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Spur Schools To Open September 6

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, September 6, was set as the opening date for the Spur Public Schools. The board is working out plans, in cooperation with Supt. O. C. Thomas, for bus transportation for the entire district and transfers from other districts and these plans will be announced later.

The tax rate for the year has not been set but will be in the next few days as soon as the board of equalization completes its work.

Supt. Thomas announces that the following have been named as teachers for the coming session:

O. C. Thomas, Superintendent, M. A., University of Texas.
O. L. Kelley, Principal High School, B. A., A. C. C.
Thelma Logan, English, B. A., University of Texas. (Miss Logan is from Bellville and has been teaching in the industry schools. She succeeds Miss Landers.)

Dagid Sisto, Spanish-English, M. A., University of Texas.
H. U. Butts, History, B. A., Texas Tech.

Mrs. Oscar McGinty, Speech-English, B. A., Oklahoma University.

Burgess Brown, Band-Science, B. A., Hardin-Simmons University.

G. B. Wadzeck, Coach-Mathematics, B. A., McMurry College.

Cecil Ayres, Agriculture, B. S., Texas Tech.

Mrs. O. C. Thomas, Home Economics, B. A., Texas University.

Miss Edith Caviness, Mathematics, B. A., Texas Tech.

Miss Marguerite Herren, Commerce, B. A., N. T. S. T. C.

H. C. Foote, Principal Junior High School, B. A., University of Arkansas.

Miss Alberta Sturgeon, Language Arts, B. A., University of Texas.

Miss Blanche Dabney, Language Arts, B. A., Howard Payne.

Miss Minnie Johnson, Social Science, Texas Tech.

Mrs. A. O. White, Arithmetic, Texas Tech.

Don K. Martin, Arithmetic, B. S., E. T. S. T. C.

S. L. Bennett, Principal East Ward, M. A., Texas Tech.

Mrs. E. G. Collier, First Grade, Texas Tech.

Mrs. W. T. S. T. C.

Mrs. Burgess Brown, Second Grade, B. A., Hardin-Simmons University.

Mrs. Joe Giddens, Second Grade, B. A., McMurry.

Miss Emily Smith, Third Grade, B. A., W. T. S. T. C.

Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck, Third Grade, B. S., McMurry.

Mrs. Carl Patton, Fourth Grade, W. T. S. T. C.

Housewife Contest Judge Is Named

Dr. Charles Earle Funk, New York lexicographer and linguist, will judge entries in the West Texas Utilities Company's "name a housewife" contest, W. R. Weaver, local manager announced last week.

Information came from the general office in Abilene that Dr. Funk had accepted an invitation to name the winners in the campaign to "secure a more appropriate name for the modern West Texas woman."

Possibility that the name "housewife" may be omitted from the dictionaries of the future was viewed as a result of Dr. Funk's participation as judge in the contest. He is senior member of the publishing firm of Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York, and is associate editor of the famous Funk & Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary. He has been given wide recognition as America's outstanding lexicographer.

The contest is based on the assumption that "the woman of today is no longer a slave to kitchen drudgery."

This company is interested in selecting a name that will improve the English language," Mr. Weaver said. "We have long felt that the word 'housewife' is a misnomer. It has been worn out by advertisers and has lost its value as a word describing the average woman in the average home. But there is no word that accurately applies to the woman who conducts her home economically and efficiently while at the same time developing her intellectually and socially."

Selection of Mr. Funk as judge assures entrants "of a competent authority on the meaning of the words and should result in national recognition for the winner as well as the reward of first prize, a super-duty Frigidaire," Weaver said.

Entries in the \$500 contest, which closes August 14, will be sent immediately to Dr. Funk. A total of 13 prizes will be awarded.

Mrs. J. L. Rosamond is in market at Dallas this week. She plans to visit Mr. Rosamond at Houston before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engleman returned Friday from a vacation trip to the East, visiting historic points in Washington, D. C. and Virginia. They made a trip through the International truck factory in Ohio, bringing two of the 1937 models home with them.



J. EDD McLAUGHLIN
District Governor of Rotary International who will guide the destinies of the district for the coming year. Mr. McLaughlin is a banker at Ralls.



FRED WEMPLE
District Governor of Rotary International, 1936-37. Mr. Wemple is in the automobile supply business at Midland.

Final Arrangements Made For Erect Old Settlers Building

Final arrangements were made at a meeting of the finance committee of the Motley-Dickens Old Settlers Association Tuesday afternoon for the construction of a building to house the Old Settlers Annual Reunion in August each year. A deal was consummated with Mr. C. C. Haile whereby the Association came into possession of a building at Spur formerly belonging to the Spur Fair Association.

The building, 60x80 feet, will be moved to Roaring Springs in the near future and erected on the site of the old Gymnasium building at the school grounds.

The Concession Committee composed of J. V. Shirley, J. D. Mitchell and J. W. Cooper was appointed at the Tuesday meeting.

Further arrangements for the reunion are being made and it is hoped that the entire two-day program can be announced soon.

—Roaring Springs Reporter.

Katherine Ward Is Reporter Winner

Katherine Ward, county winner in the Wardrobe Demonstration contest and reporter for the McAdoo 4-H Club, was this week selected as the district winner in the reporter contest and will be eligible as reporter on the Daily Star.

Katherine was chosen as outstanding reporter from Dickens county and her news reports were submitted to Miss Lida, Cooper, District Home Demonstration Agent who scored the reports from the fifteen counties in her district. The Daily Star is the paper issued during Short Course, is published by these selected reporters from all over the state under the supervision of the Extension Editor, Mrs. Mnie Fisher Cunningham.

The editors of the Texas Spur and the Dickens County Times are paying Katherine's expenses to Short Course as a reward for her excellent work as reported to their papers.

Grocery Firm Changes Hands

It was announced the middle of week that James Dunlap, part owner of the Foodway Store, had sold his interest to Coy McMahan, M. H. Costolow, one of the founders of the store, retains his interest.

Mr. Dunlap did not announce his plans but for the present will remain at Spur.

Mr. McMahan, former employee of Bryant-Link Company has been employed at Foodway for the past six months. No other changes in the personnel of the store were made.

Mrs. Dave Wilson spent the week end at Amarillo visiting her mother, and other relatives.

150 Expected To Attend 127th District Assembly Of Rotary International At Spur Next Monday

Approximately 150 business and professional men are expected to be in Spur next Monday for the Assembly of the 127th District of Rotary International. The Spur Club, which is one of the 46 clubs of the district, will act as hosts for the one day meeting.

The 127th District of Rotary International goes as far north as Dalt, south and west along the T-P to Midland and East to Fort Worth, which makes Spur the exact center of the district. This is the first time Spur has been honored with a district meeting of Rotary and will bring together the largest group of business ever assembled at Spur.

J. Edd McLaughlin, of Ralls, District Governor, will preside over the meetings and lead the discussions. Mr. McLaughlin has just recently returned from Europe where he attended the International Convention of Rotary at Nice, France. Other speakers will be past district

governors. Among these will be Fred Wemple of Midland, district governor last year.

The morning session of the Assembly will be held at the Palace Theatre from 9:00 to 11:30. Lunch will be served at the Spur Inn with the group remaining there for the afternoon meeting which will close about 4:30. The only business to be transacted requiring a vote will be the selection of the Spring Convention city. Wichita Falls and Breckenridge have asked for the convention and are expected to send larger delegations than any of the other towns.

For entertainment of those guests arriving early from the more distant towns the Spur club has arranged for the use of the Municipal Swimming Pool and Golf Course. Each merchant is being asked to extend a welcome and show these business men from all West Texas what kind of a town Spur is.

Roy Stovall Buys Lamesa Cream Plant

In a business transaction completed last week, Roy Stovall, owner of the Spur Creamery, became the owner of the ice cream plant which was known as the Rainbow Creamery of Lamesa.

The Lamesa plant was cleaned up and new equipment installed last week. Mr. Stovall has been in Lamesa since the plant was bought getting it ready to reopen.

It was announced at Lamesa that J. P. (Kit) Carson would be the manager there and would move in a few days. Faust Collier, Field man, will spend part time in the Spur office assisting with office work that Mr. Carson has been handling.

The Spur Creamery has just finished a remodeling and modernizing program that makes the local plant second to none in the entire state. It is the largest manufacturing concern in Spur, employs more than 20 men and produces a product well known over the South Plains for its Espuela products, buying and selling in every town on the South Plains.

Terrell Hale writes about soft ball games.

Terrell Hale Writes About Soft Ball Games

The Texas Spur received the following letter the first of this week and reprints it as written.

Spur, Texas, Aug. 2, 1937.
"Dear Mr. Editor:

"I have been asked several times as to why Hale Grocery team is not playing ball here now.

"The answer is just this: "Tuesday eve, July 27th, I (Terrell Hale) asked Mr. Kinney for enough funds out of each ball game we played to either pay for telephone calls for game or gasoline, bill if game was played away from home.

"He said no one was getting expense money out of the ball park.

"Then I asked if he had paid the Bus (that carried Red Birds to Stamford Monday night, July 26) out of his pocket.

"No, it has not been paid, he said. "I did not know that the bus company made trips on a credit.

"I, Hale, have played more games than any other team has and have never received one penny for expense.

"Neither have I (Kinney). Now if you are not satisfied go somewhere else and play. We don't care.

"How much did you give on this field?

"I said \$5.00 on field and \$7.00 on wire and post and then had the field dragged off the first time.

"All right then \$12.00 will satisfy you will it and you can go to Dickens and Girard to play your games. "Certainly I accepted his \$12.00 and then thanked him.

"Now to the mix up in players. "Mr. Kinney said he had not asked our players to play for them. I have not talked to Floyd Elkins yet, don't know about him, but he did ask or send word to the other two boys that he wanted them to play with him or they have both told me so.

"I still have one boy on the team that Mr. Kinney asked himself to go and help pitch.

"I am for Spur and have told Mr. Kinney that if his team would play my team sociable home games I was ready to put both teams together and win all for Spur if possible. "But, instead, they would not

Dickens Baptist Revival To Begin Friday

Rev. B. B. Huckabay, pastor of the Dickens Baptist Church, announces that a revival meeting will start at the Dickens church Friday, August 6. Rev. W. R. Derr, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ralls, will be the preacher.

Rev. Huckabay made the following statement: "Rev. Derr is an unusually good evangelist as well as a strong pastor. The Ralls church has had great progress under his leadership for the past two years. We are fortunate in obtaining his services without fear nor favor. We urge you to make plans to attend every service."

PLANS FOR SUMMER WORK BEING MADE FOR AG CLASS

The National Agricultural Students' Union, 23-27 in Spur high school, is now expecting to take agricultural next school term are asked to meet in the aggie room of the Junior high school next Saturday afternoon at 3:00. The meeting will be short. Projects for the remainder of the year will be discussed and the work in general taken up. A picnic for those interested will also come up for discussion.

A number of beef steers are being fed at this time and they are reported as doing nicely.

Cecil Ayres, the new teacher who has been on the job since July 1 has remodeled and reconditioned the class room and is planning a great year for the aggie boys. He will be at Lubbock the 9th, 10th and 11th attending the annual conference of vocational agricultural teachers in Areas 1 and 2 of Texas.

FINDS FATHER WHO WAS THOUGHT DEAD MANY YEARS

L. M. Moore, resident of Spur a number of years, received word Sunday that his father who was supposedly dead many years, was still alive.

A brother, E. W. Moore of Lubbock, received a letter from their father and notified his brother here.

The elder Mr. Moore left the family a Brookhaven, Miss., home 27 years ago and went to a Louisiana sawmill town. Eventually, he acquired a lumber camp. Then came news he had been killed in an accident. The family drifted apart.

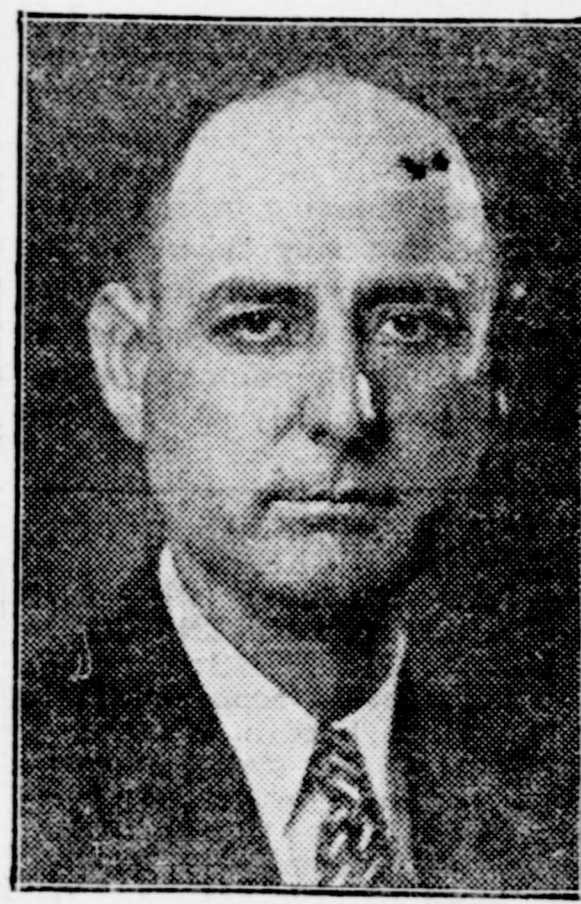
Then the other day, the father walked up against a Dallas relative who furnished the address of the Lubbock son. A daughter, Mrs. Lilly Allen, resides at Oak Grove, La.

Carl McCall of Boston, Mass., was visiting friends here Wednesday. Mr. McCall is with the International Harvester Company and was with the Engleman Truck & Tractor Company before being transferred to the East.

play us, but enticed my players off. "Anyone can be wrong and when I think I am right, I will stand for right until I am shown where I was wrong, then I am man enough to apologize.

"Now, you the reader—Who is right? and who is wrong?"

"A correction: "It has been reported that I asked Mr. Kinney for one-half the gate receipts. This statement is incorrect. "Signed: Terrell Hale, Manager Hale Ball Team."



JUDGE A. J. FOLLEY

Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo was a visitor in Spur Wednesday. Judge Folley is well known in Dickens County and has a large number of friends throughout this part of the state. He served as District Attorney and Judge of the 110th District before his appointment to the Court of Civil Appeals. He is always a welcome visitor in Spur and has a cordial invitation to return whenever his duties will permit.

Troop 35 Wins Scout Swim Meet

Troop 35, Blackie Wadzeck, Scoutmaster, easily won the Eastern District Swimming Meet held here last Friday. Troop 35 scored 252 points, Matador 20, Afton 11, Ralls 5 and Troop 36 1 point. The meet was in charge of Mr. Wadzeck and L. T. Grant of Lubbock.

The Scouts from the other towns arrived Thursday, camping at the park. A soft ball tournament was conducted Thursday night and a Court of Honor held Friday night. A barbecue was tendered the visitors and local Scouts Friday evening before the Court of Honor.

The following are the individual winners:

Seniors—Ages 16-17
40-Yard Back Stroke: Buddy Davis of Matador, first; Eugene Taylor of Troop 35, second; V. C. Smart of Troop 35, third.

40-Yard Side Stroke: B. F. Tunnell, Jr. of Matador, first; Buddy Davis of Matador, second; V. C. Smart of 35, third.

40-Yard Breast Stroke: Bill Lane of 35, first; B. F. Tunnell, Jr. of Matador, second; Eugene Taylor of 35, third.

40-Yard Crawl Stroke: Dean McInro, of Afton, first; David Robinson of Afton, second; B. F. Tunnell, third.

Distance Plunge: Fike Godfrey of 35, first; Chris Christensen of 35, second; Robt. Sawyer of Troop 36, third.

Medley Relay: Troop 35 first. Diving: Eugene Taylor of 35, first; Wade Gilbert of 35, second; V. C. Smart of 35, third.

40-Yard Free Style Relay: Troop 35, first.

Individual high point winners: Eugene Taylor, first; B. F. Tunnell, second and V. C. Smart, third.

Intermediates—Ages 14-15
30-Yard Back Stroke: Lloyd Barber of 35, first; Bill Lane, of 35, second and Raymond Ince of 35, third.

30-Yard Side Stroke: Lloyd Barber of 35, first; Amos Jones of Matador, second; G. J. Lane of 35 third.

30-Yard Breast Stroke: Bill Lane of 35, first; Chris Christensen of 35, second and V. C. Smart of 35, third.

30-Yard Crawl Stroke: Lloyd Barber of 35, first; Chris Christensen of 35, second; G. J. Lane of 35, second.

Distance Plunge: Chris Christensen of 35, first; Bill Lane of 35, second; Fike Godfrey of 35, third.

Medley Relay: Troop 35 first; Ralls, second.

Diving: Wade Gilbert of 35, first; Jeff Smart, of 35, second; V. C. Smart of 35, third.

Free Style Relay: Troop 35 first. Individual winners: Lloyd Barber, first; Bill Lane, second; V. C. Smart, third.

Juniors—Ages 12-13
20-Yard Back Stroke: Wade Gilbert of 35, first; Chas. Ensey of 35, second; Bob Weaver of 35, third.

20-Yard Breast Stroke: Billy Ray Barrett of 35, first; Bob Weaver of 35, second; Jno. O. Hardin of Ralls, third.

20-Yard Free Style: Wade Gilbert of 35, first; Billy Ray Barrett of 35, second; Stephen Barclay of 35, third.

Distance, Plunge: Wade Gilbert of 35, first; Bob Weaver of 35, second; Billy Ray Barrett of 35, third.

Medley Relay, Troop 35, first.

Diving: Wade Gilbert of 35, first; Chas. Ensey of 35, second, Billy Ray Barrett of 35, third.

Free Style Relay, Steve Barclay, Billy Ray Barrett, Bob Weaver, Wade Gilbert, Troop 35, first.

Individual high point winners: Wade Gilbert, first; Billy Ray Barrett, second; Bob Weaver, third.

Street Paving Started Monday

A long looked for project was started Monday when dirt was moved for the first WPA paving in Spur. The work started at the corner of Burlington Avenue and Sixth Street and will run from there to the east city limits on Cowan Avenue.

This three blocks are a WPA project with the major cost being paid by that organization. The City furnishes a superintendent, trucks and other lesser items of cost. The paving will be 22 1-2 feet wide and have a base of 8 inches deep with asphalt top.

Mayor Cowan in discussing the project stated that no effort would be made at this time to pave the full width of the street but the shoulder left would be handled later. The main purpose of the paving is to furnish labor for these men on the WPA rolls and provide a way for them to support their families during the time there was no other work for them to do.

The present project of three blocks will probably take 60 days to complete. Whether there will be more paving done and when will depend on the continuance of the WPA and the amount of available labor for the work here. It is possible that further paving will be done after January 1st, depending on economic conditions at the time.

Seen and Heard

A friend of ours has been talking for some time about a daily newspaper. For further details see Austin Bell.

The writer of these paragraphs is in receipt of the following epistle: "To my Softball Public and Johnson: "I wish to take this means of thanking each and all of you for the confidence you have manifested in my catching ability. You have proven by your statements that you think me to be a 100% errorless player and thinking thus, I can readily appreciate your apparent disappointment when this humble player made a bad throw to trip in the Girard game Tuesday night. In other words, my dear public, I CAN make an error and for the sake of my worthy team mates who also expect the usual bang-up game, please don't expect a 100% EVERY game. "Yours for what this is worth, "Grateful."

Another soft ball game, of general interest will be played tonight when the Rotary Club team faces Kinney's Red Birds. The following line up has been submitted for the Rotarians: Alexander, SP; Ericson, 2B; Burrow, C; Ghrner, P; Godfrey, 3B; Clemmons LF; Lane 1B; Allen SS; Starcher CF; Chastain RF. Reserves are Chapman, Cap McNeill and Roy Stovall.

We still haven't found whether the county tax rate has been set for 1937. We did hear though that the Commissioners' Court and Judge have been drawing their salary in cash from the auto license registration fund and issuing scrip to pay the other county officials. The law clearly states that the auto license fund is to be used exclusively for the construction of roads and bridges. And no county official "kicked" to the writer about this, the information coming from another source.

Someone asked the writer why he was printing these paragraphs from week to week about the expenditures of the Commissioners' Court. Here's the answer: When the Commissioners' Court straightens up the county finances and renders a true account to the taxpayers with printers ink, then we'll stop. And, the writer is not after anyone's political "neck" either, but, if the county newspaper doesn't go to bat for the taxpayers, who will?

We hear that one county fund is so far in the "red" that it can't be refunded. The taxpayers are at this time paying a 15c special levy, passed by an order of the Commissioners' Court to refund over \$75,000 of warrants. How soon can taxes be lowered with expenditures exceeding income?

NEW SALES MANGER FOR CAP ROCK LIFE INSURANCE

D. E. Bishop has been named Sales Manager and Assistant Secretary of the Cap Rock Life Insurance Company. Mr. Bishop, who comes, well recommended as an experienced man in the insurance business, has already entered upon his duties and will make his home at Spur.

The Cap Rock Life is near its second birthday and has shown a steady growth since organized in the fall of 1935 with policy holders all over this section of West Texas. A locally owned company, Ned Hogan is President and R. C. Brown is Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Dillingham left Sunday for Wellington where they plan to visit relatives several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harding spent the week end visiting relatives at Clovis, N. M.

SPECIAL SUNDAY DINNERS

Bell's Cafe

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Some Provisions Of Amendment To Aid Destitute Children

Aid to the needy blind and to dependent and destitute children of Texas are two services provided for in Constitutional Amendments which are being submitted to the people in the election August 23rd. These amendments will, if adopted, complete the Federal Social Security program in Texas, and will make for a round ed-out program of security for all of those groups of our citizens who are insecure, or potentially insecure.

Texas cannot afford to neglect her obligation to her unfortunates while other states of the Union are moving forward with the development of greatly needed social legislation. According to a release by the Social Security Board of July 13, 45 states and 3 territories have approved plans for assistance to the needy aged; 33 states for assistance to the needy blind, and 35 states for assistance to dependent children.

The amendment submitted for dependent children specifies that the state shall not appropriate more than a million and a half dollars per year for such service, and that the appropriation shall not exceed \$8 per month for one child, or \$12 per month for any one family. These figures represent the state's, two-third's contribution toward this type of assistance, as provided for under the Social Security Act. The Federal Government will then contribute the other one third, which means that the amendment will provide a maximum of \$12 per month for one child in a family, and \$18 per month for a family with two or more children. The Federal Government will also pay part of the administrative expense of this service. It is estimated that there is a minimum of 30,000 dependent and destitute children in the state. Surely Texas can do this much in providing the necessities of life for her needy children and in equipping them with physical and moral stamina to meet the responsibilities of life as the citizens of tomorrow!

The amendment for the needy blind provides a maximum appropriation by the state of \$15 per month per person over 21 years of age, provided he or she is not being maintained in an institution. The Federal Government will match the state dollar for dollar for this service, which means that the needy blind person over 21 years of age cannot receive under this amendment more than \$30 per month. The Federal Government also pays a part of the cost of administration of this service.

The ratification of these two amendments will mean a decided economic and social advantage to Texas. From a humanitarian viewpoint, it will mean that common justice will be done to two groups of needy individuals in the state who are unable to do for themselves.

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF DICKENS TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon R. E. Darden, who is a non-resident of this state, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, in the town of Dickens, on the fourth Monday in August, 1937, being the 23rd day of August, 1937, then and there to answer a petition filed in the said court on the 21 day of July, 1937, the file number of which is 1487, in which suit, M. A. Lea is plaintiff and R. E. Darden and Clarence Alexander are defendants; the cause of action being alleged as follows:

Suit by M. A. Lea against R. E. Darden, C. D. Ferris and Clarence Alexander to establish and foreclose a lien represented by three vendor's lien notes executed by R. E. Darden and payable, to W. B. Lee, said notes being dated the 20th day of December, 1935 and numbered one, two and three and payable consecutively and serially on the 15th day of November, 1936 through 1938, each for the sum of \$339.00 and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from date until maturity and further providing that the notes and all past due interest thereon shall bear interest from the maturity thereof, until paid, at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and further providing that if the notes are placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, or if collected by legal proceedings, to pay ten per cent additional, on the principal and interest due thereon, as collection fees, said vendor's lien notes being given in part payment for a certain lot or parcel of land situated in Dickens County, Texas consisting of 165 acres of land, more or less, being the N. E. 1-4 of H. & G. N. R. Co. Survey No. 187, Block No. 1, Abstract No. 100, said land being the same land conveyed to R. E. Darden by W. B. Lee and Emma Lee by warranty deed dated the 20th day of December, 1935, and said deed reciting the retention of the above vendor's lien by W. B. Lee; the said W. B. Lee thereafter did sell, transfer and assign by endorsement the three above mentioned vendor's lien notes to the said M. A. Lea for a valuable consideration, and the said M. A. Lea is now the holder and owner of the said three above vendor's lien notes, that the above notes are unpaid and long past due, except for payments on Note No. 1 as follows: Jan. 12, 1936—\$125.00; Nov. 18, 1936—\$19.34; June 28, 1937—\$134.81, and on Note No. 2, as follows: June 30, 1937—\$31.07, and on Note No. 3 as follows: June 30, 1937—\$31.07; and though often requested, defendant still refuses to pay the balance due on said notes; plaintiff brings this action to establish his lien on the above described real property and to foreclose the lien on the same, and

You are commanded to so summons such defendant, and to serve

this citation, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county; but if there be no newspaper published in said county, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county where a newspaper is published.

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

Given under my hand and the seal of said court in County of Dickens, this the 21st day of July, A. D. 1937.

Nettie Littlefield, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas.

Issued this the 21st day of July, A. D. 1937.

Nettie Littlefield, Clerk of the District Court of Dickens County, Texas.

(July 22, 29, Aug. 5, 12)

Phantom Bandit Finds Love and Revenge In "The Californian"

An outdoor drama that captures all the thrilling action and picturesque life of the Far West during the most colorful period of its history, Harold Bel Wright's "The Californian", playing at the Palace Saturday, with Ricardo Cortez in the starring role of the Twentieth Century-Fox release.

The action of the story takes place in the year 1850, just following the great gold rush of the year before and shortly after the American flag has taken the place of the emblem of Mexico over California. The idyllic life of the wealthy Mexican ranchers had been disrupted by the advent of renegade gold-seekers who are fast bringing the landowner to the verge of ruin by confiscating their belongings under the guise of collecting taxes.

Cortez, portraying a son of one of the rancheros, turns outlaw to avenge his people and becomes a Robin Hood of the Old West, a phantom bandit who leaves behind a haunting laugh as a token of his daring raids. Pouncing swiftly on the dishonest invaders with his band and each time escaping to his mountain camp, Cortez throws havoc into their ranks until finally the arrival of a detachment of the U. S. Cavalry sent out to bring in the phantom bandit, brings the colorful story to a surprising climax.

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF DICKENS TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY, PETITIONER, AND TO N. A. BROWN, F. R. ALLISON, C. W. MIDDLETON and W. C. MEDFORD, OWNERS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON THE 30th day of August, 1937, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., and at Dickens county courthouse, in Dickens, Texas, Dickens County, Texas, the undersigned, Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property, to-wit:

The South 12.5 feet of Lots 21 and 22, Block 62; the South 13.5 feet of Lot 23, Block 62; the South 70 feet of Lot 8, Block 73; the South 78 feet of Lot 9, Block 73; the South 92 feet of Lot 11, Block 73; all of Lot 16, Block 73, all of Lot 1, Block 96; a portion of Lot 1, Block 142, being more fully described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point, the SE corner of said Lot 1, Block 142; Thence N. 1 deg. 10 min. E with the E. line of said Lot 1, Block 142, a distance of 47.76 feet to a point on the N right of way line;

Thence S 66 deg. 45 min. W with the N right of way line a distance of 115.52 feet to a point on the S line of said Lot 1, Block 142;

Thence S 88 deg. 50 min. E with the S line of said Lot 1, Block 142, a distance of 105.2 feet to the place of Beginning.

All of Lot 4, Block 142.

All of the above and foregoing lots and parts of lots, tracts or parcels of land, being situated in the Town of Dickens, Dickens County, Texas, for the purpose, of a right of way for State Highway No. 24, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas with said Judge on the 26 day of July, 1937 to which reference is hereto, made, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said written statement, and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

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SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.
(July 29, August 5, 12, 19)

BELLE BENNETT MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Members of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the Methodist Church for a mission program. The lesson was on "The Negro" from the Mission book "Racial Problems". And the Rev. Donald, pastor of the local colored people's church and several members rendered an interesting program including folks reading and songs. Next Monday the Society will have a social at the church, and request that all members attend.

Those present were Mesdames M. H. Costello, H. Simmons, Cauthin Lester Ericson, John Mims, Clark Lewis, Jerry Bell, John Albin, J.C. Butler, P. H. Gates, Frank Neil of Vally Mills and Mrs. Jasper Wood.

PATTON SPRINGS 4-H CLUB

"It seems to me that the Farm Fruit Plot demonstration is valuable especially when it enables a family to produce their own fruit rather than having to buy it," commented Della Dean Baxter, Farm Fruit Plot cooperater of the Patton Springs 4-H club, in giving her report on the work she has done.

"Since we have started the Demonstration in Dickens County, we have built up our orchard to four acres, which is planted to fruit trees, grapes, and berries. There are ten varieties of fruit in these four acres, and those which are producing this year are apples, plums, grapes, berries, and pecans.

"So far this summer, we have gathered about 65 bushels of peaches. Approximately 50 bushels were sold for \$62.50; we canned about five and a half bushels, and the rest were given to neighbors. Our orchard produced enough plums for family use, and we have had apples from three trees. The grapes are just now beginning to ripen, and last week we canned forty one quarts of grape juice." All the 4-H girls over Dickens county have set out grapes and berries this year to help take care of the family fruit needs. In the Patton Springs club, Della Dean and her other cooperaters are one hundred per cent in setting out grapes and berries.

MRS. JOE D. GIDDENS HONORS HUSBAND ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Joe D. Giddens entertained with a '42' party on Friday evening of last week honoring her husband on his birthday.

After several games of '42', the hostess presented birthday cakes to the honoree and Dale Dinningham. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were passed to Messers and Msdms. John L. King, Jr., Dale Dillingham, Earnest Goerje, Coy McMahan, M. V. Tidwell, Horace Hyatt, Marvin Vaugn, Misses Rubie Rae William-son and Patsie Hyatt.

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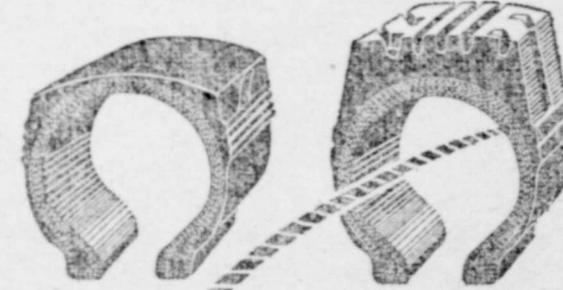
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 - Preserves, blackberry, 2 lb. jar 42c
 - SPUDS, 10 lb. white .. 21c
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SPECIALS

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 - Beef Roast, fat brisket, lb. 12½c
 - Lamb Chops, lb. 18c
 - Lamb Roast, lb. 12c
 - Catfish, dressed, headless, lb. ... 25c
 - Mix Sausage, lb. 15c
 - Summer Sausage, genuine, the Best, lb. 23c
- We Deliver Phone 80**

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR LAURIE ROBERT BURROWS

Mrs. L. R. Burrows entertained a large group of children on Thursday afternoon of last week honoring her son, Laurie Robert on his seventh birthday. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Fontis McGlathery, Misses Ann Dennis and Ruth Crawford of Troy, Texas, Melba Jo Hazel and Marjorie Burrow.

After two hours to play, a beautiful white birthday cake lighted by six pink candles was cut and served with ice cream.

Included on the guest list were Bonnie Beth Henry, Audrey Nell and Bill Dyes, Creolo and Jackie Rector, Patsie Hyatt, Loyal Cato, Jimmie Koon, Jimmie McNeil, Ned Blackwell, Patricia Ann and Helen Virginia Morris, Home Charles Wilson, Mack and Jane Brannen, Marlon Speer, Pat Lewis, Ernestine Berry, Joe Nell Addie, Girdlene Dillingham, Virginia Wood, Aubrey and Merleth McNeil, Neal A. Chastain, Ann Hull, Ernest McClanahan, and Lonnie Joe Edwards.

THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. J. C. McNeil III and Mrs. R. E. Dickson were prize winners on Thursday afternoon when Mrs. C. B. Jones was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and a few guests at the Spur Inn.

During the games of contract the hostess served delightful iced drinks and at the conclusion of the game hour refreshments of peppermint ice cream and angle cake were served. Those attending were Mesdms. W. T. Andrews, O. C. Thomas, B. C. Cairns, B. M. Spadden of Chicago, J. C. McNeil III, R. E. Dickson, Misses Thelma Swenson, and Julia Hickman.

MRS. ELLIS HOSTESS TO PLAY-A-WHILE CLUB

On Thursday afternoon of last week Mrs. Ellis was a delightful hostess when she entertained members of the Play-A-While Club in her home at the Spur Ranch twelve miles northwest of Spur. Three tables were arranged in the living room where guests enjoyed

several interesting games of progressive '42', preceeding a watermelon feast and swimming party.

Included on the guest list were Mesdames J. W. Carlisle, D. B. Sauls, D. J. Dyes, Lester Ericson, Monk Rucker, W. N. Kinney, John A. Moore, Joe Butler, Frank Neil, M. V. Tidwell, A. M. Shepherd and Wallace Henson.

MRS. WATSON HONORED

Mrs. O. C. Thomas entertained with a bridge party honoring Mrs. Murray Watson of Mart, Texas on Wednesday afternoon.

After the games, colorful linen hand towels were given to the honoree and to Mrs. R. A. Taylor as high guest. A refreshment plate of cantaloupe a la mode was passed to Mesdames Ty Allen, W. T. Andrews, G. B. Wadzeck, R. A. Taylor, F. W. Jennings, E. D. Engleman, Cash Wileman and Murray Watson.

BAPTIST W. M. S. MEET MONDAY

Two circles of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock for a Bible study. Seven members of the North West Circle met in the home of Mrs. L. W. Langston. The meeting was opened with a song and prayer and Mrs. E. J. Cowan taught the Bible lesson from the first seven chapters of Second Samuel.

Mrs. Homer Cargile was hostess to the Bagby Circle and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey taught the Bible lesson in the absence of the teacher. Mrs. A. M. Walker. All Circles will meet for a Bible study next Monday.

1925 BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the 1925 Bridge club were entertained with a cleverly planned morning bridge and luncheon on Wednesday at 9:30 when Mrs. Nellie Davis was hostess in her home on North Trumbull Ave.

In the games of contract Mrs. Ray Taylor made high score for members and was presented a dainty Maderia dinner napkin as prize award. Mrs. White played high for guests and received a lovely gift

from the hostess. Beautiful red roses formed the center piece for the luncheon table. Those attending were Mesdames V. V. Parr, W. T. Andrews, C. L. Lane, Ray Taylor, White, W. R. Lewis and McKinney.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DENNIS BINGHAM

On Saturday afternoon at four o'clock Mrs. Abb Bingham assisted by Mrs. O. H. Christenson entertained with a lawn party complimenting her son Dennis on his sixth birthday.

After an hour of games the children were served refreshments of lemonade and cake. Candy-mints were given as favors. Those present were Henry Gruben, Earnest McClanahan, Homer Charles Wilson, Patsie and Clarken, Lewis, Joy and Gay Christenson, Edwin and Glenna Jones, Lonnie Joe Edwards and Lyndal Bingham.

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF DICKENS TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DICKENS COUNTY, PETITIONER, AND TO LAURA BARKLEY, residence unknown, OWNER:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON THE 30th day of August, 1937, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., and at Dickens county courthouse, in Dickens, Texas, Dickens County, Texas, the undersigned, Special Commissioners appointed by the Judge of the County Court of said County to assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property, to-wit:

All of Lot 3, Block 96, Town of Dickens, Dickens County, Texas, for the purpose of a right of way for Stat., Highway No. 24, all of which more fully appears in a certain written statement filed by the said Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas with said Judge on the 26th day of July, 1937, to which reference is here made, having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said written statement, and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

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SO-SUM CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MRS. LEE

On Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock Mrs. W. B. Lee was hostess when she entertained members of the So-Sum Club in her home on North Parker. Mrs. P. C. Nickols conducted a brief business session and members answered roll call with current topics. Sewing was the diversion for the afternoon. Refreshments of grape sherbert, cake, olives were passed to Mesdames Roy Stovall, E. S. Lee, Jas. B. Reed, W. R. Weaver, P. C. Nickols, H. C. Foote, G. J. Lane and A. M. Walker.

Young Friend Think It Over

How many times have you said to yourself, "Well, I have as good a chance for a successful future as the average young man or woman." No doubt, many many times you have made either that or a similar secret observation of your situation, and have found yourself sitting back satisfied, while those who wished to exceed the 'average' went around or above you.

Of course, it is not a happy situation when one is forced to admit that he, or she is only an average person, but why should any person who is equipped with a good mind and healthy body feel that praise is due simply because he has maintained his footing in the ranks of the average?

You, perhaps, have heard the time worn statement to the effect that "It is awfully crowded at the bottom but there is plenty of room at the top." Surely you will agree that those satisfied members of the "Average Club" are not the ones who are at the top where there is plenty of room for those well trained.

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One year ago today you were one year younger than you are today—one year from today you will be one year older. What are you planning to do with a few months, weeks or days during the coming year in which you might be preparing yourself for this perpendicular rise to the payroll which BRYNE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE is in a position to place you?

One year from today you will be financially, socially, mentally and actually just where you are today, or will you have taken this Byrne College "opportunity" trip and be able to look back on today and be figuratively, slap yourself on the back because you had the necessary pride, foresight, and determination to "snap out of it"?

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Courtesy and Safety Go Hand In Hand

Editor's Note: Modern cars are as safe as men know how to make them but there is still room for improvement in the manner in which they are driven. Considerations not only of safety, but also of getting maximum utility and satisfaction, strongly suggest the need of effort to better driving technique. In this article, a leading automotive engineer makes a constructive suggestion on the subject. This is one of a series designed to help motorists obtain all the benefits which engineering and production skill are building into cars today.

By J. M. CRAWFORD, Chief Engineer, Chevrolet Division General Motors Corporation

It is strange, but nevertheless true, that many persons who would not think of plowing through a drawing room with cries of "Gangway! Here I come!" climb into their cars every day of the week and commit, on the streets and highways, the exact parallel of that social offence.

This fact lends to point to the slogan of so many safety campaigns

to the effect that courtesy and safety go hand in hand. It's a long time since Alphonse and Gaston disappeared from the comic pages; but the spirit of "You first, my dear Alphonse!" would go a long way, today, to remedy traffic ills.

One of the most glaring instances of discourtesy is to be seen on almost any busy artery, during the rush hour. Traffic on the through street will pile up solidly, blocking intersecting streets, so that it is only by matching rudeness with rudeness, and forcing their way through, that drivers on the latter can cross busy thoroughfares.

A moment's reflection would convince any motorist that he would really lose no time at all by leaving a gap ahead, when approaching a cross street. As soon as cross traffic has cleared, he will be on his way again, with no net loss whatever. And the fellow whom he let through will be merry on his way.

I know one driver who always makes it a point, when driving in heavy traffic, to pause for cross-traffic to go through. He does it even when there is a car-length or so which would permit him to clear the intersection himself. "The point is," he explains, "that only about one driver in a dozen will give these other fellows a break. If I don't stop the procession long enough to let them cross, the line may start and stop half a dozen times before someone takes pity on them and does it."

Robert Greer of Los Angeles is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Greer.

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Every empty seat could be filled without the expenditure of a single extra cent and with infinite profit. Sermon, music, warmth are all supplied, whatever the audience. As a matter of economics, success here is certainly cheap, failure is expensive. There is nothing in the church so extravagant as that Empty Pew. It cost as much as yours and pays nothing back. Fill it and you have not only given, but you have gained.

Now the sole cost to you of making the service more stimulating, the sermon more inspiring, the music more charming, the fellowship wider and more humane, the atmosphere more congenial, is just a little kindly word of invitation, a little extra energy in behalf of your Master and your Church.

How can you possibly face that Empty Pew? How then can you fill that Empty Pew?

You who are church members and attend Sunday School each Sunday, make it your plan now to bring some one with you next Sunday morning that have not been attending. Give some one an earnest invitation—it will help.

Then you church members who have been staying away from your church services put forth a bit of effort, backed up by fervent prayer for your church, and you will be seen at your church Sunday morning.

THINK THIS OVER

"If every member of my church was just like me, What kind of a church would my church be?"

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. A class, a room, a teacher for all. COME. Preaching 11:00 A. M. Subject, "The Church." Text, Luke 19:46. "Ye have made it." Preaching 8:30 p. m. Nice and cool out door services—COME. P. H. Gates, Pastor.

Geo. Robinson and family of Lamesa spent the week end here visiting in the home of John Hazelwood.

MARX BROTHERS



In "A Day At the Races" with Allen Jones, Maureen O'Sullivan. Showing at the Palace — Prevue Saturday Night, Sunday and Monday.

New Aggie Teacher At Patton Springs

Manual Ayres has accepted the position of Vocational Agricultural teacher in the Patton Springs school for the coming year. A 1937 graduate of Texas Technological College at Lubbock, Mr. Ayres received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Education.

Mr. Ayres is the third Tech graduate to accept agriculture positions in the county this year but is no relation to Mr. Ayres, the Spur Ag teacher. He expects approximately 40 boys in his classes at Patton Springs this year.

Mrs. N. M. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Allie Seifres returned last week from a vacation trip to Arizona.

State Pension Director Explains Investigation

Reinvestigating of the rolls is the normal process by which a social welfare program is adjusted to changing economic conditions. State Pension Director W. A. Little explained this week.

"It is logical that an assistance grant made six months ago is probably either too small or too large for the present needs of an applicant. 'Reinvestigation' means that the Old Age Assistance Commission is going back and study cases to see if each grant meets the needs of the individual," he added.

Little said the old age assistance program under both the Texas and federal laws was based upon the grants of aid being in the exact amounts of the needs of the applicants. He pointed out that continuous re-investigations were an important part of any welfare program.

"When a grant is changed, either by being raised or lowered, such action must come only after the studied and serious consideration of the conditions surrounding the particular individual, of his needs, of his resources. To change a person's grant without a complete study of his case would be thoroughly unfair," the Director declared.

MRS. MATTIE SMILEY BURIED AT ROARING SPRINGS

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Church of Christ in Roaring Springs for Mrs. Mattie Smiley, pioneer citizen of Dickens and Motley counties. Services were conducted by Rev. R. C. Brown, Spur minister. Burial was in Roaring Springs cemetery in charge of Bill Kinney.

Mrs. Smiley had lived in this section many years and for most of her life had been a member of the Church of Christ. She was survived by three sons and two daughters and of the boys being D. P. Smiley and W. S. Smiley.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL FIRST CHRISTAIN CHURCH

Mrs. B. F. Hale was hostess on Monday afternoon to the Woman's Council of the First Christain Church. Mrs. R. E. Dickson, council president, presided in a short business session followed by a Home Mission lesson. Those on the program were Mesdames E. C. McGee, Fontis McGlathery and L. R. Burrow. The meeting was closed with the benediction after which Mrs. Hale served a delicious refreshment plate to eight members.

"THE REST OF THE RECORD"

BY JAMES V. ALLRED
Governor of Texas

AUSTIN—There are times when every public official wishes he could lay before the people all the facts in a current controversy, so that the people themselves might judge, whether his acts were justified.

Several editor friends to whom I made this comment have replied, "Well, Jimmie, why don't you write out those facts as you see them?" So I have decided to do just that, and take advantage of the generosity of these editors by laying before their readers what I call "the rest of the record." This is my first try at it.

SCHOOL CRITICISM UNFAIR

It's a strange thing when public officials are criticized for reducing taxes—for reducing taxes without detracting one iota from public service. Yet, believe it or not, that is exactly what is happening in the current controversy over the state's public school apportionment.

When State Comptroller George H. Sheppard and I cut the state property tax rate, for school purposes from 20 cents to 7 cents, we are accused by other public officials—who should be as deeply concerned as we are over the average man's tax burden—of taking something, somehow, from the school children of Texas.

I tell you flatly, that is not true. At their best, these statements give you but a part of the record. And a very distorted part, at that.

Every informed school official knows that since I have been governor, the schools have received far more aid from the state than ever before in the state's history.

RECORD FRIENDLY

For parents in general, who are not apprised of the mechanics of state aid, this explanation is in order: The state helps support schools through two means. First, there is the available school fund, which is divided among the districts on the basis of registered children of school age.

Then there is the "rural aid fund" or the "equalization fund," so-called, which is an additional grant to poorer rural districts.

Rural aid has jumped two and a half million dollars each year I have been in office! When I was inaugurated, it totaled three million dollars; today it is five and a half million. The present controversy isn't over rural aid; it is concerned with the available school fund, distributed on a basis of so much for each child—the state "per capita."

Now this fact is undisputed. During the first year of my administration, the state contributed \$19 per student in the per capita apportionment toward the education of each of approximately 1,500,000 Texas children—and this payment likewise was the highest amount in Texas history!

But here is the fact which the critics want you to forget: the per capita this next year will be even greater—at least \$20, and perhaps a little more—and at the same time property tax payers will get a tax reduction! The revenues will come from other sources than ad valorem taxes on property.

Does that sound like taking anything from anybody?

TAX REDUCTION STAND

Upon what are the critics basing their charges? Well, here's how it all happened:

The law says the per capita shall be fixed by the State Board of Education, on or before August 1st. At that time, the Comptroller shall furnish the Board of Education with an estimate of available funds. The Board is then required to do a simple problem in arithmetic—divide the total anticipated revenues by the total number of pupils—and the answer is the per capita.

Now another law says that the Automatic Tax Board, of which Mr. Sheppard and I are members, shall meet by July 20th and set a property tax which will insure enough anticipated revenues to pay \$17.50 per capita.

I construe these two laws to mean that the tax board must meet first, find out how much money will be available for schools, and vote enough property taxes to make up the difference. Last year, that's what we did. We found we could reduce the school tax from 35 cents to 20 cents, and still pay the schools \$17.50. Not a soul objected. Happily, revenues from other sources were greater than expected, and a per capita of \$19.02 was possible.

But this year, for some mysterious reason, the Board of Education met first, and presumed that we would continue the 20 cent tax, regardless of need. Why they so presumed is as deep a mystery as why they met before the possibly could know what the revenues would be—for they couldn't know until after the tax board met. With the 20 cent tax rate, they could make a per capita apportionment of \$22, or expressed another way, an increase of \$4,680,000 over last year.

I firmly believe that certain people thought they saw a way to tie the hands of the Tax Board and force Mr. Sheppard and me to yield to political expediency at the expense of the taxpayers—who certainly ought to be entitled to some consideration. Everybody knows how burdensome real estate taxes have become.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings returned Monday from a vacation trip to Dallas.

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"Lunch is no more important from the standpoint of health than any other meal in the day, but it is more difficult to keep up to the standard of wholesomeness and cleanliness," said Mrs. John Backman in her talk on "Quick breads go to school and parties", to the Soldier Mound Home Demonstration Club at the home of Mrs. Paul Lee last Thursday.

The contained for a school lunch should be one that is easily cleaned and sterilized, and must contain an adequate diet of milk, vegetables, fruits and proteins. This might consist of milk just to drink or a milk soup or cocoa, a meat, cheese, or egg sandwich, a sweet sandwich, such as orange bread with a filling of peanut butter moistened with orange juice. Then there is the fruit, apples, bananas, or dates and a helpful sweet such as cookies or small cakes without rich icings. In making sandwiches do not cut the crust from the bread as it provides excellent exercise for the teeth.

Those present were: Mesdames John Backman, W. H. Condron, Ollie Hindman, Floyd Barnett, Babe Berry, W. C. Ballard; Mrs. V. L. Graves, new member and Mrs. D. N. Lee, visitor.

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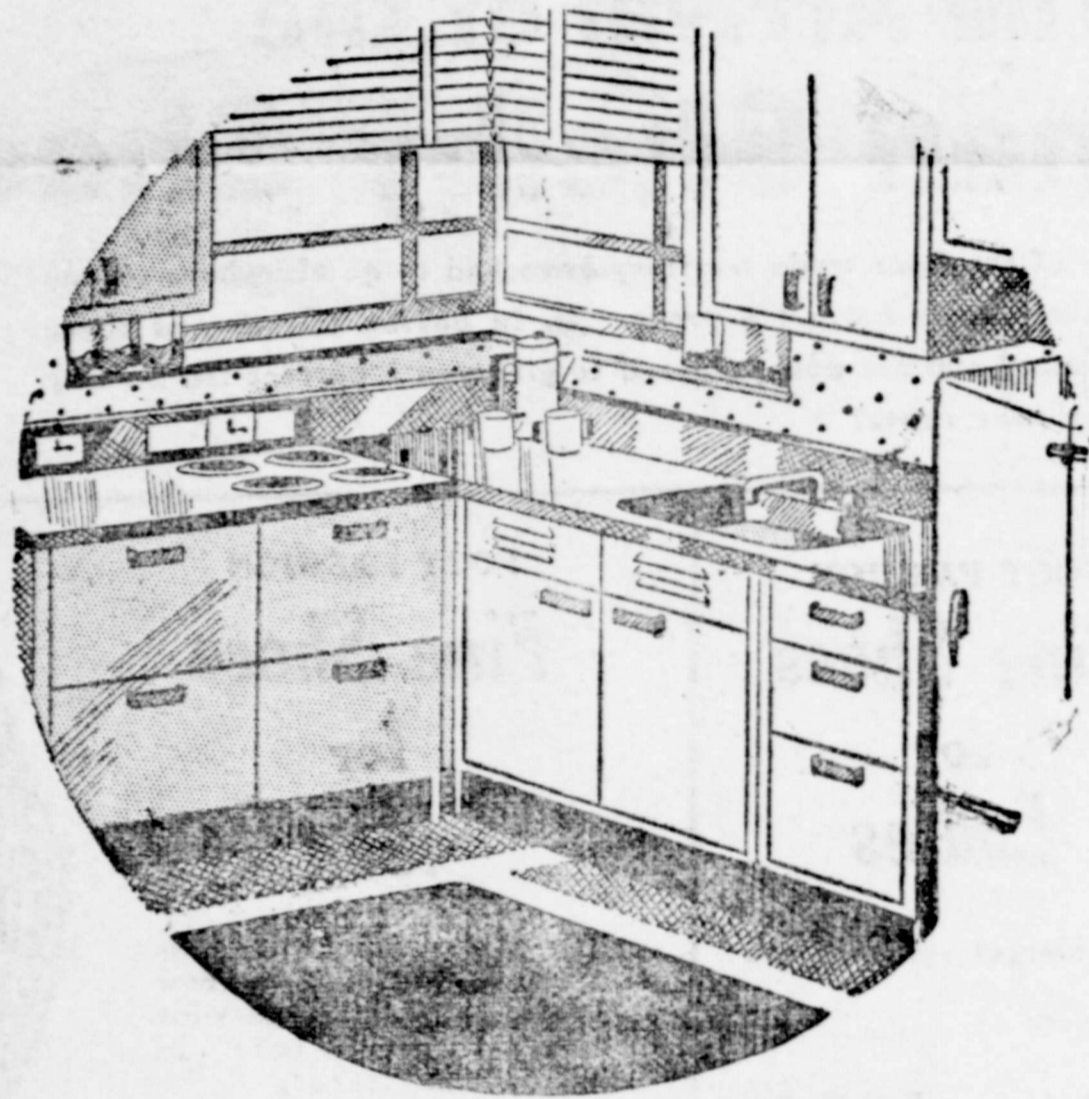
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EXPERT TO JUDGE ENTRIES

Dr. Charles Earle Funk, Funk & Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary, will be the judge in the "Name-A-Housewife" contest. This famous expert on words and writer of dictionaries has consented to serve in the campaign to secure a more appropriate name for the modern West Texas woman. Entries will be sent to Dr. Funk immediately upon close of the contest. He will select the 13 winners.

STILL TIME TO ENTER

It must be a single word but may be compounded from several suggesting economy, efficiency and the leisure derived through use of Electric Service. All women are eligible to send in as many entries as they like. (Employee families and advertising agencies ineligible.) All entries become the property of this company. Entries will be received until midnight, Saturday, August 14. Each entry should be accompanied by a brief letter telling why you think it more appropriate for the modern West Texas woman.

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