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Judge Formby Gets Appointment To Second Term

With the re-appointment of County Judge Marshall Formby to a place on the Legislative Committee of the Texas County Judges' and Commissioners' Association, by County Judge Jake J. Loy of Grayson County, President of the Association, comes to concentrate of interest for this area in the young judge's endeavors to serve efficiently the Lone Star State as well as West Texas.

The appointment of Judge Formby last year brought to this influential body one of the youngest men to serve with that group, and likewise of note that he is the first Dickens County judge to be appointed to that active department of the association.

Representing the 30th Senatorial District on the Committee, Judge Formby's untiring attention to area needs has not only been basis for favorable mention from the association heads, but with the aid of the County Commissioner group has been instrumental in bringing some effective notice and benefits to this county.

The fact that Dickens County's judge receives re-appointment for another year to serve on the Legislative Committee is at once seen as a benefit especially to highways here, as the past year may have given evidence through Formby's and the Commissioners' Court's team work in bringing about savings and additional funds.

J. O. Manning And Son Open Plumbing Firm Here

J. O. Manning and son, J. O., Jr., of Lubbock, have established a new plumbing service in Spur, and state that they are equipped to handle any job, large or small.

The new firm has headquarters at the Gruben Radio and Appliance store, and along with their plumbing services are also interested in business sales and servicing.

E. Barker Takes Over Sunshine Agency

L. E. Barker, for some time the wholesale agent for Phillips "66" products here, makes announcement that he has taken over the Sunshine Service Station, and in the future will have offices in that place for a wholesale agency.

Phillips "66" products will be carried in the future at the Sunshine station, along with the full line of tires, tubes, accessories, and complete auto service.

UTS ESPUELA LAND

Gene Bass, who has been a prominent figure in the Spur country for 23 years, was in Spur Saturday, and informs us he is making some land changes. Gene owned a nice slice of land on the Plains, but old it and bought the old Hairgrove place out at Espuela. He and Mrs. Bass are moving to Espuela right way. More good folk moving to a good community is the basis of first-rate progress.

Harley Winkler, prosperous farmer of the Croton country, was mingling with friends and trading with our merchants in Spur on First Monday Trades Day.

RESOLUTION

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Our Service

at the beginning of this year—because we make a practice of always keeping it up to par... but we did resolve to keep on giving the same high-type service and the better foods.

Good Food Will Help
To Keep You Healthy
In 1939.

BELL'S CAFE

RE-APPOINTED



JUDGE MARSHALL FORMBY

Bron-Kelley Forming Insurance, Real Estate Firm

A business merger made public this week, and combining to give the area full service in insurance, real estate and oil leases, is that of a partnership between R. C. Brown and Carl L. Kelley, both formerly operating in separate offices.

Ofs for the new firm will be in the north front office space of the Pala Theatre, and general service will include the entirety of what the individuals have offered in the past. R. Brown, local head of the Cap Rock Life Insurance Company, continues the insurance representation with Kelley, and Kelley brings to the firm's entire real estate and oil lease activities.

Members of the new firm have extended an invitation to old customers and new alike to come and see them at the new home.

Though without material change in legal activities, the Cap Rock Life Insurance Company has recently affiliated itself with an Old Line Company, bringing about greater results.

New Hatchery Fording At Ton

Jesse Bass, hatcheryman out at Ton, was in Spur over the week-end seeing friends and attending to business. Mr. and Mrs. Bass have been operating their hatchery out there for some time, and report that it has been fair.

According to Jesse, the hatchery will be housed in a new building in 9. They are constructing a new one on the lots where they have been operating. All modern, he says; capacity increased from 6,500 to 10,000 chicks, with the floor space of new structure, 15x24 feet, more commodious. The house will be well lighted and ventilated, and Jesse says see him for baby chicks to order. He's starting up pretty soon to supply the demand.

PARKS HOME SCENE OF FATTED CALF FEAST

Taking a turn to the "fatted calf scene" for their annual New Year's feast, the Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Parks home out in the Highway community was the place of entertainment of a number of guests and the children to mark the beginning of 1939.

Present for the big feast were Mr. and Mrs. Martin Parks, and small son, Jerome, and Miss Winnie Sparks, of Riverdale, California; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Frazier and daughter, Anna Bell, Highway; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murchison and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Koonsman of the Wichita community; and Jimmie and Billy Sparks.

Mesdames Martin Parks, Murchison and Koonsman are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Sparks.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks and Miss Winnie Sparks will remain here for a visit through the month of January, returning to California early in February.

M. M. TULLIS NEW READER

M. M. Tullis, who for many years has farmed about five miles northeast of Spur, was in Spur Tuesday, and while here placed an advertisement along with an order for The Texas Spur another year. M. M. says he has about 40 good shoats to sell, as well as a good Farmall 20 with equipment. See him for some bargains.

W. J. Garrett, from out at the "24" ranch terrain, was here Monday to attend the cattle sale at the Spur Livestock Auction & Commission sales barn.

W. H. Martin, Former Episcopal Minister Of Spur Made Chaplain Marine Hospital

With pride that mingles with kindly memories of a noble and benevolent adherent of the Christian Faith, Spur area Episcopalians cheer the announcement that a former minister here, the Rev. W. H. Martin, has been called to the place of Chaplain of a U. S. Marine Hospital and Chapel of Our Redeemer, Fort Stanton, New Mexico.

Early in the year 1936 when Rev. Martin came to Spur there was no Episcopal church in which to hold services. Episcopal people here gathered at the Directors' Room of the Security Bank and had their services. The movement for a church, although under way before Rev. Martin's arrival, was given impetus, and action was taken by the entire group.

It is well known by most residents of this territory that every church organization or denomination, on or immediately following establishment

of Spur, was given a lot on which to build their church by S. M. Swenson & Sons, administered by the late Charles A. Jones. In the Spring of 1937, while Rev. Martin was still with the Spur church, the Episcopal church was built; and unique in area church history, the small group of Episcopalians had sufficient funds on hand at that time to completely finance the project.

Following his influential sojourn with the Spur Episcopal congregation, Rev. Martin left here in 1937 and went to Garden City, Kansas, where he was located for some time. Such has been his service to the church and Christian Faith, his deep interest and constant work, that this responsible place sought him out.

Hundreds of friends here join the Episcopalians in wishing the former minister happiness in his new duties, and although his call may be unexpected to them, carries little surprise.

Students Return To Colleges; New Year Stimulates Interest - Resume

With the ring-in of 1939, following an "unusually happy season for the Christmas holidays, practically all college students here disappear from the scene of activity by departure to respective schools to again take up work of higher learning.

Although most of the area college-goers had returned to their studies Saturday, some went Sunday, while others were not called away until Monday.

The list includes:

Mary Louise Lisenby, daughter of Mrs. Ed Lisenby; Francis Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gibson; Ted Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander; James Henry and Ruth Cowan, son and daughter of Judge and Mrs. E. J. Cowan; Ione and Viola Pickens, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pickens; Gladys Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robertson; Nadine Foreman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Foreman; Victor Joyner, son of Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Joyner; W. D. Blair, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Blair; Opal McLaughery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McLaughery; Elmer Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Adams; V. C. Smart, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Smart; Jack Keen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen, Texas Tech, Lubbock.

Johnnie Nichols, son of Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Nichols, New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N. M.

Isabell Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Southwestern, Georgetown.

Luther Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones; Wilson Garner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Garner, New Mexico State Normal, Las Vegas, N. M.

Bill Caraway, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caraway; Helen Hale, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale, T. C. U., Fort Worth.

Mary Jo Callier, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Collier; Annie Laurie Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lewis; and Nelta Pritchett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pritchett, A. C. C., Abilene.

Melba Jo Hazel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hazel; Miffam Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Reed, Baylor University, Waco.

Bill Putman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Putman, Texas Military Academy, Terrell.

Grace Dodson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Dodson; Wynell McClure, daughter of Mrs. Oran McClure; Howard-Simmons, Abilene.

Lance Hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hurst, T. W. C., Ft. Worth.

Joe Paul Alexander, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander, Wayland College, Plainview.

Carl Arthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Arthur, Texas University, Austin.

Helen Joyner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Joyner; Elizabeth Wolf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wolf; Alma Schooler, of Dumont, Howard-Payne, Brownwood.

Van Hairgrove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Hairgrove; R. J. P. II, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell; Joe Gilbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gilbert; Alton McCully, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McCully, McMurry, Abilene.

Jack Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones; Roger Garrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Garrison; W. K. Harvey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Harvey; Clinton Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett, A & M, College Station.

Jimmie Watson, son of Mr. and

Now "Grand" Pappy



W. LEE O'DANIEL

Although O'Daniel has apparently been head man in the big Lone Star Show for some time, the New Year brings him a nice gift from the people of Texas—Governorship. Oath of office will be taken January 17. Perhaps the meaning is that "Biscuits Are In Flower!"

Few Changes Made In The County Personnel

Although many changes take place on the state scene in the matter of office-holders, very few occur in the personnel of Dickens County officials.

In the matter of commissioners, but one new man goes into the body to begin 1939 work with the Court. W. H. Hindman goes in from Precinct 3; however, Jim Offield, who was elected for the coming term, was sworn in several weeks ago to fill a vacancy, Precinct 2.

Oscar Brittain Visits Relatives In South-East Texas

In a four-day jaunt to visit relatives and enjoy the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brittain, joined here at the beginning of the journey by Miss Tommie Brittain, teacher in the Plains, Yoakum County, schools, took off for south-east Texas on Christmas Eve, skirting the Texas Coast in the round.

For the first stop-over, the Brittain's visited Mr. Brittain's father, Frank Brittain, and brother, Tom Brittain, in Waco. Tom and son, David Earl, accompanied the Spur visitors on part of their journey, touching Galveston, Houston, and on over to the Old San Jacinto Battle Ground—"Father soil of this liberty o' urn." One stop was in Houston where they feasted on Christmas Day with a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brittain, and also to visit Mrs. Brittain's aunt, Mrs. Minnie Jenkins, formerly of Spur. They also visited Mr. Brittain's daughters, Mrs. Lillie Brittain and son, Geoffrey, and Mrs. Elmo Hutton, formerly Miss Lucille Brittain, and Mr. Hutton, at Goose Creek.

Mr. Brittain's grandson, Geoffrey, returned home with the Brittain's and will attend Spur schools the remainder of this term.

Tommie returned to her school work at Plains New Years Day.

VISITS IN SANTONE

Mrs. T. H. Blackwell made a trip to San Antonio to visit a few days with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Karr—but just reading between the lines, we get the idea. Mrs. Blackwell has a new granddaughter, and we imagine that had something to do with her yen to go down Santone way. Dr. Blackwell and daughter and son, Beth, Home Ec teacher in Rule school, and Ned, went down Christmas Day to bring Mrs. Blackwell home.

BACK TO TECH

Mrs. Horace Gibson made a trip to Lubbock Tuesday afternoon to return her daughter, Frances, and Gladys Robinson, to Tech to resume studies following their visit here for the holidays.

H. C. Parsons, good citizen and former of the Kalgary community was shopping and seeing friends in Spur the first of the week. H. C. came in and ordered figures on The Texas Spur moved up another year. Here's to you, H. C., for more 1939 news.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Everets, of Abilene, were in Spur Tuesday and Wednesday visiting the A. C. Hulls and other friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hull and Mrs. Everets made a trip to Lubbock Wednesday.

G. T. Johnson Dies In Wichita Falls Sunday

G. T. Johnson, 66, pioneer West Texan, passed away at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McCloud, 1607 Austin Street, in Wichita Falls Sunday, January 1, at 2:20 a. m., death occurring after several months of home confinement and illness.

Mr. Johnson was born in Hunt County, Texas, November 24, 1872, and remained in that area for many years before coming farther west in the state. In 1898 he was married to Miss Linnie Self, and to this union three children were born. Mrs. Johnson preceded her husband in death, having passed away about five years ago.

The deceased had been a member of the Methodist Church since reaching the age of 14 years; was an esteemed citizen and builder, and had many friends in various parts of West Texas.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, and the remains transferred to the Throckmorton cemetery where interment took place at 2:00 p. m. Monday.

Survivors are two sons and one daughter, Lloyd Johnson, Spur, and Clyde Johnson and Mrs. McCloud, Wichita Falls; and four sisters, and three grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Johnson went to Wichita Falls Thursday of last week returning to their home here Tuesday of this week.

Alexander-Hurst Barber Shop To Move To Gruben's

Clarence Alexander, member of the Alexander-Hurst Barber Shop just south of the Johnston Grocery, made a trip to Abilene this week where he purchased new equipment for their barber shop that will in the future be located in half of the Gruben Radio & Appliance Store building.

Alexander and Hurst have contracted for half of the Gruben building and will move their barber shop to the new location as soon as building work on the dividing wall is completed. Gruben's will continue to give the same fine service from the original Radio and Appliance place with a new door-fronting.

Lacie's Beauty Shop, which up to the present has been located in the Alexander-Hurst barber shop, will also take up new quarters with the barber shop in its move. The beauty shop will be on the ground floor.

DICK SHUGART REPORTED INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Dick Shugart, of Canadian, Texas, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shugart of near Spur, was reported injured in an automobile accident Saturday night, December 31, but details were meagre as to seriousness of his condition.

Advices to relatives here were to affect that a car in which he was riding had overturned, and it was feared he had suffered from a fractured skull, and possibly internal injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shugart, Penn and Elmer Shugart and others of the immediate family went to Canadian Sunday.

HERE FROM WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Shields and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Doty, of Tacoma, Washington, arrived here Tuesday for a post-holiday visit with Mr. Shields' and Mrs. Doty's mother and sisters and their families, Mrs. Emma Shields and daughter, Miss Nelda Shields, and Mrs. Helen Harrison, Dickens; Mrs. Dr. T. H. Blackwell, Spur and Mrs. J. B. Steadham, Broadway.

JOURNEYING IN MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. David McAteer and Mr. McAteer's mother, Mrs. W. L. McAteer, left Saturday to visit the Frank Yorks and family out in New Mexico. Mrs. York is a daughter of Mrs. W. L. McAteer and sister to David. The David McAteers will return home immediately, but Mrs. McAteer will remain for an extended visit.

ATTEND "BIG GAME"

Among the Spur people to attend the Tech-St. Mary football battle in Dallas Monday were Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Brown and daughter, Betty Lynn; Roy Stovall; Neal Chastain; A. C. Hull; Dr. Brannen, Dr. Bob Alexander and Miss Mary Lisenby.



THE TEXAS SPUR
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For Women



METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School 9:45
Morning Service 11:00
Seniors 6:15
The Intermediates and Seniors 15 minutes early for the purpose of organizing a Young People's Choir. Let all the Young People please meet in the Church Basement at 6:15
Evening Service 7:15
W. M. S. Monday afternoon ... 3:00
Wednesday Night Service ... 7:15
Come Wednesday night and join in the interesting and helpful study of "The Miracles of Our Saviour."
The Legislature of Texas made the second week in January "Soil and Water Conservation Week" and the Pastor will preach, in this connection, a sermon Sunday morning on "Good Farming Practices." Every farmer, ranchman, and business man should be interested in this vital subject. You have a special invitation to this Service. Special music will be rendered.
The Pastor's subject Sunday night is to be: "Self Control." Special music will be rendered. You'll enjoy the evening service.
We are always delighted to have visitors in our services. You'll feel at home with us. Come and see.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION MEETING

The Cap-Rock Union of the Methodist Young People held its regular monthly meeting in the First Methodist Church Tuesday night. The Young People of the Methodist Church here rendered a splendid program, directed the recreation and served refreshments of sandwiches, cake and punch.
Eighty-six young people from Roaring Springs, Dickens, Foreman's Chapel, Duck Creek, Red Mud, and Spur were in attendance. Foreman's Chapel received the Banner, a reward for the best monthly report.
The next meeting will be held at Foreman's Chapel the first Tuesday night in February.

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TWENTIETH CENTURY STUDY CLUB HAS "LOVE FEAST"

The annual "Love Feast," first program of the year in the Twentieth Century Study Club, was the feature of the meeting with Mrs. E. S. Lee on Tuesday evening of this week.
A Spanish dinner was served. The menu was as follows: fruit cocktail, tomale pie, Mexican beans, Spanish rice, vegetable salad, stuffed celery, potato chips, Spanish olives, pickles, tomato relish, crackers, Mexican pecan candy, stuffed dates, and coffee.
A Spanish program consisting of these numbers was heard:
"Seville, More Spanish than Spain," Mrs. A. M. Walker.
"Rural Spain," Mrs. L. D. Ratliff.
"Education, Religion, Art, and Architecture," Mrs. G. J. Lane.
A report from the nominating committee was heard, and officers were named for next club year.
These officers are:
President—Mrs. O. L. Kelley
1st Vice President—Mrs. O. M. McGinty
2nd Vice President—Mrs. B. F. Hale
Recording Secretary—Mrs. O. C. Thomas
Treasurer—Mrs. J. A. Koon
Reporter—Mrs. E. S. Lee
Delegate to City Federation—Mrs. G. J. Lane

Members present were: Mesdames T. H. Blackwell, E. L. Caraway, W. S. Campbell, F. B. Crockett, H. C. Foote, J. M. Foster, B. F. Hale, J. A. Koon, G. J. Lane, E. S. Lee, W. B. Lee, O. M. McGinty, P. C. Nichols, L. D. Ratliff, O. B. Ratliff, V. C. Smart, O. C. Thomas, and A. M. Walker.
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Roll Call—Current Events
Parliamentary Drill—Parliamentarian.
Election of officers for the coming year gave to the Club Mrs. J. H. Swan, president; Mrs. J. L. Koonsman, first vice-president; Mrs. Dalmer McCarty, second vice-president; Mrs. O. C. Arthur, recording secretary; Mrs. Sandidge, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Thurmond Moore, librarian. Mrs. Willard was selected as delegate to the City Federation.
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MRS. V. V. PARR HOSTESS TO 1917 STUDY CLUB

Mrs. V. V. Parr was hostess Tuesday, January 3rd to the 1917 Study Club.
A business session was entered into and officers for the year 1938-1940 were elected as follows:
President, Mrs. M. H. Brannen; first vice-president, Mrs. V. V. Parr; treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Jimison; secretary, Mrs. W. T. Andrews; reporter, Mrs. W. F. Godfrey.
Eleven members answered roll call naming inexpensive furnishings as home beauty aids.
Mrs. Brannen conducted a three minute Parliamentary drill. Mrs. Parr reported on making the living room live. Mrs. Carl Patton's topic creation of a home was most interestingly given.
The club adjourned to meet January

W. P. QUALLS ENTERTAIN WITH NEW YEAR'S TURK FEAST

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Qualls delightfully entertained a number of relatives on New Year's Day with a big turkey dinner, featuring the great "American Bird" with all the trimmings—and from what some of the guests report, the feast was all trimmed to tidy perfection.
Guests for the enjoyable feast were Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Fischer and daughter, Dorothy, of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Stubbs and son, Junior, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chamberless, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gibson, Mrs. H. A. Stubbs and Mrs. Pearl Henson, all of Spur.

PERSONALS

Wallace Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Bingham of Spur Ranch, who has for some time been a member of a geographic crew for one of the major oil companies, operating in Arkansas and Louisiana, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents.

John D. Huffstetler, tiller of the soil in the Dry Lake area, was a Saturday visitor in Spur. John D. says there is no oil well on his place yet—because nobody has drilled for oil.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown Smith and children, of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Moore, Lubbock, visited Mrs. Smith's and Mr. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Moore, in Spur for the year-end holidays.

Mrs. Bertie Kilgore and daughter, Kathryn, of Denton, visited Mrs. Kilgore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lee, last week. They also spent some time with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee and daughter, Mary Ida, and son, Bobby, while here.

O. C. Newberry, prominent citizen of the Afton country, was in Spur Saturday, and while here took advantage of the Texas Spur-Star-Telegram combination rates for another year. Judge Newberry says he's just about ready to slaughter some nice porkers—and thinks we need "feedin' up a bit" to make it through 1939.

J. P. Sharp and son were mingling with the crowd in the city Saturday. J. P. and family help to make Espuela the kind of community we all like to live in.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Blair and daughter, Winnie, went to Lubbock Saturday to deliver W. D., Jr., over to the "music squad" of Tech Band. W. D., Jr., had to get all primed to make the trip to the Cotton Bowl at Dallas and help "horn Lubbock into the limelight."

O. E. Minix, large scale farmer of Croton country, was in town Saturday. O. E. believes in "methodic farming" for profit.

C. C. Haile, prominent farmer and enthusiastic community builder of Afton, was seeing friends and attending to business in Spur First Monday Trades Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clemmons and children spent the holidays in Spur visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan and family, and Mrs. Pauline Clemmons, and other friends. Miss Ann Lee returned to their home in Amarillo with them to spend the New Year, arriving back in Spur Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love made a Christmas journey to visit their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Watson, in Oklahoma. They returned to their Spur home Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews and Mrs. Andrews' mother, Mrs. D. B. Daniels, were among the Spur visitors to the Tech-St. Mary football game in Dallas Monday.

Vascoe H. Ward of the Ward Funeral Home was numbered among the Spur group at Dallas Cotton Bowl football battle Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Parks and Miss Winnie Sparks came in from Riversdale, California to spend several weeks with parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Sparks and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Parks.

Miss Pauline Harrell who has been

MRS. ERICSON ENTERTAINS BIBLE BAND FRIDAY

Mrs. Ericson entertained the Bible Band Friday, December 30 with nine members present.
Mrs. Tidwell brought a very interesting lesson.
Mrs. Cauthen brought our Devotional.
Mrs. Mims led our opening prayer.
A delicious refreshment plate was served consisting of salad, crackers, olives, cookies, and coffee.
We were dismissed with the Benediction to meet with Mrs. Ellis for our social.
Those present were Mesdames Mims, Wood, Lewis, Ellis, Cauthen, Sauls, Tidwell, Simmons and the hostess.

W. M. S. MET MONDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Foote brought the devotional for the W. M. S. Monday afternoon. Rev. Harrell conducted an installation service for new officers for another year. Committees for the ensuing year were appointed by the president. Twenty four yearbooks were ordered and programs for the year will be made out.
Next Monday a "World Outlook" program will be rendered. This will be social day and also a pledge service.
All ladies of the church are invited to this meeting.

T. L. CONAWAYS HAVE TURKEY DINNER ON NEW YEAR DAY

Presenting one of those affairs that has the strange affect of leaving participants "uncomfortably happy," the T. L. Conaways were dinner hosts on New Year's Day to a number of relatives and friends, featuring a big turkey dinner with all the trimmings.
This "uncomfortable happiness" is produced by those delicious ones that tempt the appetite, break down the will power, and you should admit eating—but just won't heed the warning.
With the lovely dinner Mr. and Mrs. Conaway started the New Year off pleasantly for Mr. Conaway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Conaway, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conaway, Dickens; Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Harvey and family of north of Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lear and family of the Wichita community; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sm. Spur and Peggy Mitchell of Elgin, Texas.

McADOO FFA CHAPTER MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

The McAdoo Chapter of the Future Farmers of America met in its regular monthly session on December 20th, carrying out a very successful program of entertainment and business. Practically all members and many parents of the community were present for the FFA session.
Featuring an amusement session, many games were enjoyed, including Bingo, Word-making contests using Christmas as the letter basis, and other amusing numbers. Apples were given as prizes to winners.
Following the entertaining program, a Christmas tree was enjoyed, inspired by the exchange of gifts.
At the December 20 meeting a chapel program was planned for yesterday, January 4th.

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ARTABAN CHAPTER OF FUTURE HOMEMAKERS TO HAVE BAKERY SALE

The Artaban Chapter of Future Homemakers of Spur High School is sponsoring an annual bakery sale, Saturday, January 14 at Campbells Furniture Store. The sale will begin at 9:30 Saturday morning.
The purpose of this sale is to add to the rally fund to send Spur representatives to the State Future Homemaker's meeting. This state meeting is held each spring.

T. L. CONAWAYS HAVE TURKEY DINNER ON NEW YEAR DAY

Presenting one of those affairs that has the strange affect of leaving participants "uncomfortably happy," the T. L. Conaways were dinner hosts on New Year's Day to a number of relatives and friends, featuring a big turkey dinner with all the trimmings.
This "uncomfortable happiness" is produced by those delicious ones that tempt the appetite, break down the will power, and you should admit eating—but just won't heed the warning.
With the lovely dinner Mr. and Mrs. Conaway started the New Year off pleasantly for Mr. Conaway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Conaway, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Conaway, Dickens; Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Harvey and family of north of Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lear and family of the Wichita community; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sm. Spur and Peggy Mitchell of Elgin, Texas.

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HONEST MEN AND OTHERS

CHAPTER XXIV

My hat is off to the Society of Friends, The Quakers. A colony of those folks were the first to settle and make a living by farming in this, The Spur Country. A settlement was made on the Plains, at a place they named Estacado, in Crosby County in 1881, about 30 miles northwest of the Spur headquarters. Among those Quakers was a blacksmith who did work for the cow men, which they could not do for themselves.

These Quakers were the most desirable of neighbors and strictly attended to their own business. There never was the slightest evidence of any kind, that they ever used a calf that was not their own. This alone would endear them to all cattlemen. How they managed to hold out so long there, at that time, has always been a mystery to me. Finally the drouths and sand storms "got them" and they left. They were the first to plant fruit trees, and to demonstrate that they would do reasonably well here. A new drouth resisting peach named The Crosby was developed by them.

A newspaper named The Crosby County News was published by a Mr. Murray, not one of the brotherhood.

Had all the settlers in The Spur Country been like the Quakers, what a difference it would have made to the stockmen. About 1894 the absolute leases to stockmen were not renewed by the State in this part of Texas, The State School and on which those absolute leases had been given, were placed on the market, subject to settlement by anyone who made the first payment of \$64.00 per section, and was able to get the land filed on awarded to them after the leases had expired.

Many men filed on this school land with the intention of selling out to the cowmen after having "proved up" their three years occupancy as required by law and then moving on West and repeating this. A new and easy way had been found to "raise a stake" by those who filed on this land, more especially where the land was inside some fenced pasture or just on the outside of the fence, many were men who were cattle thieves and rustlers of the first water. The courts of Dickens and adjoining counties were soon overflowing with cases of cattle theft. By 1899 it became necessary for the Manager of the Spurs to employ men whose only business was to ride the range and suppress those cattle thieves.

The following is an example of the extent to which those thieves would and did go to get the unbranded calves large enough to wean: They would catch and tie the calf and put it in a wagon, shoot and kill the cow, then drive eight or ten miles to their home. The calves tongue was then split, and it was turned loose with the milk-pen bunch. The reason for this cruelty, cruelty in the extreme, was that the calf could not bawl, and so draw attention in that way.

While horse hunting one Sunday I happened up on a pen where there were eight such calves in it; those calves were still unbranded. While sitting on my horse looking at them, the wife of the owner of the place came out of the house, and I joshed her about having so many calves up (there were several others as well as those eight in the pen). She said, "they are the children's bunch." Those eight calves were as wild as deer, having been caught and put in the pen only a few hours earlier, and were very easily distinguished from the other real milk-pen bunch.

In 1900 there were two men employed for the purpose of putting a stop to this wholesale stealing. They were J. P. (Pink) Higgins, and W. J. (Billy) Standifer. There had been others employed for this purpose before them, without much if any beneficial results. Both Higgins and Standifer were outstanding as cowmen; thoroughly honest, and they feared neither man or devil. I had known Standifer for many years, and later got to know Higgins intimately. Unfortunately Billy Standifer could be imposed upon, more especially if he placed confidence in a person, and to this misplaced confidence he directly lost his life.

JUST HUMANS

By Gene Carr



"Slip Me a Soft Pencil, Pop, I Wanna Write."

There never were two men who had better (what in West Texas is called) nerve, than Higgins and Standifer. They were a; nearly equal in that respect as could well be. This is no hearsay story I am telling I know the facts, probably better than anyone now living. I was in the confidence of Mr. Horsbrugh, the Manager of The Spurs, and in that of both Higgins and Standifer as I think the reader will see. Standifer was employed late in the fall of 1899, two or three months before Higgins. When first employed by The Spurs, there was no bad feeling between them, and there never was any by Higgins towards Standifer. At the risk of being tedious it will be necessary to give a short history. Pink Higgins was the father of Cullen Higgins who was elected, by a large majority, as District Judge of the 39th District of which Kent County is a part. Before his election as Judge, while he was practicing law in Snyder, Texas, he got for Mrs. Standifer (No. 3 I think she was) a divorce from Billy. Although Pink Higgins had nothing to do with this divorce, any more than you or I had, it seemed to me that always after it was granted, Billy had a chip on his shoulder when Pink Higgins was near or his name mentioned. This might be only fancy on my part.

Between his divorce and later marriage, Standifer would sometimes stay the night, while riding the range, with a man who was then stealing cattle and had been for years. Somehow Billy Standifer believed this man's professions of honesty. Higgins knew this party was stealing but had never actually caught him at it. He (the thief) was in a tight place and knew it. By lies to Mr. Horsbrugh and to Standifer, he did his best to get Higgins fired but without success.

Right here I will explain that I was at that time Manager of The Espuela Store. The store belonged to the ranch and supplied all chuck and dry goods to the ranch and to all employees on it, as well as to many other people living in it. After two years I had got to know Higgins very well. Knowing Standifer as well as I did and knowing of the yarns and lies the other party was telling, and understanding fairly well his operations, it did not take much of a prophet to see that something would break loose before long. Thinking I could make Standifer see the light with what I personally knew conditions to be and to which he was blind, I suggested to Higgins that to avoid a shooting scrape that he and Standifer meet with me, both laying off their guns, and talk things over, as there was no sense in those two men having trouble over such a trifle. This Higgins agreed to do provided Standifer would lay off his gun also. Both men were at this time getting provisions from me, and for which I received a cheque from the Ranch at the end of each month. I expected to see Standifer soon after my talk with Higgins. Before I could do so the two met.

Higgins had started to the Post Office at Tap. A few miles north of his home, while still in the shinnery, he saw Standifer riding at an angle so that they would meet. When about 150 yards apart, both stopped their horses; Standifer jumped off his horse and commenced shooting with his Winchester at Higgins. Standifer's first shot hit the horse that Higgins was riding. As the horse was falling Higgins pulled his Winchester from the scabbard and jumped clear. Again Standifer fired but missed. Then Higgins shot but missed. After that shot Standifer would jump from side to side after firing. Higgins held his fire till Standifer was still, then fired and killed Billy. Higgins did not know his shot was fatal. He hollered and asked Billy if he was hurt, and if so to throw up his hands and he would come to him. As he got no response, he got on his horse and "pulled out" for help. The horse Higgins was riding had regained his feet while the shooting was going on, and although bleeding freely, did not seem much hurt.

The evidence and tracks showed that the two were never closer than 150 yards. But the back tracks of Standifer did show that two men had ridden into a mott of tall shinnery about one half or three quarters of a mile off, overlooking the battle ground, and that one of the two "left in a hurry" riding west into Catfish river where his tracks were lost.

Higgins insisted on a prompt trial, and as the evidence was so clear, the jury found him Not Guilty of Murder. Soon after the killing, the real cause of it left the country. I have heard it stated that this was a premeditated duel. I state now, as emphatically as I can, that such was not the case. That Higgins might have been, and probably was spied upon with field glasses at long range, is likely but that any agreement between the two, Standifer and Higgins, to shoot it out on sight is erroneous and incorrect. If such had been the case Higgins would have told me so, and I know he had no conversation with Standifer after my talk with him. After the killing he (Higgins) talked the matter over with me and he said "he was not surprised or unprepared when Standifer commenced shooting and that it was all unnecessary as he had nothing against Billy."

The men who had been mavericking, (stealing) decided that a change of climate was necessary for their health. Whatever the cause, cattle thief suddenly stopped for the time being, and with one or two spasmodic outbreaks, has never been so bad again in The Spur Country.

NOTE: "Mr. W. J. Elliot has read to me the foregoing account of my husband's trouble with W. J. Standifer, while both were employed by The Espuela Land and Cattle Co. Ltd., to try to stop cattle stealing. I find it to be a true and correct account of the incidents that led up to the tragedy.

These years are memorable in that the losses of Spur cattle were tremendous, not only on the home ranch, but more especially on the leased White Deer and Red Deer ranches near Pampa, Texas. These ranches had been leased by order of The Board of Directors in London against the advice and wishes of Mr. Horsbrugh, their manager here. This very action was directly responsible for the request for his resignation, if it can be so called, in January 1904.

During the winter of 1901 and 1902, the losses which invariably come in the spring, were between six and seven thousand head. It was after this heavy loss that the Directors insisted on the lease of White Deer. It came about in this way. The spring of 1902 was late and it looked as if it never would rain. Mr. Horsbrugh got very anxious as to the watering of the herd. There were lots of tanks but most of them were very low and continually needed watching to keep the cattle from bogging and to pull out those that bogged. He imported a man with a well drill but where the water was most needed the well drill failed to find it. I received orders for twelve (12) windmills, so I sent to Quanah and to Colorado City for six mills from each place. Wells had been dug by hand at likely places on the rivers and elsewhere, and the windmills erected as soon possible when water was found. While Mr. Horsbrugh was at Amarillo in June, the long looking for rain came; a slow, steady downpour lasting a week or so.

No one in England can possibly know or understand how quickly the range here in Texas can recover from a serious condition if given rain and warm weather. On Mr. Horsbrugh's return to the ranch, the crisis was over, and he so advised London. By the end of June the grass was very fine. A cable was sent saying, "No need to lease White Deer." He received a reply to lease it. Again he cabled, "No need to lease it as grass and water now plentiful." The reply was, "See previous cable Directors order leasing White Deer thus relieving home pasture." Please note that the home pastures had already been relieved of 7,000 head and with the sales contracted for would amount to 12,000 head.

After that last cable there was nothing to do but lease it, and that was done. The yearlings and two-year old steers and later a herd of cows were put on it. But the winter that followed was terrific in that area. Heavy snow followed by rain frozen on top of the snow was a combination our cattle were not accustomed to. For ten days at a time, not a bite of grass could they get, although there was plenty beneath the snow. One blizzard followed another and when the round-up at White Deer was made the following May (1903) about a third of all the cattle that had been put on it had "gone to glory."

The summer of 1903 was again dry and hot. While there was then "pretty plenty" tanks of water, all over the Spur Range, compared to what there had been, still, without rain the grass just would not grow. On the home range that winter of 1903-1904 was one of great loss. The hides of most of the cattle that died that winter were turned over to me to sell and the price received was divided with the skinnners on a 50-50 basis. I sold something over 3,000 hides. That of course did not get them all, as many were too ripe when found. After that Mr. Horsbrugh's resignation was in order and requested.

Please remember that in those days (1904) there were no railroads, no motor trucks, no cotton seed cake or other cow feed. They all came after The Spur Ranch had been sold. But even with them all now available, the losses from drouth still continue to this day.

I am sure the reader will remember what the U. S. A. government did in 1934, and that the number killed as unfit to ship was simply because had they not been killed, most of them would have died anyhow.

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are just as practical as a news-
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ntually come—but boosting and
sternal agitation" could speed them.
Newspapers of Texas wanted paper
mills. From our viewpoint, we believe
at the newspapers are ready to
fight for other industries—and capital
may depend on them if an ad-
vance step is taken toward almost
ny point of industrial development.

**LAUGHTER HAS GOOD
START IN TEXAS**

Although the State of Texas
doesn't lead in the big Slaughter
Parade for 1939, she has a rather
good start to mow down her share
if the present rate, or nets for the
first two days of the new year, is
maintained throughout the time to
1940.

Press reports reveal that already
slightly over two hundred people
have been killed in the United States
—with only two hundred and sixty-
three days to go (from the two day
finals). Approximately three-fourths
were killed in highway accidents.
Highway safety seems to be a hard
lesson for Americans to grasp. Per-
haps for better results, the lessons
for safety must be started earlier.

Coming first on the list is Illinois
with 17 deaths. Alabama is a close
second with 16 people "forever still-
ed." New York and New Jersey
reach a tie by totaling 15 each.
Pennsylvania numbers 11, and Flori-
da and Texas come next with 10
deaths each. Wyoming brings up the
rear of the slaughter states with 1

Of course there are many people
who drive safely—and yet many
people who drive safely get killed. It
just isn't fair—and it shouldn't take
a one-hundred percent slaughter to
bring safety on American highways.

Little Spurs

Over 200 deaths in the U. S. A.
already for 1939. There's no telling
how long the Spanish revolution will
last—they don't have many cars over
there.

So woman-trouble puts Goebbels
on the spot? We thought he'd been
on the spot ever since he first met
Hitler.

We notice the Queen of England
has a cold. Seems like there just
isn't any immunity any more.

About the best plan we know of
for a man to get on his feet is to
keep "on his toes."

**HENRY SCOGGINS' FOOTBALL
CAREER IN COLLEGE**

Henry Scoggins, former Spur foot-
ball star, finished this fall a football
career as one of the best tackles in
the state of Kansas, playing with
Pittsburg State Teachers college.
Scoggins was a regular tackle from
the first game of his freshman year
to his final game against North Texas
Teachers at Denton.

"Tex" started making football history
in his sophomore year at Pitts-
burg when he made all central con-
ference tackle position by unanimous
vote of sports writers and coaches
in the loop.

In the four years Scoggins was out
of only two games, those because of
injuries. During his entire football
career he was virtually a 60-minute
man in every game.

Scoggins played three years in
Spur High School before his Kansas
football career. This year Scoggins
was picked on the majority of all-con-
ference selections, and when not,
was given the captain's position on
the second.

Weighing 195 pounds and standing
over six feet, Scoggins was the most
rugged fighter in Kansas college
football.

He is a brother of Mrs. Mary Dunn
of this city.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of ex-
pressing our thanks to all of those
who were so thoughtful of us during
the illness and death of our dear
mother and grandmother.

May God's richest blessings be
with each of you in such an hour.

W. D. Sprayberry and family
C. H. Sprayberry and family
Albert Sprayberry and family
V. C. Sprayberry and family
Mrs. T. O. Bingham and family.

Miss Elouise Lane, who returned
home with her parents, the G. J.
Lanes, from their holiday trip to
Waco, returned to that city Satur-
day to resume duties as a member of
the school faculty after several days
visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison were
in from their farm-ranch home south
of Spur Monday. J. B. has a keen
eye for good cattle and usually keeps
tab on what the Livestock sales barn
here is putting through the ring.



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BRIDGE** looks over a print of the
new American League sound mo-
tion picture, "First Century of Base-
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in New York. With him are Lew
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tion for the league, who wrote and

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Motors, whose firm produced and
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next year in celebration of the one
hundredth anniversary of the na-
tional pastime.

McAdoo News

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Wofford of
Olton spent the holidays with their
mother, Mrs. Sparkman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Archer re-
turned Sunday afternoon from Can-
yon where they had spent the holi-
days with their parents. They also
visited relatives in Spearman.

Miss Bartie Lee Butts, primary
teacher, returned Sunday from
Quanah where she spent the holidays
with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Smith and
children of Plainview spent Christ-
mas Day in the Roge Jones home.

Mr. and Mrs. Delvin Smith of
Roswell, New Mexico spent the holi-
days with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Roge Jones.

John Ray Baldwin, Waco, was a
holiday visitor in the N. W. Baldwin
home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert Barton, Roar-
ing Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil
Barton, McCoy, Texas were visitors
in the H. D. Barton home during the
holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Nettles and
daughter, Modine, spent the Christ-
mas vacation with relatives at Liv-
ingstone, Texas.

The A. C. Roses had as their holi-
day guests their daughters Miss
Juanita, student in Texas Tech; Miss
Katherine, Homemaking Instructor,
Ralls; Miss Lucille, Homemaking In-
structor, near Lubbock; Miss Inez
of Lubbock, and their son, Nuge,
student in Texas Tech. They have
returned to take up their work and
studies this week.

Miss Robena Formby has returned
to Lubbock to resume her studies at
Texas Tech after vacationing in the
home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
M. C. Formby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lewis, Jr.,
Lubbock spent the New Year's week

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Mr. and Mrs. Waid Griffith, Fort
Worth, spent the holidays here with
their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G.
Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Roy
Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Butts visited
their parents in Quanah during the
holidays.

Miss Lenora Nickels was the guest
of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim
Nickels, Bula, and her sister, Mrs.
Winnie Gardner, Lubbock for the
holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Grist visit-
ed in Lubbock and other points dur-
ing the school vacation.

Mr. Preston M. Davis returned to
the parental home in Tula, Miss. for
the Christmas holidays.

Darris Egger, student in McMurry
College, Abilene, was home for the
Christmas vacation.

Lee Griffith, student in Texas
Wesleyan College, spent the holidays
with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J.
Griffith.

Mr. Earl Van Meter, Sr., and Earl,
Jr. attended to business in Lorenzo
Monday afternoon.

Rev. White, Presiding Elder of the
Plainview district filled the pulpit
of the Methodist Church Sunday
night.

Miss Elizabeth Swim has returned
to make her home with Mrs. Roxie
Lewis for the remainder of the school
year.

Miss Emma Pipkin holidayed in
the home of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Bush Pipkin. Miss Pipkin is a

zona for a holiday visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Robertson visited
in the home of the former's parents
during the holidays.

Weldon Jones, first year Student
in Texas Tech spent the Christmas
intermission in the home of his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roge Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Lois Nickels visited
Mrs. Nickles' parents and other
relatives at Waco during the holi-
days.

School resumed sessions Monday
morning. Radios were connected in
the various rooms Monday afternoon
so the Cotton Bowl game might be
enjoyed by the students.

A new student enrolled in the
sophomore class Monday morning.

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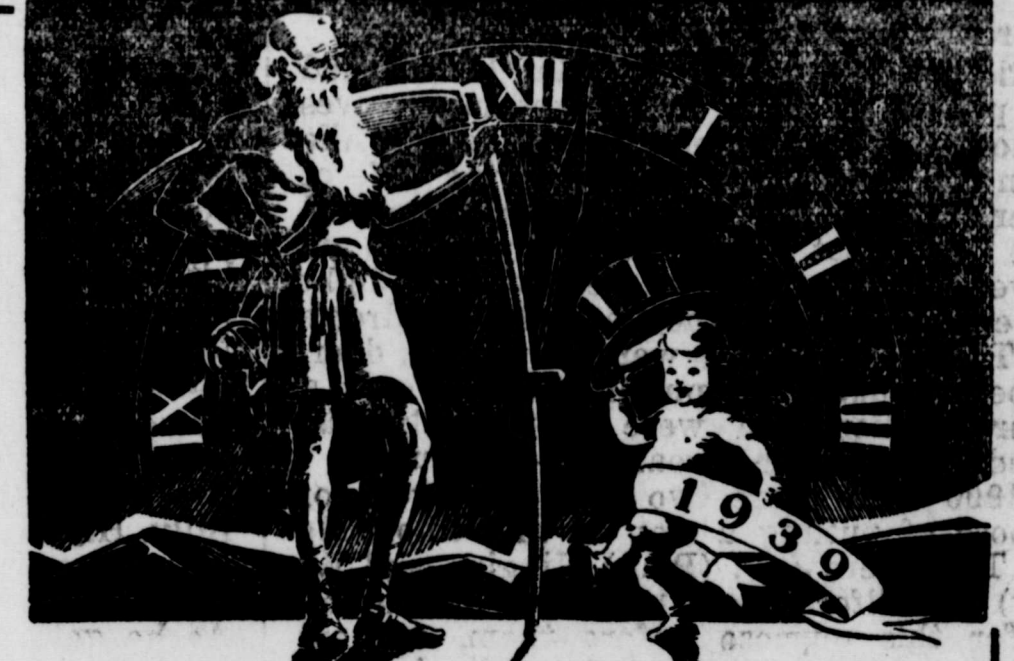
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to call on us whenever we can be of greater service
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**Rates Reduced Almost
THREE-FOURTHS**

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LOST—Red-brindle 3-year old, cow,
one nub-horn; strayed from my lot
Dec. 19.—Jack Gipson. 1tp

FOR SALE—Have several Grey-
hounds, good wolf dogs.—E. V.
ATTIUR, Dickens. 1tp

WANTED—Position as housekeeper
or caring for children. Good refer-
ences.—Ollie Crow, care A. Biggs, 1
mile north of Spur. 2tp

FOR SALE—Farmall 20 and equip-
ment, on rubber tires, cheap; also
40 shoats.—M. M. Tullis, 4 miles W.
Dickens. 1tp

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fied ad. It means time saved; and
time is money. 1tp

BARGAIN—Used tire and vulcaniz-
ing business, stock and equipment,
value over \$1200, will sell for \$350.
Must sell quick on account of bad
health. Will teach buyer to operate.
Hamlin Tire Shop, Hilljar Garage
Bldg., Box 644, Hamlin, Texas.

LOST—Red Bergundie, Purse. Con-
tains Sheaffer fountain pen, Initials
V. L. T. Liberal reward—Return to
Texas Spur. 1tp

FOR SALE—3 young Rhode Island
Red roosters. Price \$1.00 each.—Mrs.
S. Williamson, Glenn, Texas. 1p-1f

LOST—Heavy duty commercial tire
and wheel for Chevrolet between my
home in Highway community and
Spur. Liberal Reward. — Raymond
Powell. 10-2tp

**THE AWFUL PRICE YOU PAY FOR BEING
NERVOUS**

**Check Below And See If You Have
Any Of The Signs**

Quivering nerves can make you old and
haggard looking, cranky and hard to live
with—can keep you awake nights and rob
you of good health, good times and jobs.
Don't let yourself "go" like that. Start
taking a good, reliable tonic—one made espe-
cially for women. And could you ask for any-
thing whose benefits have been better proved
than world-famous Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound?

Let the wholesome herbs and roots of
Pinkham's Compound help Nature calm
your shrieking nerves, tone up your system,
and help lessen distress from female func-



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lion women have written in letters reporting
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