a The Spur country has ever excelled in agricultural production and Best Trading Point illness. Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle are later other members of the party come recognized in dairying interests and raising thoroughbred dairy



ments for Oil Tests of God will begin Saturday, July

field very evidently is not permanent has been in ill health for some time, The casing and other equipments The meeting will be held under ly attractive to those business men having recently undergone an opera- used in drilling the two tests for oil the brush arbor at Girard, and all and Miss Virginia Forbis. Mr. and The Espeula young folks will put who went up from Spur and other tion at the hands of Mayo Bros. at on the Jones and Blackwell tracts, who desire to do so are invited to Mrs. Bill Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. on a play Friday, July 8th at 8:30 towns of this territory, since they Minnesota, with ineffective results. is now being hauled in to Spur for come and camp for the entire n.cet-

> S. L. Dozier and family last week gest little city on the American C.n- Railway, sent his private car to Spur by oil development interests, and it tend are assured of hearing the derstanding and forcibble manner.

Chas. A. Jones returned last week

in their travels.

Benefit of Health our way.



## They Are Prepared For a Rainy Day

SOMEBODY hundreds of years ago asked the generation of that date to save for a rainy day. That advice has been imparted through the centuries, but strange as it may seem, it has gone unheeded by the thousands.

On the other hand there are countless thousands who have profited by the sound warning: 'Save for a rainy day!' If you will start an account at this bank and then make regular deposits, it will be possible to have an amount sufficient to care for the "rainy days."

This bank solicits your patronage and stands ready to assist in the promotion of any legitimate project.

## THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

M. C. Golding is making a busi-1 Attorney B. G. Worswick came other Eastern markets.

ness trip this week to Dallas and over Tuesday from Dickens, spending several hours here meeting with his friends and looking after legal offi-Russell Hawley, of Borger, spent cial matters for the county.

the week end in Spur with his moth-T. H. Edwards, of Meridian, Miser, Mrs. G. W. Rash and family. \_\_\_\_\_

sissippi, is in Spur visiting with his Mrs. B. F. Hale and her guests, brother, C. R. Edwards and family.

Mrs. Vancleave, and Misses Billie Best Mattox and Floye Rogers and Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Brannen and Mr. Mattox, of Greenville, were in Miss Lucile Lucas spent the week end of the Fourth in Abilene. Lubbock Wednesday.

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W. P. Simpson was among those Wilbur Perry, wife and children who attended the auto races at Ab- left this week for Dublin where they ilene on the Fourth. He happened will spend the entire summer with to be near the driver who was killed his mother at her farm home. On a in the races, stating that his car former visit to his mother Wilbur was running abou eighty miles an suffered a broken arm in attempthour when it overturned on an em- ing to work and ride one of the bankment in making a rounding turn mules on the place. He states that on the track. The driver lived on- on this trip he intends to "get even" ly a short time after the accident. with that mule.

Uncle Bill Perry and Commie Hi-Ed Henderson and family, of sey went to Haskell on the Fourth to Cross Plains, returned home Monattend the races and also to visit day after spending the week in Spur with relatives and old time friends with Wade McDaniel and family. of that section. They report having Mrs. Henry McDaniel and childden seen some thrilling races. One man accompanied them home and will was critically if not fatally injured spend some time in Cross Plains visin the Haskell races also. iting with her father, Sam Long,

and other relatives of that section Joe Watson, who is engaged in the of the country. tailoring business at Borger, spent

We met Chas. Gunn on the streets the week end in Spur with his parents, Mr .and Mrs. A. W .Watson, Saturday, he handing us the cold of just east of Spur. Joe states cash to mark up his subscription to that Bodger has quieted down consid the good year 1928. If every Texas erably since first 'boom' days in its Spur reader knew just how good history.

considerations make us feel, every one would make it a point to have H. B. Lewis, of the Croon sec- his subscription marked up ahead of

tion of country, was in Spur Satur- time. day. Mr. Lewis stated that he

had fine crop prospects, his crops J. H. Hooper, of the Twin Wells being further advanced than others community, was in town Monday. of many sections, and he having al- His son and family, of Dallas have ready plowed over his cotton twice been spending the week here, reto this date. turning home Tuesday through the country in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. Tol Merriman, of south of Spur, were shopping and Justice M. E. Tree spent a day or visiting with friends in Spur last two the past week down in Stone-Saturday. wall county fishing.

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Mrs. Grundy Crego, of Dickens, Milton Smith, of the Red Mud is in Ray, Arizona, visiting J. B. country, was in Spur Saturday with Conner and family. Sam Harkey the crowds trading here that day. He accompanied Mrs. Crego to Arizona' reports everything all o. k. out his and will probably remain there in- way. definitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rutledge, of the past week from an extended day morning of this week, meeting summer tour of California and oth- and visiting with friends. er Western states. They report having had a most pleasant and delight- Shorty and Dick Davis left this

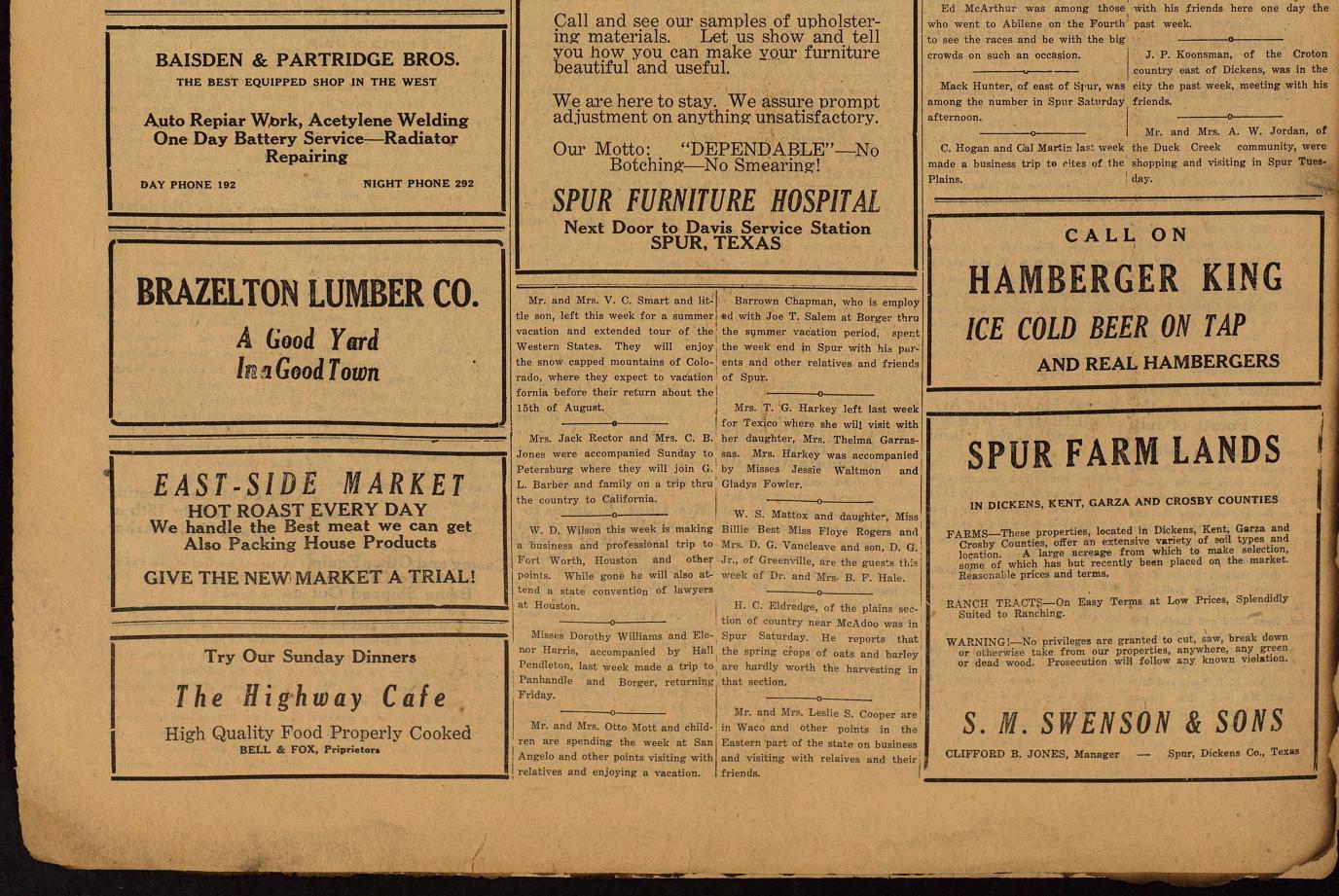
ful trip.

September 1s.

T. C. Ensey and family returned west of Spur, were in the city Tues-P DALESS MARKING T

week, Tuesday, for California where they will spend the summer vaca-W. F. Godfrey, wife and children, tion period visiting with relatives left this week for Estes Park, Colo- and seeing the sights of that wonrado, where hey expect to vacation derful state.

and enjoy the summer until about Tud Arthur, of north of Dickens, was trading in Spur and meetnig



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Mrs. Edgar McGee and little Martin Neeb, wife and daughters, Mrs. Norris of Lockney, Mrs. Mcdaughter, Miss Sammie Kelcy, Mrs. Misses Leta, Marie and Fanora, of Donald of Flomot, and Bob Wright S. M. Kelcy and Mrs. W. H. Putman Cross Plains, came up and spent the and wife of McClain, all spent the B. G. WORSWICK and son, Kelcy, returned the past Glorious Fourth in Spur with the Fourth of July with Mr. and Mrs. O. week from an extended trip and visit McClure family. Mr .Neeb is en- D. Blanton, returning to their rewith friends and relatives at Fort gaged in the produce business at spective homes Wednesday. Mr. Worth, Waco, Austin and San An- Cross Plains, stating that conditions Blanton was elated not only in havin general are very good and most ing these visitors but in the fact that W. D. WILSON tonio. promising at this time. An addition he was given this opportunity of

Cross Plains, and which is thought

very rich and promising in oil, there friends.

Charlie Rutledge, son of Ben Rut-

Eastern part of the state where he

had been some time. It is hoped by

his friends that Charlies condition

Editor T. B. Sullenberger, of the

Dublin Progress, spent several days

in Spur and at Steel Hill, looking af-

ter his farm interests here and also

meeting with his friends and ac-

quaintances. Mr. Sullenberger re-

ports conditions good in and around

Dublin at this time, the oil prospects

also brightening up to a great ex-

may improve.

town to a greater extent than devel- Harris, of California, arrived in

is fortunate in having holdings in trip of fifteen hundred miles alone

the new pool as well as in the town- in a car, and camping out along the

of Callahan county is considered R. Stafford, and other relatives and

Was In

Misery

All Over

"I was in a dreadfully run-

down condition," says Mrs. Chas. L. Lacroix, of Montgomery, La.

'I suffered a great deal of pain.

could not sit up and I could not

lie down. I couldn't sleep and

at times I would have dreadful

vomiting spells. The aches and

pains seemed to cover my whole

"One night my husband brought me home six bottles of

Cardui and I began to take it.

I could tell that I was improv-

ing from the first bottle, but I

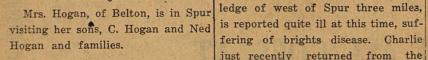
kept on taking the medicine, for I knew that I needed a tonic

I was in misery all over.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Gipson and al oil pool and field is being opened meeting for the first time his greatchildren left this week for a visit up for development to the west of great grand daughter. and summer vacation trip to San will promote the interests of the Angelo and other points on the Plains.

Ben Eldredge, of McAdoo, was in Spur Saturday transacting business affairs and taking advantage of the trade offerings on the part of Spur merchants.

being three shallow producing sands W. B. Arthur, of the Ford Service in the Cross Plains territory. Station, last week made a business trip to Girard.



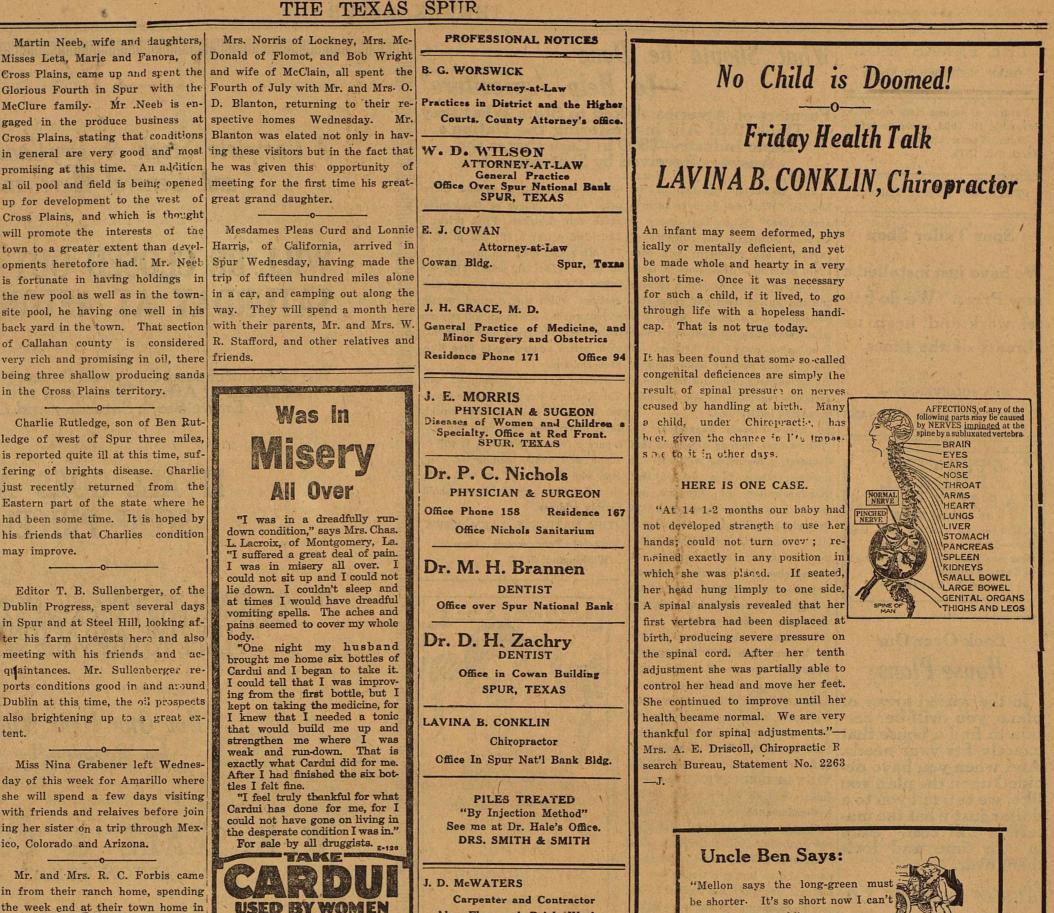
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plans you will be cer- ing under severe mortague burdens tain to find a house that or desperately striving to keep his exactly fits your needs. head above the flood of waters of And when you have de- financial destruction. SOMETHING cided upon the plan you MUST BE DONE QUICKLY or agrilike, we can tell you to a culture will no longer appeal to the dollar just what the ma- husbandmen of the soil: Industry, terials will cost. Stop failing to secure its usual supply of in any time and look raw materials, will shrivel and die; them over.

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What Should be Done To Help Agriculture? Farmers of America Asked to State What they Think Will Aid in Restoring the Nation's Basic Industry-\$500 in Cash Prizes for Answers Received by September 1.

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The paramount question of the | ed September 1st, or as soon therehour is, "What can be done to help after as our judges of the contest agriculture?" When that query is reach fair decisions. First prize: \$ properly answered, the sunshine of 200; 2nd prize: \$100; 3rd prize: \$ happiness and prosperity will once 75; 4th prize: \$50; 5th prize \$25: 6 We have just installed a again beam upon the homes of more th prize: \$15; 7th prize: \$10; 8th than thirty million American citizens prize: \$5; For the next twenty sugand the Nation itself will come into gestions which are deemed worthy ter work and keep up possession of a legacy which will of honorable mention we will pay one mean more than the fabulous riches dollar each. Making a totol of twenty now tucked away in thousands of eight prizes amounting to Five Hunvaults in her banking institutions or dred Dollars.

the tremendous dividends now being If you are not acquainted with declared regularly by her gigantic The National Farm News, the greatest dollar a year national weekly

Plans /Already Suggested.

Any, all or none of these suggestions

may solve the problem but each may

will become a moving army of idle

this great question and a large num-

ber of them have written their solu-

tions and forwarded them to The

National Farm News. We now turn

to the farmers themselves and ask

ought to be done for agriculture. If

any man on earth ought to know

what the trouble is and how best it

can be remedied, that man should

be the individual who follows the

plow, cultivates the soil, harvests the

We don't care three "whoops" a-

bout the literary value you farmers

write. We are seeking suggestions

and looking earnestly for the road

that will lead agriculture out of

darkness into light, from bankruptcy

back to prosperity, from its unstable

condition back to a point where the

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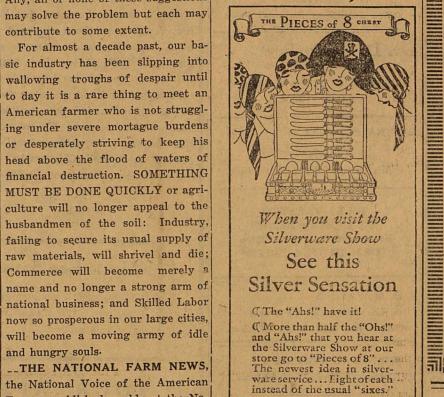
grain, and markets the crop.

and hungry souls.

contribute to some extent.

farm newspaper, drop us a line and Some have already suggested that secure a free sample copy. It will be Cooperative Marketing will solve the found well worth reading by every problem, others have claimed that man who tills the soil, as well as by Standardization of Products will the other members of his household greatly help, while others argue that Simply address,

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silverware that thousands of women have long wished for ... eight knives with stain-less steel blades, eightforks, eight dessert spoons, eight tea spoons, with a butter knife and sugar shell. (May be had in your choice of the classic 1847 ROGERS BROS. patterns ... in handsome presentation chests, utility trays or gorgeous treasure chests. discussion. Whereever it is, it is the

A Complete Stock of Dry Goods, Groceries and General Merchandise

# WILL BE CLOSED OUT AND SOLD SATURDAY AT AFTON, TEXAS!

We have purchased the Afton Grocery Company Stock of Goods at Afton, Texas, and will sell out the **Entire Stock Saturday and Close!** 

# IT ALL GOES AT **SOME PRICE!**

IF YOU WANT TO SAVE BIG MONEY AND ARE LOOKING FOR BARGAINS, SATURDAY IS THE TIME, AND AFTON IS THE PLACE TO BUY YOUR NEEDS!

> Not One Item Will be Reserved!

# W. H. SEALE & COMPANY AFTON, TEXAS

"We began extensive use of newspaper space late in 1925, using ap-

proximately 2000 daily papers to

carry our gospel of better refriger-

ation and freedom from annoyance

of outside ice supply to housewives

of America. The next year, while

this advertising was appearing, our

"The following year we inaugurat-

ed our second newspaper advertising

campaign, adding a few papers to

our list. Results of this second news-

paper campaign, which blankets the

entire country, now appearing, back-

ing the efforts of a splendid sales or-

ganization, have been simply over-

"How rapidly the American house

wife has grown to prefer Frigidaire

is shown by comparison of our total

unit sales of 21, 084 for the entire

year of 1924 with 38, 656 for the

month of March alone, this year.

Such a phenomenal growth is a testi-

monal to the effectiveness of proper

ly organized selling effort backed up

Mrs. E. Duggins will present a

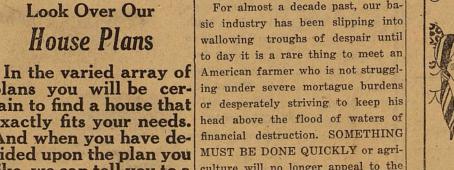
home talent play entitled "Nancy

by newspaper advevrtising"-Ex.

business doubled.

whelming.

INSURANCE BONDS LOANS **CLEMMONS INSURANCE** AGENCY



Commerce will become merely a

(Here is an assortment of

the only hope lies in securing legislation which will control the industry from planting season until its out put reaches the ultimate consumer.

lent, Spur, Texas. 33-4tr

solution no sane man or woman can Lost-Key ring and keys at the honestly deny. It may be found in picture show. Return to J. P. Wilkes the avenues of economics or it may be disrovered in the fields of politida] for reward.

duty of every loyal American to help Mrs. White Moore was in the city find it. For several weeks past, the shopping Wednesday from their fifteen thousand editors of weekly ranch home to the west of Spur. newspapers have been considering

Mrs.P. J. Thomas of Dickens was in Spur Wednesday on business. She seems to like Dickens very well.

LIVED IN A GLASS HOUSE them to write us what they think



The Florist-You're a liar, sir What have you to say to that? Other Man-Only this-people who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

CHANCES GREATER



Student-Do you know, professor, statistics show your chances of a long life are greater than those of a blacksmith? Professor-Naturally; I deal only



re Dinner and Tea Set

Gruben Bros. Spur, Texas

"ADVERTISING PAYS" How newspaper advertising, coup

led with good product, has enabled a lusty young organization to overwhelmingly dominate a national industry within a comparatively few months, has been revealed by E. G. farmer can secure a fair profit on Bichler, president and general manager of Frigidaire Corporation, subgive us the "key" to unlock the door sidiary of General Motors, in Editor

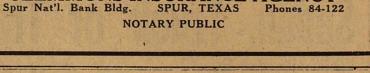
Anna Brown's Folks" at Foreman's which enters honest agriculture rec- and Publisher. Chappel to night, Friday night, be-"Four out of every five electric ginning at 8:30 o'clock. An admis-"Moses" of the nation's basic indus-refrigerators now being installed are sion charge will be made and the

Frigidaire," said Mr. Biechler. "We proceeds thus derived will be used attribute our present supremacy in in church work of the community. The National Farm News does not this vast, rapidly developing field to A full program of the play will be expect any man or woman to sit down the fact that we have not only made noted elsewhere in this issue of the and struggle with this great problem a good product, but have also told Texas Spur.

without proper compensation. To the public about it. that end we are going to give cash Today, Frigidaire, one of the W. F. Walker returne dthis week prizes for the best suggestions offer- youngest members of General Motors from Pyote where he had been with ed by those who reside in farm homes group, ranks second in unit sales and his sons, Will and Jim Walker who and earn their living in the fields of third in annual sale valume. Before are now hauling and draying in that

agriculture. There are no other con- we started newspaper advertising, new oil belt. ditions, no strings to our offer which less than two years ago, it had taken

is made for no other purpose but to us six years to sell 90,000 Frigidair- The Texas Spur does first class help the American farmers. Here is es. That number now represents less printing at prices to conform to the with the heads, not the heels of mules. a list of prizes which will be award- than three months business for us. existing conditions.



Advertising in Texas Spur pays. Advertising in Texas Spur pays.

Stop! Come and Listen! **OLD TIME REVIVAL MEETING!** Old Time Gospel **Preaching!** AT GIRARD, TEXAS BEGINNING SATURDAY NIGHT, JULY 2ND **CHURCH OF CHRIST Preaching Each Night Lasting** One Week **EVERYBODY INVITED** Elder R. C. Ledbetter, of Abilene, will do the preaching. Come and hear this man of God. Let's learn more of God's Will concerning us!

Plenty of Seats Under an Old Time Brush Arbor!

PLENTY OF GOOD SINGING! COME AND BRING THE CHILDREN!

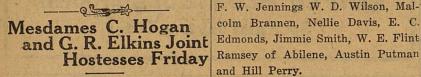
Church Benefit Play to be Given Friday Nite at Foreman Chapel

# Social and Club News.

#### Mrs. W. D. Wilson Hos- Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Elkins Entertain Montess at Luncheon and day Evening for Bridge Club

A lovely hospitality of the week was a luncheon in the home of Mrs. W. D. Wilson Thursday for members of the Joi de Voi Club and a number of invited guests. The Sput Orchestra furnished the music during the three course luncheon, after which bridge was enjoyed. At the end of the games Mrs. Thurman Harris was high and Mrs. W. D. Starcher was low. Guests were Mesdames Jim Edd Hall, W. E Flint, Jack Rector, Thurman Harris Jimmie Smith, Malcolm Brannen included Misses Fay Jamison, Mabel Homer Schrimpsher, Cal Martin King, Ella Mai Hogan, Maude Clem-William Manning, Fred Hale, W. L. mons, Jane Wilson, Mary Elizabeth Gibbs, Cecil Fox, Clifford B. Jones, F. W. Jennings, E. C. Edmonds, W. D. Starcher, Austin Putman, Bob Forbis, Miss Virginia Forbis. Other Davis and Jimmie Perry. guests for the luncheon hour were Mesdames Pauline Clemmons, Mc Alpine of Dallas, and Kate Senning. Mrs. Laverty Hostess

Thursday evening Mrs. Wilson also entertained her bridge club and their husbands with a beautifully appointed party. In the bridge contest Mrs. Nellie Davis was high and received a lovely boquet of pink day afternoon she entertained memcarnations. Bill Putman was high bers of her bridge club and a numfor the men and received a box of ber of invited guests. Four tables candy. A refreshmen plate carry- were in pretty arrangement for the ber. ing a chicken salad, wafir, angel bridge games in which Mesdames W. food cake and iced punch was serv- L. Gibbs and Oran McClure scored ed. The guests were Messrs. and high, and Mrs. Ray Dickson low-Mesdames F. W. Jennings, E. C. Edmonds, Bill Putman, M. C. Gold- the guests, including Mesdames W ing, and Mesdames R. E. Dickson, L. Gibbs, Oran McClure, Ray Dick-Oran McClure and Nellie Davis.



Among the smart parties of the week was that in the G. R. Elkins home on Friday evening, with Mesdames Elkins and C. Hogan acting as joint hostesses to their club, the Friday Afternoon Club, and a nur

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### Miss Alva Ince Hostess Club Encampment at at Party For The Teen Age Crowd

Among the social events enjoyed by the younger society set was the club encampment held at Silver Falls party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thursday and Friday of last week. D. B. Ince, with their little daughter, These ladies represented the various

Miss Alva, acting as hostess. Games clubs of Dickens county. of all kinds were enjoyed by the This was one of the most instruc-Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Elkins were, youngsters until a late hour, after tive as well as enjoyable programs very gracious hosts when on Monday which a refreshment plate was pass- had in our club work. evening they entertained honoring ed. Among the guests were Misses Miss Willie Richbourg gave their neice and nephew, Jack and Mavis Stafford, Robbie Lee Aber- number of readings, also illustrations Ella Mai Hogan, with a prettily ap- nathy, Willie Maud Scott, Emma in story telling. pointed party. Bowls of lovely Lee Shugart, Margarett Shugart, Mrs. Fred Reynolds rendered sevflowers were arranged in vantage Jewel Thomas, Addie Fay Boothe, eral vocal solos, then there were places, making the beautiful home Elva Jean Jordan, Mona Mae Berry, chorus songs, health talks by Miss look unusually charming. Panic Billie Nichols, Nellie Mecom, Rita Gordon and Mrs. Reynolds, also and progressive 42 were the diversion Mecham, Oleta Scott, Lois Cheely, swimming and skating exercises. for guests. A lovely refreshment Nell Collett, and Masters Johnnie Four meals were served on the plate was served. A Fourth of July Powell, Sam Chapman, Morris Col- grounds, and in planning the menus motif was used in the table appoint- lett, Jack Hargrove, Cecil Wolfe and the ladies tried to remember what ments and plate favors. The guests Maurice Laine.

BRIDE GIVEN SHOWER PARTY A bride shower party was given from Red Mud, and all are hoping Hogan, and Messrs. Horton Barrett, to Mrs. Creola Jordon McClanahan Hardy Mecom, Cleo Hazel, Sam when Miss Elnora Morgan gave her

> the home of Mrs. S. C. Rawlings. day night, and how to be a true wit-After a few games of "42" were ness for Christ Sunday. played Annie Mae Hale sang "When Miss Ray Brantner returned from the One You Love Loves You." Fort Worth Saturday. She is our Velma Hayes toasted the Groom and club president and we are glad to Elnora Morgan gave a toast to the have her back. girls left behind, Sue Scott toasted Blenden and Bobbie - Crockett gave afternoon.

the gifts to the bride. A delightful refreshment was served to the num-



Mrs. W. D. Wilson was hostess to the members of the Entre Nous Club in a business meeting Friday afternoon. Minutes of the last business meeting were read and approved. A chicken barbecue was planned for Thursday afternoon. Mrs. M. C. Golding was elected to membership in the club. Members present were Mesdames B. F. Hale, Jim

#### Hosts to Par Ti Club S. Campbell. -QC Mrs. Rawlins Enter-

Silver Falls Thursday

Twenty eight were present at the

ing his illness and death. Words cannot express our gratitude for what

and all. Wife, Mother, Brother, Sister and relatives of R. C. Littlefield.

was good for the body as well as

pleasing to the taste. There were nine representatives

to go again next year. Brother Luther Bilberry told us Clemmons, Jack Hogan, John A. a shower party Friday afternoon at about the Old Rugged Cross Satur-

Brother Cooper from Spur preach-

the bride. Little Messers Easton ed at the Christian church Sunday The road grading has been finished

and a number of men started hauling gravel Monday. The Jack Rabbits and Wolves

played ball at Red Top Sunday after noon, the scores being 9 to 12 in favor of the Rabbits. There will be a called meeting

of the club at Mrs. A. E. McClain's Monday, July 11th. Each member is urged to be present .-- Red Mud Reporter.

> -QC WATSON ITEMS

With the fine rains that fell over Foster, Clifford B. Jones, P. C. this section last week and week be-Nichols, Malcolm Brannen and W. fore last. Crops are growing nicely and the farmers are all smiling, feeling sure of a good harvest this fall Miss Ivorie Ford returned TuesCARD OF THANKS.

E. W. Short and family spent the

Fourth on Cat Fish with Clyde Flood

and family and Tom Cross and fam-

ily. During the afternoon they

went down on the creek and captur-

ed a number of 'Monkey Faced'

owls through the aid of Griffin Cross

whom they let down by ropes into

the canyon cave after the prizes.

They report a most enjoyable day

B. C. Burrow, wife and daughter,

of Stamford, spent several days of

this week in Spur the guests of Dr.

Grace and family, R. E. Dickson

and family and Larry Burrow and

Mrs. J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was

shopping in the city Wednesday, and

while here was a very pleanant call-

Fox Barber Shop

air Cut 35c-Shave 20c Hair Cut & Shave 50c

Plain Shampoo 35c-Fitch 50c

er at the Texas Spur office.

and occasion.

family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rucker are this Although our hearts are almost week end visiting in Archer City and breaking with grief, we want to thank Seymour with relatives and friends.

and Friday Last all the dear friends and also the .Mr Rucker will return immediately Doctors and Nurses for their kindness but Mrs. Rucker will be gone two or to ou rloved one and ourselvevs dur- three weeks.

> J. L. Karr, of Espuela, was in the you have done and for the beautiful city Saturday, meeting with his nufloral offering. May God bless each merous friends.



Plans



A Good Live Place to Trade! & SON SCHWARZ Β. The Store of Little Profit

ber of invited guests. Roses, dahthe Fourth of July motif. Guests were Mesdames L. R. Barrett, E. L. Wester. Caraway, Nellie Davis, Ned Hogan, George McAlpine of Dallas, A. G. Abbott, Robert Gipson, W. F. Godfrey, E. L. Adams, Horace Gipson, Geo. S. Link, M. E. Manning, J. E. Morris, W. W. Sample, W. D. Starcher, Williamson, C. A. Love, Leslie Janie King E. C. Edmonds, T. A. Mrs. Robert Gipson, honoring Miss rows, Malcolm Brannen, Lura Glas-Ella Mai Hogan, Mary E. Hogan.

The ladies of the Church of Christ ed shower for their pastor's wife, Mrs. Cooper, on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. E. S. Lee. A number of lovely gifts were present-Roberts,

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Flint were hosts to members of the Par Ti Club lias and gladiolas were used through at their pretty suburban home last out the entertaining suite which gave Friday evening. At the end of two a lovely background for the party. hours of bridge Mrs. Thurman Har-Progressive 42 was the entertaining ris was high for the ladies and feature. Misses Nell Higgins and Messrs. William Manning and Carl Ella Mai Høgan gave a musical pro- Wester high for the men. A lovely gram. At the end of the games a refreshment plate was passed. The refreshment plate carrying a brick guests included Messrs. and Mescream and cake was served. Minia- dames Jim Edd Hall, Jimmie Smith, ture flags were used as plate favors. Thurman Harris, William Manning, Red, white and blue tallies were us- Roy L. Harkey, W. L. Gibbs, Mrs. ed, thus bringing into prominence Thomas Morrison of Haskell, and Messrs. Hubert Wester and Carl

to XXV Bridge Club

Mrs. Frank Laverty was a most

charming hostess when on Wednes-

A delicious salad plate was served

son, James B. Reed, M. C. Golding,

-QC

Friday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. Flint

Wednesday

-Q 6-----Miss John Bell Har-

Miss John Bell Hargrove was hostess to a number of girl friends on Johnson, Wells, W. E. Flint, Twad- Davis, of Rule. Bridge and prodell, F. W. Jennings, P. C. Nichols, gressive 42 was the entertaining met at the fair grounds, bringing R. E. Dickson, A. C. Hull, Webber feature for guests. A delicious re- well filled baskets. The husbands

Jamison and Gipson.

**Picnic at Silver Falls** 

ed the honoree in a most appropri- A lovely outing was enjoyed by a ate manner. A lovely refreshment number of friends at Silver Falls on plate was served. The guests were the Fourth. Supper was cooked over Mesdames E. H. Ousley, M. W. Chap the camp fire, swimming, boating, J. H. Clay, Dave Taylor, Mary E. and son, Junior, Bill Mattox, Billie Hicks, Teague, Stevens, Eubanks, Duncan. Johnson, S. H. Blair, H. A. Boothe, Best Mattox, Floye Rogers, of Green Woods, Turner, Lilly G. T. Johnson,

and Bill Puman, Jr.

tained With Shower day from a visit to Kansas and Mineral Wells. for Recent Bride

Jim Crump was a business visitor A lovely miscellaneous shower was in Crosbyton Monday. given in the home of Mrs. S. C. Wright Henson and children spent Rawlins on Friday afternoon, honor- the week end in Hermleigh visiting

ing Mrs. A. L. McClanahan, nee Miss with relatives. Creola Jordan, a recent bride. A Mrs. Reed is attending the Postnumber of toasts and good wishes masters convention at Abilene this

were given by her girl friends after week. which a number of lovely gifts were Jake Grizzle is the proud owner presented the honoree in a most of a new Chevrolet coupe, having charming manner. A refreshment lost his Chrysler by fire a few weeks plate was served to the following ago.

guests: Mesdames Lee Gilbert, F. Mr. Reed, daughter and son-in-B. Crockett, Jimmie McClanahan, law, Mr. and Mrs. Hazle of Cisco, Schilton, Blenden, A. W. Jordan, T. are visiting near Levelland this W. Morgan, S. C. Rawlins, S. Steb- week.

grove Hostess to her any of Albany, Misses Sue Scott, Wilson Springer returned last Friends Tuesday Jane Wilson, Annie Mai Hale, Velma week and has resumed his old job with the Watson gin. The repair Hayes, Buna Wilhoit.

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work is progressing nicely now, and with the new machinery they are in-Cooper, Jamison, Thomas Morrison, Tuesday evening in the home of Merry Workers Picnic. stalling the Watson gin will be one of

On the 4th the Merry Workers Williams, W. R. Lewis, Laura Bur- freshment plate carrying cream, were invited, Lunch was spread Mrs. W. J. Duncan fell asleep in

Mae Eubanks.

-QC Mrs. Johnson Entertain to mourn her loss. We wish to

the best gin plants in West Texas. \_\_\_\_\_Q C\_\_\_\_\_ IN MEMORY OF MOTHER.

cake and frozen suckers was serv- and every one reported a nice time. Jesus June 30th, 1927. She was 67 gow, B. F. Hale, Pauline Clemmons, ed. The guests included Misses Those present were Mr. and Mrs. years, six months of age; a devoted Misses Nell Higgins, Faye Jamison, Davis, Klemmons Hargrove, Sue Woods, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Johnson, mother to her children, and a faith-Scott, Dorothy Williams, Beth Har- Mr .and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. ful and loving wife. But oh how key, Mary E. Hogan, Fay Jamison, Lilly, Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Mrs. sweet to know our loss is Heaven's Shower for Mrs. Cooper Thelma Marsh, Sybil McDaniel, Hen- G. T. Johnson, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. gain, and that sh is at rest. She derson of Cross Plains, Eleanor Har- Eubanks, Mrs. Edgar, Mrs. Teague, was only sick a short time, eating a ris, Elnora Morgan, Nellie B. Albin, Mr. and Mrs. Albin from Aspermont, hearty breakfast the morning of her were hostesses to a prettily appoint-Fay Post of Waco, and Mesdames Misses Willie and Lois Edgar, Ora death. She had that dreaded disease Johnson, Agnes Teague and Bessie known as leakage of the heart. Sh

leaves a heart-broken husband and six children and a host of friends

ed the Merry Workers thank every one who were so faith-Club Thursday | ful to mother in her last days on earth. They did all loving hands

Mrs. W. G. Johnson entertained could do, and may God's richest man, Laura Grantham, A. E. Ewell and dancing were enjoyed by mem- the Merry Workers Club in her home blessings rest on each of you and F. N. Oliver, John Luce, W. M. Ma- bers of the party. Those enjoying Thursday afternoon. The meeting receive your souls at last. How we lone, H. E. Grabener, M. B. Deuvall the affair were Dr. and Mrs. B. F. was opened by Mrs. Stevens reading miss our sainted mother no tongue W. R. Lewis, James F. Williams, Hale, Messrs and Mesdames F. W. the 78th Psalm. At the close of the or pen can tell. She has fallen A. Biggs, L. B. McMeans, Burl Har- Jennings, W. D. Wilson, E. C. Ed- meeting refreshments were screed. asleep in Jesus-He doeth all things rington, R. S. Harkey, S. B. Scott, monds, Bill Putman, Mrs. Vancleave Those present were Mesdames Woods well .- Bert Duncan, wife and Father

E. S. Lee, Harper Williams, Leslie ville, and Betsy Wilson, Helen Hale and Misses Hicks, and Johnson and We want you to read the Texas Mrs. W. G. Johnson. Spur every week of the year.

#### **Our Great Expansion Sale Proved to be** a Wonderful Success, and we are Very Grateful to the People of Spur Trade Territory for this Wonderful Patronage!

This just provevs that people Know When They Get Bargains, and it has always been the policy of B. Schwarz & Son to give the Best for the Least Money. We feel good over your patronage because we feel that we have rendered you a service that you appreciate.

Although our Expansion Sale is Closed, we still have a number of Articles on Display at Remarkably Low Prices. WE INVITE YOU TO PAY OUR STORE A VISIT AND SEE THESE WONDERFUL BARGAINS IN (SUMMER **MERCHANDISE!** 

### **GOING TO NEW YORK**

Our Mrs. Harkey is leaving the last of this month for New York Markets, and should any of our friends need aything in a speical line, she will be glad to select these for you. Just let us know within the next few days so we can put you on our want list. We will appreciate this privilege of serving you, and will give it our most earnest attention.

OUR NEW ADDITION WILL SOON BE READY TO OCCUPY AND THEN WE CAN GIVE OUR FRIENDS BETTER **SERVICE IN MERCHANDISING!** 

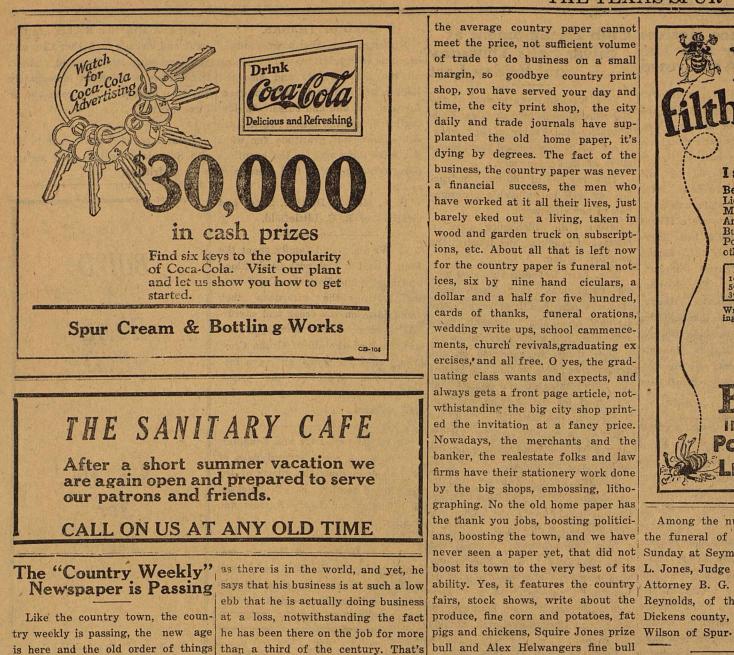
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PLOW SHARPENING AS FOLLOWS:

Lister Points, 35 nd 40c. All Sweeps, 1 1-2c inch. Go-Devil Bldes, 30 nd 40c. Other prices in proportion.



are doomed. Sometime back we had the usual story of the country press, calf, and get this, the big shops printsomething to say about the passing and by the way, many of them are ed the catalogues, and the old home, week for Cool Colorado where they of the country church, well, the going into scrapheap. The big daily paper does the publicity act, all free. will spend the summer season en country church and the country papers, and city semiweekly papers Yes, it's province has ever been to weekly walked along hand in hand are rooting the country press out, tell of the borning of handsome baand played their part as pioneers yes, everything is cityward now. The bes write funeral orations, tell of in laying the foundation for this country town, and the country store the beauty of brides and the promgreat complex age, but the new order are losing their hold on the people, inence of grooms-but the big shops of things are sweeping them aside, the big department stores are taking print the wedding stationery. It's and ere long, they will be only relics the trade, as the average country just simply a condition of the new of a by gone age. Talking to a news- store cannot acord to carry the stock age has grought about, it can't be paper friend of ours the other day, that the trade demands, hence the helped, of course it's sad, and the and by the way one among the best passing of the country newspaper. passing of the country weekly will country newspaper men in Texas, a Then again the big city job shops are be a great loss to the community, brilliant writer, located in the heart combing the country towns for job but in the end, we guess that it will of a fine agricultural district, as fine work, cutting prices down to where be best, as the country press has en-



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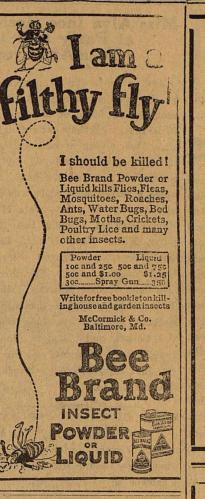
the average country paper cannot meet the price, not sufficient volume of trade to do business on a small margin, so goodbye country print shop, you have served your day and time, the city print shop, the city daily and trade journals have supplanted the old home paper, it's dying by degrees. The fact of the business, the country paper was never a financial success, the men who have worked at it all their lives, just barely eked out a living, taken in wood and garden truck on subscriptions, etc. About all that is left now for the country paper is funeral notices, six by nine hand ciculars, a dollar and a half for five hundred, cards of thanks, funeral orations, wedding write ups, school cammencements, church revivals, graduating ex ercises, and all free. O yes, the graduating class wants and expects, and always gets a front page article, notwthistanding the big city shop printed the invitation at a fancy price. Nowadays, the merchants and the banker, the realestate folks and law firms have their stationery work done by the big shops, embossing, lithographing. No the old home paper has the thank you jobs, boosting politici-

ans, boosting the town, and we have the funeral of Judge J. H. Milam never seen a paper yet, that did not Sunday at Seymour were Sheriff M. boost its town to the very best of its L. Jones, Judge H. A. C. Brummett, Newspaper is Passing says that his business is at such a low ability. Yes, it features the country Attorney B. G. Worswick, Clerk R. ebb that he is actually doing business fairs, stock shows, write about the Reynolds, of the official family of Like the country town, the coun- at a loss, notwithstanding the fact produce, fine corn and potatoes, fat Dickens county, and Attorney W. D.

> Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keller left last ioving life. Mrs. C. D. Copeland and daugh ter, Miss Beulah, were guests of friends in Spur Sunday.

gaged some of the brightest minds in the nation, yes, able men have edited the country weeklies, and when they are gone, why these men will enter other fields of endeavor, real estate banking, merchandising, etc.,

and then they will look back and think



Among the number who attended

Hall Pendleton was here the week

SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by

virtue of a certain order of sale is-

sued out of the Honorable District

Court of Dickens County, on the 13

day of April 1927, by Robt. Rey-

nolds Clerk of said Court for the sum

of one thousand, two hundred sixty-

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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County of Dickens

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#### THE STORY

CHAPTER I.—From the comfortable financial situation to which he had been born, Peter Milman, American gentleman of the old school, and last of his family, is practically reduced to penury through the misfortune of a friend, Hazen Brewer, whom he had upwisely trusted.

CHAPTER II.—Learning of Brewer's suicide, which means the destruction of his last hope, Milman engages a French butler, Achille Lutry, who speaks no English, and is to replace Sneed, serv-ant of long standing. By Lutry, Mil-man sends letters to Prof. Fleming Bradney, Floyd Malet and Neeland Barnes, men whom the world has classed as failures, once of high po-sition. In response, the three call on him at his home.

CHAPTER III.—After an excellent dinner Milman ushers his guests into his Japanese garden, where, after each has related the circumstances which wrecked their careers, he convinces them their misfortunes are directly traceable to the machinations of an un-seen, unscrupulous enemy, a man who had risen to high financial position and political power by underhand methods, chiefly blackmail, Paul Raxon. Raxon also ruined Brewer, and incidentally ruined Brewer, and incidentally Milman.

CHAPTER IV.—Milman explains to his guests how, chiefly through his be-lief in Floyd Malet as a great sculptor and the victim of malevolent circum-stances, he had subsoribed to a press-olipping bureau and kept a detective on Raxon's track, learning much to Raxon's discredit, though nothing by which he could be reached legally. Himself impoverished through Raxon's financial crockedness, Milman proposes an association of the faur men—an as-sociation outside the law—which shall pull down Raxon and force him to dis-gorge his ill-gotten financial gains.

CHAPTER V.—Following Milman's disclosures, his three guests, after a consultation, practically decide to join him in the fight against Faul Raxon. Milman explains his ideas, admitting he has no real plan to bring about Raxon's downfall, except discreditable details about his personal and business life which he has gleazed from Her-man Loddos, Raxon's tool on occasions when wine has loosened Loddon's tongue.

CHAPTER VI.—Raxon's political am-bition is the national senatorship from his state. McKimber is the admitted party nominee, and must be eliminated. At his palatial residerce, Great Rock, Raxon plans elaborate entertainments in his political interests. Returning to his humble abode, Neeland Barnes finds his daughter, Anita, who had been liv-ing with relatives in England. Hav-ing no fit home for the girl, Barnes takes her to Milman's, where she is wel-comed as a guest. Overhearing the comed as a guest. Overhearing the plans of the "conspirators," Anita ar-ranges to join them, assuring them of her confidence she can be of use.

CHAPTER VII.—Mrs. Raxon, aware of her shortcomings as a society host-ess, falls in with her husband's idea of hiring a well-bred woman and giv-ing her full charge of the household

might who had undergone severe mental or physical strain. "Not a thing," said the elder, with an effort at smiling. "I've been thinking, Robbie, and I see I have made a

great many mistakes in my life." Robin listened in silence. Never before had he heard his father in anything but an assured and contented mood.

"I tried to dictate to you awhile ago," said McKimber, "and I tried to dictate to the girl you're fond of. told you if you didn't marry a girl I approved of we should pull apart. I told her that if anyone knowing what money you would inherit thought she could get it by marrying you without my consent, there wouldn't be any money."

#### Robin's face hardened.

"You had no right to do that. We may as well understand one another. I've asked Miss Brown to marry me. I haven't your social ambitions. If she won't marry me, nobody else will be asked."

"That's the right spirit," said Mc-Kimber. His son looked at him amazed. "A man who lets another dictate about whom he's to marry is a weakling and a coward. I didn't. The Grahams, all except old William, hated me. I wasn't well born or educated. I was a machinist and my hands were thick-fingered, and I hadn't any parlor tricks. I married your mother in spite of their lies and plots to separate us."

"Do you mean to say you approve of Miss Brown?"

"That's what I'm trying to tell you. I suppose you are wanting to know why I have changed. Robbie, don't ask me. There are things that happen in a man's life that change him instantly. It may be the ghost of old follies which rises to remind him of what he had forgotten. No, don't ask me, Robbie, but just bring the girl to your mother and me. She shall never want for love where we are."

He walked heavily from the room. His son could not comprehend this astounding change. There was a stricken look in his father's face. Not since Robin was a boy had he been called "Robbie." But his speculation on the cause of the change was lost in joy at what it meant to him. Agatha told him she would be back at about ten. He looked at the clock. It was past two. Eight weary hours before he could see her!

At seven he was on the golf links playing a few holes. Three hours to wait. At eight o'clock he saw her coming slowly in his direction.

"I didn't think you were going to return so early," he said, smiling, Agatha, how lovely you look."

"I feel miserable," she said soberly. "Darling," he whispered "how cau you feel miserable on this bright, glorious morning?"

Nothing could depress him now. There was a look in her eyes that told him what he wanted to know. "You know, Robin, one isn't always fice to do as one likes. I think if I had foreseen this week I should not have had courage enough to endure it.

and left them.

Robin, we must both of us forget it." Mrs. Raxon wished she could walk "Forget the only week I have lived," like that. She was filled with a sudhe cried. "Never." Her air of deden sense of having acted badly. She jection communicated itself to him. "Tell me why I should?" "There are so many things," she said slowly. "One is your father's objection. I like him because he sets she begged for another chance. She such store by you, but I'm not going was calm, aloof, superior. Mrs. Raxon to come between you and him." Robin laughed joyously. "Don't looked at her own daughter a little worry about him. He's for you now sourly. "How I'm to arrange the menus and fust as strongly as mother is. He see the servants do their work I'm thinks you are just the girl to look sure I don't know." after me for life. You've conquered "Hire someone else," said Gertrude. him. He just had to give in, so what "and let me see her first." more is there to say?" Half an hour later a taxi came to Looking at him it seemed to the girl the front door and Miss Agatha Brown that the task she had set herself was left Great Rock. Paul Raxon did not beyond her strength. Why, she asked herself, had she kept heart-whole all her life to find in Robin McKimber the learn of it until later. He only hoped the household efficiency would not be impaired. Miss Brown had had her only man she could love? How could uses. He had learned a great deal she tell him that she must choose be from the criticism of one used to the tween her sworn loyalty to her father homes of the great. And, he mused, and his comrades and her love for it might be better for him in the long him? She was associated with men run that she was replaced by somewho had determined to get from Kaxone of rather less physical attractions. on's safe the documents which in-He had been thinking too much about criminated John McKimber and made her. the realization of his ambitions im-"My dears," she had said to her possible. She saw, very clearly, what footmen, "you must stay on if you can course Peter Milman would pursue, until Uncle Peter has read what and how in the carrying out of his have written. He may have other plans of revenge he would have no uses for you here." consideration for the McKimbers. The blond footman dropped his "There is more to say," she told Cockney accent and the lackey's man-

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Guillain was approaching. It seemed . to him that Agatha almost ran to the his distant suite. The delay seemed elder man. "What have you been doing on this

lovely morning?" Malet asked. "Breaking my heart, I think," she answered. "Please walk back to the house with me. I don't want to have

to speak to anyone." Malet was not deceived by the smile with which she tried to hide her suffering. He wished he had words to of it. help her. He walked to the big house, his heart aching because she was hurt. He wondered what it was about. Of McKimber. He felt he hated the tall, handsome lad who had the power so

to wound this lovely daughter of his D. \* A PAR

intolerable. More than anything else, Robin wanted to find where Agatha had gone. His appeal to Sneed brought no results. Then he thought of 'De Guillain. Robin had not hitherto liked this

man. He had been jealous of all who seemed intimate with the girl. But he decided to make a clean breast "I have asked Miss Brown to marry me," he said quietly. "Yesterday it

course, it had to do with young Robin | morning, out on the links, she said she had to go, and something had happened which made everything impossible. Perhaps she has heard things about me that I could explain. Can't

you help me to find her?" Malet did not answer immediatel.". His first impulse was to help

she said, "but I think we have succeeded." She could not bear to taik any more.

In his library, Peter Milman read the document carefully. He saw exactly with what a deadly grip Paul Raxon held McKimber. But Peter Milman was not yet in a position to turn this knowledge to account. So far, McKimber was the sufferer in that, whereas only one man had known his secret, now it was shared by many. Milman thought of the thing impartially as though he were seemed as though she loved me. This | an arbitrator and McKimber's case had come before him. On one side, McKimber and Raxon. On the other, himself, Barnes, Bradney, and Malet. He persuaded himself that it was justice against injustice, right against wrong. He had brooded too long over

the prospect of losing his home to have any qualms left. He waited impatiently until the hour when he exected Bradney and Barnes. They could not leave Great Rock until past ten o'clock, and it was almost midnight when he passed them Nita's report.

"The next thing to do is to obtain that envelope," Milman said. "We know they are in that room somewhere."

"There's a big wall-safe of a mocern type," Barnes said.

"And therefore absolutely immune from us," Bradney commented. ""L have ong felt that there must be an apprenticeship to this sort of enterprise. by almost all the yeggs who wander up and down our country. I know now it is done, but I couldn't do it myself."

"We dare not hire anyone to do it for us," Barnes said thoughtfully. "1: seems to me we are up against it. If you haven't enough to hold him up, with already, I don't see what else is to be done."

"There's a way out," said Peter Milman, "and a simple one. I admit we cannot crack a safe. Why not permit Paul Raxon to open it for us?" "He wouldn't," Barnes cried; "torture would not make him do that." "You don't understand," said Peter mildly. "I mean simply this. Why should not Raxon open the safe, as he must do frequently, quite unaware that someone is ready to spring at him, tie him up and examine its contents at leisure?"

"By Gad!" Barnes said excitedly. "It might work. There's danger in it, but it's an even chance it might succeed. I see the whole thing. I could be hiding where Nita was-there's plenty of room-and watch him. He youldn't be carrying that gun of his. ecause he would probably have ocked himself in and felt free from intrusion. If you can make that end of the bookcase movable so that it can be opened without warning Raxon, believe I can get him."

At the prospect of action and danger. Neeland Barnes seemed another nan. He had, indeed, visualized the whole thing. What was the risk of a ullet compared with getting from Raxon what would buy him the ranch "What's that look like to you?" he in California?

asked. He did not know French, and "Give me two uninterrupted hours." the name was indistinct. Mrs. Mc- Bradney asserted, "and I can make a

gone from the room. "Was she unhap py at Great Rock?"

"Unhappy? She had a good time for a month and came away with a hundred dollars more than she expected. If that's unhappiness, let me enjoy it."

He turned again to Bradney, not realizing for an instant that he was the sort of usual father who rarely understands his daughter. When women said little and were difficult to comprehend, he set it down to headache. It was an easy solution.

'Enry gave notice next morning. He did not hesitate to say that Mrs. Raxon did not understand domestic problems. He was lofty and not to be persuaded. Not until too late did he perceive how much more financially beneficial it would have been to get himself dismissed with a month's salary in place of a longer notice.

By nightfall he was back in his own room. He had purchased a dark sweater and black sneakers, and by the use of those devices which he had learned in amateur theatricals, had disguised his face Bradney had employed his leisure by doing some surreptitious carpentering work in the tower room. Sneed had arranged to give instant warning if Raxon returned unexpectedly from the city. But as a chauffeur had been told to meet the train arriving at half-past six, there seemed no reason to fear interruption.

The bookcase was six feet in height Safe-blowing is practiced successfully | and contained five shelves. The lower, behind which Nita had hidden, was given up to volumes whose average height was eighteen inches. The shelves were very deep, made to accommodate books of more than average width, many of which were deeper than their height. They rested on a board seven inches above the floor. Bradney had ingeniously split this, so that while the books were not disturbed, the man hiding had an additional seven inches of shelter. He had the craft of a cabinet-maker, and the oiled and hidden hinges moved noiselessly.

It was as dinner drew to a close that the disguised Barnes crawled feet first to his shelter. He had arranged things so that he could see the safe without moving. There was nothing in his garments to catch on any projection. He found he could move his limbs without attracting any noise. He tried it when Bradney, directly the dinner was finished and his employer settled to a game of auction, hurried to the room. Bradney sat in Raxon's chair and looked hard at the lower shelf, but could detect nothing unusual. It was not so difficult for Barnes to remain immobile and patient as for some. He had the hunter's instinct highly developed. He was not the man to forsake a pool if the fish did not immediately rise to his fly. This was a game after his own heart. He thought of poor Fleming Bradney, overtaxed owing to the defection of 'Enry, scurrying here and there with his grave face and rather grand manner, and smiled. At ten he was tired but sanguine. At midnight he began to suffer from the hardness of the floor. But the longer he waited, he told himself, the sooner would the

long his father was with Raxon in

ing her full charge of the household. She engages a "Miss Agatha Brown" (really Miss Anita Barnes) to take charge. The girl arranges for the em-ployment of her father and Professor Bradney as footmen in the Raxon household, and the "association" awaits developments.

CHAPTER VIII .-- Raxon's daughters CHAPTER VIII.—Raxon's daughters, personally unattractive, are at once jealous of Anita. Sneed, Milman's for-mer butler, is engaged for the same po-sition by Raxon. With their son, Rob-in, Mr. and Mrs. McKimber are guests of the Raxons. Robin at once falls in love with Anita and proposes marriage. The girl refuses him, aware that his father would oppose his son's marriage to a penniless, unknown girl. Neeland Barnes and Bradney arrange a hiding place from which to spy on Raxon in place from which to spy on Raron in his "den."

his "den." CHAPTER IX.—In an interview with McKimber Raxon discloses his knowl-edge of an incident in the former's life, the publication of which would discred-it him politically and socially, and ex-hibits proof, demanding that McK mber withdraw from the political race it his favor, as the price of secrecy. McKim-ber, though innocent of crime, or even deceit, is overwhelmed by the apparent proof Raxon holds. From the hiding place Anita takes down the conversa-tion in shorthand, but is visibly de-pressed when she joins her fellow con-spirators. spirators.

#### CHAPTER X

Mrs. McKimber was only concerned that the girl her son chose should be sufficiently in love with him. She oved beauty, and had been attracted to Agatha at first sight. Mrs. McKimper was prepared to help her son. She cealized that it would not be easy to oring her husband to agree with her. McKimber had learned that a senator, even from the Empire state, does not ex officio find the doors open to him that shelter the great names in American society. He wished Robin to marry into a family which had entree to the best.

When Robin had gladly made the acrifice, he found the girl put obstacles in the way. She did not flutter to his arms. She was no beggarmaid to his King Cophetua. Gloomily he wondered if she was fond of some other man. The viscount was good looking; he had poise and breeding. Agatha had been brought up in Europe, where disparity in age is less a bar to marriage than in the United States. They had met before. They had common acquaintances, and the De Guillains, he was told, were all rich. Robin smoked many cigarettes over the problem. He was surprised to hear a knock at his door. It was his father who came in

"Why, father," he cried, "is there anything the matter?" Mr. McKimber was stooped. His bold, resolute carriage was gone. He looked as one

him, her voice trembling a little. "My dear, it is the hardest thing to say. Robin, it's good-by." "Good-by," he repeated. "Agatha, what do you mean?"

getting tired of it. Just as I open a bottle of wine and light a good cigar "That I am leaving here today and shall not see you again. Don't ask me to explain. I can't tell you anything except that there is something which makes all the things I hoped impossible."

She could see the gray under his tanned skin. She knew she had wounded him bitterly. There was a terrible quietness in his distinct, clear voice.

"Then you never really loved me?" "I did," she said simply; "that's what makes it so hard." "If you love me," he cried, "nothing

can come between us." "Something has come between us.

I do love you, Robin, and I shall never care for anyone else; but there is someone who needs me more than you

do." "I'm not going to say good-by," he said gently.

"But you must," she insisted. "It is all over, Robin. One little week of lective and individual failure. happiness and years and years of re-

to slav it."

Suddenly she turned from him and more days. He did not like to leave walked away. He followed with be. at once; he feared people would think seeching gestures until he saw that De he had pursued Miss Brown. All day

per read the language easily. He had never let her daughters did not want to make a mistake. He how much she admired her social secdetermined to describe Agatha this retary. The girl had made no vulgar time. Possibly she had adopted a scene, as Mrs. Raxon had dreaded. nom de guerre. She had not raised her voice; nor had

"It means," said Mrs. McKimber, 'the duchess of Green-Cheese." "Couldn't there be such a person?" Robin was flushing red with anger. "Of course not. Where are you go-

ing to in such a hurry?" He had no time to answer. He wanted very much to see the viscount. But here again he met disappointment. Sneed informed him that he had gone and left no forwarding address for his mail. A friend at his club advised Robin to consult the new Almanach de Bruxelles, in whose pages the nobility of continental Europe is described. There was no mention of any Count or Viscount de Guil-

lain. Robin went back to Great Rock a disillusioned young man, filled with bitterness. There was no such thing in the world as honor or truth. Agatha was an adventuress, the fake viscount an accomplice. He wondered why there was not already a robbery of jewels. It must be because Mrs Raxon had dismissed her before the day of the coup. His inquiries about Miss Brown had frightened the vis-

count away. He was particularly anxious to meet the swindler. Mrs. McKimber saw that her son son that was comprehensible to his wife. He had spoken vaguely about giving up the senatorial race and living quietly away from his business. Robin was to be given complete charge. McKimber hinted that he might indorse Raxon. Secretly she was not sorry to relinquish the Washington idea. The prospect had been less alluring to her than to him. Mrs. Mc-Kimber was more interested in her home city than the nation's capital, with its jealousies, intrigues, and con-

CHAPTER XI

stant entertaining.

cried.

Peter Milman received the transcription Nita had made from her rough notes without showing the tremendous eagerness that possessed him. 'You have done splendidly," he said. and then hesitated a little. "I am almost afraid to read it."

"You need not be," she said slowly, 'I think you will find that you have saved your home." "Then it is complete success?" he

"There is still more to be done,"

very workmanlike job of it. "Not a word before Nita." her father cautioned. "She might want to come in on it, and there's just a chance it may turn out badly."

"How often does a financier open his safe?" Bradney asked. "I can see 'Enry lying there, entombed, for periods of uncomfortable duration. 'Enry has forgotten he will be helping me to attend to the Raxon guests." "I shan't be there," said Barnes. "I shall dismiss myself tomorrow morning and then come back to my old room when it is dark. Only Sneed and you ever come up our flight of stairs, so it will be safe." Barnes chuckled. 'You'll have to smuggle my meals up.' "Someone will come to take your place."

"Sneed will attend to that. He'll probably work you double tides." The three-Malet had not cometalked the thing over. If once the letters were in Milman's possession, he did not think it likely that Raxon would quarrel at the price-enormous though it was-that he would be called upon to pay. McKimber would suffer, but they could not grieve about that. The main thing was that Raxon would have to acknowledge he was heaten and to maintain his hold on McKimber he must pay out a million

dollars. They told Nita of it when she came was worried, but for the moment she in. She did not venture to disagree. was more disturbed at her husband's But her depression was noticeable. It condition. He had aged for no rea- was so unlike the cheerful and laughing girl. She gave as a reason a headache. But it was a heartache that troubled her. The father of Robin was to be disgraced. She and her volunteered activities were the direct cause. For a moment she thought of pleading with them to find some other way, but she refrained when she saw no other way was possible to make Raxon pay. She tried to harden her self against this weakness. Her father had been disgraced through Raxon Malet and Bradney had been robbed of their opportunities and their careers clouded. Peter Milman had lost his fortune, and might lose his home if Raxon were not compelled to pay. She must be loyal to those with whom she had begun this adventure. But it was very hard. All her world had been changed in that moment when she had seen Robin looking at her

from the big car that had swerved so perilously. He would never see her again. To the day of his death he he will not be disappointed in any of would believe she had played with im, used him for a summer flirtation

and then forgotten him. "I think it is more than headache."

quarry come into view. It was nearly one when Paul Raxon

entered. He took a seat at the center table and put on it some small change and bills. Bridge winnings, no doubt. Then he lighted a cigar and went to the door leading to his bedroom, soon to reappear with a velvet smoking jacket. It seemed to Barnes that he paced up and down before the bookcase for hours. Then suddenly he went to the safe, turned the well known combination swiftly and flung it open. He seemed to be searching feverishly for some one thing in its deep recesses.

Very quietly Barnes pushed open the oaken side of his prison. It made no sound. Then, as noiselessly, he emerged. His next move was to crawl to the shelter of the table. Here he felt safe. He could see that Raxon was still searching. Stealfhily the man who had been 'Enry rose to his knees. Then he rose to his feet and came nearer, inch by inch, to the unconscious man. He covered the last few intervening feet in a leap: Raxon's head, twisted sideways with the fearful and agonizing force of a blow on the jaw, caught sight of a face wholly unknown to him. The disguise was palpable, but sufficient. He was thrown forward on the heavily padded lounge. It was while he was fighting for breath that his hands were tied behind him. Then a loop of rope was forced into his mouth and something pulled down over his head so that he could see nothing. Next he was dropped to, the floor and pushed through a narrow door. After that he was not molested. But he could hear someone at the safe. Papers rustled, drawers were opened. Then the steel doors swung to. Later his locked door was opened and shut After that for hours there was blackness and cramp, rage and despair.

#### To Be Continued

Ol Taylor was meeting with his friends on the streets Friday of last week. Ol now feels good at the prevailing crop prospects-and also has a notion that he also might benefit from the possible oil activities to the southwest of Spur, in which territory he also owns valuable farm if not oil lands. Here is hoping that his hopes and expectations.

T. S. Lamber, of old Draper, was Peter Milman observed when she had in town Tuesday.

"But, daddy," she reproved him, "you are here on duty, and a very great deal more may depend on you than you think. I've been awfully proud of the way you carried it off."

Neeland Barnes went about his work with greater spirit. "When I think of a man of your genius doing this sort of thing," she

ner as he kissed her. "Shan't be very

long here, I expect," he said. "I'm

some d-d nobody rings for ice water,

or the fire needs logs, or there's a

mouse in a bedroom and I'm elected

aid to Fleming Bradney as she shook hands, "I can't admire you enough." She left them, smiling brilliantly, They felt she had the secret of success with her. Yet, alone in the taxi-

cab, she cried unrestrainedly. Robin McKimber did not find out

she was gone until luncheon. The Raxon girls had not forgiven him. He was so obviously in love with the despised Agatha that they admitted col-

Robin chafed that his parents seemed to have decided to stay a few

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#### Mrs. W. J. Duncan Died PRIZES OFFERED Thursday, June 30th FOR BEST VOICES at Roaring Springs

Mrs. W. J. Duncan, one of the pioneer women of this Western country, died Thursday, June 30th,

at Roaring Springs. Her death at this time was very unexpected, she having eaten a hearty breakfast that morning and apparently in the very due to radio. Every young man of best of spirits until later in the day when she suffered a heart attack, she having been a sufferer for some time of what was called "leakage of young singers and the opening of the the heart."

W. J. Duncan and family are among the early settlers of this Wes- for scientific and educational purposes tern country, having for years resid- by A. Atwater Kent, the Philadelphia ed in Dickens county, where their the Sunday night grand opera hour, many friends will learn of the death broadcast over a network of nineteen of Mrs. Duncan with real sorrow. stations.

Members of the family surviving plans for a "National Radio Audition," are the husband and father, W. J. to find by competition the best undis-Duncan, and son Bert Duncan, of Prizes Aggregating \$17,500, with tui-Roaring Springs; W. J. Duncan, Jr., tion for a musical education in certain of Tatum, New Mexico, Mrs. J. C. cases, are offered as follows: Glover, of Littlefield, Texas, and the National Audition-a man and a

as.

National Radio Audition **Open to Young Singers** in This Country.

America's future generation of vocal stars will be disclosed to the world this Fall as another of the wonders woman with the gift of song, whether from country, town or city, will hars an equal chance.

### A nation-wide quest for the test door of opportunity to them has been undertaken by the Atwater Kent Foundation, an institution established radio manufacturer and sponsor of

The Foundation has announced

Mrs. Laura Moore of Winters, Tex- woman-will each receive a gold



whereby M. D. Ivey, of the Spur National Bank, purchased of Prof. J. E. Watson his bungalow home in the west part of the city, the consideration being private.

Mr. Ivey and family have moved into their new home, while Mr. Watson and family have moved to Post where he will be superintendent of the schools at that place.

-06-5 Rheumatics-hy Suffer?

RHEUMALAX relieves rheumatism suickly and surely, for science of today find and perfect what cen- decoration, \$5,000 in cash and two turies of research have overlooked. tory A new discovery that relieves or costs you nothing. Sold and guaranteed at Spur Drug Co.

-QB----Resourceful Poker Players

Two veterans of the World War convalescing in a hospital had dis- each community in each state will be missed their nurses and decided to the best young man and best young

President of Atwater Kent Foundation, which opens door of opportunity to undiscovered vocalists.

A. Atwater Kent,

years' tuition in a leading conserva-Winners of second prizes will each receive \$2,000 in cash and one year's

tuitlon. Winners of third prizes will each receive \$1,000 and one year's tuition. Winners of fourth prizes will each receive \$500.

Winners of fifth prizes will each receive \$250.

Musical, civic and women's clubs in invited to hold local contests to select





They do me wrong who say I come no more When once I knock and fail to find you in; For every day I stand out side your door, And bid you wake, and rise fight and win

Wail not for precious chances passed away Weep not for golden ages on the waned Each night I burn the records of the day-At sun rise every soule is born again

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped, To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb My judgement seal the dead past with it's dead But never bind a moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire wring your hands and weep I lend my arm to all who say "I can-" No shame-faced outcast ever sank so deep But yet might rise and be again a man!

Dost thou behold thy lost youth all aghast? Dost reel from righteous Retribution's blow Then turn the blotted archieves of the past And find the future pages white as snow.

Art thou a mourner Rouse from thy spell; Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven. Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell, Each night a star to guide thy feet to heaven. -Walter Malone.

### LOVE AND HOME

(Lovingly dedicated to Grandma and Grandpa Carlisle.)

Sing a song of love and home home Mother young and gay; Love and hope and happiness,



cards so one of the boys went to winners will then be certified to a play poker. They had no playing woman singers of their towns. These the nurse's table in the hall and got cast by a radio station in each state. a bunch of Doctors' or patients' A state winner of each sex will be cards. They sorted these out, chosen and will receive a silver medal.

shuffied them and started to play The next step is a district audition. poker. They played along a little The young men and women who have while and finally both got good won state honors will be taken to a central broadcasting station in one hands. There were several raises and of five districts, where an audition bets and finally: Doughboy: I call: What you got,

woman-from that district.

Marine: I've got a full house; three appendicitis and two hernias; will receive gold medals and the ten what you got.

Doughboy: I got four enemas. Marine: Thati's good; take the pot; you'll need it .- Dickey Clay Pipe (Organ.

The two winners in each district finalists thus selected will be taken to New York for the final National Audition, to be broadcast over a national network of stations. All expeaces of contestants in the district

and final auditions, including railroad tare, hotol bills, entertainment, etc., will be paid by the Atwater Kent

'Terrible epidemics of disease with appallig loss of life have followed the widespread distribution of fleas. Fleas live on mice, rats, dogs and even human beings. Bubonic plague volces, of which each generation prowhich breaks out with out warning event of profound national imporand kills thousands is one of the tance. Even when such a voice could many diseases for which the flea is give pleasure to only a few thousand responsible. Fly-Tox kills fleas. Irecustre. Now that millions may en-Spray getly against the fur from boy it on the same evening through rear of animal. Simple instructions the medium of radio, such a voice has on each bottle (blue label) for killing ALL household insects. Insist ported by the Atwater Kent Foundaon Fly-Tox. Fly-Tox is safe, stain-

less, fragrant, sure. Every bottle is and to offer these singers an opporguaranteed.

WHY CALLED "PAIR" OF PANTS

The primary meaning of "pair" is two objects or in some way related. Thus we say a pair of stock ings, pair of gloves, pair of scissors, pair pants, and so on. In the an intention to follow a musical cacase of "pair of scissors" the idea is of a single thing having two like or corresponding parts dependent on each other. "Pair of pants and "pair of trousers" are holdovers from early times when trousers consisted of two entries are anticipated are students separate, long hose like garments\_ one for each leg .- Pathfinder Mag- leges. Musical organizations in each azine.

state audition, which will be broad-

will be broadcast to select the two winners-a young man and a young

Foundation. The spirit and purpose of the National Audition are indicated in a

statement by A. Atwater Kent, presigent of the Foundation, who said: The discovery of one of those rare duces a very few, seems to me an people in a year it was a national necome priceless.

"The National Radio Audition, suption, is an undertaking to search the entire country for beautiful voices tuil'y for full development, recognition and reward."

The principal qualifications for conmiants are as follows:

Bjust not be over 25 years old; must never have been associated with a professional theatrical or operatic company: must never have been a paid principal in any concert held outside their own states; must declare reer and must be free from theatrical or cousical contracts.

This limitation permits choir singus to enter the auditions, even though they may have received finanial compensation for singing in hurches. Other groups from which in musical schools and locally prominent singers in high schools and colstate are also afforded an opportunity to participate.

## **MRS. E. DUGGINS** PRESENTS **Home Talent Play** "Nancy Anna Brown's Folks" A COMEDY DRAMA IN THREE ACTS Friday Night, July 8th

#### \_\_\_\_AT\_\_\_\_ FOREMAN'S CHAPPLE

#### Characters

Pa Brown	Nancy's Father
	Cecil Duggins
Barry Raymond	The Leading Man
	Wren Duggins
Roderic Quinton	
	Harold Karr
Val Vincent	Who Plays Comedy Parts
	Frank Duggins
Nick Miles	Stage Director of the Grand
	Justie McMakan
Denny Saul	Character Actor
and the second	Tom Delisle
Pete	Stage Carpenter at the Grand Theater
	Ray Karr
Dave	Property Man at the Grand Theater
	Robert Cross
Ma Brown	Nancy's Mother
Ava Howell	
(Nancy) Rosalin Rayl	or Leading Lady
Jewell Duggins	
Willa Dean	The Leading Ladys Maid
	Ona Shockley
Connie Stair	Who Plays the ingenue
	Mary Battles
Inez Clifton	Who Plays Adventuress Part
	Faye McMahan
Jul Saul	Who Plays Character Parts
· 梁、新闻的"奥。"	Mrs. Tom Delisle

Time of Playing Two Hours

Cheer her night and day. Hands that know not idleness, Steps that never shrink; Faithful to her home and friends, Faithful to her work.

Sing a song of love and home: Father homeward flies; Love and brave encouragement. Shining in his eyes. Mother meets him at the gate Kisses, ane-two-three. Children race to meet him first, Happy as can be.

Sing a song of love and home: Hear the children shout, As they gaily homeward run, After school is out. Mother meets them at the door, Kisses every one; Father takes them on his knee, When his work is done.

THE REAL PROPERTY OF

Sing a song of love and home: Grown up boys and girls; Innocent and debonair, Mirthfulness and joys. Wedding after wedding comes, As the years go by: "Soon the children will be gone !" Mother takes a cry.

Sing a song of love and home: Mother meets him at the door, Children all have from her gone To their homes away. Father turns his weary steps Homeward with a sigh; Mother mees him at the door, Tear drops in her eye.

Sing a song of love and home: Father-Mother dear Valley of he shadow now, Slowly draweth near; Hand in hand they sit and wait. Eyes on hings above: Sing a song of love and home Sing a song of love. -Ella Kellum Bennett.