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### GOV'T. ACCEPTS CONTRACTS AND WILL ISSUE PLOWING ORDER

Farm administrators of the Federal Government Tuesday of this week announced that all acreage reduction contracts that had been approved by local committees would be approved in a body by the department and that County Agents were being authorized to issue immediate permits for the plowing up of the crops.

The change in policy has been made so that farmers will have time to make a feed crop and so that the crop in portions where harvesting is now underway may be cut down immediately.

Late reports from County Agent G. J. Lane show that Dickens County has agreed to plow up approximately 30,000 acres of cotton. This acreage has been estimated to yield an average of 137 1-2 pounds of cotton to the acre which would mean a shortage of over 5,000 bales of our normal crop. The approved contracts call for \$106,977 to be paid in the all cash contracts and \$137,774 (computed at the present market price) to be paid in the part cash and cotton option contracts which will mean that this county will receive around \$250,000.00.

W. C. Hale, special government agent, was in the city Wednesday and in his opinion authority for the plowing up of acreage will be received here this weekend and the remuneration will be distributed within the next few days.

### A Sensible Proposal

We note from press dispatches that the four states of Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Colorado are asking an appropriation of \$100,000,000 from the federal government for the purpose of conserving rainfall on this vast watershed by means of a series of dams and lakes, primarily for the purpose of furnishing employment to the needy and secondarily for the general and lasting benefit of the country.

Such a proposition was under consideration several years ago and was supported by this publication but at that time "prosperity" reigned supreme and there was no crying need of employment—and it had little chance of receiving recognition at headquarters.

Now, however, it is necessary to furnish employment in one form or another to the millions of jobless in America and it will be to our interest as a nation to turn these efforts in a direction that will pay returns in the future so that our incalculable indebtedness will not be a crushing and insurmountable burden.

Scientists have estimated that the conservation of rainfall in the semi-arid uplands will not only increase the average rainfall by from 2 to 6 inches annually but will make the climate more temperate as well as lessen the damage and danger of overflow in the flood regions where so much is spent for levees etc.

Inasmuch as a reforestation program would be absurd and useless in this section of the country we might find it profitable to start writing our congressmen, senators and governor in the interest of a water conservation program. We will gladly lend our assistance and publish ideas and proposals concerning this matter submitted by our readers.

In this section there are numerous places where water could be held for beneficial purposes, namely the Blanco Canyon, Croton Brakes in parts of Kent and Fisher counties.

Mrs. Joe Stotts and Joe Ann returned to their home in Lubbock following an extended visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Stotts and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wooten of Lubbock were business visitors in Spur Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Reid of the Dickens community were visitors in Spur Thursday. They report that their place Friday

### Pete Perry House Is Damaged By Fire on Tuesday Night

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Perry in the western part of the city was heavily damaged by a fire which broke out about midnight Tuesday night. Quick response on the part of fire department saved the house from being totally destroyed and quite a bit of the household furnishings were saved.

The loss was partially covered by insurance.

### Jackson-Rainwater Nuptials Held Sat'dy.

The wedding ceremony of Miss Ethel Jackson and Mr. Haskell Rainwater was solemnized at the home of Rev. W. B. Bennett, minister of the Baptist faith, in this city Saturday afternoon, July 15.

Miss Jackson is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Jackson, of Dickens community, and Mr. Rainwater is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Rainwater, formerly of Duck Creek community but now of Delta, Colo.

The newlyweds left Monday for Colorado where they will make their home in the future. They have the best wishes and heartiest congratulations of their many friends in this section.

### Dry Lake Club Girl Has Best of Gardens

Miss Norwetta Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Smith, 4-H Club demonstrator for the Dry Lake community, who recently won a trip to the A & M Short Course as a bedroom demonstrator is now making an enviable record with her irrigated garden.

She and her grandmother, Mrs. W. P. T. Smith were in Spur Saturday and had with them a cucumber from Miss Smith's garden which measured 12 inches in length and 5 inches around. They state that the vines are heavily loaded and that they will have more than they can use of other vegetables. Miss Smith is irrigating her plot from the windmill.

### Gladish - Stanford

On last Sunday evening at 3:30 o'clock, Miss Bessie Gladish of Dickens and Mr. Stanford of Dickens, were quietly united in marriage by F. G. Rodgers at the Baptist Pastors home in Spur. Mr. and Mrs. Rea, the bride's sister from the Pitchfork Ranch, accompanied the bride and groom.

Mrs. Stanford comes from a very prominent family. Her father for many years has been in business in Dickens. Mr. Stanford comes also from a most respectable family. Mr. Stanford did a good piece of work when he won the heart and hand of this fine young lady.

Their many friends join in wishing them happiness and prosperity. —A Friend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ferrell, of Clovis, N. M. were here the first part of the week on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Smith and Mr. and Mrs. George Harvey and families. Mr. Martin states that the Clovis section is suffering from drouth.

Albert Power, a prominent farmer of north of the city a few miles was greeting friends and acquaintances. Mr. Power states that he has turned half of his cotton crop over to the government and is leaving this weekend on a fishing trip. Perhaps we will have a fish story next week that will put Major Hoople in the shade.

W. A. Harris of the Espuela community was in Spur Wednesday of this week to get repairs for his windmill which was damaged by wind Tuesday afternoon. He states however, that a good rain fully compensates to any damage that might be done to a windmill.

Paul Lee was in town Wednesday and reported an inch rain at his place Tuesday afternoon.

### RABBIT DRIVE AT HIGHWAY NEXT TUESDAY MORN.

A rabbit drive will be held at Highway Tuesday of next week to begin at the Ewel George Store at 8 o'clock in the morning and proceed north.

Everyone is cordially invited to come out and take part in the event and plenty of rabbits are guaranteed by the farmers of this community who state that these pests are so numerous as to be a serious menace to the crops.

Tokens of value will be awarded to those taking highest honors in the contest.

### Grandma Carlisle In Critical Condition

Grandma Carlisle of the Duck Creek community has for the past several weeks been failing very perceptibly and little hope is held for her recovery. Last week her children living at a distance were notified of her condition and a daughter Mrs. Lizzie Hart of Amarillo and a son, John Carlisle and wife of Abernathy come to attend her bedside.

All the other children live in this immediate vicinity except one son, Alford, who lives at Haskell.

### Old Settlers Reunion Have Basket Lunches At August Gathering

At the next meeting of the Motley-Dickens County Old Settlers Association August 24, there will be no public table spread as has been done in former years.

The board of advisors held a meeting in Roaring Springs last Friday and decided that much of the pleasantness of the association of old settlers was being destroyed by the public table. Many persons attending the meeting will desire to prepare their lunches and invite their friends to be with them during the lunch hour. The public table prevented the opportunity of the early settlers getting together and enjoying a great visit around the mid-day spread.

Every one is asked to prepare your basket, and if you desire to invite your friends to be with you during the lunch hour, you will have the privilege. This will enable everybody to select a nice quiet spot in a shade and spread lunch with those with whom they enjoy associating. The public table has never been a very popular idea according to the opinion of many of the directors.

However there will be one draw back to the strictly basket dinner plan. It will require everybody who attends the Old Settlers' Association this year to prepare their basket in order to be assured of having something to eat at the noon hour. People who live close to the Roaring Springs should prepare extra in order to take care of friends who come from a distance.

Another idea advanced by the directors was that people write to their friends who live at a distance and invite them to meet them at Association and spend the day together. Many of the early settlers have moved to other points and would enjoy the day at the Springs with their old friends. Write them an invitation to be present at the meeting Thursday, August 24.

### LARRY NICHOLS, PIONEER WEST TEXAN BURIED AT ANSON SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haile were called to Anson Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Haile's grandfather, Larry Nichols, which was held at that place 4:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon with Rev. J. C. Crenshaw conducting the services.

Larry Nichols was 76 years of age and a pioneer citizen of Anson. He at one time conducted a grocery business in Stamford. The family has a host of friends who extend sympathy to the widow and other surviving members of the family.

### HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB NEWS

By Clara Pratt, H. D. A.

#### COUNCIL COMMITTEE MAKES REPORT TO COURT

A special committee of five women and one girl from the Dickens County home demonstration Council made a six-months progress report to the Commissioners Court in session Thursday morning. Mrs. J. W. Carlisle, chairman of the County Council told of the organization of the work in the county and gave the present enrollment in the women and girls' clubs. Mrs. W. M. Hunter gave a report of the Education committee of the Council; she told of Dickens county being 100 per cent in sending in the scholarship fund, also of the Council program on "Know Your County." The Expansion committee report was given by the home agent in the absence of the chairman of that committee. The report shows that 416 non-club members had been helped this year. The goal for the year, as set by this Council Committee is to reach 100 per cent of the families in the county.

Mrs. B. F. Crockett, food demonstrator for the Espuela club gave a report in poster form of the meat canning in the county ending her report by telling of the work she has done in the demonstration thus far.

Mrs. Rex Carlisle gave the home improvement report for the county also in poster form and told of her improved bedroom as demonstrator for the Steel Hill club.

The wardrobe report, given by Mrs. J. L. Hagins, winner in the wardrobe demonstrator class I contest last Saturday, was incomplete in that it was made of reports from only two-thirds of the members enrolled but covering the year beginning August 1, 1932.

The girls' bedroom work was given by Pauline Hutto, county winner in the bedroom demonstrators' contest. Then she told the story of her own bedroom as only she can tell it.

The members of the Court were quite enthusiastic in their praise of the reports and in their appreciation of the work being done by the club women and girls.

#### CLASS I DEMONSTRATORS LEARN TO PLAN WARDROBES

The combined report of the eight wardrobe demonstrators Class I who finished their work shows that the eight women spent \$213.64 on their clothing for the year beginning August 1, 1932, or an average of \$26.70. Besides keeping a record of her clothing expenses each demonstrator made an inventory of her clothes the first of August and planned her fall and winter and spring and summer costumes keeping her inventory in mind and selecting new clothes that would harmonize with the things she already had. Each demonstrator was to provide adequate storage space for her clothes, a place for shoes, hats, and folded clothes as well as hanging space. Each demonstrator was to make a foundation pattern and help her co-operators in making patterns. But let the women tell the story with the following paragraphs taken from their stories of their work.

"When I made an inventory of my clothes I found, that by using brown as the color of my fall wardrobe the shoes, coat, and accessories left from last year would do again nicely. So I selected a brown flat crepe for my fall and winter dress and my wardrobe problems were solved until this spring. It certainly saves to plan your wardrobe on what you have on hand. You have a more harmonious wardrobe and feel well dressed; if you know your clothes look right then that makes you happy," said Mrs. Foy Vernon, demonstrator for the Spur club.

"I attended both days of Mrs. Barnes foundation pattern school, and learned so much about sewing that I never would have learned had I not been a club member. I use my foundation pattern for slips, pajamas, and smocks. I have helped to fit 18 patterns for my co-operators; our club is 100 per cent on

### Good Rains Fall Here Friday and Tuesday

The drouth in this section has been partially broken by showers Friday of last week and an inch rain fell here Tuesday afternoon. The rain of Tuesday included the Steel Hill section of the county which was badly in need of moisture.

### Baptist Church

On last Sunday morning the pastor brought a wonderful message. He brought greetings from Leuder's Encampment and reported an enrollment of eight hundred attending classes with prospects of many more this week. He returned to Leuders in the afternoon in order to begin work early Monday morning.

Mr. Ivey had charge of the evening service, bringing a message on "Fishing on the Other Side of the Boat." The message was based on the recent census which revealed a surprising larger number of unsaved people in our town.

The speaker urged the Sunday School to go out after them. A band of young people from Simmons University will have charge of both morning and evening services, Sunday. It will be worth your time to hear them.—Reporter.

I do not mind sewing now for I know the finished garment, whatever it may be, will fit when I use my foundation pattern. Several of my dresses were good but out of style. I had always dreaded making over a dress but with my pattern to fit them with it is no trouble at all. Now I have all my old dresses made over in the present styles and of course have saved by doing so," says Mrs. J. L. Hagins, Duck Creek, first place winner in the wardrobe demonstrators Class I contest. "I added shelves, hat and shoe racks, and doors to my closet. I also put partitions in the dresser drawers to keep the cosmetics and accessories separate. It is so easy to dress now for everything is in place and can be reached easily."

Mrs. Clark Forbis, Chandler demonstrator, says, "My foundation pattern has been a very great help for it not only saves time and eliminates the problem of fitting but I have better fitting clothes. I have given two demonstrations on foundation patterns in our club and helped to fit our members, all of which have been satisfactory, I believe."

"I am proud of my clothes closet which I made of cardboard and scrap lumber on the place; the only cost being 20c for some linseed oil to thin some old paint I had on hand. My closet has a long shelf in the top and five shelves in one end. The hanging rod runs the length of the closet. I papered it inside and out with paper given me. I have a very useful and convenient closet," reports Mrs. Ed Fuqua, "Red Top" demonstrator Class I.

"I have built three clothes closets one in the girls' bedroom and two on the sleeping porch. I don't know how we got along without them and they were built at practically no expense," said Mrs. W. O. Davenport of Steel Hill.

"In February I started repairing the clothes closet I had on hand for spring and summer months; for example, I lengthened a dotted swiss dress; took a tan coat (out of style) and made a skirt and a blouse from the lining. A wardrobe demonstrator should always be ready to go for she surely can keep her clothes repaired even if she does not make many new ones," suggests Mrs. Thurmond Moore, Peaceful Hill.

Mrs. C. C. Combs, Twin Wells demonstrator Class I has learned the secret of clothing selection. She says, "If one knows color, line proportion, and what is becoming one can express both beauty and becomingness in one individual dress, which, after all matters a great deal to every woman."

Mesdames Bertha Blaine and Earl Hoefner who have been visiting their brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Everts, returned to their home in Youngstown, Ohio.

### 23 YEARS AGO

Taken from the files of The Texas Spur published this week, twenty-three years ago, Oran McClure editor and publisher.

O. B. Colquitt is the Democratic nominee for Governor of the State of Texas\*\*\*\*

\$602,000 VERDICT

MacKenzie and McKay Win Suit for Profits of Espuela Sale

After a legal battle extending over fifteen days between millionaire capitalist of the United States and Scotland, over one of the famous Texas ranches, and with \$1,000,000 at stake the jury Thursday afternoon returned a verdict of \$600,000 for the plaintiffs, said to be the largest verdict ever returned in a Texas civil suit.

The ranch involved is the famous Espuela ranch property, better known as the Spur Ranch in Dickens county. The defendants are S. M. Swenson & Sons, New York bankers and large owners of West Texas real estate. The plaintiffs are Murdo Mackenzie of Trinidad, Colo., and Alexander McKay of Scotland.

#### THE SEWER SYSTEM

During the past several weeks quite a number of men have been employed in digging the ditches and laying the mains for the sewer system in Spur. The work is now being completed and within a few days Spur will have a first class sewer system in connection with other advantages the town has over other older and bigger towns of the west.\*\*

The young people enjoyed a masquerade party at the Wendell building Friday night, and all report a good time. The ladies were dressed in green cheese cloth with masks to match while the men wore black bloomers and happy smiles.

Raleigh Harkey, of Dickens, had business in Spur Monday.

G. L. Barber and family returned recently from a fishing trip on Blanco Canyon and outing on the Plains. They report having had a nice time and Mr. Barber says that they caught all the fish they wanted.

Rev. J. V. Bilberry, of Afton community, passed through Spur Monday from his appointment at Red Mud, where he reports a good service Sunday.

Will McKay was in Wednesday from the Red Mud country and reports his crops in fine shape. He says they have had plenty of rain and the crop prospects were never better.

C. A. Jones returned last week from Wichita Falls where he was in attendance upon court in a suit against S. M. Swenson & Sons.

J. E. Johnson came over Wednesday from Stamford and is showing the work in the electric light, ice plant and steam laundry. It is supposed that the building will be complete and the machinery all ready for operation within thirty days.

J. O. Yopp made a business trip Saturday to Red Mud and Tap.

Mr. J. A. Ward and daughter, Miss Blanch Ward, mother and sister, respectively of Mrs. A. C. Hull returned to their home following a weeks visit in Spur guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hull.

Mrs. Madge D. Twaddell, County School Superintendent was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

J. L. Karr, prominent farmer of Espuela, was greeting friends and trading with merchants in Spur Tuesday.

County Judge, Jim Cloud, teaching

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**A SCRAMBLED AFFAIR**

In a small village in Arkansas, a gentleman who held the distinction of being the owner, president, vice-president, editor and publisher of the local weekly newspaper, was sitting in his composing room, "stewed to the gills" from having imbibed too freely of "Bootleg Corn" of the "liquid variety." He was getting together his news items and was just ready to begin setting his type when a farmer walked in from the forks of the creek, to have an announcement published to inform the public that on the following Wednesday, he would sell at public auction, all his livestock, feed, household goods and farm implements.

Just as the farmer was leaving the news office, a very dignified and prominent society lady of the town, came in with a lengthy and elaborate description of the fashionable wedding that had taken place at her home on the preceding evening, uniting in the holy bonds of wedlock her eldest daughter and a prominent young lawyer of the town. After taking particular pains to tell the publisher of the local paper to be sure and get all names of friends and relatives spelled right and to print everything just as she had the matter written, the lady took her leave.

The composing editor being drunk would copy a few lines describing the fashionable wedding, and then get a few lines from the old farmer's auction sale. This appeared in the weekly paper.

"Miss Amanda Jones, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jones, and Mr. Anthony Perkins, were united at public auction at 8:30 o'clock sharp at my farm, 4 miles southeast of town. Everything must be sold regardless, nothing reserved. The large parlor of the bride's parents as beautifully decorated for the occasion with three tons of alfalfa hay, one peanut thrasher, and 75 one white leghorn hens, all good

layers. The beautiful bride entered the parlor on the arm of her father, wearing a gown of beautiful blue silk taffeta, with hat to match, trimmed with 90 bundles of oats, 2 wheelbarrows, one lawn mower, and numerous garden tools. The bride carried a large and fragrant bouquet of 50 bales of good Johnson grass hay, one cream separator, and 20 fat short-horn steers.

"The wedding march was artistically rendered by a registered Jersey cow, wearing a beautiful evening gown of French lace, giving 4 gallons of milk per day and a good butter producer. Among the friends and relatives of the happy couple that were present were 25 extra fine Poland China hogs, 25 registered sheep, 15 high class Angora goats, one Delco light plant and one gang plow.

Immediately after the ceremony the parlor of the bride was cleared of furniture and all present enjoyed 30 minutes of dancing. Music for the dance being furnished by 4 teams of mules, 5 work horses and 20 head of high grade dairy cattle. Tasty refreshments were then served to all present, consisting ice cream, 2 good bedsteads, with mattress and springs, one complete living room suite, and one Victrola.

"The happy couple received many valuable and useful gifts, among which were 3 tons of cottonseed, 2 tons of Kaffir corn and maize, one good side saddle, one set of single harness and 3 sets of double harness and one baby carriage.

"The charming young couple left immediately for San Francisco, on their honeymoon, traveling in the family Fordson Tractor, good condition, 1 disc harrow and 1 McCormick rowlbinder. Terms: Half cash, balance in 30 days."—EX.

Mrs. E. L. Smith, H. V. Link and son, H. V. J. of Aspermont, arrived in Spur Tuesday from Temple where Mrs. Link had gone through the clinic at Scott and White Sanitarium. Her particular case was diagnosed, tonsils, teeth, etc. and she was in Spur having Dr. Brannen x-ray and extract the offending members.

Mrs. C. P. Aulif of McAadoo was in Spur Monday shopping with Spur merchants.

Mrs. Edwards spent Friday and Friday night in Lubbock the guest of friends.

**FORMER CLASSMATES HOLD CELEBRATION THURSDAY**  
In honor of Mrs. Harrison, formerly Miss Lucille Barber, who is here on a visit to relatives and friends, Spur High School classmates of 1925 held a celebration Thursday evening of last week.

The party met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Watson and drove to Roaring Springs for swimming and a picnic lunch.

Enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Moore and son, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hyatt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Harrison, of Long Beach, Calif., Miss Dorothy Elliot, of England, Mrs. Joe Stotts of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Cash Wileman, Ermal Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Watson, Mrs. Pat Watson, and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Karr of this city.

**Vaseline Well Flows 10 Years and is Curiosity To Oil Men**

Lamar, Okla.—A freak oil well which came in 10 years ago as a producer of almost pure vaseline was still pumping, the heavy golden substance and paying its owner handsome returns recently.

Perhaps the only well of its kind in the world, the well is a marvel to veteran oil men, both as to the oil it produces and its life. Men who have followed the oil industry in many climes said that they never have seen or heard of a similar well.

The well was drilled in at 2,710 feet on January 26, 1923, for production estimated at 350 barrels a day. The "vaseline well" still produces around this amount, and still is the only well in the area. Other drilling attempts have produced dry holes.

The strange kind of oil flowed over the derrick for 200 feet when the well was drilled in. Dark green in color, the oil turned a brilliant golden yellow when it struck the outside air. Analysis showed it to be almost pure vaseline. It was so heavy that it hung from fences near the well like gum.

Because of its thickness, ordinary pipelines would not carry it. A special line, with a steam pipe to heat the almost solid lubricant was used.

Dial Hindman returned Saturday from the Panhandle where he had gone seeking employment.

Miss Dorothy Love returned to Borger the first of the week after a ten days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Love and family.

A boy baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Swearingin at their home in the Duck Creek community Saturday, July 15th.

Arthur Lee Dunn left Friday for Lubbock where he has a delivery route with the Avalanche, Journal and where he expects to enter Texas Tech at the beginning of the fall term.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to publish this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof in Dickens, on the third Monday in August, 1933, the same being the 21st day of August, A. D. 1933, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1932, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1263, wherein Beverly Matlock is plaintiff, and M. C. Matlock is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff is now and has been for a period of twelve months an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the said county of Dickens for the six months next preceding the filing of said suit. That on or about the 2nd day of May A. D. 1931, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant in Moore County, Texas, and continued to live with him as his wife until on or about the 1st day of May A. D. 1932, when because of the cruel treatment of defendant toward plaintiff she was compelled to permanently separate from him, and since which time she has not lived with him as his wife. That during the time she lived and cohabited with defendant as his wife, plaintiff conducted herself with propriety, and managed the household affairs of her said husband with prudence and economy, and at all times treated her said husband with kindness and forbearance, but that defendant, without provocation on the part of plaintiff, was guilty of excesses, cruel treatment and outrages toward plaintiff, and of such nature as to make their further living together insupportable. That on or about and during the month of December, A. D. 1931, while plaintiff and defendant were living together at Dumas, in Moore County, Texas, defendant became enraged at plaintiff, without provocation, cursed and abused plaintiff, and called her names too vile to mention here. That on or about the 2nd day of May, A. D. 1932, while plaintiff and defendant were living together in Dickens County, Texas, defendant again became infuriated toward plaintiff, cursed and abused her, and struck her with his closed hand with great force and violence, completely knocking her to the ground, and told plaintiff he was through with her, and that he was leaving her for good, and did in fact go away on said occasion, and since which time plaintiff has not seen nor heard from defendant directly or indirectly, nor has she lived with him as his wife since said 1st day of May, A. D. 1932. Plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that on final hearing hereon she have judgement dissolving the marriage relation existing between plaintiff and defendant, and that she be restored to her maiden name, Miss Beverly Moore, for costs of suit, etc.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Witness: Nettie Littlefield, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas.  
Given under my hand and seal of said court, in the town of Dickens, this 19th day of July, A. D. 1933.

NETTIE LITTLEFIELD  
Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas  
Issued this 19th day of July, A. D. 1933.

NETTIE LITTLEFIELD  
Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas  
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**THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF DICKENS**

Whereas, a petition by W. G. Crego and 100 others, freeholders, and residents of Dickens County, Texas, at least 12 of whom were from each Justice Precinct in said County and State requesting that an election be held throughout said county to determine whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle should be permitted to run at large in said county was presented to the Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, Texas after their regular meeting in June, A. D. 1933, and before and prior to their regular meeting on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1933; and

Whereas, at a regular meeting of said court on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1933, an order by the Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, Texas, ordering an election within said county to determine whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle shall be permitted to run at large in said county;

Now, therefore, I, Jim Cloud, in my capacity as County Judge of Dickens County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 26th day of August, A. D. 1933 at the several voting precincts thereof to determine whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle shall be permitted to run at large in this said county. No person shall be permitted to vote at said election unless a freeholder and also a qualified voter of said county under the Constitution and laws of this State.

All votes at said election shall be by ballot; and voters desiring to prevent the animals designated in this order from running at large shall place upon their ballot the words, "For the stock law," and those in favor of allowing such animals to run at large shall place upon their ballot the words, "Against the stock law."

Said election shall be held at the usual voting places in the several election precincts of Dickens County, Texas. And the following named persons have been appointed as managers of said election at their respective voting place, and who shall appoint their own clerks, to-wit:

- No. 1. Z. W. Fowler.
- No. 2. Liberty, V. S. Ford.
- No. 3. Afton, J. F. Young.
- No. 4. Dry Lake, J. C. Dopson.
- No. 5. Red Mud, J. M. Davis.
- No. 6. Duck Creek, T. E. Gregory.
- No. 7. Wichita, W. J. Conaway.
- No. 8. Dumont, Floyd Forrest.
- No. 9. Croton, John Hale.
- No. 10. West Spur, V. C. Smart.
- No. 11. McAadoo, Paige Gollibar.
- No. 12. Duncan Flat, Harold Newberry.
- No. 13. Highway, Cliff Bird.
- No. 14. Espuela, C. A. Brennell.
- No. 15. Red Hill, Elmer Shugart.
- No. 16. East Spur, M. H. Brannen.
- No. 17. Prairie Chapel, H. 9. Bennet.

The above managers of said election shall, on or before the 10th day after said election make due returns to the County Judge of all votes cast at their respective voting places for and against said proposition submitted at said election.

JIM CLOUD  
County Judge, Dickens County, Texas.

**A LITTLE HUMOR**

**A BIT TOO MUCH**

A Scot was engaged in an argument with a conductor as to whether the fare was five or ten cents. Finally the conductor picked up the Scots suitcase and tossed it off the train, as they passed over a bridge. It landed with a splash. "Mon," screamed Sandy, "isn't it enough to try and over charge me, but now you try to drown my little boy?"

The reason that blonds only are employed in a creamery is that yellow hair in the butter is not so conspicuous as black.

Eves-dropping again, said Adam, as his wife fell out of the tree.

When you hear a man say that he runs the things around his home these days, he may have reference to the washing machine and the vacuum cleaner.

"No beautiful girl ever made a fool out of me."

"Oh, I don't know. I think she is rather good looking."

W. A. Stevenson, a big scale farmer of the McAadoo community was here Saturday greeting friends and transacting business with the merchants. Mr. Stevenson reports a good rain Friday night and the best prospects for a bumper crop he has seen in years.

**Vacancies Announced In the Marine Corps**

The New Orleans Marine Corps recruiting station, located at 535 St. Charles Street, will enlist few young men who are graduating from high-school or from institutions of higher learning during the month of August, it is announced by Major P. D. Cornell, officer in charge.

The Marine Corps offers land, air and sea duty. Marines serve in many foreign lands. Sea duty is very desirable for those wanting travel and adventure. During an enlistment one will travel thousands of miles and will have many strange and thrilling experiences. Men enlisted will be immediately transferred to Parris Island, S. C. for few weeks preliminary instruction, before going to some school, ship or marine barracks for duty.

Enlistment dates in August will be 1st, 11th, and 21st. Application blanks will be mailed on request. Applications filled do not obligate men to enlist if only places them on list as eligible applicants.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Gilstrap and Misses Claudia and Virlie, of near Dickens, were visitors and shoppers in Spur Saturday.

Friends in Spur received announcement of the birth of a nine pound girl to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Childress of Rhome, former citizens of Spur.

Mr. Ivy of San Angelo and daughter of Lubbock spent last week in Spur guests of his brother, M. D. Ivy and family.

Messrs Ray Hill and A. H. Leslie with the W. T. U. of Stamford were business visitors at the W. T. U. office in Spur Tuesday.

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**A CIRCUS PICNIC**

THEY used to say, when a good-time-was-had-by-all, that the affair was "a perfect picnic" or "a perfect picnic" which, in those days, meant that the party was something of a wow. Expressions come and go, lemonade-on-the-lawn becomes cocktails-on-the-roof, but the circus and picnics are perennial.

So what could be nicer than a circus picnic—and by that we mean a picnic out in the open with a canvas big top—even if it's just canvas stretched on four poles—to keep off the sun, and a bag of sawdust sprinkled underfoot, red and white checked tablecloths spread on long picnic tables that fairly grin, rather than groan, with good foods of the out-of-doors sort?

**Anybody's Picnic**  
Maybe it's a picnic for children, to celebrate the close of school; maybe it's a picnic for dignified adolescents; or maybe it's a picnic for vivacious adults—it's the same picnic anyway, for the circus knows no age distinctions. There should by all means be a ring-master to crack the whip and announce the various attractions. The guests all being part of the circus, if the guests are to be taken on the circus, they will be

sufficient. Serve pop-corn and lemonade on the side lines. Walking the Tight Rope might be the opening stunt. Place a small rope along the ground, tightly stretched by two poles, and the person who can run the entire length of the rope singing or whistling Yankee Doodle, without once stepping off the rope, is awarded a pair of pink tights which he must wear over his clothes.

The Flying Trapeze prize goes to the dapper young man or woman who swings the highest in a rope swing. The Star Clown is the one who succeeds in putting on the best make-up from a suitcase filled with false faces, make-up paints and odd bits of costume brought along for the occasion.

By a slight stretch of the imagination you can adapt any of the circus stunts to this sort of amusing contest and award appropriate prizes. And here are some suggestions for circus foods for the crew including hot-dog sandwiches, clown ice cream and merry-go-round cake:

**Circus Chow**  
Vienna "Hot Dog" Sandwiches: Cut sausages from one can of Vienna sausages in thin rings and put a layer of them on long rolls that have been spread with

butter and mustard. Sprinkle a little relish or chopped sweet pickle, and cover with the top of the roll.

**Clown Ice Cream:** Place a slice of pineapple on each serving plate and top with a round scoop of vanilla ice cream. Sprinkle the ice cream with chocolate sprinkle to represent hair, and top with an empty cone for the clown's hat.

**Merry-Go-Round Cake:** Bake the following sunshine cake in a shallow tube pan: beat yolks of four eggs until thick, add one cup fine granulated sugar, and continue beating. Add one-half cup of canned grapefruit juice, then fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of four eggs. Sift one cup cake flour with one teaspoon baking powder and a few grains of salt. Fold the egg whites into the flour mixture carefully. Bake in an ungreased tube pan in a slow oven—325 degrees for fifty to sixty minutes. Turn upside down and let cool and take out gently. Put a large candy cane in the center hole for the pole, breaking off the hook-end of the cane. Use small sticks for the outside poles. With picture wire, make a frame for the top and cover with red and white striped paper. At regular spaces around the cake stand animal crackers in pairs in a boiled chocolate or white icing.

**DRY LAKE**

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elza Armstrong Saturday night. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the following: Misses Atha Joy and Vivyan Kidd, Melba Rogers, Gladys Hindman, Lois and Rubye Mae Smith; Messers Dock Slaton, Dorlan Hutto, Larry Booth, George Delisle, Henry Rogers, Frank Turner and J. L. Hutto; Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Kidd, and Mr. and Mrs. Ola Miller and daughter, Bettye Joe. Everyone present enjoyed themselves very much.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cox and children of Jayton spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hairgrove were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Mrs. Charlie McMahan and little son, Lynn, returned home Tuesday after several days of visiting in Del Rio.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hindman and daughters, Ruth and Gladys, were shopping in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bostick spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Means of near Spur.

Miss Melba Rogers spent Saturday night with Atha Joy Kidd.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smith and daughter, Barba Jo, spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Parks and daughter, Yuba, were Spur visitors Saturday.

Miss Oleta Adams took Sunday dinner with Ruth Hindman.

Lewis Ray Smith spent Saturday night with Iva Smith.

Mrs. W. I. Smith and family were visitors in Spur Saturday.

W. F. Shugart and son, Emery were business visitors in Spur Monday.

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Gene and Radford Bass of McAdoo were business visitors in Spur Wednesday.

V. Nettles was a Spur visitor Wednesday from his farm home near McAdoo.

**Business Training vs. A College Course**

Under the present conditions, is it wise to undertake a four-year College Course? A very prominent educator said recently that since the World War the Colleges of the country have been over-crowded with students, with the results that there is now an enormous over-supply of college graduates. Young men and women with even Masters Degrees are walking the streets unable to find employment. They are told by the business men that their Degree is very valuable and desirable to have, yet they must know how to do some specific thing in order to be of any service to them.

A young man or young woman with a high school education, supplemented with a Complete General Business Course, stands a far better chance to find employment than one who has, or will spend four years in College. A four-year College Course equips one for just a very few places, mostly teachers. The records disclose more than fifteen thousand surplus teachers in Texas alone. The same thing is comparatively true in other states. This record is not much inducement to spend the time and money for a college degree and be unable to find employment.

Business is on the upgrade and this means, of course, that we will see a vast improvement in the employment situation immediately. We hope by fall to be placing every one of our students who graduate.

Comparing the chances for immediate employment and the small cost incident to a college course with that of a College Course, and the slim chance of employment thereafter, we think the odds greatly in favor of a business training.

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**Espuela News**

Adren Morgan spent Sunday with Opal Karr.

Faye McMahan and Wilma Morgan spent Sunday with Daisy and Inez Ball.

Rev. H. T. Harris returned home from Lubbock last Friday. He is getting along fine and we hope a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Jones of Dickens spent the past week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Messer.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ball and family spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Harris and Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Crafton spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McMahan were Spur visitors Tuesday.

Eldyss Karr is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. Pat Robinson of Dry Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Jones and Miss Lillian Messer were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bailey Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wade visited Mr. and Mrs. Chester Watson Sunday night.

Arthur and James Watson spent Sunday with Herman and Walter Messer.

Harold Spivey spent Saturday night with Weldon Deslie.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Spivey and children visited Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Crockett and children Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Edgar and Mrs. Weldon Bailey spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Crafton.

**C. C. C. LAMENT**

Away out in Arizona  
Where it never rains a drop  
Where the wind blows like the devil  
And was never known to stop.

It's hot as hell in the day time  
And you freeze to death at night  
You forget you're in the CCC's  
And you're doing your time just right.

There is policing in the cities  
And policing everywhere  
But policing in the CCC's  
Would make a preacher cuss and swear.

Where the rattlesnakes carry can-  
teens  
And the vinegrones hide in your  
shoes  
With more than two hundred bud-  
dies  
And plenty of working tools.

Where the lizzards sing tenor  
and horned frogs sing bass  
Away out in Box Canyon  
Starring Mt. Baldy in the face.

Where the bull snake plays the  
fiddle  
And the rattler beats the drum  
Where the trantulas does the St.  
Vitus dance  
And the santipede twiddles his  
thumb.

Where the flies bring the warning  
And the wind comes whistling by  
And we break out for the mess hall  
Trying to pass our buddies by.

When the K. P. gives the signal  
On that dear old dinner bell  
And if we eat too much we get in  
dutch  
Because the cook will give us hell.

We are safe from all women  
We are safe from all harm  
Because our good old doctor  
Gave us three shots in the arm.

We came to work in the forest  
But not a tree can be seen  
We live out on the prairie  
But we have to keep it clean.

Six months in the Tree Army  
Is the same as in the Pen  
But if I ever get back to Texas  
I'll never leave again.

Six months in the Tree Army  
We like it better every day  
The only thing we dislike  
Is waiting for our pay.

Now we're closing up our poetry  
And we'll see you by and by  
Every time we think of Texas  
Wee break right down and cry.

—Composed in Camp F-11-A  
Sent in by Woodward Wright.

Charlie Bird, prominent ranch-  
man and stock farmer of near Mata-  
dor spent Tuesday night and Wed-  
nesday the guest of Mr. and Mrs.  
M. L. Jones.

**JUST A BIT PERSONAL**

A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Brown, of Peaceful Hill community, Thursday, July 11.

C. O. Brown of Stamford arrived in Spur Monday and will be with W. T. U. in the sales department.

T. E. Denson of the Highway community was among the many in town Saturday.

Bodye Stafford of Afton was in Spur Saturday greeting friends and transacting business. Mrs. Stafford who has been visiting in Spur returned home with him.

W. J. Ousley, district manager of W. T. U. of Stamford was looking after business interests in Spur Monday.

Henry Albin, student the past two years in Oklahoma University is spending his vacation in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Albin and family.

Sid Collett and family moved to Spur last week from Paducah. Mr. Collett is with the Highway Department and will remain in Spur indefinitely.

A. C. Hindman of the White Windot Chicken Farm, two miles north was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

Buster Boberson and Lafayette were shopping with Spur merchants Tuesday.

Ewel George of Highway was a business visitor in Spur Monday and reported a good rain on his place last week.

R. Y. Allen, wife and son, were Spur visitors and shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Thurman Moore and children of Peaceful Hill community spent several days last week in Spur the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McArthur.

A baby girl was born Monday of this week to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gay Williams of the Espuela community. Mother and babe are reported doing nicely.

Mrs. Taylor and daughters of Aspermont spent last week in Spur guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. South.

Mrs. Exa Blackmon and daughter, Volley, and master Joe Boy Collins, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. South this week.

Arner Watson was in from his farm home Tuesday, transacting business and greeting friends.

Mrs. Ida Belle Edwards, and children, of Ralls, are here this week on a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Haralson and family, and her niece, Mrs. W. W. Fox.

Floyd McArthur of Red Mud was greeting friends and trading with the merchants in Spur Tuesday.

W. C. Messer, of Espuela, was a business visitor in Spur Wednesday morning and while here made the Texas Spur office a pleasant call.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wallace, of McAdoo, were business visitors in Spur Wednesday. They reported only a light shower in their community Tuesday, but state that that section is not suffering from the dry weather.

Jack Hindman left Sunday for Borger where he hopes to land at least a job if not a position in the Panhandle oil fields.

Mrs. Cleve Edmonds and young son, Cleve, Jr., returned to her home in Borger Sunday following a ten days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oldshield announce the birth of a baby girl on Tuesday night of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kyle returned Saturday from a 2 weeks visit and vacation spent at Friona and in the mountains in New Mexico.

Mrs. Ed McArthur and children returned recently from the East Texas oil belt where they had spent several weeks visiting her husband and son, Ed and Dee McArthur who have employment in the oil field.

Dick Speer and wife are in Floydada this week looking after business interests.

Mrs. S. Williamson spent several days in Spur this week to be with her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Berry.

Frank Speer of the firm of Hale and Speer of Dickens was transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

Grandpa Langston is reported ill at the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Langston. We hope grandpa will soon be able to be up and about.

Grandma Carlisle, who has been ill for the past several days, is now able to be up and about we are glad to report. Mrs. Carlisle is past 85 and has spent the greater part of it in West Texas and her many friends hope to rejoice with her on her 100th birthday.

Louie Davis, who recently moved with his family to Colorado, where he has taken charge of the district management of his insurance company, was a business visitor in Spur the first part of the week.

George Harris was down from from his big McAdoo farm Wednesday and reports that about 40 acres of his cotton was hailed and sanded out Friday of last week. Luckily misfortune comes in small streaks and good fortune is like rain—when it rains it pours.

Miss Lily McArthur was visiting friends in Spur Wednesday.

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**WHITE RIVER**

A. L. Walker was attending to business in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith and Mrs. A. A. Hope of Peaceful Hill attended preaching here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Rankin and children and Mrs. Ida Rucker were at Calgary Saturday night.

W. J. Rogers was in Crosbyton Saturday to attend to business.

Mr and Mrs. J. T. Cozby were trading in Spur Saturday.

Mrs. Novelle Rogers was visiting in the J. T. Cozby home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith and son of Red Mud visited in the Alf Gilmore home Friday.

Velma and Ophelia Cozby, Ori Smith and Ross Cannon attended prayer meeting at Red Mud Sunday night.

Robert Cannon and Leland Rankin were Calgary visitors Sunday.

Rev. Dock Love filled his regular appointment at the school house Sunday evening. The meeting will begin the first Sunday in August.

R. M. Slack was greeting friends in Spur Saturday.

Orie Smith of McDonald was visiting in the community Saturday night.

H. C. Peterson was attending to business in Crosbyton the past Friday.

Alf Gilmore was in the Red Mud community Sunday.

Ross Cannon was visiting in the Houston Smith home of Peaceful Hill, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Rankin were trading in Spur one day the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Noville Rogers visited in the J. T. Cozby home Sunday.

Henry Slack of the Swenson Ranch was visiting his wife and little son Sunday.—Reporter.

**Highway News**

Mrs. Trammel Turner who has been ill for the past two weeks is very much improved at this time.

Rev. Bilberry filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday. Large crowds attended each service. Bro. Harvey Draper preached the closing sermon, Sunday nite. Our protracted meeting is postponed until a more convenient time.

Prayermeeting every Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hinson of Calgary announce the arrival of an eight pound boy, Royce Don, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Penn Howell on Thursday, July 13.

Mrs. J. T. Bilberry has been quite ill the past week.

Ott Denson of Sagerton visited relatives and friends here over the week end. He reports fine rains down that way.

Ray Gene Bostic of Dry Lake attended church services here Saturday night.

Mrs. Leslie Armstrong is suffering from a nail wound in her foot.

Some road grading has been completed just this side of the school house recently.

Farmers are very busy in their crops this week. A good rain would be appreciated.

Bro. Bilberry and wife visited some of the sick folks Sunday morning.

Wandene Mandy has been sick the past two weeks and is taking treatments from Dr. Wylie.

Mrs. Will Smith, Mrs. Lena Rucker and Mrs. Bob Hahn visited Mrs. J. T. Bilberry, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Austin Frazier and family have as their guest, her grandson, Deto Miller, of Crowell.

Most of the folks of the community were trading and visiting in town Saturday.—Reporter.

Ott Denson is here this week from his farm home near Post. He states that his section is in need of a good rain and if it comes soon enough the farmers will make fairly good crops.

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**Wichita - Croton**

Brother McBrayer of Roaring Springs, preached at Croton Sunday.

Brother A. P. Stokes of Afton preached at Wichita Sunday afternoon.

Peyton Legg left Sunday for Lubbock, where he will attend school.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Conoway of Wichita visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hemphill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allen spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bilberry, of Wichita.

Miss Jennie Legg is visiting Mrs. H. T. Harris of Espuela.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hale spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Davie Hale of Prairie Chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Morgan took Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Mayo. They attended singing at Prairie Chapel in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Groner returned from Arkansas last Friday.

Miss Hargis, Mrs. Ruby McDonald and little daughter, Reba Nell, accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Guyer ate birthday dinner with Mrs. Earl Butler Sunday.

Wichita defeated Prairie Chapel in a baseball game Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. P. Allen visited with her mother, Mrs. R. E. Rogers, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Chesny and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Pergell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg, Peyton Legg and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Legg visited Mrs. W. M. Perrin of Lubbock Tuesday.—Reporter.

**KALGARY**

Mr. Jim Crump visited with Mr. Haze Powell, last week.

Miss Maggie Parsons is with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Havens.

Elbert Humble is now with his sister, Mrs. Loyd Parsons who lives west of Ropesville.

Mrs. Dock Love and children, Mrs. Alton Maze, Mrs. C. P. Witt, and Misses Mollie Lou and Gladys Hinson, Rosa Nell Gilmore and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Howell visited in the home of H. R. Witt, Monday.

Miss Novella Witt returned home Saturday from east of Spur, where she had been visiting with Lenora Gilmore and Rosa Nell Gilmore. Rosa Nell returned home with her.

The Methodist meeting started here Saturday night with Rev. Cecil Ellis doing the preaching. The meeting will probably last through Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibson spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abbie Maze.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Morris and Misses Geta and Billie Robinett visited Mr. and Mrs. Jake Grizzle, Sunday.

Mr. Earnest Maze spent Saturday night with Mr. Dean Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Julia Emanuel and son, Vernon, from Oklahoma, visited her sister, Mrs. Bob Money and children.

Mr. S. B. Scott Jr. and Miss Frances Darnell were visitors at E. Y. P. U. Sunday night.

Mr. Harrold Wood Harris and Buster Foster attended E. Y. P. U. Sunday night.

E. Y. P. U. and church was well attended Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jabe Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Rankin and family, Mrs. Ida Rucker and K. Morris, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Witt, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hinson are the proud parents of a baby boy, born July 13. Both baby and mother are doing nicely. The young man is named Royce Don.

Mr. K. Morris, from Oklahoma is visiting this week with his brother, Jabe Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Glasgow and Miss Vera Shepherd were visitors in Matador Sunday.

**STATE AID LAWS**  
(Comments by Madge D. Twaddell)

The State Board met at Lubbock June 15th and 16th in the Lubbock Hotel. As they held an open meeting I had the privilege of listening in. Among other things the State Superintendent, Mr. L. A. Woods, and the State Board gave their interpretation of the new State Aid law.

Under the provisions of this law every school in the county with the possible exception of one small one-teacher school will be eligible for aid. Under the old law Spur had been prevented from getting teacher aid because of property valuation and scholastics. Under the new law the Spur School will qualify in both respects. Of course, heretofore Spur has had much help from the State in the form of bus and high school tuition aid. Those of us in Dickens County who have been working on the problem of trying to get all of our schools eligible for Teacher aid are very thankful to Mr. Arthur P. Duggan for his ever responsiveness to our requests and for the splendid work he did along that line.

This year all State Aid schools in Texas will run at least eight months. The State last year paid our teachers salaries for us where we kept on the schedule as prescribed by the State, if we would prove that all of our tax money was needed for operating expenses. This year it proposes to run us eight months. This is one of the very finest things that has ever happened to our rural children.

Another good feature of this law is that we must have an average daily attendance of at least 70 per cent of our net scholastics to be able to qualify for aid. Half of our scholastics in Texas have not been attending school. West Texas has been much higher in percent of attendance than South and East Texas. This will necessitate our running our schools when the children can attend. Also, it may make us a little more humanitarian. Each community should have a committee that would investigate cases of absence. A little bit of interest and encouragement will often cause people to attend school. This year we are planning to do Junior Red Cross work in the schools of the County. The children can bring and turn over to a committee in each school outgrown clothes that can be spared from the family.

This section of the law will probably mean a divided school term. Last year we had the approval of the State on our summer sessions. The summer months had the best percent of attendance of any months of the year. Some of the schools reported almost a hundred percent. Last August was cool due to rains and the Gulf storm. Some of the States have been resorting to summer schools along time. If we begin our schools in August this year as late as cotton is we can get in a good term before the cotton picking period. We can examine the students on the work passed over at the end of the summer term and definitely finish that part of the work.

The State has further helped us this year by saying that the high school tuition children—those attending a high school which teaches grades above those taught in the home school—will draw up to two dollars per month per child for transportation. In addition to this the school to which these children go will draw up to \$7.50 per month for tuition. This law was designed for the purpose of making it possible for all high school children to be in a good high school. We

have a few counties in Texas where all of the high school work taught is accredited.

We owe it to our children to at least give them a high school chance in life—an opportunity to attend a school where the periods are long, equipment sufficient, and teaching is done by specialists. The State has now made it possible for us to fulfill this duty. Too in many cases it seems that as poor as we now are college attendance is almost prohibitive but I have noticed that many times if the college entrance requirements are met the children find a way to attend college. There are not very many who have the nerve to both find a way of working themselves through college and working off their college entrance requirements at the same time.

In districts of less than one hundred square miles where transportation is necessary the State will pay one dollar per month per child up to a two mile limit. In districts of more than one hundred square miles the State will pay two dollars per child per month. At the present the only school that can get the advantage of this point of the law is Dickens. It is thought that this \$2.00 will take care of the transportation.

The new salary schedule ranges from \$75.00 to \$125.00 per month. The salaries on the State Aid schedule were lowered from five to thirty dollars a month. The heads of schools suffered a greater reduction than the assistants.

After this year all teachers in State Aid schools must have had at least two years in college in addition to a good high school course.

**Personals**

Mrs. John Johnson of the Shorty Hogan Barber Shop, Beauty Parlor, is spending her vacation in Lockney visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Yearly and family. Mrs. Iris Harkey and Miss Lillian Bond are assisting Mrs. Uldeen Robertson in the beauty parlor during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Karr left Sunday for Carlsbad Cavern and other points where they will spend a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDaniel returned Sunday from Cross Plains where they had spent a week visiting and fishing on the Pecan Boyou.

L. N. Riter and J. A. Koon spent last week in South Texas visiting Corpus Christi, Eagle Pass, Del Rio, Menard and report that part of Texas is much cooler than Spur and West Texas in general the some sections very dry.

A son and heir was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Berry Sunday morning at 3:00 o'clock. The young man has been christened John E. Jr., weighed 9 1-2 pounds and has already been demonstrating his authority over the house of Berry.

Miss Virginia Forbis and Stafford returned last week to Lubbock where Stafford reentered Tech for the summer term.

**We'll Come Clean  
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Mesdames Rob Davis, Nellie Davis, E. C. Edmonds, Oran McClure, Joe Stotts, of Lubbock, Dwain Mateer, of Oklahoma City, and Misses Nell and Julia Mae Albin, Alice Brashear, Mary Katharine Grimes, of Dallas, Fredda Fite of Gladewater, Joe Ann Stotts and Vera Nell Davis formed a most congenial picnic and swimming party to Roaring Springs, Wednesday evening of last week, spending the night in camp there where the atmosphere was delightfully cool and refreshing and it was with reluctance that we returned to the sweltering heat and daily grind at our respective places of employment Thursday morning.—Reporter

**1925 BRIDGE CLUB LUNCHEON**

The 1925 Bridge Club had their regular luncheon Wednesday of last week at the Spur Inn.

Mrs. V. V. Parr made high score in the bridge games following the luncheon and received club prize Miss Johnnie Barnard of Wichita Falls scored high for guests and received guest prize.

Invited guests were Mrs. Douglas Harrison of Los Angeles Calif., Mrs. Clouse, city, and Miss Johnnie Barnard, of Wichita Falls. Club members present were Mesdames W. T. Andrews, Nellie Davis, R. E. Dickson, C. B. Jones, V. V. Parr, Jas B. Reed and Elzie Watson whom we are glad to welcome to membership in our club.Rep.

**STEEL HILL CLUB**

"Be sure your pickle is thoroughly cured before taking from brine and putting in vinegar," said Mrs. W. M. Hunter, food demonstrator of the Steel Hill H. D. Club, which met at Mrs. Hunter's June 27th. Ten members and one visitor were present.

On July 11th the club met with Mrs. J. B. Karr with six members present.

The program, "Preparing Canned Food for the Table."

The weather man made it too hot for work so we discussed vitamins and well balanced meals. The club meets with Mrs. G. W. Justice August 9th.—Reporter.

**FREDDIE CALVIN HOOPER  
CELEBRATES SIXTH  
BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY**

Little Freddie Calvin Hooper entertained a few friends on his sixth birthday the twelfth of July at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. L. W. Bilibrey.

After several enjoyable games refreshments of sandwiches and punch were served to the following L. D. Johnson, Jack Hogan, Bartina Wilson, Francis Atkison, Bettie Lou McGlathery, Brian Hare, G. H. Atkison, Wendell Parker, Eldred Parker, Aaron Parker, Brian Bennett, Junior McGlathery, Wanda Lou Hare, Janet Bennett, Archie Nell Hogan, Virginia Ann Johnson, Effie Wilson, Annetta Hare, Billie Jr. Bennett, Dorothy Mat Hooper and the hostess.—Rep

**GIRL SCOUTS PICNICING  
AT ROARING SPRINGS**

Scout Leader, Era Belle Hogan and the following chaperones, Mesdames E. J. Cowan, Ned Hogan, Ed Lisenby, W. S. Campbell, Edgar McGee, Lois Lee, E. C. Edmonds, Ernest Hale, Jim Foster, Luther Powell, Jack McCulley and Mr. and Mrs. Hart in company with about forty Girl Scouts went to Roaring Springs Tuesday evening spending the night there in camp and Thursday enjoying the outing, the good eats and the cool refreshing water. The only regret that the Scouts expressed regarding the outing is that they were not permitted to stay longer.

**Personals**

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fox went to Lubbock Saturday afternoon where they joined a party composed of Paul Reed, wife and baby, A. O. Woody and wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woody, and will go into the mountains in New Mexico for a two weeks vacation.

Francis Springer returned recently from a trip to the western coast visiting a number of the most important cities and seeing the sights in general. She was the guest of her father, Witt Springer and wife of Matador.

T. E. Rucker was a Spur visitor Saturday and reports the arrival of a great grandson. The young man arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hinson, Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Maggie Ellis who is attending the summer term in Texas Tech came down last week for her daughter Mavis who had been with her grandmother, Mrs. P. C. Ellis and going to Spur Schools summer session.

Cecil Daniel, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gilbert, made his arrival Monday morning at 5 o'clock. Mack says that he would not take a thousand dollars for his boys and while he can't boast the distinction of Jim Swearingin, father of twelve, all he asks is a little time.

Mrs. Grover Dickerson and baby of Clovis New Mexico are expected to arrive in Spur Friday for a visit to her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McCormick and will accompany them to the Rio Grande Vaalley to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. McCormick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebe Lambert and daughter, Mrs. J. P. Legg and baby of Wichita are spending a ten days vacation in Arizona visiting at Taylor and other places of interest.

Mrs. Wright of Mississippi left Tuesday for Dallas where she will visit friends a few days before returning home following a two months visit in Spur with her nephew, Leon Withers and mother Mrs. Kate Withers.

Ben Eldridge, prominent citizen of McAdoo, was greeting friends and trading with Spur merchants Wednesday.

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