

# THE TEXAS SPUR

and THE DICKENS ITEM

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## County Court Meets Next Monday

The regular quarterly term of County Court will convene at Dickens next Monday. Judge Marshall Formby will be on the bench and County Attorney L. D. Ratliff will represent the state.

A full docket again faces the court and it is hoped to clear it in two weeks with the jury reporting Monday, the 26th.

The following have been summoned for jury service the 26th: Harry Taylor, H. B. Wynkoop, Andrew Blair, E. E. Phifer, O. M. McGinty, D. C. McAteer, G. S. Hamilton, Leonard Fox, Rubb, Waddell, T. M. Wetzel, C. R. Walthall, Frank Watson, J. L. Turpen, Joe Cornett, J. W. Vickery, Fay Slough, T. V. Shockley, Clyde Hollar.

## Seen and Heard

By Jep

Spur is presented as a model city since the Sheriff reported no arrest or automobile accidents happened during the 4th of July holidays. Will it be the same this fall if a good crop is made?

The two Spur all star ball clubs, Hale and Kinney, are still following the hard luck trail when it comes to games with teams away from home. If memory serves us right, Rotan is the only out of town team, excepting Jayton, Girard and Dickens, that the Red Birds have topped and Knox City in the tournament.

Hale scored an out of town victory Tuesday night when his team showed decided improvement to defeat Idolou.

The City League plays better soft ball than the all star teams, if hit and run means anything. And that was our understanding of what soft ball was supposed to be.

How many times have the "dear people" been informed as to the financial status of their county government, other than when some candidate quotes a column of figures when he is making a political speech? Think that over when you are "eussin" and discussing your tax problem.

A good rain would help the feelings of more people than anything we know of whether the crops need it or not.

It is with a feeling of sorrow that the writer records the death of Senator Joe Robinson of Arkansas, the announcement being made over the radio Wednesday morning. The Senator, candidate for Vice-President in 1928, was the Democratic leader in the Senate and was one of America's leading statesmen of today.

It was the pleasure of the writer to meet Senator Joe a number of years ago and to hear him speak a number of times. The Democratic Party and the Nation have suffered a great loss in his passing.

L. B. Long of Paragould, Ark., and Judge Milburn S. Long of Abilene, were visiting their nephew, Joe Long, here, Tuesday.

## To Every Woman Sheltered by a Good Name:

### A Frank Announcement About "MARKED WOMAN"

To every mother who fights her daughter's yearning for gay night-life; to every sister and sweetheart—and the men who love them—we believe "MARKED WOMAN" is the most significant drama of life, filmed since the advent of sound pictures.

Some women may be offended by the bold reality... some may be shocked by the honesty of a fearless story... (because "MARKED WOMAN," exposing the "call-girl" system and the racketeering of the "unspoken profession" is entirely frank and outspoken)... but none will deny they have been spellbound by the powerful portrayal of the life that sheltered women never see.

"MARKED WOMAN," which comes to the Palace Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, July 28th and 29th, is not a picture for children. Its utter directness compels us to restrict its showing to ADULTS ONLY.

"MARKED WOMAN" will open your eyes and show you the side of life you've read about but never known.

# PALACE

## Harris Goes To Austin On Hospital Location

C. L. Harris, Representative of the 118th District, spent several days last week in Austin with a West Texas delegation interested in the location of the new West Texas Hospital. In the party besides Harris were Chas. Gay, editor of the Lubbock dailies, Senator G. H. Nelson and Representative Doyle Settle of Tahoka.

Mr. Harris came back to Spur with his family at the close of the special session of the Legislature and plans to spend the summer here and other points in the district.

## Seek New Name For Housewife

Old-timers who recall the days when they gathered cow chips for kitchen fires and sat the milk in a pan of water on a "lean-to" outside the kitchen window now are speculating on what kind of a name modern West Texas women will choose for themselves as substitute for "housewife."

Over a quarter million people in West Texas last week received the news that the West Texas Utilities Company is seeking a new name for the "lady of the house" whose progress in home-making has made the word "housewife" obsolete.

The company will award \$500 in prizes for entries in the "name-a-housewife" contest.

"The average dictionary says a 'mistress of a household' and fails to point out that she is interested in civic and social affairs or that she may be an accomplished musician," E. M. Wilson, local manager for the company here, said. "More and more women are turning to modern electric servants to perform household drudgery. So why should they retain a name that is as worn out as an old shoe?"

Early-day pioneers recalled that women used to cook in crude stoves, using various and sundry types of fuel, and that they resorted to crude methods of refrigeration in order to preserve food whereas women of today have electric cookery "at the turn of a switch" and automatic electric refrigeration that isn't dependent on "which side of the house the sun shines on."

"Keeping house in those days was a man-sized job," opines Mrs. I. G. Van Leer, who moved to West Texas 40 years ago. "Women are mighty lucky to have pretty kitchens nowadays that operate themselves. These electric contraptions make it a different story than when I first came to this country."

Mr. Wilson said a Frigidaire will be first prize in the contest to secure a new name for "housewife." Second prize will be choice of a Hotpoint Electric dishwasher or a Thor washing machine and third prize will be a Sunbeam Mixer. Ten prizes of smaller electric appliances will be awarded.

## BUILDING NEW SERVICE STATION AT DICKENS

Construction of a new service station at Dickens was started this week by J. H. Meadors. The station will be located on the corner south across the street from Frank Speer's store at the intersection of Highway 18 with 24.

## Miss Moore Wins Short Course Trip At Clothing Fair

Over a hundred people attended the annual clothing fair held at the First Methodist Church last Saturday. The event is sponsored by the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county.

Prizes were offered on bed spreads, quilts, pillow cases and dresses with the high point winner being offered a trip to Short Course by the County Council. Miss Hazel Moore of McAdoo was awarded the trip by virtue of winning first in bed spreads, third in pillow cases and second in dresses.

The following is a complete list of prize winners in the various events:

### Bed Spreads

Miss Hazel Moore of Friendship club, first; Mrs. G. W. McLaughlin of Friendship club, second; Mrs. W. A. Harris of Espuela club, third; Miss Mary Wooten of McAdoo club, fourth.

### Quilts

Miss Monroe Black of McAdoo club, first; Mrs. Matt Howell of Red Top club, second; Mrs. B. F. Middleton of Prairie Chapel club, third; Mrs. G. G. Allen of McAdoo club, fourth.

### Pillow Cases

Mrs. Charles McLaughlin of Friendship club, first; Mrs. Fred Arrington of Dickens club, second; Miss Hazel Moore of Friendship club, third; Mrs. Leonard Cox of McAdoo club, fourth.

### Dresses

Mrs. W. A. Harris of Espuela club, first; Miss Hazel Moore of Friendship club, second; Mrs. Roy Johnson of Espuela club, third; and Mrs. F. B. Crockett of Espuela club, fourth.

The program was arranged by Miss Jean Day, Home Demonstration Agent, and the County Council. The feature speaker was Miss Gladys Sanders of Lubbock who spoke at ten o'clock. Miss Lida Cooper, District Home Demonstration Agent, delivered a 30 minute talk and opened judging the items entered. A picnic lunch was spread in the grove back of the church at noon.

## ATTEND WELFARE MEET AT AMARILLO

Judge Marshall Formby and Miss Kanna Stephens, County Case Worker, were in Amarillo Friday and Saturday attending a meeting of the Tri-State Child Welfare Association. Judge Formby was the presiding officer of one of the group meetings Saturday.

## SPUR TAILORS INSTALL A NEW SERVICE PRESS

The Spur Tailors have completed installation of a new Hoff-Man mushroom type press. The press was installed for the specific purpose of finishing silks, tons of trousers, and pleated coats, but has many other uses. It also serves as a steam and hot head press.

Jno. A. Moore, manager, stated the new press was installed as a guarantee that their customers would receive the best of service that personal attention and modern machinery could give.

## METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45. Rev. J. P. Patterson of Seymour, will preach at 11:00 and 8:30 Sunday as the pastor will be in a meeting at Foreman's Chapel with Rev. E. C. Armstrong, Bro. Patterson was one time pastor of the church at Spur. Come and hear this good preacher. P. H. Gates.

## Highway 18 To Be Re-Topped Last Of Month

Re-topping of Highway 18 from Spur to Dickens and north two miles is expected to get underway in another week with completion of the 30 mile contract including part of Motley County in about ten days. This work will be just a seal coat and will be put down in a hurry if materials are available for the entire job when the work is started. C. G. Bros., a highly recommended firm, was awarded the contract the last of the week.

Work on Highway 18 from Spur east has been progressing rather slowly with the block from Spur to Duck Creek bridge yet to be covered with the rock base. Work began Tuesday morning on the base at the West end with the intersection at the end of Burlington Avenue, as the starting point. It is thought now that the rock base will be completed on this road by August 10th with the asphalt work to start immediately. If this schedule is followed the 11 miles from Spur to the Kent County line will be finished and opened to traffic by the middle of September which is about the time cotton should begin moving.

The contract east also calls for construction of sidewalks on Hill Street and this work is expected to start about July 25th.

On Highway 24 from the Dickens County line to Guthrie in King County rapid progress with the building of structures, has been made with two miles of grade built on the 10.5 mile strip. Some heavy cuts are being done at this time and it is thought this contract will be finished in September.

On 24 east of Guthrie to the Knox County line, rapid progress is being made and completion of this job of 20 miles is expected in October which will give new road through the breaks except from Dickens to the Wichita store. The plans for the last gap from Dickens east are now in Austin and a contract for the construction of bridges drainage structures and grading will probably be let this fall.

All construction work is under the supervision of E. W. Mars, resident engineer at Spur. J. B. Nabors of Childress is the District Engineer.

## New Regulations Issued Concerning Chaffeur's Licenses

The county tax collector's office is in receipt of instructions relative to chaffeur's licenses as prescribed in law recently passed by the legislature. The law providing for an examination of applicants for chaffeur's licenses will not go into effect until the last of August but the following regulations are in effect now:

All who operate a commercial motor vehicle either as principal or part-time duties, express delivery, dry cleaning and all other commercial delivery trucks such as grocery, department stores for delivery or any other purpose must have a chaffeur's license.

Chaffeur's of private automobiles whether it be incidental to other duties, part time, or full time, must have a chaffeur's license.

These regulations will be enforced by the Sheriff's Department and State Highway patrolmen. The license must be obtained at the office of the Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Gates and children returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives and friends at Fort Worth and Gorman.

## New Auto Show Room For Dodge-Plymouth

Brown & Putman, dealers for Dodge and Plymouth automobiles, are completing this week a new display and store room for their new and used cars. The building is 50 feet long and 24 feet wide with a drive in at either end. The front of the building will be finished similar to the King & Putman Service Station which is next door north.

Brown & Putman will have a complete servicing depot for their cars with the completion of this building. A line of parts, mechanical service, greasing and washing and refinishing will all be maintained. The company plans to place on display the last of this week a number of the new Dodges and Plymouths.

## Farmers Regard Flea Hopper Control A Necessity

T. D. Hale and Bill Middleton of the Afton community have purchased dusting machines for the control of flea hoppers in their large fields of promising, high-producing cotton. These industrious farmers are to be commended for pioneering the way in conducting these, control demonstrations.

Neighboring farmers in the Afton community should avail themselves of an opportunity of watching this method of control of this most destructive pest. The method of control consists of dusting cotton at regular intervals of a week to ten days apart, with finely processed flower of sulphur which costs from a cent and a half to three cents per pound depending on the distance from the factory. The amount to be applied at each application varies according to the size of the cotton plant, but will be within a range of from 10 to 20 pounds. The number of applications will depend on the extent of the hopper damage and weather conditions; two to four applications are considered as sufficient. The amount of cotton to be expected might vary from a loss to as much as \$70 per acre profit.

G. J. Lane, County Agent, Office located in courthouse, Dickens, Texas.

## HILL TOP SERVICE STATION ENLARGED

Charlie Kearney, owner of the Hill Top Service Station, completed an enlargement program of his business house this past week. The floor space of the station building was more than doubled providing space for a bigger line of groceries as well as giving more space for service station supplies.

## TECH MAN NAMED AGGIE TEACHER AT McADOO

J. Walter Grist, graduate of Texas Technological College in 1933, was named last week as Vocational Agriculture teacher at McAdoo high school. He began working on the new job the last of the week.

Mr. Grist majored in Animal Husbandry at Tech and since his graduation has been employed with the Soil Conservation Service with headquarters at Lubbock.

## O. B. RATLIFF TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH L. D. RATLIFF IN OFFICE HERE

O. B. Ratliff, son of Judge and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff, Sr., of Haskell, has moved to Spur and will be associated with his brother, L. D. Ratliff, Jr. in the practice of civil law. O. B. Ratliff is a graduate of Texas Technological College, the University of Texas and Jefferson Law School of Dallas.

## SCHOOL VOTES AGAINST CONSOLIDATION

The Commissioners' Court at the regular monthly meeting Monday canvassed the returns of a special school election held at Prairie Chapel and Patton Springs last week.

Prairie Chapel voted 31 against consolidation to 21 votes for. The vote at Patton Springs was 27 to 0 for consolidation. This leaves the Prairie Chapel District with the status of a common school district. It is reported that a number of the pupils are transferring to the Patton Springs school.

## Spur Bank Deposits Show Increase

The quarterly report of the Spur Security Bank as of June 30 shows a decided increase in deposits since the March report and the December report. The increase is attributed to the wheat harvest which was at its height in the last days of June. Deposits on June 30 were \$613,212.13 compared to \$502,605.56 for the December 31, 1936 report, the latter being considered the high point for 1936 as it was made at the close of the fall season.

Loans for the local bank on June 30 totaled \$320,720.80 compared to \$243,028.38 for December 31, 1936. The increase in June is attributed to spring crop loans and loans made to harvest the record wheat crop.

Undivided profits jumped from 10,631.07 in December to \$23,018.43 in June with \$5,000.00 being placed in the reserved fund in June.

Clifford B. Jones is President of the bank; W. T. Andrews, Active Vice President. E. S. Lee is Cashier and M. D. Ivey, Assistant Cashier.

## Crosshopper Control Campaign Successful

Farmers in Dickens County have successfully completed the Grasshopper in preventing the destruction of crops of the county.

Twenty five thousand, four hundred and eighty four pounds of the poisoned mixture has been distributed among 159 farmers. Less than eight per cent of farmers have found it necessary to make more than one trip for poison.

It is very necessary that farmers continue to wage a campaign against grasshoppers as long as there is any evidence of destruction. Then, too, the less hoppers left for egg-laying during the Fall and Winter, the fewer hoppers there will be to combat the following year.

There is plenty of poison left for distribution, which may be obtained by seeing R. E. Slough at the Citizens Office in Dickens. G. J. Lane, County Agent, Office located in courthouse, Dickens, Texas.

## Car Owners Warned About Out of County Registration Law

The office of Sheriff and Tax Collector J. L. Koonsman has received warnings from the State Highway Department about registering cars for residents of other counties. Residents of the State of Texas must register their cars in the county in which they reside or they will be subject to prosecution as their license was issued illegally the same as if they were driving without a license.

Car owners are asked to heed this warning as the law prescribes a certain amount of license fees to be turned over to the respective county and each county is entitled to its part of the fees paid by car owners residing in that county.

## PROBATE WILL OF MRS. MATTIE HANEY

The will of Mrs. Mattie Haney, who was pioneer citizen of Afton passing away in March, was accepted for probate by Judge Marshall Formby Monday. Burnet Haney, a son, was appointed administrator.

L. D. Ratliff, Jr. was the attorney in the case.

## BOY SCOUTS SPONSOR SUNDAY-MONDAY SHOW

The Boy Scouts will sponsor the picture at the Palace Sunday and Monday. They will sell tickets in advance, and your patronage will be appreciated.

The Palace will show Joe E. Brown in "When's Your Birthday?", another laugh hit that only Joe E. Brown could stage.

The Scouts were guests of Charlie Hardwick Tuesday evening for the showing of "Penrod and Sam" at the Palace.

Mrs. Everett and children returned from Post Sunday where they had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Travis.

## ON THE DANGER TRAIL



Gene Autry and Maxine Doyle in a scene from the picture "Round-up Time in Texas"

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Friday and Saturday, July 16-17

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- Pineapple Juice, 46 oz. can ..... 35c
- Blackberries, so-called gallon .. 55c
- Grape Fruit Juice, No. 2 can ..... 10c
- Kraut, No. 2 can, 3 for ..... 25c
- PEAS, No. 2 can ..... 10c
- Hominy, No. 2 can, 3 for ..... 25c
- Picnic Plates dozen ..... 10c
- Apple Butter, 38 oz. jar ..... 19c
- Rex Jelly, 5 lb. pail ..... 43c
- Flour, Cherry Bell, the best, 48 lb \$1.85
- FLOUR, 48 lbs. .... \$1.45
- Tomatoes, No. 2 can, 3 for .. .... 25c
- Prserves, blackberry 2 lb. jar ..... 42c
- LETTUCE, head ..... 5c
- JELLY, pure (assorted) 8 oz glass ... 10c

### BENSON'S MARKET

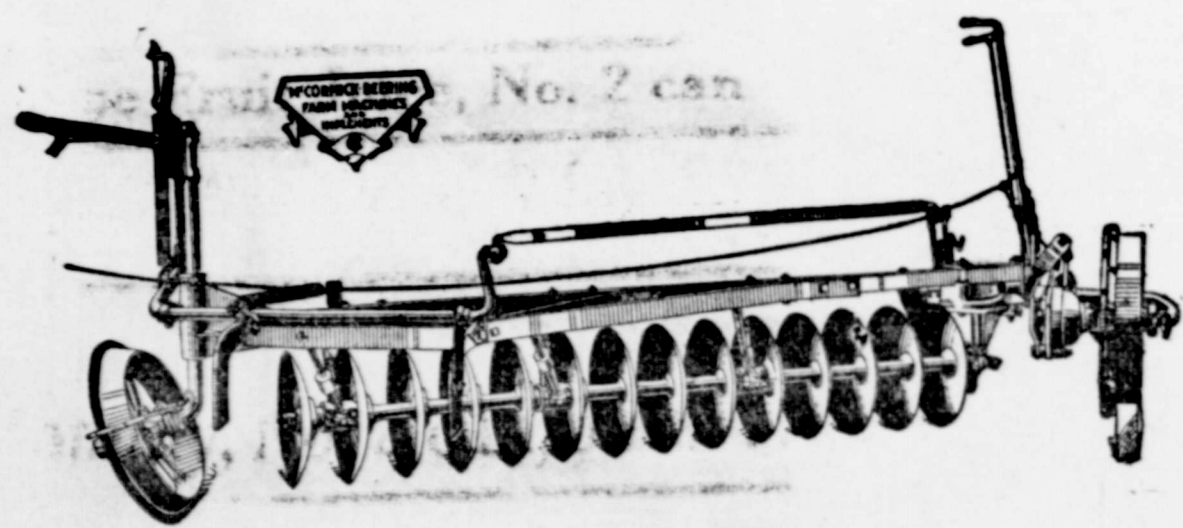
SPECIALS

- Steak, calf, chuck, lb. .... 12 1-2c
  - Beef Roast, Brisket, 2 lbs. for ..... 25c
  - Lamb Chops, lb. ... ..... 15c
  - Calf Liver, fresh, lb.. ..... 10c
  - Pork Steak, lb. .... 19c
  - Pepper Cured Hams, half or whole, lb. 29c
- We have Channel Catfish arrive each Thur.  
We have shipment of Channel Cat each Thursday.

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Heat-treated disk blades which resist breakage and hold sharp edges much longer are used in the McCormick-Deering Harrow-Plow. Power-lift raises and lowers the disks. Sizes—4, 5, 6, 8, and 9-foot.

Ask your neighbors who use a McCormick-Deering Harrow-Plow what they think of it. Come in and see us about one.

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#### SHOWER GIVEN IN HONOR OF RECENT BRIDE

On Friday evening of last week Mrs. John Lewis assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Lavonne Thornton, entertained in her home in the Steel Hill community complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Faubus, a recent bride, and groom with a miscellaneous shower.

Games and contests formed the diversion for the evening after which Mr. and Mrs. Faubus received many beautiful and useful gifts from their many friends.

A delightful refreshment plate was passed to about sixty five guests.

#### THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the Thursday Bridge Club were entertained by Mrs. Sam T. Glemmons on Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in her home on North Willard street. At the conclusion of the game hour Mrs. E. D. Engleman and Mrs. F. W. Jennings held high score and received lovely pieces of pottery as prize awards.

An iced refreshment plate was passed to Mesdames Jack Reector, C. B. Jones, R. E. Dickson, E. D. Engleman, F. W. Jennings, W. F. Andrews, A. C. Hull and E. M. Wilson.

#### TRIPLE-TREY BRIDGE CLUB ENTERTAINED

Mrs. Henry Bilberry was a delightful hostess on Wednesday afternoon of last week when she entertained members of the Triple-Trey Bridge Club and three guests in her home in west Spur. Lovely cut flow ers decorated the living room where two tables of contract were in play during the afternoon. At the conclusion of the game hour, Mrs. L.D. Ratliff, jr. was presented a dainty linen handkerchief as high score award.

Delightful refreshments of lime jello, open sandwiches, ice box cookies and iced tea were passed to the

following guests: Mmes E. M. Wilson, L. B. Tillotson, Tom Jones of Jayton, Tyrus Allen, E. D. Engleman, Clarence N. Lane, H. B. Thompson and L. D. Ratliff.

#### WATSON-DeLISLES

Miss Wanda Watson and Weldon DeLisles were married in the presence of a few friends at the Dickens Springs Wednesday of last week. Judge Marshall Formby read the rites.

Mrs. DeLisles is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Watson, east of Spur. The couple will make their home in Lubbock where the groom is employed by a roofing company.

#### METHODIST W. M. S.

The Methodist Woman's Missionary Society met at the church on Monday afternoon at four o'clock with eleven members present. Following a business session Mrs. W. F. Gilbert gave the devotional lesson. Mrs. D. H. Sandidge assisted by Mrs. Leland Wilson taught the Bible lesson from the book, "Radiant Hearts"

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#### BAPTIST W. M. S.

All circles of the Baptist W. M. S. met Monday afternoon at the church at 5:30 and went to the C. A. Jones Memorial Stadium where the mission lesson from the Home and Foreign Fields was conducted by Miss Jennie Shields. The program was opened with a song followed with prayer by Mrs. J. A. Marsh. Those giving parts on the program were, Mrs. E. J. Cowan, Mrs. A. M.

Walker and Mrs. J. A. Marsh. The meeting was closed with a prayer by Mrs. T. J. Seales, after which a delicious picnic lunch was spread.

Those present were, Mesdames J. L. Wolfe, P. H. Miller, Foy Vernon, W. F. Cathey, E. L. Smith, L. C. Ponder, V. J. Campbell, Daniels, J. A. Marsh, J. D. Powell, C. H. McCully, Gray Draper, Dozier, A. M. Walker, T. J. Seales, Hattie Turvan, E. J. Cowan, Shockley, Misses Jennie Shields, Sophronia Ponder and Velma Howe.

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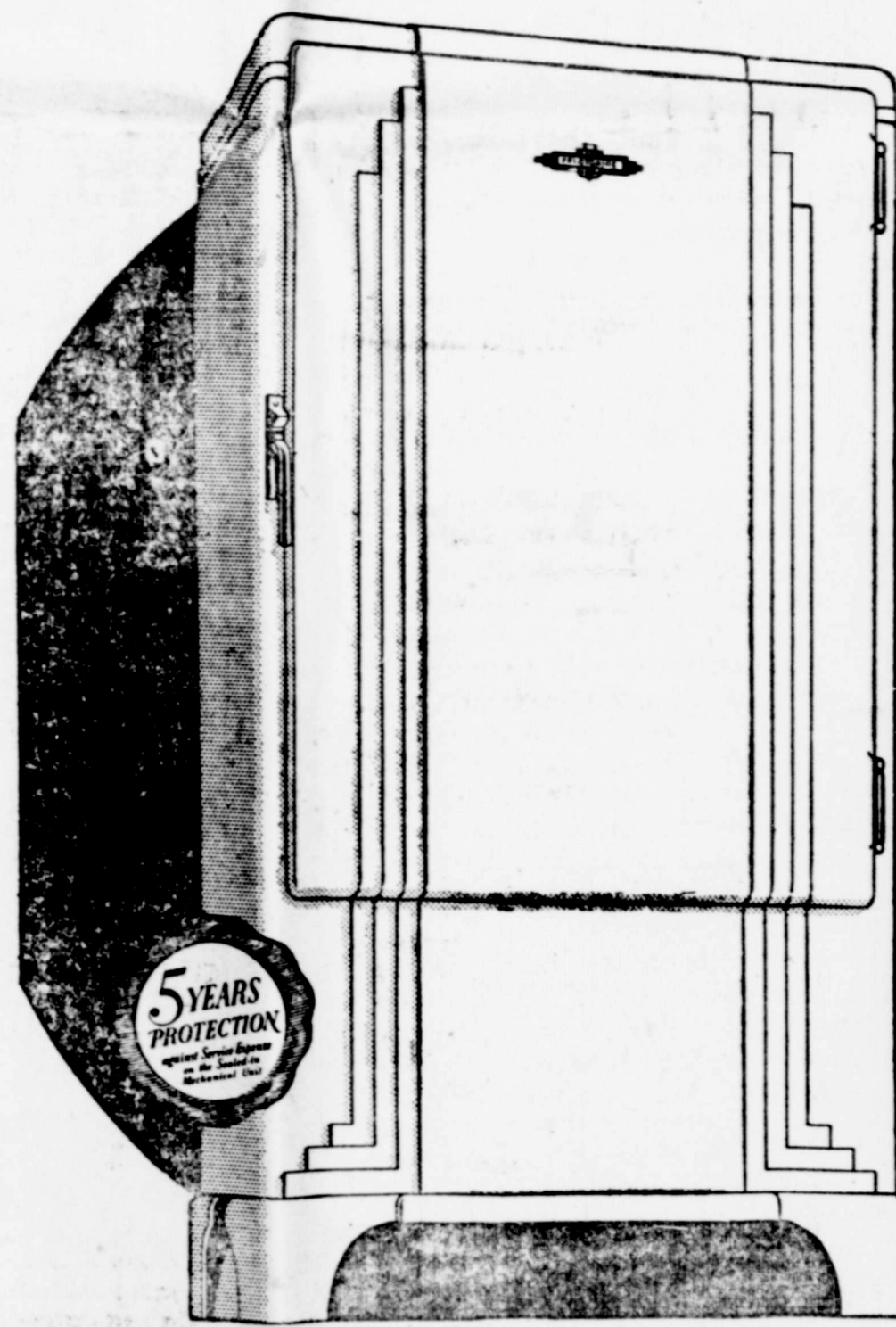
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1st Prize—Super-Duty Frigidaire; 2nd Prize—Choice of electric dishwasher or washing machine; 3rd Prize—Electric foodmixer. (Ten prizes of smaller appliances.)



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My selection is \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Address)

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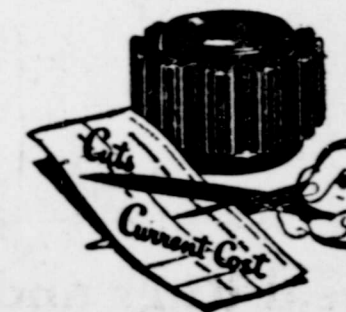
Keeps food safer, fresher, longer, even in hottest weather!

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## AUTRY FEATURES MANY SONG HITS

The numerous song hits that add sparkling entertainment to the action-loaded Gene Autry starrer, "Round Up Time In Texas," at the Palace Theatre Saturday, include "Bloom Is On The Sage," "English Drinking Song," "Uncle Noah's Ark," "Prairie Rose," "Side By Side," "Witch Doctor Serenade," "Moon Call," "Native Chant," "Comin' Round The Mountain," "Revival Day," "Dinah," "Cave Man Song."

Miss Margaret Koon is visiting friends in Fort Stockton and McCombs.

## FRED WILLHOIT DIES AT HOME NEAR DICKENS

Funeral services for Fred Willhoit, 17, were held at the First Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon with Rev. J. V. Bilberry, Baptist minister, officiating. Burial was in Spur cemetery in charge of Bill Kinney. Young Willhoit died Monday after several weeks illness contracted in East Texas. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Willhoit and five sisters and two brothers.

Henry Shipp of Lubbock visited in the McGaughey home Tuesday

## Chevrolet Conducts "Used Car" School

Up-to-date methods and equipment for thoroughly restoring value in used cars have been presented to Chevrolet dealers, their used car managers, and their reconditioning supervisors, in a school conducted by Chevrolet Motor Division in Dallas, Texas, according to Spur Motor Co., local Chevrolet dealers.

The very finest facilities were provided for this school and the utmost in efficiency in this line of work was taught in a practical way by experienced men who have made a study of this particular phase of automobile merchandising. Classes of from twenty-five to thirty men were taken into this school and under conditions identical with those prevailing in the average dealership, the actual work of reconditioning used cars of various age and mileage representing the full variance in values that might be found in any sizable used car stock, was performed.

This training represents the most modern method of dealing with the large number of used cars necessary for Chevrolet dealers to market, and is the most forward step taken by any manufacturer in assuring maximum value to the purchasers of used cars.

Chevrolet Motor Division, through their factory field personnel, supervise closely this reconditioning work in all Chevrolet dealerships and are doing their utmost to see that Chevrolet dealers' used cars embody the ultimate in quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garrett of Royalty, Texas, spent the week end with Mrs. Garrett's sister, Mrs. Lloyd Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were on their way to Ashland, Oregon, for a visit with Mr. Garrett's mother.

## BROWS IT IS!

Joe E. Brown adds a new portrait to his gallery of screen com-

loger in the David L. Loew production, "When's Your Birthday?", produced for RKO Radio. Master of the art of squeezing fun out of disaster, Brown adds to the gallery of

screen audiences with his ludicrous adventures as an ex-pug who has fallen for star-gazing, and continues to fall!  
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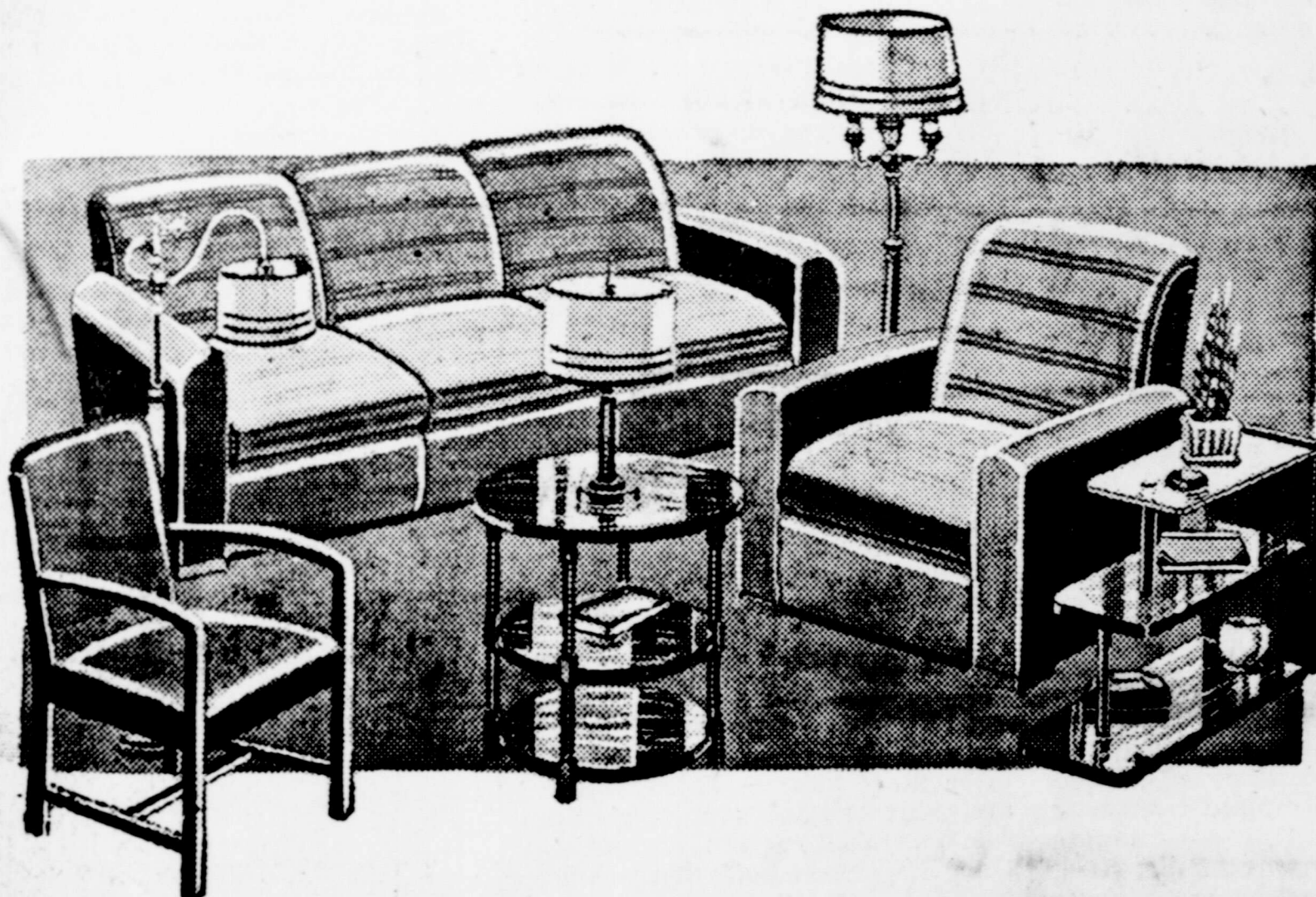


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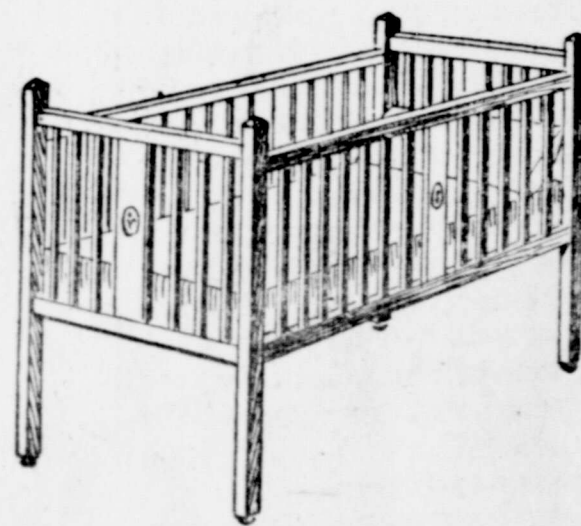
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**SPUR CIRCUIT**

Our Methodist meeting will begin Friday night, July 16th at Foreman's Chapel, Rev. P. H. Gates will do the preaching.

We want to invite the public to attend these services and want you to feel free to worship with us. And, I urge the membership of the church to be present if possible at each service.

We are trusting you will not fail

us in this great cause for God and righteousness, and for the salvation of lost souls.

**WOMAN'S COUNCIL FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

The Woman's Council of the First Christian Church met Monday afternoon at four o'clock in the home of Mrs. R. E. Dickson. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. E. C. McGee. The opening song, "The Footsteps of Jesus" was followed with prayer by Mrs. Dolly Putman.

Mrs. Putman was in charge as the following officers were installed for the coming year. President, Mrs. R. E. Dickson, Vice-President, Mrs. B. F. Hale, Sec., Mrs. Jasper Wood, Tres., Mrs. L. R. Burrow, Literature Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Caraway, Program Chairman, Mrs. Nellie Davis, World Call Enlistments Chairman, Mrs. Dolly Putman.

After the officers were installed, Mrs. R. E. Dickson conducted a

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"Texans who have visited the area believe that its full usefulness has not been reached in making it only a recreation spot and that provision of additional facilities for the care of crippled children, together with the improvements already installed by CCC workers, will make it one of the most beautiful as well as most valuable from a health standpoint in Texas. The move to build this convalescent and rehabilitation center for the state's unfortunate children is being sponsored by the Gonzales Warm Springs

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brief business session and Misses Marjorie Burrow, Mary Louise Lisenby and Helen Hale were chosen as delegates to attend the Christian endeavor meeting at Big Springs which begins July 19th.

Delightful refreshments were passed to the guests by Miss Lillian Grace Dickson.

Coach Blackie Wadzeck returned Wednesday from Temple where he had been with Mrs. Wadzeck who recently underwent an operation. Mrs. Wadzeck is reported improving and is expected to be released from the hospital in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Tidwell returned Friday from Lampasas and Stephenville where they had been visiting relatives and friends.

Clive Ensey, Charlie Applegate, Crown Dorch and J. R. Laine left the first of the week for the Llano to do some fishing.

Mrs. Ann McClure and Miss Wynell left the first of the week to visit relatives at Rising Star and Cross Plains for a few weeks.

Miss June Day of Plainview was visiting her sister, Jean Day, here last week.

Misses Beatrice Spivey, Era Bell Hogan, Julia Mae Albin and Hazel Dell Dunn of Crosbyton left the first of the week on a vacation trip to Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Miss Lavada McClung returned home Sunday from Odessa where she had been visiting a cousin.

Miss Lynn McGaughey spent last week in Lubbock visiting Miss Sue McIlroy and Mrs. Fred Binion.

Misses Jean Engleman and Ida Lee Golding left the first of the week to attend a girls camp near Glen Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Powell and daughters spent the week end at Baird visiting relatives.

W. F. Godfrey is on a business trip to Detroit this week.

Mack Wilson, local manager of the West Texas Utilities Company, is working in the district office of the company at Abilene at this time during the absence of some of the employees who are ill and on vacation.

Clifford B. Jones was attending to business in Fort Worth the first of the week.

Thomas Haralson of Fort Sumner, N. M., was here this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haralson.

M. C. Golding was attending to business in Dallas the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gabriel returned Tuesday from a two weeks vacation trip to New Mexico.

**Warm Springs Foundation Planned**

Houston.—The famous Warm Springs of Georgia will soon have a rival, according to Jack Blackwell, who, under the title of "Suffer Little Children," tells of the projected warm springs foundation of Texas in a recent issue of Texas Parade, official organ of the Texas Good



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