

Underground Gas Systems More Popular, Sales Increase, Appliance House Says

The estimation of C. H. Elliott, proprietor of the Elliott Appliance House here, and sales agency for butane gas systems and equipment, butane underground gas systems are becoming the most popular heating units beyond the natural gas mains for rural homes, and likewise are attracting more city homes.

Pointing to the increasing use of the butane systems, Elliott gives a series of reasons drawn from his experience with the use of the individual plants. And making a check of the high percentage in use now, he states that there are approximately 25,000 butane systems in Texas at present, with regular installations pushing that figure higher weekly. Taking in to consideration the fact that this area has no natural gas service, there are probably as many systems per capita in this territory as any other in the state.

In Mr. Elliott's opinion, use of the gas systems for economical fuel, water-heating, cooking, refrigeration, and even lighting purposes, is one of the greatest selling leads. Less annoyance and more sanitary for home use is also stressed as a big point.

Announcement is made from the Elliott Appliance house this week that FHA loans can now be secured for installation of the gas systems, with complete service, house piped and the system placed in operation, for as little as \$5.00 monthly payments.

An advertisement appears on another page of The Texas Spur, wherein the company invites those interested in modernizing to come in and investigate. Figures and information are available, and the managers state there is no obligation—just glad to tell you about it, whether you are ready to buy or not.

Rev. B. B. Huckabay Dickens, Called To Morton

Announcement has been made at Dickens that Rev. B. B. Huckabay, pastor of the Dickens Baptist Church since June 1, 1937, has been called to the Morton Baptist Church, the change effective next week, when Rev. and Mrs. Huckabay and two daughters, Constance Fay and Neld May, will move to the new charge.

Special announcement is made to members and friends of the church that next Sunday, January 22, will be the final services held in Dickens by Rev. Huckabay.

Rev. Huckabay began his work at Morton about six years ago. He entered Wayland College, Plainview, and while there he was pastor at Fieldton, near Littlefield, for a year. He was later called to Finney Switch, and from there came to Dickens.

The Baptist Voice, published at Lubbock, relates that "during Rev. Huckabay's stay with the Dickens Church there have been three good revivals. The Sunday School has increased about one third in average attendance, and the B. T. U. has been reorganized with four Unions, and a beautiful new rock church building finished."

No announcement has been made as to who will succeed the Dickens minister.

Charme Company Now Running Regular Delivery Here

The Charme Cosmetic Company, West Texas' own beauty treatment manufacturing concern, with its headquarters and factory located in Lubbock, now has a regular line running through Spur—this city being on the route with Post, Matador, Paducah, Vernon, Stamford, and towns between here and Lubbock.

The company recently changed hands, and complete arrangements have been made to cover the entire West Texas-Eastern New Mexico territory. Four distributing cars are conveniently scheduled for the wholesale trade, and the company stresses the aim to "Make the Best for people of the West."

Weldon Burleson, partner in the firm, makes the Spur route weekly, visiting the stores and beauty salons here each Tuesday.

Charme products were originated several years ago by a Texas Tech chemist, and are favorites with many women of this area.



LUTHER R. GRIMES

Grimes Pinch Hits For Williams On Bell Post

Luther R. Grimes of Dallas has been appointed group manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company with headquarters at Lubbock until J. A. Williams, present group manager who is seriously ill, is able to resume his duties. W. L. Blakney, district manager of the telephone company announced today.

Mr. and Mrs. Grimes and their two boys, ages 4 and 6 years, have arrived at Lubbock and live at 2223 Sixteenth street.

Born at Brandon, Texas, Grimes attended the public schools in Milford, and later entered the University of Texas. He received a BBA degree in 1927 and shortly thereafter entered the employ of the telephone company as salesman in Dallas.

He was transferred to the Dallas division headquarters office in 1928, and to the state headquarters the next year. He was appointed Rate Engineer in 1935, the position he held until his transfer here.

A member of the East Dallas Christian Church, Grimes was active in civic and social affairs in Dallas. He is a Mason and a former member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Y. M. C. A.

V. H. Moore, commercial representative with headquarters in the company's Lubbock office, and Grimes were in Spur Wednesday attending to business and seeing the local telephone personnel.

Jim Cloud Building Duplex On West Hill Street

Jim Cloud, ex-county judge who has been living over at Snyder for the past year, now having a job with the Government in the Pension set-up, has let the contract for construction of a fine new duplex on West Hill Street, just across the street from the W. S. Campbell home.

The new double-home will be modern throughout, each side containing three rooms and bath, and available to renters as soon as completed.

The acute living-quarters shortage here seems to grow rather than be relieved, and probably more building will follow.

McKinney Says Business Is Growing

L. J. McKinney, proprietor of the cafe just south of the Albin Grocery that he recently purchased from Slim Foster, says his business is "pickin'-up" some, and invites others who have not already visited him to come around.

Mr. and Mrs. McKinney have moved their family to Spur, but Mrs. McKinney was called away this week on account of the illness of a grandchild in Crosbyton. Her daughter, Mrs. Moody, Crosbyton is in Lubbock with another of the children that has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. McKinney came here from Robertson, south of Ralls.

Slim Foster Toning Up Cafe; Lengthens Building

Mr. and Mrs. Slim Foster, who guide the destiny of Foster's Cafe, located over on the corner by Johnston's Grocery, have completely overhauled the place the past week. The building has been lengthened several feet, the kitchen moved to the rear of the house, counter made longer, and a general rearrangement inside.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster plan to carry larger stocks, feature lunches and short orders, and in fact everything that a hungry person wants. They need no introduction to most local cafe-habitues, as they've been in business there several years.

Roscoe McCombs, hamburger specialist in Spur for more than twenty years, is their night man at the eating place.

Mrs. Martha Hext, 62, Passes Away At Afton Home

Mrs. Martha E. Hext, 62 years and 8 months old, and for 40 years a resident of Dickens County, Arkansas, passed away in death at the family home in the Afton community Monday night, January 16, near the 11:00 o'clock hour, expiration following a short illness.

Mrs. Hext was born on May 15, 1876, in Sebastian County, Arkansas. She spent her childhood years and girlhood maturity in the parental home, having professed her faith and affiliated herself with church life at the age of ten years. In 1895 she was married to P. J. Hext, November 3rd being the wedding day. About four years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Hext moved to Dickens County, settling in and helping to pioneer the Afton country. Mr. Hext preceded his wife in death, having passed away June 1, 1924.

To this marriage union ten children were born, seven of whom survive the pioneer mother. Survivors are Hazel McClesky, Floydada; Carrie Newberry, Spur; Pete, Henry, Carrol, Murl and Valde, all of Afton; two step-daughters, Addie Hancock, Jayton, and Lillie Rose, Glenn; thirteen grandchildren and one great-grand-child.

Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist Church of Afton Tuesday afternoon, 4:00 o'clock, with Revs. A. P. Stokes and Ray Stevens conjoining in speaking the rites.

Pallbearers were John Stokes, Bass Baton, Leon Lawson, Burnett Haney, Dempsey Sims and Gaston Jackson.

Flower bearers were Mrs. Ray Stephens, Ina Sue Powell, Lora Dozier, Annie Baton, and Estell Stokes.

Interment was made in the Afton cemetery under direction of Ward's Funeral Home directors, Spur.

Post Office Removal Awaiting Boxes, Equipment

According to attaches of the Post Office department here, the building that will in the future be occupied, the former Chamber of Commerce building on West Harris Street, has been completed for moving the Post Office, but a set back in plans has been caused by inability to secure additional equipment and boxes for the furnishing of Uncle Sam's Store.

Postmaster Olen Arthur states that all plans have been completed for the move, but that until this additional equipment arrives, installation could not be effectively made in the new quarters.

Ida Rankin Rucker Improving

A letter to friends in Spur from Ida Rankin-Rucker, who recently went from her home out at White River to Sanitorium, Texas, states that her condition, according to diagnosis of the physicians, was slightly improved, and the feared seriousness was somewhat unfounded.

Physicians making the examination pronounced her ailment bronchial irritation, and estimated that perhaps six months would be required for complete recovery.

Friends wishing to write Mrs. Rankin-Rucker should address mail to Dormitory No. 1, Sanitorium, Texas.

Agricultural Workers Honor Dickson With 1939 Medal

J. C. McNeill Chosen Birthday Ball Chairman

With an underlying sentiment to propel plans, the nation this week will round out complete arrangements to stage probably the greatest Presidential Birthday Ball yet held since inauguration of the annual benefit celebration.

From the local angle, most of the plans have already been made, although deviation occurs in the selected date. Available dance floor has caused dates for the Spur Ball to be held Friday night of next week.

According to J. C. (Cap) McNeill, recently appointed Dickens County Chairman for the event by William L. Clayton, state chairman of the celebrations, the Ball here will be held Friday night, January 27th, at the Spur Inn, 9:00 until 1:00 o'clock. C. A. Rogers, KFYO ace singer, and his eleven-piece orchestra, The Tech Collegians, will make the music for the Dickens County President's Birthday Ball observers.

As everyone has already been informed, fifty percent of the funds raised through the forthcoming Celebration will be held in trust for the county. The remainder of the money will go to the National foundation.

As a response to his selection for the post as chairman of this county, McNeill stated that "I am very glad to serve as chairman in this great crusade. I am certain that the citizens of our county will cooperate to make the President's Birthday Celebration the banner event for suffering humanity. It is a privilege to help intensify the national drive for funds to stamp out the dread disease and to bring happiness and health to thousands of afflicted children, stricken by the scourge of infantile paralysis."

Unlike Spur arrangements, most of the Celebration events in other cities will be held on Monday, January 30.

Bertha Marie Pritchard, 13, Passes Away Here Sunday Morning

Bertha Marie Pritchard, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Pritchard of the Highway community, passed in death early Sunday morning, January 15, 1939, in a local hospital, the cause attributed by physicians to acute appendicitis.

Bertha Marie was born September 9, 1925, in Oklahoma, where the family lived until about two years ago. At removal from their Oklahoma home, the Pritchards came to the Highway community, and Bertha Marie was a student in the Highway school.

Funeral services were held in the Spur Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, 1:30 o'clock, with Rev. R. C. Joyner, officiating. Interment was made in the Spur cemetery.

Surviving members of the family are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Pritchard; four sisters: Mrs. Alton Harber, Willie, Edith, and Wanda Jean Pritchard; and two brothers, Albert and Jack Pritchard.

BIDDY HICKS BUYS INTEREST IN JACK RECTOR OIL STATION

Biddy Hicks, who for many months operated the Service Station at the Chevrolet sales rooms and garage, but has been gone for some time, has returned to Spur and purchased an interest in the Jack Rector Station.

Biddy has for some time been working for Dempsey's Gin at Croton. The Station, under Rector and Hicks, handles Texaco products, and Biddy invites old friends and customers to come in and see them.

FELMYS BUILDING NEW HOME IN DICKENS

Postmaster Guy Felmy of Dickens was in Spur the first of the week and lets out the news that he and Mrs. Felmy are building themselves a new home over at the County Capitol.

The new four-room cottage is modern in every respect, cozy, and is among many other improvements being made at Dickens.



R. E. DICKSON

Milams Take Over Whittacre Interest In Variety

One of the largest transactions for several months for Spur's business world was made public over the week end when Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Milam announced purchase of the L. H. Whittacre interest in the Whittacre-Milam Variety Store.

The Whittacre-Milam Variety Store was established in the month of October, 1937, with Mr. and Mrs. Milam in active charge of the business. The original home was in the O'Reilly building on the east side of Burlington Avenue, now occupied by Thacker-Godfrey Furniture Co., but the growth of the business soon made pressing demands on more floor space, and the former Fair Store building across the street was secured last August. The store is described by many local people as having had the most unusual growth of any business in this area.

With the purchase of the Whittacre interest, the Milams state that the former policy of fairness, ultra-modern service, efficient personnel of sales help, small profit and quick turnover of stock, will go unchanged. The store carried an advertisement in The Texas Spur last week announcing their big sale, and state that so many requests have come in for continuance, that the Big Event will be run on to closing time Saturday night, January 21.

County Judges And Commissioners To Lubbock

Today in Lubbock members of the County Judges' and Commissioners' Association of West Texas and others will convene in an important session, at which time discussions will center on problems relative to the excessive numbers of people being cut from the list of WPA employees.

County Judge Marshall Formby and the Dickens County Commissioners are in attendance at the meeting to take part in the formulation of plans and a course to be pursued.

Judge Homer Bouldin, Albany, President of the West Texas Association, is presiding officer at the gathering, and other speakers to be before the delegation during the day are Judge Formby, Dickens, Secretary of the Association; County Judge Anar Burleson, Anson, Jones County; and probably others for short talks.

Plans have also been made to care for additional business matters of the Association while the group is in session.

KOONSMAN'S ATTENDING THE AUSTIN INAUGURATION CEREMONIES

A telegram conveying this information: "Are having a grand time attending Inauguration Ceremonies," and signed Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Koonsman, tells its own story to Dickens County.

The sheriff and Mrs. Koonsman took a notion they wanted to see the Biscuit Man, W. Lee O'Daniel, officially step into the Governor's Shoes, and took off to Austin to see the sights at the Capitol. The grandiose occasion was slated to take place at the Stadium of the University of Texas, and it was estimated that approximately 60,000 people witnessed the five-hour affair.

At a banquet held Friday night, January 13, in his honor at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth, R. E. Dickson of Spur was presented the 1939 Merit Award of the Texas Agricultural Worker's Association for distinguished service to Texas agriculture. As superintendent of the station of the Texas Experiment Station at Spur for twenty-four years, Mr. Dickson has served Texas agriculture with fidelity and distinction.

While his accomplishments in grain sorghum improvements and with livestock foods and feeding have been significant, it is as a pioneer

PROJECTS INFLUENCE A WIDER AREA THAN THIS STATE

In summing up some of the achievements of R. E. Dickson in his more than a score of years of experimental work and agricultural progress, members of the Texas Agricultural Workers' Association express somewhat of a general opinion in saying "Here is a man who has made a great contribution to the agricultural welfare of not only Texas, but the entire nation."

In the investigation of soil and water conservation problems that he is best known, and perhaps it is in this field of agricultural research that he has made his most notable contribution.

In his work on the Spur Station, Dickson plowed a virgin field in unearthing many of the principles and practices of soil and water conservation that today are part and parcel of the broad and comprehensive national program with which the nation is seeking to protect and to restore its most important natural resource—the soil.

It is in recognition of these distinguished services, which have contributed to the agricultural welfare of not only Texas but the entire nation, that the Texas Agricultural Workers' Association is awarding its Distinguished Service Plaque of 1939 to Mr. Dickson.

Mr. Dickson, a native of Hunt County and a graduate of Texas A. and M. College, is the third distinguished Texan to receive the Association's Merit Award. In 1937, the late J. W. Stubenrauch of Mexia was honored for his distinguished services in the development of the fruit industry of the State. Last year the Award was made to W. W. Cole of Chillicothe, father of the cooperative cotton gin, in recognition of his long years of service in the field of agricultural organization.

Preceding the presentation of the Merit Award Plaque to Mr. Dickson by Eugene Butler, Chairman of the Merit Award Committee of the Association, A. D. Jackson, Chief, Division of Publications, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, discussed the "History of Agricultural Research in Texas." Victor Schoffelmayer, Agricultural Editor of the Dallas News, spoke on "R. E. Dickson—His Contribution to Texas Agriculture." The Merit Award banquet program, which is featured each year at the annual meeting of the Association, was broadcast over KTAT.

Meeting in Fort Worth for its twelfth annual convention, the Association, which is composed of workers in all phases of agricultural endeavor, was presided over by President Louis P. Morrill, Regional Conservator, Soil Conservation Service, Fort Worth. Miss Maurine Hearn, District Agent of the Texas Extension Service, is Secretary of the organization.

"OK" Boys Say That Welding Business Is Growing

The Adams boys, brothers, and proprietors of the O. K. Rubber Welding Shop, now located in the Sunshine Service Station, say their business is pepping-up quite a bit now that the tractor season is approaching.

Demonstrating an economy service for farmers, they report having found a number of farmers just ready to purchase a tractor tire, and by investigating their methods, saved many dollars by use of the new system. They quote approximately ten dollars as the average repair bill on a tractor tire, and guarantee the weld job to be superior to the rest of the tire. The work, however, is not confined to tractor tires; they repair auto tires, and other forms of rubber welding.

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DOT TAYLOR HONORED AT "GOING-AWAY" LUNCHEON

Miss Dot Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor, Spur, was the honor guest at a One O'clock Luncheon at Raley's Hill Top Cafe Sunday, when a table for six was laid in her honor before departure the last of the month to attend Abilene Christian College.

Carrying out the St. Valentine motif, emblematic place cards were used, with a large receptacle heart in tu-tone as a centerpiece. The good cheer of a delicious service prevailed, with the deposit of lovely gifts in the centerpiece heart adding to the gaiety of the pretty affair.

Those present were Honoree Dot Taylor, Mesdames Jack McClung, T. E. Milam, Cecil Scott, and Miss Maurine McArthur and LaFerne Hazelwood.

Miss Taylor has been employed for the past several months at the Whittacre-Milam Variety.

NEAL A. CHASTAIN, JR. HONORED ON SEVENTH BIRTHDAY

Master Neal A. Chastain, Jr., assisted by his mother, Mrs. Neal A. Chastain, entertained Monday from 3:30 to 5:00 p. m. with a party in honor of the seventh birthday anniversary of young Master Chastain, at the family home 1010 West Harris.

Guests on this happy occasion were about twenty or twenty five close friends and pals who spent an hour in playing indoor games directed by Mrs. Chastain, assisted by Mrs. Horace Hyatt.

A number of useful gifts and a barge of toys were presented the large angel food cake decorated in yellow and white and bearing seven lighted candles was admired, then the lights were blown out. The cake was cut and served with Dixie cups to the party guests.

The guests departing wished for Neal A. many more happy birthdays.

W. C. GRUBEN HONOR GUEST AT BIRTHDAY DINNER WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Gruben had so cleverly concealed all plans for the birthday dinner that she had planned as a surprise for her husband, W. C. Gruben, in honor of his fifty-third birthday anniversary, that upon arriving home at noon Wednesday, he was somewhat "blowed over" to find his place surrounded by parked cars and when entering the house to be greeted by his mother, Mrs. E. Gruben; his two sisters and brothers-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Overton, and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Brumfield and daughter, Viann, of Royston; his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gruben and son, Henry, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gruben, Mr. and Mrs. Venson Overton and Morice Overton of Spur.

The dining table groaned under

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the load of delicious viands prepared for the occasion.

After assembling the guests around the board Mrs. Gruben made a short order of her dinner and hid herself down to keep store, leaving W. C. with his birthday feast and family to enjoy them at leisure.

MRS. DALMER McCARTY IS HOSTESS TO 1933 CLUB

Mrs. Dalmer McCarty was hostess to the 1933 Study Club Tuesday afternoon, January 17, 1939. The fifteen members present enjoyed a splendid program on Fine Arts with Mrs. George as leader. Roll Call was answered by My Favorite Writer.

Mrs. J. C. Payne talked on Music As An Aid in Development of Character. Charm of Poetry was given by Mrs. McCully.

Piano selections by Mesdames Gilbert and McCarty.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and after the social hour, club adjourned.

MRS. GUY KARR HOSTESS TO THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB AT SPUR INN

Mrs. Guy Karr was hostess to members of the Thursday Bridge Club last week at the Spur Inn, when two tables-round contracts were enjoyed by the following members: Mesdames W. T. Andrews, M. C. Golding, F. W. Jennings, Neal Chastain, Ty Alen, C. B. Jones, and O. C. Thomas.

Mesdames Andrews and Chastain were awarded the prizes for winner achievements.

A refreshment plate was served to each member and hostess.

MR. AND MRS. RILEY WOOTEN HOSTS AT BRIDGE SUPPER

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wooten were hosts at a bridge supper given in their McAdoo home Saturday evening, three tables of bridge marking pleasant time for a number of guests.

Husband-and-wife first award, two packets of Congress bridge cards, for highest contract mark went to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews.

A delicious buffet-style supper enriched the evening entertainment for Messrs and Mesdames E. D. Engleman, R. A. Taylor, F. W. Jennings, W. T. Andrews, O. C. Thomas, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten.

MRS. DEE McARTHUR ENTERTAINS WITH BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. Dee McArthur entertained with a surprise dinner in honor of Dee's birthday anniversary at their home Friday evening, with approximately a score of relatives and friends present to enjoy the affair.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Thurmond Moore and children, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett and daughter, Betty Jo, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett, Lois Ragland, Everett McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClung, Maurine McArthur, and the host and hostess and son.

MRS. H. B. THOMPSON HOSTESS TO 1931 STUDY CLUB

Mrs. H. B. Thompson was hostess to the 1931 Study Club Tuesday afternoon at her home 515 North Carroll.

The President, Mrs. Hobart Lewis presided at a short business session. Roll call was answered with a sketch of favorite artists.

Mr. Fred Arrington and Mrs. John King read excellent papers.

A congealed salad with cookies refreshment was served by the hostess after which the club adjourned to meet February, 7th.

TRIPLE TREY BRIDGE CLUB MET WITH MRS. BILBERRY

The Triple Trey Bridge Club met Saturday afternoon at the lovely new cottage home of the Henry Bilberry's with Mrs. Bilberry as club hostess.

Contract bridge was the diversion of the afternoon and in the games Mrs. J. P. Carson, Jr. made high score and was awarded the prize.

A salad refreshment plate was served by the hostess to guests named Mesdames E. D. Engleman, Pike Nichols, Marvin Vaughn, G. B. Wadzeck, Mark Wadzeck, Vascoe H. Ward, H. B. Thompson and J. P. Carson.

MASTER JIMMIE KOON IS HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the J. A. Koon home a number of Jimmie's friends assembled to answer to invitations sent out earlier in the day to "Come to My Birthday Party this Afternoon."

Mrs. Koon directed the indoor games played by the children.

A birthday cake bearing eight lighted candles and decorated with a ring of animal cookies was exclaimed over, the candles were blown out and the cake was cut and served with hot chocolate and animal cookies to the following guests: Parsey Hyatt, Virginia Ruth Shugart, Jean Ousley, Bonnie Beth Henry, Jo Nell Addie, Donna Ruth Perrin, Neal A. Chastain, Jackie and Raymond Cloude, Roy Ousley, Shirley and

Obituary

IN UNCEASING LOVE AND MEMORY OF OUR DEAR HUSBAND AND DAD

A precious one from us has gone. A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled. God in his wisdom has recalled, The boon his love had given; But our hopes are beyond the grave, And we shall meet in heaven.

James B. Townsend passed from earth November 1, 1938 at his farmstead one mile south of Clairemont, Kent County, Texas.

Death came very sudden, and unexpected; altho Mr. Townsend suffered many years from very serious kidney trouble.

Dr. McLaury, of Jayton, Texas, stated death was caused from "Coronary Occlusion."

The remains were taken to Waco, Texas by Kinney Undertakers of Stamford, and placed to rest in the Oakwood Cemetery, November 3 at 5 p. m.

Mr. Townsend was born April 6, 1883 in DeWitt County, Texas, son of the late Caleb Henry Townsend and Mary Elizabeth Coleman Townsend, worthy pioneer families from Mississippi and North Carolina respectively.

Mr. Townsend's forebearers are some of the finest and oldest families of Texas and the South. His boyhood days were spent in the South. He was reared and educated at Austin, Texas. Most of his active business life was in Waco, Texas where he lived many years. Mr. Townsend was a skilled barber. He owned and operated some of the best shops in the state and is universally known, loved, and respected by a host of fellow workmen and friends.

Only those who truly knew Mr. Townsend could appreciate him and the fine principals he endorsed. He valued truth and honesty above wealth, always trying to live the Golden Rule.

Mr. Townsend was baptized into the Missionary Baptist Church at Rosebud, Texas, when about 27 years of age.

However, in the year of 1912—It pleased Jehovah God to call him out from amongst the confusion of creeds and religionists into His marvelous light of truth.

Taking his stand wholly on the

Kenneth Hairgrove, and honor guest Jimmie Koon.

Jimmie was the happy recipient of a number of birthday gifts and many good wishes for other Happy Birthdays.

LITTLE VIRGINIA LANE HONOR GUEST AT "GOING-AWAY" PARTY FRIDAY

As a token of love and appreciation of their friend Virginia Lane; who is moving this week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Lane to Paducah, Little Misses Charlene Powell, Emma Pearl Gruben and Jackie Jean Rector entertained Friday with a surprise gift shower and going-away party at the Charlie Powell home on North Keeler Street.

Refreshments were served, the fun begun.

Indoor games were played, gifts were unwrapped, admired and many good wishes were expressed for the honoree.

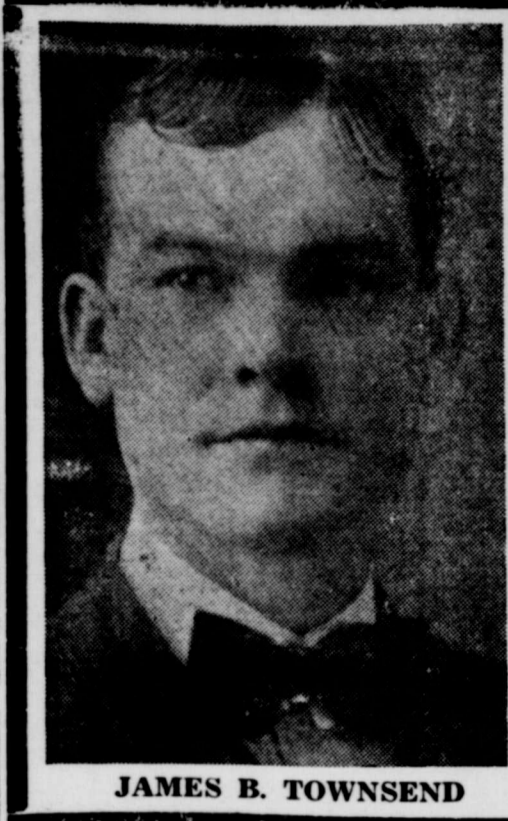
The guest list reads: Masters Billie Jo McCombs, Billie D. Starcher, Allen McKimney and Misses Virginia Crockett, Forrestine Mecom, Virginia Lane, honoree, and the hostesses Emma Pearl, Charline and Jackie Jean.

W. F. GILBERT HONORED ON BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin were hosts Friday evening of last week, entertaining with 84 at their home 617 North Carroll.

Sixteen guests were in play at two tables appointed for the fascinating games of 84.

The occasion was in honor of the birthday anniversary of W. F. Gil-



JAMES B. TOWNSEND

side of Jehovah and His Kingdom under Christ Jesus and remained there faithful unto death.

As an International Bible student, he was permitted to see and understand many vital truths. He bore the Cross, and knew the meaning of long suffering and self denial.

Mr. Townsend did not go through life leaving monuments of material works, man made fame, lands and riches of this world.

Rather, he chose the life of an humble, honest christian, and laid up secure riches that shall endure forever. The greatest monument a man can leave or have. Mr. Townsend said like Saint Paul. He gloried in his afflictions and the Cross of Christ.

He loved to teach and talked daily of God's Devine Plan of the Ages.

Yes, he was muchly concerned about his Heavenly Father's doings.

On March 18, 1920, Mr. Townsend and Mrs. Marie Stevens were united in Holy Wedlock at Austin, Travis County, Texas. To this union was born three children, a daughter and two sons.

Mr. Townsend preceded in death by two of his children, his daughter, Ruth Marie, and Joseph Benjamin, his youngest son.

His life's work is fully expressed in Hebrews, the 11th Chapter and 10th verse.

Survivors are: his wife, Mrs. James B. Townsend; his son, James David Townsend; two sisters, Mrs. Z. M. Boyd, Brownwood, Texas; Mrs. Beula Brennan, Austin, Texas; and a host of relatives and friends.

bert, who was presented with a number of useful gifts by the 84 club members present.

Mrs. Gilbert also was remembered and received a colorful fiesta dish.

Popcorn balls and assorted candies were served during the evening.

Those present and enjoying the occasion were: Messrs and Mesdames M. A. Lea; A. A. McKimney, R. C. Brown, C. V. Allen, J. C. Payne, Vascoe H. Ward, Graham, W. F. Gilbert, honor guests; and Mrs. Nellie Davis.

MRS. E. L. CARAWAY HOSTESS TO 20TH CENTURY CLUB

The 20th Century Club met in the E. L. Caraway home Tuesday at 3 p. m. with Mrs. W. S. Campbell acting as hostess for Mrs. Caraway who was called out of town on business.

A very interesting lesson on Switzerland was reported on by members on the program.

Hand painted place cards, skating and skiing scenes in Switzerland, the handwork of Miss Roberts, of Oregon, marked places for the luncheon guests.

The menu was Swiss cheese salted wafers, chili served in colorful fiesta bowls and salted wafers.

Presley Powell, member of the Milam Variety sales staff, made a trip to Abilene Monday.

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Obituary

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF RUPERT HARVEY

Rupert Harvey was born in Heyworth, Ill., October 2, 1869. Departed this life December 24, 1938. He moved with his family, Uncle George and Auntie Harvey (as they are better known to all the old timers in this country) to Wise County, Texas in 1875. Lived there one year and then moved to Palo Pinto County in 1876; lived there until 1891 when he moved to Dickens County where the rest of his life was spent. They settled the old homestead two miles East of Afton, where they have lived since.

Rupert Harvey was loved by all of his neighbors. He was a highly respected citizen. He worked in the blacksmith shop there on the Old Home Place. It was the only one in the early days. Farmers wanting anything done knew where to go and knew it would be done right when it was finished. He will be missed by all of his friends and loved ones, but as one author has said:

There is no death. The stars go down To rise upon some fairer shore And bright in Heaven's jeweled crown They shine forevermore.

—A friend.

MISS BETTYE JEAN HUGHES IS BRIDE OF ALBERT LANE, AMARILLO

A marriage announcement of interest to many friends here is that of Miss Bettye Jean Hughes to Mr. Albert Lane, Amarillo, the ceremony having been solemnized at the First Presbyterian Church in that city on December 31, Eve of the New Year.

Mrs. Lane is a niece of Mrs. Roy Stovall, Spur, and has been a frequent visitor in the Stovall home the past few years, having made many

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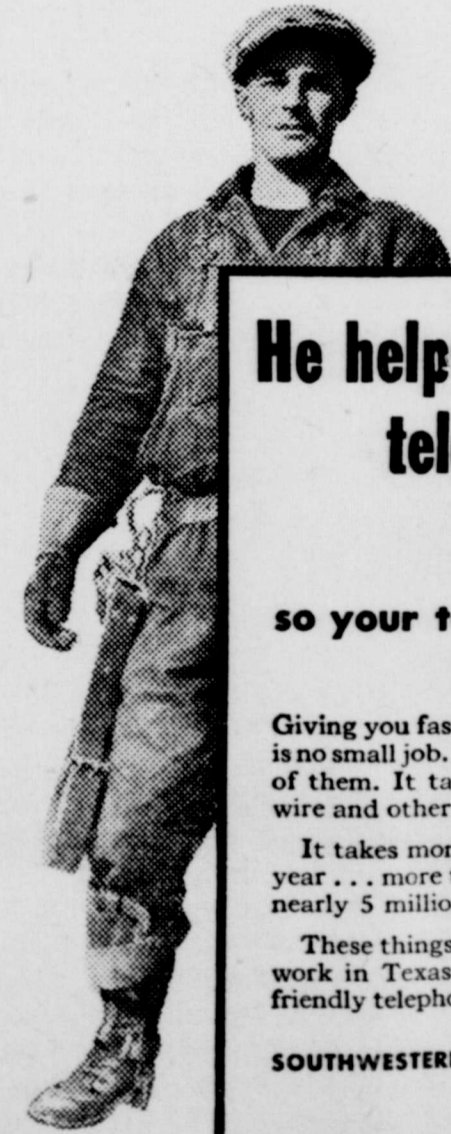
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(Editors Note—The following paragraphs have reference to the letter correspondence that ran in last week's Texas Spur.)

(Chapter XXVII Continued)

As a result of the above letter, on the 21st of May 1905, Mr. Horsbrugh met the Swenson party, and showed them over the entire Spur Ranch, and by the 14th of June Mr. E. P. Swenson had sailed for London, England. There he made the Directors a straight proposition to buy the Ranch, lock, stock and barrel, for 280,000 pounds Stg. approximately \$1,400,000.

As anticipated, there was a good deal of opposition raised as to the sale and price. It was not until the 20th of February 1907 that the stockholders were called to vote on the matter. It was then approved and ratified. The contract allowed the Company 90 days to get the title in shape, and a like period for the buyers to pass on same.

It was not, however, until March 10th 1908, that everything in connection with the sale was ratified. On that date Mr. Henry Coke of Dallas, Texas, the legal representative of The Espuela Land and Cattle, Ltd., of London, England wired Mr. Horsbrugh the following:

OFFER (\$45,000) FORTY FIVE THOUSAND FOR COMPLETE SETTLEMENT BETWEEN HORSBRUGH AND ESPUELA, CABLE REPLY ESPUELA.

COKE

This offer of \$45,000 as commission to him for the sale of the Old Spur Ranch was accepted by Mr. Horsbrugh.

FINIS CHAPTER XXVIII

Of the managers of "The Old Spur Ranch," none are alive today except Mr. A. J. Swenson, now living in Stamford, Texas, Mr. S. W. Lomax, the first of them; Fred G. M. Horsbrugh, Henry C. Johnstone, the last of the Scotchmen; and Mr. F. S. Hastings, are all gone on The Lone Trail; only Mr. Swenson is left.

I think the reader will like to read the following notice of my Old Boss, long Manager of The Spurs, and so well loved by all the Spur Boys who were ever-loyal to him.

Amarillo, Texas
7th March 1902.

The life of Fred Horsbrugh, a force in the transition of West Texas from a most thinly settled country, to its comparative populous condition. As manager of the tremendous Spur Ranch, he had an opportunity for leadership, far above that permitted most of us. Quietly, yet thoroughly and competently, he utilized this position to improve our range cattle breeds, to open up great tracts to agricultural settlement and to develop the interests of Espuela, the headquarters of the Ranch. With headquarters one hundred miles from the nearest railroad, unusual hardships were necessarily endured. Twenty-five years ago Fred came to Amarillo and consequently, has been one of our beloved longer than all but a few of our Rotarians. He valued his membership in Rotary most highly, and he was particularly proud of the fact that he had three sons-in-law who were Rotarians, a circumstance probably unique throughout International Rotary.

We regret the passing of our friend and fellow Rotarian, Fred Horsbrugh, and our deepest sympathy is with his bereaved loved ones. May our lives be as useful. It is to such as he that our new generation owe their opportunities and Texas much of her greatness.

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TO THE OLD SPUR BOYS

Millions of years have passed away,
As did the sunshine yesterday;
In twenty years will none be here
Who used to drive the Old Spur Steer.

Friends of my youth remembered well
Of you I many stories tell;
I oft remember happy days,
Of you and your queer Cow-boy ways.

Friendship once given, not for a day;
From you no double-cross could stray.
Wild, wooly cow-boys you may have been,
But truer friends I've never seen.

As one by one we forward go
On the "Lone Trail," I hope 'tis so
That we again at "Round Up" meet,
And in "The Saddle" find a seat.

When to new range we all must go,
Saint Peter's just, I know, and so
You'll hear him say, "An Old Spur Boy;
Yonders their camp, you need no toy,
'Tis evening, list", you'll hear their song;
Go to them son, their work is done."

THE PRESENT OWNERS OF THE SPUR BRAND CHAPTER XXIX

Some one once said something like this; "There is a hand which shapes our destiny, rough-hew it how we may." In looking backwards one can see, or at least think they can see, evidence of that hand, guiding Will Lewis, of the firm of Lewis and Molesworth in his buying from Ben Masterson in 1900 the Spur steers which he (Masterson) had contracted to buy. On every occasion after that, when Will Lewis possibly could, he bought the Spur steers and cows that were for sale, until he at last bought the brand and all the cattle in it. He also leased the Spur Range in 1910, from the Swenson interests, for a number of years.

The Swenson interests had disposed of a

large number of the Spur herd before selling the Brand and the remaining cattle to Lewis, even then, they delivered to him over 13,000 head. It may be of interest to give the prices at which they were sold in 1910. They were as follows:

For the cows and calves --- \$27.00
For Steers, two years up --- \$25.00
For Steers, Yearlings --- \$21.00
For Heifer Yearlings --- \$18.00

And for the horses (\$40.00) forty dollars round. The lease Mr. Lewis had with the Swenson interests expired in 1915 and he turned the Ranch back to the present owners that spring, Mr. Lewis however sold all the steers and cows left, except those in the Under-Bit mark, to Landrigan Bros. of Amarillo. These Under-Bit Spur cattle he reserved and the increase from them he still owns. (See later).

It has been stated by those without knowledge of the facts, that The Spurs had a registered herd, and that registered cattle were produced on the Spur Ranch. This is emphatically erroneous, and incorrect. There never was a registered cow on the Spur Ranch from 1888 until W. J. Lewis leased The Spur Ranch from the Swenson interests and moved to it from the T Anchor Ranch near Canyon, Texas, the John Hutson registered cattle which he had bought.

These Spur cattle known as the Under-Bit (ear mark) herd were grade cows kept in the Tap Pasture. This herd started by Mr. Hosbrugh in 1890. After the White-Faces had commenced to "show up" in numbers on the range. The choicest cows were chosen to start with and the herd was culled and added to from time to time. The Bulls alone were registered, and from each new shipment of Registered Bulls, the choicest of them were placed in this herd. It was impossible for any registry papers to have been got for any of the cows or their calves from this herd.

As a matter of fact, while this herd (the under-bit) was very high grade, so was the whole herd of Spur cattle, and there was very little difference between them. After twenty (20) years of breeding to Registered, or high bred bulls, it could hardly be otherways.

At times the Pink Eye was bad. I noticed that those cows with a ring of red around the eyes, rarely if ever had it. This ring was the result of the Short-horn cross and was very desirable in breeding cattle for Northern feeders.

I am in receipt of the following letter from my old friend Shorty Rorie, and old Spur Boy, and now a partner with Mr. Will Lewis, in these cattle.

Turkey, Texas
Jan. 23, 1936

Dear Bill:

Mr. Lewis tells me he brought 650 head of the John Hutson cows here (that is the R. O. Ranch) from the Spurs, in the Spring of 1915. Among them were three cows, that the King of England, King Edward the Seventh, sent to Mr. Hutson as a present, picked from the best in England. They were some of the best ever in this State. He is still keeping those cows or the descendants of them, and that herd, to raise his range bulls from. There are probably three or four hundred of them now, and he brands them with The Spur on the left thigh. Our partnership brand is The Spur on the Hip (the Under-Bit cattle). I hope this will be of some use to you.

Yours
R. E. Rorie

These T Anchor, Hutson cows, were the first Registered cows and the only ones ever brought to the Spur Ranch up to 1915. From the above letter it will be seen that The Old Spur Brand is very much alive and is not dead or disused. It has been actively used by the owners of this brand, from the time it was first started in this country, in 1878, for Jim Hall, until now, 1937, and is likely to be in use for many years to come.

OUR NEIGHBORS CHAPTER XXX

In 1884 The Spus were one of the largest ranches in Texas who fenced in their lands and it may be of interest to give a description and a few comments on our neighbors. After The Spurs fenced in their lands, a period of intensive fencing set in by those who owned any considerable body of land adjoining.

The Spur holdings and leases then amounted to about 500,000 acres inside the fence. They, unlike many others running cattle then, paid annually to The State of Texas, lease for such of the State School lands as was enclosed. After The Spurs fenced, it was fairly easy for those adjoining ranches to be fenced off to themselves; this a majority of them did.

I will begin with the Two Buckle Ranch, owned by The Kentucky Land and Cattle Co., of Louisville, Kentucky, Claud Tilford, manager. This ranch started at a corner on the North of The Spur Tap Pasture on the Plains and from there west, lay along the north of The Spurs to their extreme northwest corner. In 1893 this ranch went broke (to use a common expression well understood). Their losses on the Plains and from bogging in Blanco Canyon, during the extreme winters and in the Spring of the years from 1890 to and including 1893 were tremendous. Whit and Swerenger of the O X Ranch near Childress, Texas bought all the cattle that were left after the die-up. This ranch was then leased to the Coralitos Cattle Company of Old Mexico, and they drove two or three herds of Mexican cattle to it.

I had seen Long Horn cattle fairly wild, but those Circle Dot cattle from Chihuahua, Mexico, were the original Wild and Wooly bunch. They cared as little for a fence as a flock of blackbirds. These cattle soon scattered to the four winds, and The Spurs got their full share of them. (To Be Continued)

MRS. C. D. COPELAND HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland with Mesdames Lee Snodgrass and Marcus Copeland as cohosts entertained Sunday with a 12 o'clock dinner at the beautiful new modern farm home of the Copelands.

The Occasion was in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. C. D. Copeland.

Others present and enjoying the day in the hospitable home were Mrs. Wilton Copeland and children, Pat and Mary Jean, Lee Snodgrass and son, George, and Mrs. Oran McClure.

MRS. G. J. LANE HONOR GUEST OF SO SUM AND BLUE BONNET CLUBS

Mrs. P. C. Nichols entertained Wednesday of last week complimenting Mrs. G. J. Lane who, with her husband, County Agent G. J. Lane, and children are moving to Paducah after seven years of residence in Spur where she has formed many friendships in church and social circles.

Guests at the Wednesday party were members of the So Sum Club who presented to Mrs. Lane a beautiful pot plant, as a parting gift.

Coffee and cake was served by the hostess at the close of the sewing hour.

Those present were Mesdames E. S. Lee, J. P. Carson, Miles, Emma Lee, James B. Reed, W. R. Weaver, Roy Stovall and honor guest Mrs. Lane.

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Again Thursday the Nichols home was the scene of a lovely party when Mrs. Nichols entertained the Blue Bonnet 42 club and again named Mrs. G. J. Lane honoree.

A short business session was held at which officers for the new year were elected:

President, Mrs. W. S. Campbell; 1st vice president, Mrs. W. F. Gilbert; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Weaver; reporter, Mrs. E. S. Lee.

After the business session a number of games of 42 were played following a look through the membership record revealed that Mrs. Lane's was the favored member and as a reward she was presented a shower of gifts from her Blue Bonnet club members including absent members and those present who were Mesdames E. L. Caraway, O. L. Kelley, J. P. Carson, E. S. Lee, W. S. Campbell, H. C. Foote, W. C. Gruben, A. M. Walker, T. H. Blackwell, W. F. Gilbert, honor guest G. J. Lane.

At the close of the afternoon entertainment a salad refreshment with hot coffee was served by the hostess Mrs. P. C. Nichols.

1925 BRIDGE CLUB

The 1925 Bridge club observed the regular one o'clock luncheon Wednesday of last week at the Spur Inn.

Covers were laid for sixteen guests including Mesdames Guy Karr, Neal A. Chastain, Bond, C. H. Elliott, Nellie Davis, M. C. Golding, H. P. Gipson, Hill Perry, V. V. Parr, F. W. Jennings, W. R. Lewis, Della Eaton, Harvey Giddings, O. C. Thomas, A. B. Chapman and W. T. Andrews and Mary Putman, hostess.

In the bridge games following the luncheon hour Mrs. Neal A. Chastain was presented the dinner napkin for high score.

MRS. HILL PERRY HOSTESS TO 1917 STUDY CLUB

The 1917 Study Club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hill Perry.

Eighteen members answered roll call, naming new gadgets and aids for the kitchen.

Mrs. R. C. Forbis was program leader: Kitchen Craft was the subject for discussion.

Mrs. Clark Forbis gave an excellent report on Preparing the Family Meal on Club Day.

Debate: Resolve that the kitchen has more influence on home than the living room with Miss Jennie Shields on the affirmative and Mrs. J. E. Berry on the negative was both comical and educational. The affirmative received the deciding vote. The club will meet February 7th

CITY FEDERATION MET TUESDAY

Trends in Modern Education was the subject topic under discussion at the City Federation meeting held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Spur Inn.

The 1917 Study Club had charge of the program.

Due to the early hour and this being the first Federation meeting of the new year only a few members of the various clubs were present.

Mesdames A. B. Chapman and E. M. Hale and Miss Marian Hale were business visitors in Lubbock Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. O. Leach left Sunday for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rountree, of Whitney and her sister of Cleburn. Mr. Leach who accompanied her to Albany where she was met by her parents and brother-in-law and sister, returned Sunday afternoon to Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Stafford and sons, Roger and Paul of Brownfield spent last week end in Spur visiting her mother, Mrs. D. N. Loe and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stafford of Afton.

Little Miss Ann Hull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hull, who underwent an appendectomy Saturday morning at Lubbock Sanitarium is reported as doing nicely. Mrs. Hull remained in Lubbock with Ann and Mr. Hull and Dr. Brannen accompanied them, returning to Spur Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall had as week end guests their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Stovall of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ratliff and two children of Haskell spent the week end in Spur, guests of his brothers Messrs and Mesdames L. D. and O. B. Ratliff.

Mrs. George Archer, Home Economics teacher in the McAdoo Schools was called Monday to attend her mother who is critically ill at her home in Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gipson and little daughter, Doris, spent Sunday in Lubbock with Frances who is attending Texas Tech.

Calvin Ramsey and sister, Mrs. W. R. Jimison, left Monday morning for a few days business and pleasure trip to San Antonio.

Mrs. Ada Gipson, returned Sunday from a visit since Friday with her sister and family at Seagraves.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carlisle of Steel Hill were among the many visitors in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilmon and two children of Afton were in Spur Monday shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends.

Miss Polly Clemmons returned Sunday from a visit since the Wednesday before with her brother and Mrs. Sam Clemmons and daughters, Elizabeth and Sue.

Mrs. L. C. Ponder of two miles east of Spur was shopping and visiting in the city Monday. Mrs. Ponder reported Mr. Ponder as suffering an injury, the result of his milk cow stepping on his foot and injuring the great toe so badly that the toe nail had to be pulled.

Lloyd Womack of Swenson and formerly of Spur was here Monday looking the city over with a view of returning again and engaging in business here.

J. C. McNeill of the Alamo Stock Farm was in Spur Monday greeting friends and attending the sale of livestock at the Spur Livestock Auction barn.

Mrs. Anne Johnson and daughter, Mrs. Paul Braddock of East Afton were shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends while in Spur Monday.

Norton Barrett returned Sunday from a two weeks trip to Big Spring where he visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Barrett and Odessa where he visited Richard Ensey another Spur boy who is "making good" in the West.

Miss Robbie Ruth Johnson left Sunday to enter a school of beauty culture at Longview. She will make her home there with her cousin, Mrs. Paul Lawrence, a daughter of the former Addie Wells, who taught in the public school of Dickens County twenty-five years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Perkins of Lower Red Mud spent several hours in Spur Monday shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hinson of Calgary were business visitors and greeting friends in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Johnson, of Espuela, were business visitors in the city Monday.

Jim Derr and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jim Derr, Jr., of McAdoo spent Monday in Spur shopping with the merchants and transacting business affairs.

Lee Mimms of Wichita was greeting friends and trading with Spur merchants while in the city Monday.

E. Durham was here Monday from his farm home in the Duck Creek community, greeting friends and buying supplies of Spur merchants.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Frazier were here Monday from their farm home in the Highway community, spending several hours in the city shopping with merchants and visiting with friends.

I Give You Texas



Boyce House

Can you remember away back when they used to put a spoonful of whipped cream on top of a cup of hot chocolate instead of using a marshmallow?

I'm in favor of adding a course in shoe-fitting to our college curricula. You would think fitting a pair of shoes would be a fairly simple matter: there are the shoes, all sizes and shapes, and there is your foot in all its socked glory, looming up like the Matterhorn or El Capitan. But, of the last three pairs of shoes this commentator has purchased, two pairs fitted dreadfully.

Answering the mail: No, surely Governor O'Daniel won't appoint to the State Highway Commission a politician who—no longer 350 than last August—was repudiated by the people to the tune of a majority of 130,000 for his opponent.

Yes, if Tom Connally votes for the confirmation of Allred, the genial Senator will be obligingly handing over a nice stout club tagged "All-redism" for an opponent to make use of two years from now.

That really was a wonderful crowd at the Plain Democrats Jackson Day dinner—as many as at the other two dinners combined, according to figures in the press and Jerry Sadler, new member of the State Railroad Commission, delivered an able, straight-from-the-shoulder speech that would have pleased plain-speaking "Old Hickory" himself. Chairman Lon A. Smith of the Railroad Commission referred to Sadler as "this young political athlete," a phrase that summed up the general impression made on the minds of the 1,500 Democrats present.

Thought for the day: "I'm glad the sky is painted blue; And the earth is painted green; And such a lot of nice fresh air All sandwiched in between."

Mesdames E. L. Caraway and R. R. Wooten left Tuesday afternoon for a business trip to Tyler; Mrs. B. F. Hale accompanied them as far as Fort Worth where she will visit her daughter, Miss Helen, sophomore in T. C. U.

Mrs. W. R. Weaver and daughters, Misses Margaret Mae and Betty left Spur Saturday for Merkel where they spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McMinn, from there they went to Austin where Mrs. Weaver attended a Board Meeting of the P. T. A. and the Inauguration of Governor W. Lee O'Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thompson had as guests over the week end her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baxter, of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Weaver and family enjoyed a week end visit of his father, brother and sister-in-law of Amarillo.

Mrs. Atha Ezell, a member of the Dickens Public School faculty, was in Spur Tuesday afternoon shopping with the merchants and visiting with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe L. Sams and little daughter, Julia Marie, of Waco, were guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godfrey Thursday to Saturday and in company with the Godfreys went to Matador for a week end visit with Mrs. Leonora Luckett, mother of Mesdames Sams and Godfrey.

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EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Members and friends of the Spur Episcopal Church have been notified that the past minister, Ven. J. W. Heyes, will deliver his last message from the pulpit next Sunday, January 22.
 Following the final service here Sunday morning, Heyes will take up work at Eagle Pass, Texas.

George Mahon Takes Post On Important Committee

Official announcement was made this week in Washington of the election of Congressman George Mahon by the House of Representatives to a place on the Committee of Appropriations. The place is considered a highly desirable one and is much sought after by Members of the House. Only two Democratic Members were elected this Session. The membership of the committee includes 25 Democrats and 15 Republicans, Mr. Mahon being the only Member from Texas.

Since the Committee is a major one and has a heavy schedule of hearings throughout the Session, a Democratic Member of this Committee is not permitted to serve on any other standing committee of the House. Mr. Mahon leaves posts which he has held through two terms in Congress on the Committees on Civil Service, Insular Affairs, Census, and Elections.

MRS. COY McMAHAN, AT LUBBOCK, REPORTED IMPROVED

Word from Coy McMahan, who returned to Spur for a short while Wednesday afternoon, states that Mrs. McMahan was doing very nicely, and that physicians were confident that speedy recovery might be expected from her present condition.
 Mrs. McMahan had undergone a very serious operation in a Lubbock hospital Saturday, and word here Sunday related that the surgeons were not reporting favorable bulletins on her condition.

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH MONDAY

Mrs. Hairgrove was leader for a "Stewardship" program Monday at the Methodist Church. Mrs. G. J. Lane gave the devotional and Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Jerry Bell presented topics of the general subject.
 Mrs. J. R. Laine led in prayer.
 Be present next Monday for a program on "Christian Social Relations" to be led by Mrs. J. W. Carlisle.
 Those in attendance: Mesdames W. S. Campbell, Vernon Campbell, J. J. Ensey, Keen, Payne, Hobart Lewis, Kitchens, Clark Lewis, Link, Mars, Bell, Brown, Barrett, J. R. Laine, G. J. Lane, Johnson, Carlisle, Harrell, Hairgrove, Graham, Marshall, Simmons, McCully and Gilbert.

DICKENS BAPTIST CHURCH

B. B. Huckabay, Pastor
 "O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." Psalms 95:6.
 10:00 A. M. Sunday School
 11:00 A. M. Preaching Service
 2:30 P. M. Sunbeams
 6:45 P. M. B. T. U.
 7:30 P. M. Preaching Service
Week-Day Services
 2:30 P. M. Monday W. M. S.
 3:50 P. M. Monday Royal Ambassadors
 7:45 P. M. Wednesday Mid-Week Prayer Service
 3:45 P. M. Thursday G. A.'s
 Rev. W. H. Graham of Roaring Springs supplied for B. B. Huckabay at the Dickens Church last Sunday. The Dickens pastor was called to Morton on church affairs.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Sunday School 9:45
 Morning Service 11:00
 Intermediates 6:30
 Seniors 6:30
 Evening Service 7:15
 W. M. S., Monday afternoon 3:00
 Wednesday Night Service 7:15

The subject of the Pastor's sermon Sunday morning will be: "When Nobody is Looking." Special music will be rendered.

The evening service is a special service for Young People. The pastor will preach on "The Daring of Youth." A special musical number will be rendered by young people and the choir will be composed of young people.

Make your Sundays mean more and your week days will be happier. ATTEND CHURCH SUNDAY. We welcome visitors.

BIBLE BAND MET WITH MRS. LARK LEWIS FRIDAY

The Bible Band met with Mrs. Lark Lewis Friday, January 13. There were 8 members present.
 Mrs. Lewis led the opening prayer.

Mrs. Dyess brought an interesting devotional.
 Mrs. Tidwell brought a very interesting lesson from the first 7 chapters of Judges.

A delicious refreshment was served to those present.
 We were dismissed with the benediction to meet with Mrs. Dyess, January 20th.

Those present were Mesdames Tidwell, Cauthen, Simmons, Mims, Wood, Sauls, Dyess, and the hostess.
 —Reporter

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest appreciation of the many acts of kindness and beautiful floral offerings during the illness and death of our beloved sister and aunt, Mrs. Lucy Webb Abel.
 Mrs. J. F. Williams and family.

WARD FUNERAL HOME HAS NEW FORD AMBULANCE

Vascoe H. Ward this week announces the purchase of a new Ford V-8 Ambulance, and says that in cases of injury or illness where quick transportation, with comfort for the patient, is demanded, his place is prepared to deliver the goods.
 The new vehicle has straight ambulance equipment, and will be used solely for sickness and emergency cases.

MESDAMES R. C. AND CLARK FORBIS

Mesdames R. C. and Clark Forbis of Afton were in Spur Tuesday afternoon to attend their literary club and to visit her sister, Mrs. Nellie Davis.

J. P. Martin of the Martin Fruit Stand on South Burlington is spending several weeks in Hot Springs, New Mexico taking treatment for rheumatism of which he has been suffering the past several months.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Seals Earlest, of the Croton community, were among the number of business visitors in the city Saturday.

Clark Eldridge was one of the business visitors in Spur Saturday coming in from his home in the McAdoo section.

Elzie Armstrong, who was in Spur Friday looking after business interests, he reported his mother, Mrs. Armstrong, who has been in a Lubbock hospital the past month following an operation for gall bladder and peritonitis complication, had recovered sufficiently to be returned to her home ten miles east of Spur Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. French and Mrs. Register, of East Afton, spent Saturday in Spur shopping with the merchants and visiting friends.

Mrs. H. C. Peterson was visiting friends while in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Foreman were here Saturday from their home in the Espuela community, spending several hours in the city buying supplies of the merchants and visiting friends.

Mrs. Aliene Barr, of Mathis, is spending an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Valdee Hext, of Afton, and her mother, Mrs. James F. Williams and sisters, Mildred and Mrs. I. O. Jopling, of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Neaves were here Saturday from their home on the C. E. Hagins farm in the Duck Creek community, spending some time in the city shopping with the merchants and greeting friends.

Miss Maud Caviness spent the week end in Lubbock, guest in the home of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer Powell and baby were here Saturday from their farm home in the Dry Lake community, spending some time here attending to business affairs and visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Mrs. Pearl Towles and sons, Tommie and Billie and daughters, Miss Pearl Towles, of Amarillo and Mrs. Art Williams came to Spur Saturday for a week end visit with Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson and to accompany to Amarillo Sunday, little Miss Vesta Marie Chance, niece of Mrs. Wilson, after a two weeks visit in the Wilson home in Spur.

Ned Hogan, who has been sojourning in South Bend, Texas, and testing the cure-value of the mineral water for foot trouble, has returned to Spur.

SWENSONS SELL HORSES TO EAST TEXAS BUYERS

According to information here the first of this week, Spur Ranch, S. M. Swenson & Sons interests, made the sale of seventy-five horses to East Texas buyers last week. The surplus from the Ranch's string were hauled to the eastern part of the state where they will be placed on the market to farmers or other dealers.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A BAND BY THE CITY OF SPUR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That an election will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of February, 1939, at the regular polling places within the City of Spur, Texas, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified property tax paying voters of said City of Spur, Texas: SHALL

Fellowship Of Christian Youth To Be Held Friday Night, 20th

Joe Fredrick, pastor of the First Christian Church of Spur gives out the information that on next Friday evening, January 20, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, a Fellowship of Christian Youth meeting will be held at the Spur church.

The zone meeting is an important advancement move for young people, and expectations are for good attendance from a number of neighboring towns, including Roaring Springs, Crosbyton, Post, Slaton, Floydada, Ralls, Lorenzo, Idalou, and Lubbock. Some other representative towns were not named.

An inspirational message has been prepared for the meeting, and is backed by many other interesting and instructive features of the evening's program. A general program outline names the following:

Sing-song intervals, with plenty of good singing.
 Recognition of the groups in attendance from other towns, and host-city appreciation.
 Business session.

World Fellowship, a general conference feature and guide to better understanding of aims.
 Games.

The host-city will also present an individual program for the group, with pastor Joe Fredrick in charge, and refreshments served to the delegation.

To close the meet, the final number will be Inspirational Fellowship Circle.

HIGHWAY CLUB LADIES ENJOY DEMONSTRATION ON ROASTING MEATS

"A roast should be placed on a rack in a shallow pan with the fat side up. The melting fat bastes the meat, giving it flavor and preventing it from drying out. Do not add water and do not cover the pan," said Miss Jean Day, County Home Demonstration Agent, last Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Lester English where she gave a demonstration on roasting meats. She also said, "Cook a roast at low temperature 30 minutes for each pound of meat cooked."—Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Pace and children were among the number in the city Saturday shopping and visiting with friends.

THE CITY OF SPUR, TEXAS ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A BAND.

Said election shall be held in accordance with the law in reference to regular municipal elections as provided by the Revised City Statutes of Texas.

The polling places shall be in the City Hall of Spur, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED the 10th day of January, A. D. 1939.

E. J. COWAN,
 Mayor of the City of Spur, Texas

ATTEST:
 Truman J. Green,
 Clerk of the City of Spur, Texas.
 Jan. 12-19-26; Feb. 12-26

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Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Nalley had as guests during Christmas and the week following their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Nalley, of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Phillipps and children and Mr. and Mrs. George Simons of Seymour.

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