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James Frank Stephens was born in Kentucky on May 11, 1868. Moved to Texas in 1885. He was married to Miss Lucy Carlisle January 3, 1910 and they made their home near Girard for the past twenty-five years.

Mr. Stephens united with the Church of Christ at an early age and has been an elder in the Girard Church since his residence there. He was active in the community, also having been a member of the school board for eight years.

A daughter, Frankie Skinner, preceded Mr. Stephens in death by two years.

Surviving are: his widow, Mrs. Lucy Stephens; three sons, Orwin and Waldo of Girard, and J. T. Stephens, Clovis, N. M.; two daughters, Miss Lorilla Stephens of Lubbock, and Mrs. Wilda Millican, of Jayton. Three sisters, Mrs. Ella Potter, Kenton, Okla.; Mrs. Minnie Pelter, Dalhart; and Mrs. Levina Ballard, McDermitt, Nevada. Four brothers, Charlie and Wiley of Dickens; Aggie Stephens, Abernathy, and John Stephens, Perrin, Texas; and numerous other relatives.

Pallbearers were nephews: Faust Stephens, Calvin Stephens, Jack Stephens, Woodrow Swearingen, Willie Hagins, and John H. Carlisle. Flower bearers were nieces: Winona Barnett, Wilma Stephens, Ora Capple, Carrie Boethe, Gladys Ernest, Thelma Hagins, and Mary Pearl Hagins.

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FSA Meeting Jan. 6 At Dickens

The Farm Security Administration program for 1941 will be discussed and explained in a meeting Monday, January 6 at 2:00 p. m. in Dickens. The meeting will be held in the District Court room of the court house. All persons interested in the program for this year are invited to be present for this meeting.

MRS. T. H. GILMORE RECEIVES HIP INJURY IN FALL

Friends of Grandma Gilmore will learn with regret of her injury of the left hip, sustained Saturday, the result of a fall at her home in West Spur.

Mrs. Gilmore, though confined to her bed, is reported as getting along very nicely at this time.

Basketball Tournament At Patton Springs Fri. and Sat. 3-4

An independent basketball tournament in which Dickens, Crosbyton, Spur, McAdoo, Patton Springs, Jayton, Girard, and Roaring Springs are entered will be held at Patton Springs Friday and Saturday, Jan. 3rd and 4th.

Games will be played throughout the day Friday and will begin at 1:00 p. m. Saturday and continuing into the night. Ten cents admission will be charged.

NED BLACKWELL SUFFERS BROKEN LEG XMAS DAY

Ned Blackwell, son of Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, who suffered a broken limb Christmas morning is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

REA Industrializing Farm Activities

Many farmers are wanting to know how to plan to use electricity on their farms. That is an important thing now to study about.

All wiring should be done with careful planning from the start. Most all resident owners are going to industrialize many farm activities. This should be done. Not only is the drudgery eliminated but a profit is realized.

Each farmer is going to be interested in certain industrial activities in which his farm is particularly adapted. No outsider can determine those things as well as he. At first he may not discover what they are. That is the time he should make careful study for each farm is adapted to several industrial set ups. There has been something over two hundred valuable activities set up on REA lines. New ones are coming in every month.

With much study about your own farm surroundings, you likely will work out something exactly fitted to your situation that has not been worked out anywhere else. A list of many of these can be obtained from the local manager.

New applicants are still signing up for electricity. Everybody that ever expects to have electricity get this attended to at once for it is causing delay. Remember it will be costly to come on later.—Manager.

Nine Draftees To be Called January 22

The Dickens County Draft Board has been authorized to call nine men, as the quota for this county, on January 22.

However, there are more than enough volunteers to fill this quota, and possibly enough for the next, making it unnecessary to draft anyone yet.

TEXAS DEFENSE GUARD TO DRILL MONDAY AND TUESDAY NIGHTS

The Spur Texas Defense Guard Company will drill Monday and Tuesday nights, January 6 and 7, at 7:30 in the American Legion Hall. Everybody invited.

Bill McAlpine Again Associated With Clemmons Insurance

W. A. "Bill" McAlpine, former citizen of Spur, has recently returned to again establish a home, his family will join him about the 10th of January.

For the past several years, Mr. McAlpine has been traveling in the interest of insurance companies, but has returned here to again be associated with the Clemmons Insurance Agency and is now in charge of that office.

Mrs. McAlpine is a former teacher in Spur schools, and has a host of friends here that welcome them back to Spur.

DR. HALE RETURNS HOME

Dr. B. F. Hale, who has for the past few weeks been under care of physicians in Wichita Falls, is reported very much improved and has returned home.

Red Cross Needs

Any clothes too big for your children or any clothes you do not wish to patch, but which are clean will be gladly received for needy families. There are a number of homes in sad need of these things. If you have them kindly phone 276.

DISTRICT COURT TO CLOSE SESSION SATURDAY

District court, 110th District, now in session at Dickens, will close this term on Saturday, January 4th.

J. C. Bryant, 76, Pioneer Merchant Passes Away

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2: p. m. at the St. John's Methodist Church in Stamford for John Cutberth Bryant, 76, one of the builders of Stamford. He died at his home there Monday morning. Rev. W. Carl Clement, pastor, conducted the service and burial was in the Anson Cemetery.

At the time of his death Mr. Bryant was chairman of the board of the Bryant-Link Company, which operates stores at Stamford, Hamlin, Aspermant, Rotan, Lamesa, Snyder, Spur, Post and Carlsbad, N. M. The original store was founded at Anson in 1884. Under the name of the Baker-Bryant Company, the store was moved to Stamford in 1900, the year of the town's founding.

Mr. Bryant was born in Missouri, December 8, 1864, and moved to Jones County from Charleston, Mo., in 1884. In November 1887, he married Miss Sarah Caroline Huie of Anson. Three of their four children survive. She died April 19, 1913, and in 1915 Mr. Bryant married Miss Jo Grimmsley of Stamford, who survives him.

He also is survived by two sons, R. B. Bryant, president of the Bryant-Link Company, and W. J. Bryant, a member of the firm, and a daughter, Mrs. Charles G. English.

Mr. Bryant was left an orphan at 13 and six years later came to Texas with an older brother. The brother died six weeks after they opened the store at Anson. John Cutberth Bryant carried on the business alone until 1890, when a second brother arrived from Mo. and they established the Bryant Bros. hardware store in Anson. Later John Cutberth Bryant became associated with George H. Baker, who was his partner when the business was moved to Stamford. George S. Link became a partner in the enterprise in 1901.

Students Return To Schools Following Xmas Holidays

After the usual Christmas holiday visit with parents, other relatives and friends, Spur college students who are leaving this week to resume work at their respective schools are:

Ted Alexander, Kirksville Medical College, Kirksville, Mo., left Wednesday morning going by way of Abilene to join his party who are returning to Missouri by automobile.

Texas Tech will begin classes Thursday. Those returning to Lubbock are: Ruth and Emily Cowan, Winifred and Helen Ruth Lee, Sammie McGee, Regina Lee, Wynell McClure, Gladys Robinson, Elizabeth Powell, Billie Jean Verner, Chas. Senning, Victor Joyner, Bill Gruben, Bill Laine, Denton Graham, John Joe Costolow, Francis Bingham, Fike Godfrey.

A. and M. Cadets are to report not later than 1:00 Thursday. Going from Spur are: W. K. Harvey, Clifford B. Hunter, R. D. Ford and Junior Ince.

James Henry Cowan and Mary Lisenby, students in Texas University, Austin, leave today, going by way of Denton to return Misses Ruby Cowan and Martha Nichols, students in TSCW, Denton.

Other Texas University students are Miss Margaret Mae Weave and Maurice Costolow.

Miss Miriam Reed will leave Sunday to re-enter Baylor University, Waco.

Misses La Vern Burks and Helen Dodson, freshmen in HSU, Abilene. Cadet Johnny Nichols will return this week end to NMMI, Roswell, N. M.

Misses Isabelle and Bonnie Campbell, accompanied by their parents,

County Officials Take Oath And Offices January 1, 1941 In Ceremony At Dickens

Officials for the County of Dickens for the next two and four years, took the oath, and were sworn into office Wednesday, January 1, 10:00 a. m. at the court house in Dickens.

Hon. Marshall Formby, retiring judge and State Senator elect, administered the oath to Judge E. H. Boedeker, who in turn swore in all other officials.

New officials accepting office were E. H. Boedeker, county judge; Fred Christopher, Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector; K. W. Street, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; E. H. Ousley, District Clerk (county and district clerk offices being combined); and E. L. Hurst, Deputy Sheriff.

Those relinquishing office were Marshall Formby, county judge, J. L. Koonsman, sheriff; Horace Nickels, commission pre. 1; and Mrs. Nettie Littlefield, district clerk.

Mr. Formby presented a leather bound copy of the Holy Bible, in which he marked a passage, to Judge Boedeker, hoping that it would continue to be presented by office holder to successor, and that the Bible might serve to guide those administering justice.

Below is the farewell address and recommendations of Mr. Formby:

To My Friends on the Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, Gentlemen:

With deep gratitude for the four years I have had the privilege of serving on this Court and with a thankful heart for the opportunities ahead of me in another governmental field, yet with a sad heart and

Retiring Judge



MARSHALL FORMBY

Courts and the best group of county officials in Texas. Your cooperation has been wonderful and I believe that nowhere in Texas will you find any better group of county officials than I have had the pleasure of serving with.

In checking over our finances, we find that our tax rate today is five cents lower than it was four years ago. We are now on a strictly cash basis and our bank deposits are almost three times greater than on January 1, 1937. During this time we have completed the remodeling of our Court House, we have landscaped our courtyard, and have installed a butane system. Many miles of better roads have been constructed. Our commissioner precinct road funds have been divided to the extent that now each commissioner knows what he will have to spend for that year. It has been almost two years since we have written an unpayable warrant against one of the county funds. And along with all this, during the past four years we have reduced our county indebtedness about \$100,000 or about 25 percent.

Whatever has been accomplished has been due to the help and work of the county commissioners and the other county officials, together with the cooperation of our Dickens County citizens. I have merely been one of you and have tried to help in my humble and feeble way to bring about these needed changes. To you belongs all the credit.

It has been my pleasure to serve during the past four years with six of the finest men who ever sat around a Commissioners' Court table. I do now and shall always appreciate my good friends and co-workers Horace Nickels, E. J. Offield, the late Nuge Johnson, Walter Foreman, W. H. Hindman, and M. B. Gage. You gentlemen have overlooked all my faults and have carried my load and have shared my burdens from time to time. Without you I could have done exactly nothing during the past four years.

All others who have worked in the Court House with me have cooperated in every way possible to make my four years pleasant. It has been a pleasure to work with Johnnie Koonsman, Fred Arrington, Edelle Petty, and Hub Swan in the sheriff and assessor-collector's office. Mrs. Alice Murphree has been one of the finest county treasurers. Eric Ousley, Ouida Harkey, Fred Arrington, and Josephine Green all have been very cooperative in the clerk's office. It has been pleasant

New Sheriff



FRED CHRISTOPHER

with much regret, I turn over to you this morning the charge which was given me four years ago today. It has been a pleasure serving with the two best Commissioners'

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, left Thursday morning, returning to Southwestern, Georgetown.

Everett Martin returns to NMNU, Las Vegas, N. M.

Grace Foster, Lois Fayne Adams, Joyce and Alton McCully return to McMurry, Abilene.

Bill Putman to TMI, Terrell. TCU students returning are: Miss Helen Hale, and Bill Caraway.

Misses Mary Marsh and June Lisenby to Draughts Business College, Abilene.

Miss Pauline Joyner returns to Howard-Payne College, Brownwood. Returning to WTSTC, Canyon is Miss La Neile Falls.

Miss Lona Joyner goes to Dallas to a business college.

working with Oscar Kelley and Doris Arthur in the County Superintendent's office. Mrs. Nettie Littlefield has cooperated 100 percent with the Commissioners' Court serving as District Clerk.

From time to time I have relied upon the able opinions of my good friend, County Attorney L. D. Ratliff whom I appreciate. I have enjoyed working with Thomp Johnson, P. H. Eskridge, J. B. Jopling, A. M. Sheppard, Virgil Morrison, S. J. McSpadden, and C. P. Aufil, Jr., in their official capacities.

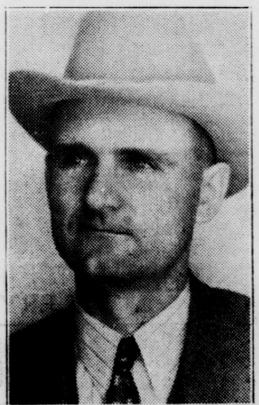
The court has had excellent cooperation from Grady Lane, Mack Woodrum, Charles Taylor, Dean Glasner, Lois Regland, Clyde Latham, Roy Arrington, the county committee, Mrs. Fred Delisle, E. W. Mars, Miss Clara Pratt, Jean Day, Henrietta Perrin, Kanna Stephens, and Fred Delisle in both his jobs.

Without our good friend, Henry Palmer, our work would have many times been less pleasant. Words cannot express my appreciation for him.

It has been indeed a pleasant group that I have been privileged to work with since January 1, 1937.

Without attempting to carry over any of my ideas into the next Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, but speaking from past experience in these matters and with the best interest of the people and county officials in this matter, I offer the following suggestions to the incoming Court composed of Judge E. H. Boedeker, and Commissioners Willow Street, E. J. Offield, W. H.

Retiring Sheriff



JOHNNIE KOONSMAN

Hindman, and M. B. Gage.

First, I suggest that the Court hire someone to make a continuous audit in the future. Our quarterly audit, which has been money well spent, now cost about \$400.00 per year. For \$500.00 per year you can have an audit each month. In this manner, every official can see each month the progress being made in the county. I believe it will be money well spent.

Second, I suggest that payment of salaries of every county official, including the commissioners, be changed from second Monday to about the 25th or later of each month. It would be good for the clerk to make out all warrants on the 25th of each month (on the 24th if the following day is a holiday or Sunday), hand them to the treasurer who will write the checks, so that officials might drop around to the treasurer's office.

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Mrs. R. T. Middlebrook, of California, has been the guest through the Christmas holiday season, of her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Swaringen and Mr. Swaringen, of Dickens and in company with Mr. Swaringen was a Spur visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Spraberry, recently of California, arrived in Spur last week to again make this their home. Mrs. Spraberry, the former Miss Billie Myers, will be associated with her sister, Pearl Myers, in Pearl's Beauty Shop.

Misses Pearl and Ruth Myers and Mrs. Thelma Morgan spent Christmas day in Aspermont the guests of their sister, Mrs. Tom Rutherford and Mr. Rutherford.

Roy Trammell, business man of Aspermont, was greeting friends in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Jones, of Paducah, were guests during the Christmas holidays of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Garner and family.

Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander had as guests during the Christmas holidays their children: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alexander, Colorado City; Miss Bernice Alexander, Sweetwater; Ted Alexander, Kirksville, Mo.; Joe Paul Alexander, Waco; Rex and Max at home; Dr. and Mrs. Bob Alexander and daughters Janie and Nan L., city; and Mrs. Dolly Mingus, of Fort Worth, sister of Mrs. Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blendon, of the irrigated farming belt near Floydada, combined business with pleasure in a trip to Spur Wednesday.

Wallace Smith, of the Air Corps, Brookfield, San Antonio, arrived Wednesday to spend a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Smith, of Red Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fredricks, students in TCU, Fort Worth, spent the Christmas holiday vacation in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hale and Marian, and his aunt, Mrs. Mary E. Johnson.

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Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 — NEW YEAR—Janus was an old Roman god equipped with two faces, one to see where he was going, the other to see "where he'd just been." What's that got to do with business? Nothing except that our month of January is named after him, and along with everyone else, our business and industrial leaders about this time of year do quite a bit of looking, both backward and forward, to review and preview the business scenes. So—

IT'S NO SECRET that industrial activity in the U. S. soared to the highest levels in all history during 1940, stimulated by the government's gigantic defense program and by the huge inflow of British war orders. The speed-up was most terrific in the final three months, so far surpassing any previous period that it lifted the average output for the whole year to 10 per cent above the previous best year—1929, of course.

PROSPECTS for 1941 are even brighter, in terms of production gains. The general level of predictions by economists is for another 10 per cent gain in the coming year, with the rearmament factor looming even more importantly as the driving force.

NATIONAL INCOME for 1940, according to estimates of the Alexander Hamilton Institute, fell short of the all-time peak of \$82,885,000,000 chalked up in that same year of 1929. Lower prices partly accounted for that. But, even so, our '40 income was right around \$76,000,000,000 for the second-best year on record... and that's six-and-a-half billions higher than for 1939, and 36 billions ahead of the "bottom" depression year of 1932. "National income" embraces the total monies that all of Uncle Sam's nieces and nephews gather in during a year—from wages, salaries, commissions, income from investments, rents, insurance annuities, royalties, everything... In this statistics, too, the general prediction is for another 10 per cent of rise in 1941. If that comes true we'll really go ahead of good old 1929 by about two billions.

THEY SAY — Week by week through this column endeavors to spotlight and interpret the business news trends as they may be expected to affect prospects of the butcher and baker, the dry goods merchant, the furniture man, the auto sales man, and other units of the economic life of the American community. But since the prosperity of all these is indisputably "keyed" to the operation of the major industries—bearing in mind the economic laws regarding buying power and all—let us summarize some of the year-end statements of leaders in key industries.

TWO OBJECTIVES—Says Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of General Motors: "The trend of production for industry as a whole during 1941 can be expected to reach higher levels and, in all probability, establish a new all-time record... We must bear in mind that part of this rise is artificial, since production for defense adds nothing to our standard of living... An economy devoted to that sort of production is not self-supporting. There is sure to come a time when the bill must be paid. No one can escape... There are two objectives to be kept in mind in 1941—the aggressive prosecution of the defense material program; that comes first. But second,

an active discussion and intelligent planning of what is to come after that is a matter of prime importance. It is essential if we are to minimize what is certain to be a critical situation."

DISTRIBUTION — John A. Hartford, president, Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company:

"The national defense program and the unusual strain imposed on our economy by a changing world have created a greater need for efficient distribution than in any previous era. All distributors are faced with a two-fold responsibility: To prevent repetition of the inflationary price trend of the World war, and to move merchandise with a minimum of costs.

"We know that new battleships, airplanes and guns must be paid for, somehow, by all of us. Every economy that distributors can effect in their own operations will be contributing to the defense program by helping to increase the purchasing power of the dollar that consumers have to spend for food, clothing and other necessities. The farmer, on the other hand, deprived of his normal export market by the European war, will need increased domestic distribution of his products..."

"The industry is intensifying its conduct of producer-consumer campaigns, the aim of which is to increase, during specified periods, distribution of individual fruits, vegetables and other crops in which a surplus exists or threatens. Among the activities which chains are undertaking in order to reduce retail operating expenses in the food field is the extension and refinement of super market technique."

POWER PLUS—With all types of industries stepping up manufacturing schedules to meet increased defense needs, the question of adequate electric power to carry the load is obviously an important one. Indication of the willingness and ability of a utility holding company to do its part in this regard is seen in a letter Edward L. Shea, president of the North American company, has sent to the N.D.A.C. sub-committee on electric power, giving reassurance that no "power bottlenecks" would be permitted to develop in the various operating areas of that system, which serves a number of highly industrialized sections. Mr. Shea's letter advised the commission that the company had decided to install an additional 80,000 kilowatts of generating capacity for the St. Louis area. "With this latest expansion,"

the letter said, "and the substantial construction increases reported to you in our letters of June 25 and July 15, the North American System's program provides additional generating capacity of 540,000 kilowatts at a total cost for new power plants and other utility facilities of approximately \$104,000,000. This will increase by one-fourth the total capacity of more than 2,100,000 kilowatts which the North American System had available at the beginning of 1940."

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS—Said Lewis S. Rosenstiel, chairman of Schenley Distillers corporation: "With disbursements of about \$1,200,000,000 the distilled spirits industry in 1940 took its place among the major industries to which America looks for heavy economic contributions and employment stability in times of national stress..."

"During the past year the industry made tax payments of approximately \$650,000,000. Other expenditures included more than \$400,000,000 in wages and salaries to employees of distillers, wholesalers and retailers, \$35,000,000 for the purchase of supplies from farmers, \$35,000,000 for bottles and barrels, and \$27,000,000 for transportation."

"DEFENSE FIRST" was also emphasized in the statement of I. W. Wilson, vice-president in charge of operations, Aluminum Company of America: "Highlights of developments of the year, of importance to the company, were (1) its decision to carry out now, at a cost of more than \$150,000,000, in the interest of

national defense, a program of expansion which would normally occur in the next two decades; (2) the announcement by the N.D.A.C. that the program of the company, together with that of others in the industry, makes present and planned production adequate for all estimated defense needs, and (3) continued price reductions by the co. at a time when the price trends of most commodities were distinctly upward."

SOLVED PROBLEM — Langbourne M. Williams, president of the Freeport Sulphur company, reported: "Provision of adequate supplies of sulphur for thousands of operations vital to the arming of the nation, far from being a major worry as it was for the War Industries

Board in 1918, is today a solved problem in the mobilization of resources by the N.D.A.C. for our vast defense program. This is in striking contrast to the situation in the spring of 1918 when domestic production of sulphur, at an annual rate of only 1,200,000 tons, was more than 250,000 tons short of actual minimum requirements. In 1940, sulphur shipments reached a new record high of 2,600,000 tons."

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Social Happenings

Coleman Dodson And Miss Mary Lee Bilbrey Married December 26

A wedding of interest to their many friends was that of Coleman Dodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Dodson, of Duck Creek, to Miss Mary Lee Bilbrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Bilbrey, of Jayton, Thursday, December 26.

The ceremony took place at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett in East Spur, with Rev. Bennett, Baptist minister, officiating.

Mrs. Dodson attended school at Jayton and is a charming and accomplished young lady. She resided in Spur, with her parents, for a short time during the summer of 1940.

Coleman Dodson is a graduate of Spur High School, and since graduation he has been employed in the printing trade, having worked at The Texas Spur until recently when he moved to Stamford to accept a job with the Stamford American.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodson left immediately following the ceremony for Stamford where they are at home to friends.

The Texas Spur joins the many friends of Coleman and Mary Lee in wishing them many years of happiness and prosperity.

John Hiner Wilson And Miss Eloise Smith Married

Of interest to friends of the family here as well as in Lubbock was the marriage Christmas day of John Hiner Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wilson, and Miss Eloise Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, both of Lubbock.

Marriage vows were read Wednesday, December 25th at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon in the First Christian Church, Wichita Falls.

Rev. J. B. Blunk read the marriage rites.

Mrs. Blunk, a cousin of the bride, was matron of honor.

Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of Texas Technological College, where she was a member of the D.F.D. social club and is a member of Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

She is employed by the New Wrinkle Shoppe.

John Hiner Wilson is a native son of Spur, Dickens County, Texas. He is a graduate of Spur High School and holds a degree from Texas Tech College, Lubbock, where he was a member of the College Club.

He is associated with the Star Engraving Company of Houston.

After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will return to Lubbock and establish a home at 2124 16th St.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hawley and son, Bobby, spent Christmas day in Sweetwater the guests of relatives and friends.

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Miss Nell Francis Hostess To Dinner Party Friday

One of the lovely social occasions of the holiday season was the dinner party Friday evening in the W. B. Francis home, 512 North Carroll, Miss Nell Francis hostess.

The Yuletide motif was used in the house and the table from which the dinner was served buffet style.

Games of 42 and Ping Pong furnished diversions until a late hour.

Those present and enjoying the occasion were Misses Ruth Cowan, La Nelle Fallis, Ruby Cowan, Lona Joyner, Mary Marsh, Melba Jo Hazel, Elizabeth Wolf, Emma Joyner, Emily Cowan, Regina Lee, Pauline Joyner, Syble Hazel, and Jane Godfrey.

Messrs. Aber Johnson, Victor Joyner, Harrell Cole, W. B. Francis, Fike Godfrey, Everett Martin, John F. Moore, and James Henry Cowan.

Former Spur Boy And Stamford Girl Wed December 27th

In a church wedding of beautiful simplicity; marriage vows were read uniting by marriage two of Stamford's leading families.

Martha Jane Bryant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant, and Earl Aubrey Russell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell, Sr., were married Friday, December 27th at Saint Johns Methodist Church, Stamford, Texas.

Rev. W. Carl Clements officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mrs. Welby Callicoate, the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Bryant, served her sister as matron of honor.

Norris Russell was his brother's best man.

Bob Bryant, brother of the bride, and Billy Joe Bryant, a cousin, served as ushers.

Mrs. Charles English, the former Miss Lavada Bryant, Mrs. W. J. Bryant, and Mrs. Sarah English McDonald were members of the house party at the Bryant home where the reception was held.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Russell are graduates of McMurry College, Abilene, where both were listed among the 20 outstanding students in 1939, their senior year.

After a brief trip Mr. and Mrs. Russell will return to Stamford where Mr. Russell is employed, and establish their home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh, Jr., of Brownwood, spent the Christmas holidays in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh, Sr. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall spent Christmas day in Lubbock with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Stovall and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Garrison Honored Sunday, Dec. 29

Sunday, December 29, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Garrison, of Red Mud, were honored with a surprise dinner and shower. Upon returning home from church Sunday morning, they were much astonished to see numerous cars being parked around their. The many friends had well filled baskets of food and gifts for the Garrisons, who are moving from the Red Mud community.

The afternoon was spent visiting and playing games. Much regret was expressed at the Garrisons moving, but all wish them much happiness and success in their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh had as guests during the holiday season, their children, Kelly Marsh, J. A. Marsh, Jr. and wife, of Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. John O. Gilbert, of Amarillo.

Spencer Sullivan, of Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays here, visiting his mother, Mrs. Fannie Sullivan, his daughter, Davie Sue, and his brother and sister, Burnice Sullivan, and Mrs. Elmer Shugart and family.

Mrs. R. G. Whistler returned Saturday from a Christmas visit and family reunion of her sister and brother in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Coach and Mrs. Rob Simmons, of Rule, were guests of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell and sons, Jack and Ned, during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Milam were overnight guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Collier, of Vernon.

Irvin Allen, student in TCU, and Lon Davis, student in OU, both of Floydada were overnight guests Friday of Bill Caraway at his home in Spur.

Joe Kidd was transacting business here Tuesday.

Morris Laine, reporter for the Midland Telegram, spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Laine.

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The Man About Town

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Howard spent an overnight visit Christmas Eve and Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bishop, of Crosbyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murray were dinner guests Christmas day of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mat Smith, of Crosbyton.

Pat Hogan returned home Thursday of last week from Amarillo where he spent Christmas with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clemmons and family.

Carl Randolph, of Afton, was trading and visiting in Spur Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Grace is spending this week in Stamford the guest of her sister, Mrs. Burrow.

Misses Dorothy Cornelius and Jane Huddleston, of Crosbyton were guests in the Cowan home last week end.

W. M. Hunter and Carl Arthur were business visitors to Lubbock Wednesday.

Davis Hagins is in Spur for a several weeks visit with his mother, Dena Davis, and other relatives and friends.

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6:30 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Bertha Nelle Walker, Acting President.
7:30 p. m. Evening Worship and Word. Sermon: "Healing for the Nations."
Wednesdays Mid-Week Prayer Meeting at 7:30 p. m.
Womans Auxiliary Mondays at 3 p. m.
This church welcomes you.

Mrs. Emma E. Russell had as guests during the Christmas holidays her son, Corporal Chas. M. Russell, of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Robin J. Claek, of Ropesville.
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Misses Marginell and Lindabeth Russell spent the Christmas holidays with their aunt, Mrs. Buelah Bird of Ruidosa, N. M.
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FORMBY—

(Continued From Front Page)

... and pick up their check any time from the 25th of each month on. Paying officials in advance is not good and sound business, and I suggest this be cut to a minimum.

Third, I suggest that sound judgment be continued in the investment of the Permanent School Fund. There is no better investment than our own county warrants and bonds, so where it is possible, I suggest that the Permanent School Fund be invested in Dickens County bonds.

Fourth, I recommend that every bill not ordered paid on the minutes of the Commissioners' Court books be paid across the court table on second Monday as have been doing, and that no bills ever be paid in advance of this second Monday meeting unless signed by either one of the commissioners or the county judge. This plan has been working successfully and I hope you continue it.

Fifth, it is my recommendation that the sheriff, tax assessor-collector's office be run in the future as Mr. Koonsman has been running it. I suggest that Fred Christopher keep a fee account to which all earned fees will be added each month. From this fee account, he should pay his help, his car expense, and himself a salary not to exceed \$225.00 per month until the end of the year.

Sixth, I recommend that the County Clerk's fee account be kept likewise and that Mr. Ousley continue keeping his receipt book as he has been doing. I recommend that all earned fees be placed in this fee account, and that his deputy be paid each month from this account, and that the clerk pay himself a salary never to exceed \$200.00 per month until the end of the year. In this manner the clerk will have an equal income each month in the year.

Seventh, I recommend that the Treasurer start a fee account and all earned commissions be placed in this account. It is my suggestion that to equalize her salary throughout the year, she pay herself not to exceed \$135 per month until the end of the year.

In the three above fee accounts, of course, each official will be allowed to draw any earned income he has not drawn for the year. These suggestions will merely help each official have a steady income and should there be excess fees, the money will be there to pay to the county. Mr. Koonsman has cooperated with the Court during the past two years and the experiment has proven highly successful.

Eighth, it is my hope and suggestion that the same perfect cooperation which has existed between the Commissioners' Court and the County School Superintendent's Office and the County School Board be continued in the future.

Ninth, since the annual Christmas party during the past two years has been each time so highly enjoyable, I recommend that this affair be made an annual one and that next year more elaborate plans be made for the event, perhaps to the extent of having the tree in the District Court Room and have a special Christmas program.

The above recommendations are humbly made, with the kindest of feelings and with the idea in mind to help every one and not to hinder or hurt.

Again, it has been a pleasure to serve with all of you and I hope

you have enjoyed serving with me one-tenth as much as I have enjoyed working with you. I believe that the incoming officials are men capable of making good officials and I wish the very best of luck to all of you.

To the County Judge's Office, Judge Edwin Boedeker and all future successors in office, I leave a leather bound copy of the Holy Bible. In this Book I have marked a passage of scripture. I hope each retiring judge will mark a passage for the incoming judge, and that the Book will remain many years in the County Judge's Office and that each county judge will use it as his guide from time to time.

I hope that all of you will remember that it is your privilege to serve as an official in the government of the greatest government in the entire world. In no other country are officials elected and can serve as you have the privilege. This country is great because those who are governed have always been remembered by their officials. And it is great because this government was the first in the world to state in its formation that its power came from a Divine Providence. Remember that those who elect are usually fair with their officials, but that they also have the power to remove. May Divine Providence guide and bless you in the days to come.

Respectfully submitted,
MARSHALL FORMBY
County Judge, Dickens Co.,
Texas, January 1, 1937-
January 1, 1941.

Mr. and Mrs. John O. Gilbert, of Amarillo, spent Christmas Eve with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh and family, returning Xmas day.

Miss Beatrice Spivey left Monday for Lubbock where she has been transferred by the Hestan-Kimbell Company.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Henry, of Duncan Flat, were business visitors in Spur last Tuesday. They paid this office a very pleasant call and while here renewed their subscription, for which we express our appreciation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wilson had as guests for an over night and Christmas day visit, her mother, Mrs. Pearl Towles and children, Misses Daisy and Ouita, and Tommy and Billy Towles, of Amarillo.

Sheriff Fred Christopher, was transacting business in Spur the last of the week and while here paid the Texas Spur a pleasant visit.

Paul Hagins, of east of Spur, was in town on business Tuesday morning. He came by to renew his subscription, for which he has our thanks.

Mrs. Madge D. Twaddell, of Tiger, Arizona, was in Spur the past week end on business.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding and daughter, Ida Lee, spent several days visit in Houston with their sons, Bernard and Sylvan, and other relatives this week.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to take this means to thank everyone for their thoughtful deeds, words of comfort and kindness during the death of our little one. May God bless each of you is the prayer of
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kimmel

Ministers Alliance To Meet Mon.

The Ministers Alliance of Spur and vicinity will meet at 10 a. m. next Monday, January 6th. All ministers of Dickens County and neighboring counties are welcome. The meeting will be held at the Roundup, the S. S. building behind the Methodist Church.

C. R. Joyner, Pres.
Jno. C. Ramsay, Secy.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings spent Christmas in Sweetwater, guests of her sister and children, Mrs. Berta Stewart, Fredrick Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thomas, and Miss Mary Stewart, of Houston. All came home with Mr. and Mrs. Jennings to visit over the weekend before returning to their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bingham left Wednesday to return to Columbus, Texas, where Mr. Bingham is employed with an oil company, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bingham of the Spur Ranch.

J. A. Marsh and Orville Boothe are in Abilene helping to erect the buildings of the training camp to be located there.

Mrs. A. C. Hull visited in Stamford Tuesday the guest of Mrs. Bullock Tillotson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sullivan, of Rotan, were holiday visitors in the home of his mother and sister, Mrs. Fannie Sullivan, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shugart and family.

D. W. Hughes, of Duncan Flat, was greeting friends and transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

Miss Alberta Sturgeon, formerly a teacher in the Spur schools, was visiting friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sneed Twaddell and daughter, Lorelle, of Amarillo, spent Friday to Monday visiting in the home of Mrs. Twaddell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Bowman.

Miss Anna Mae Lassetter returned to Monahans the first of the week to resume teaching in the public school there following a visit through the holiday vacation with her father E. J. Lassetter and wife and sisters Mesdames John Albin and Burford Johnson.

M. L. Jones, of Morton, was a business visitor to Spur Wednesday and Thursday.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express to each and every one who assisted in any way during the illness and death of our husband and father, our deep appreciation for your kindness and thoughtfulness of each word and deed.
May God bless each of you is our prayer.

Mrs. Frank Stephens
Lorella, Orwin and Walda
Stephens
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stephens
and son
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Millican
Glenn Skinner

SCHOOL RE-OPENS TODAY

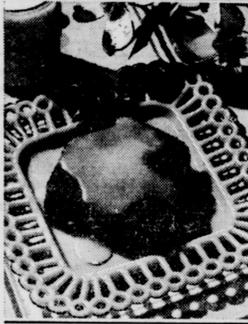
The holidays are over now and the toys will have to be somewhat neglected for books and studies for, with other things, school starts again with the new year, and there are those New Year's Resolutions to live up to.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel McDaniel and family and Miss Loraine Bond spent Christmas day in Eastland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bond and other relatives. Mrs. McDaniel and Miss Loraine Bond are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bond. Mrs. Don Barrett and small son, Douglas Mack, of Monahans, another daughter, who was visiting in the Bond home accompanied the McDaniels to Spur for a few days visit in their home here.

Miss Jane Godfrey, Home Economics teacher in the Caddo school spent the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey and son, Fike, student in Texas Tech, home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland, of the Red Hill community, were Spur visitors Tuesday.

John A. Davis left Wednesday afternoon to return to his home in Philadelphia.



SOFT GINGERBREAD

Back in the days befo' de war baking day was a gala event on the Southern plantation. Fine breads and cakes galore were put into the hot oven, brought forth to grace heavily laden tables. A favorite then as today was

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 ½ cup margarine
 ½ cup sugar
 2 eggs, separated
 1 teaspoon cloves
 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 1 teaspoon ginger
 2½ cups flour
 1 cup molasses
 1 teaspoon soda (dissolved in one cup boiling water)
 Cream the cottonseed oil margarine, add the sugar gradually, creaming until light and fluffy. Add the well-beaten egg yolks. Sift the spices and flour together and add alternately with the molasses and soda water. Fold in the beaten egg whites. Cook in deep pan that has been well greased and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) until done (about 45 minutes).
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Annual Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is Hereby Given:
That the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Spur Security Bank of Spur, Texas, will be held at the office of said Bank on the 14th day of January, 1941, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. 7-5t

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hilly, who spent the Christmas holidays in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dickson and her grand mother, Mrs. J. H. Grace, returned Sunday to Austin. Accompanying them on the return trip was her mother, Mrs. R. E. Dickson who will spend a few days visit with her sisters, Misses Nina and Helen Grace, before returning to Spur.

Dr. Clifford B. Jones, President of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

J. T. Jones, of Dumont, was among the business visitors to Spur the first of the week. While in town, Mr. Jones was a pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office and handed us a dollar bill to "keep the paper coming."

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engleman and daughter, Miss Jean, were guests during the Christmas holidays of her mother and sister, Mrs. J. W. Martin, and Mrs. Bill Richey, of Haskell. Mr. and Mrs. Engleman and Jean were among those from Spur attending the Cotton Bowl game on New Year's Day.

Jimmie Koonsman, of the Croton country, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

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DAUGHTER BORN
Mr. and Mrs. Ben McWatters are the proud parents of a seven pound girl, born Saturday, December 28. Mother and daughter are reported doing very nicely.

It is reported, however, that Ben isn't doing so good, but will probably recover.

Mrs. Jim Fry, of Lubbock, was the guest of her sister and grand mother, Mrs. Nig Ycakum and Mrs. T. H. Gilmore respectively, at the home of the latter during the Xmas holiday season.



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COFFEE 3 pounds 69c

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J. F. Stephens, 72, Girard Pioneer Died Dec. 23

Funeral services were held for J. F. Stephens, pioneer citizen of Girard, Wednesday, December 25 at the Girard High School Auditorium at 2:30 p. m. P. S. Young, minister of the Church of Christ, officiated. Death occurred Monday evening, December 23, at 7:40 at the home east of Girard. Interment was made in the Girard Cemetery with the Tri-County Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

James Frank Stephens was born in Kentucky on May 11, 1868. Moved to Texas in 1885. He was married to Miss Lucy Carlisle January 3, 1910 and they made their home near Girard for the past twenty-five years.

Mr. Stephens united with the Church of Christ at an early age and has been an elder in the Girard Church since his residence there. He was active in the community, also having been a member of the school board for eight years.

A daughter, Frankie Skinner, predeceased Mr. Stephens in death by two years.

Surviving are: his widow, Mrs. Lucy Stephens; three sons, Orwin and Waldo of Girard, and J. T. Stephens, Clovis, N. M.; two daughters, Miss Lorilla Stephens of Lubbock, and Mrs. Wilda Millican, of Jayton. Three sisters, Mrs. Ella Potter, Kenton, Okla.; Mrs. Minnie Potter, Dalhart; and Mrs. Levina Ballard, McDermitt, Nevada. Four brothers, Charlie and Wiley of Dickens; Aggie Stephens, Abernathy, and John Stephens, Perrin, Texas; and numerous other relatives.

Pallbearers were nephews: Faust Stephens, Calvin Stephens, Jack Stephens, Woodrow Swearingen, Willie Hagins, and John H. Carlisle. Flower bearers were nieces: Winona Barnett, Wilma Stephens, Ora Capple, Charma Boothe, Gladys Ernest, Thelma Hagins, and Mary Pearl Hagins.

FSA Meeting Jan. 6 At Dickens

The Farm Security Administration program for 1941 will be discussed and explained in a meeting Monday, January 6 at 2:00 p. m. in Dickens. The meeting will be held in the District Court room of the court house. All persons interested in the program for this year are invited to be present for this meeting.

MRS. T. H. GILMORE RECEIVES HIP INJURY IN FALL

Friends of Grandma Gilmore will learn with regret of her injury of the left hip, sustained Saturday, the result of a fall at her home in West Spur.

Mrs. Gilmore, though confined to her bed, is reported as getting along very nicely at this time.

Basketball Tournament At Patton Springs Fri. and Sat. 3-4

An independent basketball tournament in which Dickens, Crosbyton, Spur, McAdoo, Patton Springs, Jayton, Girard, and Roaring Springs are entered will be held at Patton Springs Friday and Saturday, Jan. 3rd and 4th.

Games will be played throughout the day Friday and will begin at 1:00 p. m. Saturday and continuing into the night. Ten cents admission will be charged.

NED BLACKWELL SUFFERS BROKEN LEG XMAS DAY

Ned Blackwell, son of Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, who suffered a broken limb Christmas morning is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

REA Industrializing Farm Activities

Many farmers are wanting to know how to plan to use electricity on their farms. That is an important thing now to study about.

All wiring should be done with careful planning from the start. Most all resident owners are going to industrialize many farm activities. This should be done. Not only is the drudgery eliminated but a profit is realized.

Each farmer is going to be interested in certain industrial activities in which his farm is particularly adapted. No outsider can determine those things as well as he. At first he may not discover what they are. That is the time he should make careful study for each farm is adapted to several industrial set ups. There has been something over two hundred valuable activities set up on REA lines. New ones are coming in every month.

With much study about your own farm surroundings, you likely will work out something exactly fitted to your situation that has not been worked out anywhere else. A list of many of these can be obtained from the local manager.

New applicants are still signing up for electricity. Everybody that ever expects to have electricity get this attended to at once for it is causing delay. Remember it will be costly to come on later.—Manager.

Nine Draftees To be Called January 22

The Dickens County Draft Board has been authorized to call nine men, as the quota for this county, on January 22.

However, there are more than enough volunteers to fill this quota, and possibly enough for the next, making it unnecessary to draft anyone yet.

TEXAS DEFENSE GUARD TO DRILL MONDAY AND TUESDAY NIGHTS

The Spur Texas Defense Guard Company will drill Monday and Tuesday nights, January 6 and 7, at 7:30 in the American Legion Hall. Everybody invited.

L. E. Standifer

Bill McAlpine Again Associated With Clemmons Insurance

W. A. "Bill" McAlpine, former citizen of Spur, has recently returned to again establish a home, his family will join him about the 10th of January.

For the past several years, Mr. McAlpine has been traveling in the interest of insurance companies, but has returned here to again be associated with the Clemmons Insurance Agency and is now in charge of that office.

Mrs. McAlpine is a former teacher in Spur schools, and has a host of friends here that welcome them back to Spur.

DR. HALE RETURNS HOME

Dr. B. F. Hale, who has for the past few weeks been under care of physicians in Wichita Falls, is reported very much improved and has returned home.

Red Cross Needs

Any clothes too big for your children or any clothes you do not wish to patch, but which are clean will be gladly received for needy families. There are a number of homes in sad need of these things. If you have them kindly phone 276.

DISTRICT COURT TO CLOSE SESSION SATURDAY

District court, 110th District, now in session at Dickens, will close this term on Saturday, January 4th.

J. C. Bryant, 76, Pioneer Merchant Passes Away

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2: p. m. at the St. John's Methodist Church in Stamford for John Cuthbert Bryant, 76, one of the builders of Stamford. He died at his home there Monday morning. Rev. W. Carl Clement, pastor, conducted the service and burial was in the Anson Cemetery.

At the time of his death Mr. Bryant was chairman of the board of the Bryant-Link Company, which operates stores at Stamford, Hamlin, Aspermant, Rotan, Lamesa, Snyder, Spur, Post and Carlsbad, N. M. The original store was founded at Anson in 1884. Under the name of the Baker-Bryant Company, the store was moved to Stamford in 1900, the year of the town's founding.

Mr. Bryant was born in Missouri, December 8, 1864, and moved to Jones County from Charleston, Mo., in 1884. In November 1887, he married Miss Sarah Caroline Huie of Anson. Three of their four children survive. She died April 19, 1913, and in 1915 Mr. Bryant married Miss Jo Grimley of Stamford, who survives him.

He also is survived by two sons, R. B. Bryant, president of the Bryant-Link Company, and W. J. Bryant, a member of the firm, and a daughter, Mrs. Charles G. English.

Mr. Bryant was left an orphan at 13 and six years later came to Texas with an older brother. The brother died six weeks after they opened the store at Anson. John Cuthbert Bryant carried on the business alone until 1890, when a second brother arrived from Mo. and they established the Bryant Bros. hardware store in Anson. Later John Cuthbert Bryant became associated with George H. Baker, who was his partner when the business was moved to Stamford. George S. Link became a partner in the enterprise in 1901.

Students Return To Schools Following Xmas Holidays

After the usual Christmas holiday visit with parents, other relatives and friends, Spur college students who are leaving this week to resume work at their respective schools are:

Ted Alexander, Kirksville Medical College, Kirksville, Mo., left Wednesday morning going by way of Abilene to join his party who are returning to Missouri by automobile.

Texas Tech will begin classes Thursday. Those returning to Lubbock are: Ruth and Emily Cowan, Winifred and Helen Ruth Lee, Sammie McGee, Regina Lee, Wynell McClure, Gladys Robinson, Elizabeth Powell, Billie Jean Verner, Chas. Senning, Victor Joyner, Bill Gruben, Bill Laine, Denton Graham, John Joe Costlow, Francis Bingham, Fike Godfrey.

A. and M. Cadets are to report not later than 1:00 Thursday. Going from Spur are: W. K. Harvey, Clifford B. Hunter, R. D. Ford and Junior Ince.

James Henry Cowan and Mary Lisenby, students in Texas University, Austin, leave today, going by way of Denton to return. Misses Ruby Cowan and Martha Nichols, students in TSCW, Denton.

Other Texas University students are Miss Margaret Mae Weave and Maurice Costolow.

Miss Miriam Reed will leave Sunday to re-enter Baylor University, Waco.

Misses La Vern Burks and Helen Dodson, freshmen in HSU, Abilene. Cadet Johnny Nichols will return this week end to NMMI, Roswell, N. M.

Misses Isabelle and Bonnie Campbell, accompanied by their parents,

County Officials Take Oath And Offices January 1, 1941 In Ceremony At Dickens

Officials for the County of Dickens for the next two and four years, took the oath, and were sworn into office Wednesday, January 1, 10:00 a. m. at the court house in Dickens.

Hon. Marshall Formby, retiring judge and State Senator elect, administered the oath to Judge E. H. Boedeker, who in turn swore in all other officials.

New officials accepting office were E. H. Boedeker, county judge; Fred Christopher, Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector; K. W. Street, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; E. H. Ousley, District Clerk (county and district clerk offices being combined); and E. L. Hurst, Deputy Sheriff.

Those relinquishing office were Marshall Formby, county judge, J. L. Koonsman, sheriff; Horace Nickels, commission pre. 1; and Mrs. Nettie Littlefield, district clerk.

Mr. Formby presented a leather bound copy of the Holy Bible, in which he marked a passage, to Judge Boedeker, hoping that it would continue to be presented by office holder to successor, and that the Bible might serve to guide those administering justice.

Below is the farewell address and recommendations of Mr. Formby:

To My Friends on the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Gentlemen:

With deep gratitude for the four years I have had the privilege of serving on this Court and with a thankful heart for the opportunities ahead of me in another governmental field, yet with a sad heart and

New Sheriff



FRED CHRISTOPHER

with much regret, I turn over to you this morning the charge which was given me four years ago today. It has been a pleasure serving with the two best Commissioners'

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, left Thursday morning, returning to Southwestern, Georgetown. Everett Martin returns to NMNU, Las Vegas, N. M.

Grace Foster, Lois Fayne Adams, Joyce and Alton McCully return to McMurry, Abilene.

Bill Putman to TMI, Terrell. TCU students returning are: Miss Helen Hale, and Bill Caraway.

Misses Mary Marsh and June Lisenby to Draughts Business College, Abilene.

Miss Pauline Joyner returns to Howard-Payne College, Brownwood. Returning to WTSTC, Canyon is Miss La Nelle Fallis.

Miss Lona Joyner goes to Dallas to a business college.

Retiring Judge



MARSHALL FORMBY

Courts and the best group of county officials in Texas. Your cooperation has been wonderful and I believe that nowhere in Texas will you find any better group of county officials than I have had the pleasure of serving with.

In checking over our finances, we find that our tax rate today is five cents lower than it was four years ago. We are now on a strictly cash basis and our bank deposits are almost three times greater than on January 1, 1937. During this time we have completed the remodeling of our Court House, we have landscaped our courtyard, and have installed a butane system. Many miles of better roads have been constructed. Our commissioner precinct road funds have been divided to the extent that now each commissioner knows what he will have to spend for that year. It has been almost two years since we have written an unpayable warrant against one of the county funds. And along with all this, during the past four years we have reduced our county indebtedness about \$100,000 or about 25 percent.

Whatever has been accomplished has been due to the help and work of the county commissioners and the other county officials, together with the cooperation of our Dickens County citizens. I have merely been one of you and have tried to help in my humble and feeble way to bring about these needed changes. To you belongs all the credit.

It has been my pleasure to serve during the past four years with six of the finest men who ever sat around a Commissioners' Court table. I do now and shall always appreciate my good friends and co-workers Horace Nickels, E. J. Offield, the late Nuge Johnson, Walter Foreman, W. H. Hindman, and M. B. Gage. You gentlemen have overlooked all my faults and have carried my load and have shared my burdens from time to time. Without you I could have done exactly nothing during the past four years.

All others who have worked in the Court House with me have cooperated in every way possible to make my four years pleasant. It has been a pleasure to work with Johnnie Koonsman, Fred Arrington, Edelle Petty, and Hub Swan in the sheriff and assessor-collector's office. Mrs. Alice Murpree has been one of the finest county treasurers. Eric Ousley, Ouida Harkey, Fred Arrington, and Josephine Green all have been very cooperative in the clerk's office. It has been pleasant

working with Oscar Kelley and Doris Arthur in the County Superintendent's office. Mrs. Nettie Littlefield has cooperated 100 percent with the Commissioners' Court serving as District Clerk.

From time to time I have relied upon the able opinions of our good friend, County Attorney L. D. Ratliff whom I appreciate. I have enjoyed working with Thomp Johnson, P. H. Eskridge, J. B. Jopling, A. M. Sheppard, Virgil Morrison, S. J. McSpadden, and C. P. Aupil, Jr., in their official capacities.

The court has had excellent operation from Grady Lane, Mack Woodrum, Charles Taylor, Dean Glasner, Lois Ragland, Clyde Latham, Roy Arrington, the county committee, Mrs. Fred Delisle, E. W. Mars, Miss Clara Pratt, Jean Day, Henrietta Perrin, Kanna Stephens, and Fred Delisle in both his jobs.

Without our good friend, Henry Palmer, our work would have many times been less pleasant. Words cannot express my appreciation for him.

It has been indeed a pleasant group that I have been privileged to work with since January 1, 1937.

Without attempting to carry over any of my ideas into the next Commissioners' Court of Dickens County, but speaking from past experience in these matters and with the best interest of the people and county officials in this matter, I offer the following suggestions to the incoming Court composed of Judge E. H. Boedeker, and Commissioners Willow Street, E. J. Offield, W. H.

Retiring Sheriff



JOHNNIE KOONSMAN

Hindman, and M. B. Gage.

First, I suggest that the Court hire someone to make a continuous audit in the future. Our quarterly audit, which has been money well spent, now cost about \$400.00 per year. For \$500.00 per year you can have an audit each month. In this manner, every official can see each month the progress being made in the county. I believe it will be money well spent.

Second, I suggest that payment of salaries of every county official, including the commissioners, be changed from second Monday to about the 25th or later of each month. It would be good for the clerk to make out all warrants on the 25th of each month (on the 24th if the following day is a holiday or Sunday), hand them to the treasurer who will write the checks, so that officials might drop around to the treasurer's of-

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Mrs. R. T. Middlebrook, of California, has been the guest through the Christmas holiday season, of her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Swaringen and Mr. Swaringen, of Dickens and in company with Mr. Swaringen was a Spur visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sprayberry, recently of California, arrived in Spur last week to again make this their home. Mrs. Sprayberry, the former Miss Billie Myers, will be associated with her sister, Pearl Myers, in Pearl's Beauty Shop.

Misses Pearl and Ruth Myers and Mrs. Thelma Morgan spent Christmas day in Aspermont the guests of their sister, Mrs. Tom Rutherford and Mr. Rutherford.

Roy Trammell, business man of Aspermont, was greeting friends in Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Jones, of Paducah, were guests during the Christmas holidays of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Garner and family.

Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander had as guests during the Christmas holidays their children: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alexander, Colorado City; Miss Bernice Alexander, Sweetwater; Ted Alexander, Kirksville, Mo.; Joe Paul Alexander, Waco; Rex and Max at home; Dr. and Mrs. Bob Alexander and daughters Janie and Nan L., city; and Mrs. Dolly Mingus, of Fort Worth, sister of Mrs. Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blendon, of the irrigated farming belt near Floydada, combined business with pleasure in a trip to Spur Wednesday.

Wallace Smith, of the Air Corps, Brookfield, San Antonio, arrived Wednesday to spend a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Smith, of Red Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fredricks, students in TCU, Fort Worth, spent the Christmas holiday vacation in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hale and Marian, and his aunt, Mrs. Mary E. Johnson.

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Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 — NEW YEAR—Janus was an old Roman god equipped with two faces, one to see where he was going, the other to see "where he'd just been." What's that got to do with business? Nothing except that our month of January is named after him, and along with everyone else, our business and industrial leaders about this time of year do quite a bit of looking, both backward and forward, to review and preview the business scenes. So—

IT'S NO SECRET that industrial activity in the U. S. soared to the highest levels in all history during 1940, stimulated by the government's gigantic defense program and by the huge inflow of British war orders. The speed-up was most terrific in the final three months, so far surpassing any previous period that it lifted the average output for the whole year to 10 per cent above the previous best year—1929, of course.

PROSPECTS for 1941 are even brighter, in terms of production gains. The general level of predictions by economists is for another 10 per cent gain in the coming year, with the rearmament factor looming even more importantly as the driving force.

NATIONAL INCOME for 1940, according to estimates of the Alexander Hamilton Institute, fell short of the all-time peak of \$82,885,000,000 chalked up in that same year of 1929. Lower prices partly accounted for that. But, even so, our '40 income was right around \$76,000,000,000 for the second-best year on record . . . and that's six-and-a-half billions higher than for 1939, and 36 billions ahead of the "bottom" depression year of 1932. "National income" embraces the total monies that all of Uncle Sam's nieces and nephews gather in during a year—from wages, salaries, commissions, income from investments, rents, insurance annuities, royalties, everything . . . In this statistics, too, the general prediction is for another 10 per cent of rise in 1941. If that comes true we'll really go ahead of good old 1929 by about two billions.

THEY SAY — Week by week through this column endeavors to spotlight and interpret the business news trends as they may be expected to affect prospects of the butcher and baker, the dry goods merchant, the furniture man, the auto sales man, and other units of the economic life of the American community. But since the prosperity of all these is indisputably "keyed" to the operation of the major industries—bearing in mind the economic laws regarding buying power and all—let us summarize some of the year-end statements of leaders in key industries.

TWO OBJECTIVES—Says Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of General Motors: "The trend of production for industry as a whole during 1941 can be expected to reach higher levels and, in all probability, establish a new all-time record . . . We must bear in mind that part of this rise is artificial, since production for defense adds nothing to our standard of living . . . An economy devoted to that sort of production is not self-supporting. There is sure to come a time when the bill must be paid. No one can escape . . . There are two objectives to be kept in mind in 1941—the aggressive prosecution of the defense material program; that comes first. But second,

an active discussion and intelligent planning of what is to come after. That is a matter of prime importance. It is essential if we are to minimize what is certain to be a critical situation."

DISTRIBUTION — John A. Hartford, president, Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company:

"The national defense program and the unusual strain imposed on our economy by a changing world have created a greater need for efficient distribution than in any previous era. All distributors are faced with a two-fold responsibility: To prevent repetition of the inflationary price trend of the World war, and to move merchandise with a minimum of costs.

"We know that new battleships, airplanes and guns must be paid for, somehow, by all of us. Every economy that distributors can effect in their own operations will be contributing to the defense program by helping to increase the purchasing power of the dollar that consumers have to spend for food, clothing and other necessities. The farmer, on the other hand, deprived of his normal export market by the European war, will need increased domestic distribution of his products . . .

"The industry is intensifying its conduct of producer-consumer campaigns, the aim of which is to increase, during specified periods, distribution of individual fruits, vegetables and other crops in which a surplus exists or threatens. Among the activities which chains are undertaking in order to reduce retail operating expenses in the food field is the extension and refinement of super market technique."

POWER PLUS—With all types of industries stepping up manufacturing schedules to meet increased defense needs, the question of adequate electric power to carry the load is obviously an important one. Indication of the willingness and ability of a utility holding company to do its part in this regard is seen in a letter Edward L. Shea, president of the North American company, has sent to the N.D.A.C. sub-committee on electric power, giving reassurance that no "power bottlenecks" would be permitted to develop in the various operating areas of that system, which serves a number of highly industrialized sections. Mr. Shea's letter advised the commission that the company had decided to install an additional 80,000 kilowatts of generating capacity for the St. Louis area. "With this latest expansion,"

the letter said, "and the substantial construction increases reported to you in our letters of June 25 and July 15, the North American System's program provides additional generating capacity of 540,000 kilowatts at a total cost for new power plants and other utility facilities of approximately \$104,000,000. This will increase by one-fourth the total capacity of more than 2,100,000 kilowatts which the North American System had available at the beginning of 1940."

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS—Said Lewis S. Rosenstiel, chairman of Schenley Distillers corporation: "With disbursements of about \$1,200,000,000 the distilled spirits industry in 1940 took its place among the major industries to which America looks for heavy economic contributions and employment stability in times of national stress . . .

"During the past year the industry made tax payments of approximately \$650,000,000. Other expenditures included more than \$400,000,000 in wages and salaries to employees of distillers, wholesalers and retailers, \$35,000,000 for the purchase of supplies from farmers, \$35,000,000 for bottles and barrels, and \$27,000,000 for transportation."

"DEFENSE FIRST" was also emphasized in the statement of I. W. Wilson, vice-president in charge of operations, Aluminum Company of America: "Highlights of developments of the year, of importance to the company, were (1) its decision to carry out now, at a cost of more than \$150,000,000, in the interest of

national defense, a program of expansion which would normally occur in the next two decades; (2) the announcement by the N.D.A.C. that the program of the company, together with that of others in the industry, makes present and planned production adequate for all estimated defense needs, and (3) continued price reductions by the co. at a time when the price trends of most commodities were distinctly upward."

SOLVED PROBLEM — Langbourne M. Williams, president of the Freeport Sulphur company, reported: "Provision of adequate supplies of sulphur for thousands of operations vital to the arming of the nation, far from being a major worry as it was for the War Industries

Board in 1918, is today a solved problem in the mobilization of resources by the N.D.A.C. for our vast defense program. This is in striking contrast to the situation in the spring of 1918 when domestic production of sulphur, at an annual rate of only 1,200,000 tons, was more than 250,000 tons short of actual minimum requirements. In 1940, sulphur shipments reached a new record high of 2,600,000 tons."

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Social Happenings

Coleman Dodson And Miss Mary Lee Bilbrey Married December 26

A wedding of interest to many friends was that of Coleman Dodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Dodson, of Duck Creek, to Miss Mary Lee Bilbrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Bilbrey, of Jayton, Thursday, December 26.

The ceremony took place at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bennett in East Spur, with Rev. Bennett, Baptist minister, officiating.

Mrs. Dodson attended school at Jayton and is a charming and accomplished young lady. She resided in Spur, with her parents, for a short time during the summer of 1940.

Coleman Dodson is a graduate of Spur High School, and since graduation he has been employed in the printing trade, having worked at The Texas Spur until recently when he moved to Stamford to accept a job with the Stamford American.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodson left immediately following the ceremony for Stamford where they are at home to friends.

The Texas Spur joins the many friends of Coleman and Mary Lee in wishing them many years of happiness and prosperity.

John Hiner Wilson And Miss Eloise Smith Married

Of interest to friends of the family here as well as in Lubbock was the marriage Christmas day of John Hiner Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wilson, and Miss Eloise Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, both of Lubbock.

Marriage vows were read Wednesday, December 25th at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon in the First Christian Church, Wichita Falls.

Rev. J. B. Blunk read the marriage rites.

Mrs. Blunk, a cousin of the bride, was matron of honor.

Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of Texas Technological College, where she was a member of the D.F.D. social club and is a member of Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

She is employed by the New Wrinkle Shoppe.

John Hiner Wilson is a native son of Spur, Dickens County, Texas. He is a graduate of Spur High School and holds a degree from Texas Tech College, Lubbock, where he was a member of the College Club.

He is associated with the Star Engraving Company of Houston.

After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will return to Lubbock and establish a home at 2124 16th St.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hawley and son, Bobby, spent Christmas day in Sweetwater the guests of relatives and friends.

GREETINGS



Miss Nell Francis Hostess To Dinner Party Friday

One of the lovely social occasions of the holiday season was the dinner party Friday evening in the W. B. Francis home, 512 North Carroll, Miss Nell Francis hostess.

The Yuletide motif was used in the house and the table from which the dinner was served buffet style.

Games of 42 and Ping Pong furnished diversions until a late hour.

Those present and enjoying the occasion were Misses Ruth Cowan, La Nelle Fallis, Ruby Cowan, Lona Joyner, Mary Marsh, Melba Jo Hazel, Elizabeth Wolf, Emma Joyner, Emily Cowan, Regina Lee, Pauline Joyner, Syble Hazel, and Jane Godfrey.

Messrs. Aber Johnson, Victor Joyner, Harrell Cole, W. B. Francis, Fike Godfrey, Everett Martin, John F. Moore, and James Henry Cowan.

Former Spur Boy And Stamford Girl Wed December 27th

In a church wedding of beautiful simplicity; marriage vows were read uniting by marriage two of Stamford's leading families.

Martha Jane Bryant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryant, and Earl Aubrey Russell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell, Sr., were married Friday, December 27th at Saint Johns Methodist Church, Stamford, Texas.

Rev. W. Carl Clements officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mrs. Welby Callicoate, the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Bryant, served her sister as matron of honor.

Norris Russell was his brother's best man.

Bob Bryant, brother of the bride, and Billy Joe Bryant, a cousin, served as ushers.

Mrs. Charles English, the former Miss Lavada Bryant, Mrs. W. J. Bryant, and Mrs. Sarah English McDonald were members of the house party at the Bryant home where the reception was held.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Russell are graduates of McMurry College, Abilene, where both were listed among the 20 outstanding students in 1939, their senior year.

After a brief trip Mr. and Mrs. Russell will return to Stamford where Mr. Russell is employed, and establish their home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh, Jr., of Brownwood, spent the Christmas holidays in Spur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh, Sr. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall spent Christmas day in Lubbock with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Stovall and family.

Mr. And Mrs. W. O. Garrison Honored Sunday, Dec. 29

Sunday, December 29, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Garrison, of Red Mud, were honored with a surprise dinner and shower. Upon returning home from church Sunday morning, they were much astonished to see numerous cars being parked around their. The many friends had well filled baskets of food and gifts for the Garrisons, who are moving from the Red Mud community.

The afternoon was spent visiting and playing games. Much regret was expressed at the Garrisons moving, but all wish them much happiness and success in their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh had as guests during the holiday season, their children, Kelly Marsh, J. A. Marsh, Jr. and wife, of Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. John O. Gilbert, of Amarillo.

Spencer Sullivan, of Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays here, visiting his mother, Mrs. Fannie Sullivan, his daughter, Davie Sue, and his brother and sister, Burnice Sullivan, and Mrs. Elmer Shugart and family.

Mrs. R. G. Whistler returned Saturday from a Christmas visit and family reunion of her sister and brother in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Coach and Mrs. Rob Simmons, of Rule, were guests of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell and sons, Jack and Ned, during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Milam were overnight guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Collier, of Vernon.

Irvin Allen, student in TCU, and Lon Davis, student in OU, both of Floydada were overnight guests Friday of Bill Caraway at his home in Spur.

Joe Kidd was transacting business here Tuesday.

Morris Laine, reporter for the Midland Telegram, spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Laine.

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JUST HUMANS
By GENE CARR



Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Howard spent an overnight visit Christmas Eve and Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bishop, of Crosbyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murray were dinner guests Christmas day of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mat Smith, of Crosbyton.

Pat Hogan returned home Thursday of last week from Amarillo where he spent Christmas with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clemmons and family.

Carl Randolph, of Afton, was trading and visiting in Spur Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Grace is spending this week in Stamford the guest of her sister, Mrs. Burrow.

Misses Dorothy Cornelius and Jane Huddleston, of Crosbyton were guests in the Cowan home last week end.

W. M. Hunter and Carl Arthur were business visitors to Lubbock Wednesday.

Davis Hagins is in Spur for a several weeks visit with his mother, Dena Davis, and other relatives and friends.

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6:30 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Bertha Nelle Walker, Acting President.
7:30 p. m. Evening Worship and Word. Sermon: "Healing for the Nations."
Wednesdays Mid-Week Prayer Meeting at 7:30 p. m.
Womans Auxiliary Mondays at 3 p. m.
This church welcomes you.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gruben had as Christmas dinner guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Deaton, her sister, Mrs. J. C. Reynolds and two daughters of Dickens, and Mr. R. G. Whistler, of Spur.

We sincerely appreciate your patronage in '40. Our hope is to serve you in '41.

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FORMBY—

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fice and pick up their check any time from the 25th of each month on. Paying officials in advance is not good and sound business, and I suggest this be cut to a minimum.

Third, I suggest that sound judgment be continued in the investment of the Permanent School Fund. There is no better investment than our own county warrants and bonds, so where it is possible, I suggest that the Permanent School Fund be invested in Dickens County bonds.

Fourth, I recommend that every bill not ordered paid on the minutes of the Commissioners' Court books be paid across the court table on second Monday as we have been doing, and that no bills ever be paid in advance of this second Monday meeting unless signed by either one of the commissioners or the county judge. This plan has been working successfully and I hope you continue it.

Fifth, it is my recommendation that the sheriff, tax assessor-collector's office be run in the future as Mr. Koonsman has been running it. I suggest that Fred Christopher keep a fee account to which all earned fees will be added each month. From this fee account, he should pay his help, his car expense, and himself a salary not to exceed \$225.00 per month until the end of the year.

Sixth, I recommend that the County Clerk's fee account be kept likewise and that Mr. Ousley continue keeping his receipt book as he has been doing. I recommend that all earned fees be placed in this fee account, and that his deputy be paid each month from this account, and that the clerk pay himself a salary never to exceed \$200.00 per month until the end of the year. In this manner the clerk will have an equal income each month in the year.

Seventh, I recommend that the Treasurer start a fee account and all earned commissions be placed in this account. It is my suggestion that to equalize her salary throughout the year, she pay herself not to exceed \$135 per month until the end of the year.

In the three above fee accounts, of course, each official will be allowed to draw any earned income he has not drawn for the year. These suggestions will merely help each official have a steady income and should there be excess fees, the money will be there to pay to the county. Mr. Koonsman has cooperated with the Court during the past two years and the experiment has proven highly successful.

Eighth, it is my hope and suggestion that the same perfect cooperation which has existed between the Commissioners' Court and the County School Superintendent's Office and the County School Board be continued in the future.

Ninth, since the annual Christmas party during the past two years has been each time so highly enjoyable, I recommend that this affair be made an annual one and that next year more elaborate plans be made for the event, perhaps to the extent of having the tree in the District Court Room and have a special Christmas program.

The above recommendations are humbly made, with the kindest of feelings and with the idea in mind to help every one and not to hinder or hurt.

Again, it has been a pleasure to serve with all of you and I hope

you have enjoyed serving with me one-tenth as much as I have enjoyed working with you. I believe that the incoming officials are men capable of making good officials and I wish the very best of luck to all of you.

To the County Judge's Office, Judge Edwin Boedeker and all future successors in office, I leave a leather bound copy of the Holy Bible. In this Book I have marked a passage of scripture. I hope each retiring judge will mark a passage for the incoming judge, and that the Book will remain many years in the County Judge's Office and that each county judge will use it as his guide from time to time.

I hope that all of you will remember that it is your privilege to serve as an official in the government of the greatest government in the entire world. In no other country are officials elected and can serve as you have the privilege. This country is great because those who are governed have always been remembered by their officials. And it is great because this government was the first in the world to state in its formation that its power came from a Divine Providence. Remember that those who elect are usually fair with their officials, but that they also have the power to remove. May Divine Providence guide and bless you in the days to come.

Respectfully submitted,
MARSHALL FORMBY
County Judge, Dickens Co.,
Texas, January 1, 1937-
January 1, 1941.

Mr. and Mrs. John O. Gilbert, of Amarillo, spent Christmas Eve with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Marsh and family, returning Xmas day.

Miss Beatrice Spivey left Monday for Lubbock where she has been transferred by the Hestan-Kimbell Company.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Henry, of Duncan Flat, were business visitors in Spur last Tuesday. They paid this office a very pleasant call and while here renewed their subscription, for which we express our appreciation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wilson had as guests for an over night and Christmas day visit, her mother, Mrs. Pearl Towles and children, Misses Daisy and Quita, and Tommy and Billy Towles, of Amarillo.

Sheriff Fred Christopher, was transacting business in Spur the last of the week and while here paid the Texas Spur a pleasant visit.

Paul Hagins, of east of Spur, was in town on business Tuesday morning. He came by to renew his subscription, for which he has our thanks.

Mrs. Madge D. Twaddell, of Tiger, Arizona, was in Spur the past week end on business.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding and daughter, Ida Lee, spent several days visit in Houston with their sons, Bernard and Sylvan, and other relatives this week.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means to thank everyone for their thoughtful deeds, words of comfort and kindness during the death of our little one. May God bless each of you in the prayer of
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kimmel

Ministers Alliance To Meet Mon.

The Ministers Alliance of Spur and vicinity will meet at 10 a. m. next Monday, January 6th. All ministers of Dickens County and neighboring counties are welcome. The meeting will be held at the Roundup, the S. S. building behind the Methodist Church.

C. R. Joyner, Pres.
Jno. C. Ramsay, Secy.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings spent Christmas in Sweetwater, guests of her sister and children, Mrs. Berta Stewart, Fredrick Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thomas, and Miss Mary Stewart, of Houston. All came home with Mr. and Mrs. Jennings to visit over the weekend before returning to their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bingham left Wednesday to return to Columbus, Texas, where Mr. Bingham is employed with an oil company, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bingham of the Spur Ranch.

J. A. Marsh and Orville Boothe are in Abilene helping to erect the buildings of the training camp to be located there.

Mrs. A. C. Hull visited in Stamford Tuesday the guest of Mrs. Bullock Tillotson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sullivan, of Rotan, were holiday visitors in the home of his mother and sister, Mrs. Fannie Sullivan, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shugart and family.

D. W. Hughes, of Duncan Flat, was greeting friends and transacting business in Spur Tuesday.

Miss Alberta Sturgeon, formerly a teacher in the Spur schools, was visiting friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sneed Twaddell and daughter, Lorelle, of Amarillo, spent Friday to Monday visiting in the home of Mrs. Twaddell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Bowman.

Miss Anna Mae Lassetter returned to Monahans the first of the week to resume teaching in the public school there following a visit through the holiday vacation with her father E. J. Lassetter and wife and sisters Mesdames John Aibin and Burford Johnson.

M. L. Jones, of Morton, was a business visitor to Spur Wednesday and Thursday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express to each and every one who assisted in any way during the illness and death of our husband and father, our deep appreciation for your kindness and thoughtfulness of each word and deed.
May God bless each of you in our prayer.

Mrs. Frank Stephens
Lorella, Orwin and Walda Stephens
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stephens and son
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Millican
Glenn Skinner

SCHOOL RE-OPENS TODAY

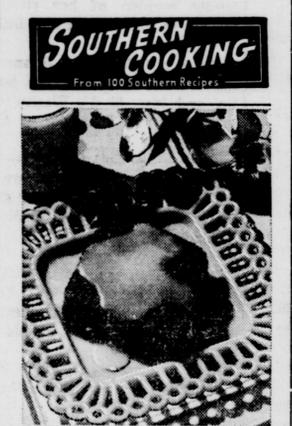
The holidays are over now and the toys will have to be somewhat neglected for books and studies for, with other things, school starts again with the new year, and there are those New Year's Resolutions to live up to.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel McDaniel and family and Miss Loraine Bond spent Christmas day in Eastland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bond and other relatives. Mrs. McDaniel and Miss Loraine Bond are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bond. Mrs. Don Barrett and small son, Douglas Mack, of Monahans, another daughter, who was visiting in the Bond home accompanied the McDaniels to Spur for a few days visit in their home here.

Miss Jane Godfrey, Home Economics teacher in the Caddo school spent the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey and son, Fike, student in Texas Tech, home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Copeland, of the Red Hill community, were Spur visitors Tuesday.

John A. Davis left Wednesday afternoon to return to his home in Philadelphia.



SOFT GINGERBREAD
Back in the days before the war baking day was a gala event on the Southern plantation. Fine breads and cakes galore were put into the hot oven, brought forth to grace heavily laden tables. A favorite then as today was
Soft Gingerbread
½ cup margarine
½ cup sugar
2 eggs, separated
1 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon ginger
2½ cups flour
1 cup molasses
1 teaspoon soda (dissolved in one cup boiling water)
Cream the cottonseed oil margarine, add the sugar gradually, creaming until light and fluffy. Add the well-beaten egg yolks. Sift the spices and flour together and add alternately with the molasses and soda water. Fold in the beaten egg whites. Cook in deep pan that has been well greased and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) until done (about 45 minutes).
Other favorite Southern recipes are presented in a large, full-color, 100-page free cook book, "100 Southern Recipes." Send to National Cotton Council, Box 18, Memphis, Tenn.

Annual Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is Hereby Given: That the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Spur Security Bank of Spur, Texas, will be held at the office of said Bank on the 14th day of January, 1941, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. 7-5t

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hilly, who spent the Christmas holidays in Spur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dickson and her grand mother, Mrs. J. H. Grace, returned Sunday to Austin. Accompanying them on the return trip was her mother, Mrs. R. E. Dickson who will spend a few days visit with her sisters, Misses Nina and Helen Grace, before returning to Spur.

Dr. Clifford B. Jones, President of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

J. T. Jones, of Dumont, was among the business visitors to Spur the first of the week. While in town, Mr. Jones was a pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office and handed us a dollar bill to "keep the paper coming."

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engleman and daughter, Miss Jean, were guests during the Christmas holidays of her mother and sister, Mrs. J. W. Martin, and Mrs. Bill Richey, of Haskell. Mr. and Mrs. Engleman and Jean were among those from Spur attending the Cotton Bowl game on New Year's Day.

Jimmie Koonsman, of the Croton country, was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

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DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Ben McWatters are the proud parents of a seven pound girl, born Saturday, December 28. Mother and daughter are reported doing very nicely.

It is reported, however, that Ben isn't doing so good, but will probably recover.

Mrs. Jim Fry, of Lubbock, was the guest of her sister and grand mother, Mrs. Nig Yeakum and Mrs. T. H. Gilmore respectively, at the home of the latter during the Xmas holiday season.

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COLORADO
PINTO BEANS 10 lbs. ... 39c
GUARANTEED
COFFEE 4 pounds 59c
NEW RIBBON CANE and SORGHUM
SYRUP gallon 65c
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BULK
SUGAR 10 pounds 49c
ALL - BUNCH
VEGETABLES 3 for 10c
SMALL WINESAP
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BOLOGNA pound 10c
MRS. SAXON'S COUNTRY
BUTTER pound 35c
MAXWELL HOUSE
COFFEE 3 pounds 69c
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With the coming of the New Year 1941, I assumed the duties as your Sheriff . . . and I wish to again express my appreciation for the confidence place in me. If at any time I may be of assistance to you, do not hesitate to call on me or any of my departments personnel.

Wishing each and every one a very happy and prosperous 1941, and invite you to visit us often

FRED CHRISTOPHER
Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector

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