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## R. C. (Bob) FORBIS, 70, Pioneer Dickens County Rancher And Stock-Farmer Died At His Home Near Afton, Monday 14th

R. C. (Bob) Forbis, 70, pioneer Dickens county ranchman and stock farmer, passed away at his ranch home near Afton, 7:30 Monday evening, April 14, after a 37 days illness following a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Forbis had been in declining health for the past two or three years.

Rev. A. P. Stokes, a former pastor, and Rev. W. F. Pool conducted services at the First Baptist Church of Afton at 3:00 p. m. Wednesday, April 16. Masonic rites were held at the Afton Cemetery, where interment was made under direction of Campbell Funeral Chapel.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Fannie Forbis; one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Sue Walters, of Lubbock; four sons, Frank and Clark Forbis, of Afton; Brittain Forbis, Ft. Worth; and Stafford Forbis, of Carlsbad, N. M.; one sister living in California; two grandchildren, Robert Lewis and Don Clark Forbis; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were: W. K. Young, H. I. Yeates, F. L. Byars, Jim Offield, Leon Lawson and M. J. Hickman.

Flower bearers were: Jean Byars, Billie Avara, Ouida Armstrong, Adaline Byars, Doris Avara, Maurine Pool, Mozelle Cates, Nina Lee Green, Lillian Hickman, Edna Earl Davis, Eva Lee Goosby, and Carolyn Hill.

Robert C. Forbis was born October 5, 1870 at Grand Prairie, Denton county, Texas. In 1891 he came to Dickens county with a herd of cattle, and has made his home here since.

He was married to Miss Fannie Green, July 21, 1897 at Dickens. To this union were born six children; one son died in infancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbis moved to Patton Springs in 1899 and built on the site of the present home, where Mr. Forbis dealt extensively in cattle and land.

In 1915 the family moved to Spur for the benefit of school for the children, returning to the ranch during the summer vacation months.

Mr. Forbis was prominent in civic and social affairs, being one of the builders and board members of the Baptist Church of Afton, at one time a director of the Spur National Bank, and always interested in the progressiveness of the communities in which he lived.

In the passing of R. C. Forbis, Dickens county loses one of its builders and staunch supporters; a pioneer of 50 years, who helped settle this country and transform it into present thriving communities.

The Texas Spur joins the host of friends in sympathy with the family at the loss of husband and father.

Out of county relatives and friends attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brumley, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burleson, Matador; D. Burleson, Wichita Falls; E. R. Rains and Eric Liles, Turkey; Dr. A. A. Traweck, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith, Joe M. Gaines, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Graham, Matador; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Davis and children, Sol, Buddy, and Edna Earl, of Post; Mrs. Kate Davis, Mrs. Quannah Maxey, George Bradley and daughters, of Post; Chas. Bird, Gus Bird, Howard Traweck, Matador; Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hand, of Dumont; Dr. J. E. Garner, Slim Bell, Chas. Lane, and Lon Lane, Turkey; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Squires, and Mrs. Young, Shallowater; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stearns, Meadow; Mr. and Mrs. John Hiner Wilson, Mrs. Pearl McQuirter, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. John Faulkner, and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ragland, Lubbock; Webber Williams, Slaton; Mr. and Mrs. Will Duncan, Tatum, N. M.; Mrs. Duvall, Ann Casey, and Ann Perkins, Lubbock; Mrs. Ora Kelley, Mrs. Dalton Hill and daughter Carolyn, of Sweetwater, and numerous others who did not register and whose names we failed to get.

## Defense Guard Unit To Drill Sunday At 4:30 At Stadium

Dr. L. E. Standifer announces that there will be a drill program of the National Defense Guard unit of Spur at the football stadium at 4:30 Sunday afternoon. He urges that all members of the unit be present at that time, to participate in the drill.

## Young People Rally To Be Held At Stamford, April 26

The Stamford District Rally for Young People will be held at Stamford, April 26 and 27. The registration will begin Saturday afternoon and the last session will be held Sunday afternoon.

Darris Egger, Lenore Longino, Lena Catherine Morrison, and Dr. Frank Turner, president of McMurry College, will be guests on the program.

## MEDICAL CORPS RESERVE APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT SUSPENDED

Appointments in the Medical Corps Reserve of the Army are not suspended, it was announced today at State Selective Headquarters. Qualified doctors of medicine, who are subject to the provisions of the Selective Service Act, whether they have already been inducted or are in Class 1-A awaiting induction, are eligible for consideration for appointment in the Medical Corps Reserve.

Texas' local boards have been requested by State Headquarters to encourage all eligible registrants to apply for appointment in this reserve.

## CEMETERY WORKING AT AFTON MONDAY 21ST

We will meet at the Afton Cemetery on April 21 for the purpose of working the ground. Come and bring hoes and rakes.

Luther Stark

## Dickens County To Vote On Peanut Referendum 26th

Peanut farmers to vote in the referendum, Saturday, April 26 to determine whether they will market their '41 crop under marketing quota. Dickens County grows very few peanuts commercially and they are therefore not greatly effected by this provision; however all farmers who do grow peanuts commercially should vote in this referendum.

If quotas are in effect for 1941, a producer may grow all of his peanuts without penalty if he plants within his acreage allotment; however peanuts grown and marketed in excess of the farm marketing quota are subject to a 3c a pound penalty or may be marketed without penalty if sold to designated governmental agencies to be used for oil mill purposes. If quotas are not in effect, no loan or diversion program can be offered.

A new provision provides that if marketing quotas are voted on favorably, a producer may divert his cotton acres and plant this acreage to peanuts without any penalty under the AAA Program and will be able to sell them for oil mill purposes without any tax.

All persons, who as landlords, sharetenants, or sharecroppers, who grew peanuts in 1940 commercially are eligible to vote. Most likely a voting box will be made available in Dickens for all eligible voters in Dickens County.

## Two Spur Boys Are Members Of New U. Of Texas Club

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## Dickens County-Girard Sing-Song To Meet At Girard Sunday

The Dickens County-Girard Sing Song will meet next Sunday beginning at 2:00 p. m. at Girard high school auditorium.

We are planning for a good time and are arranging to entertain a large crowd. There will be singers present from Kent, Dickens, Crosby, Stonewall and Jones counties. Everybody invited to come, and bring your song books of any kind.

R. E. Beaver, Pres.

Uncle Bill Stafford, of Afton, is on the sick list again according to reports late Wednesday.

## Betty Warshaw And Billy Johnston Killed In Plane Crash

Funeral services for Betty Warshaw and Billy Johnston, who were killed in a plane crash near Calgary last Thursday, were held Friday and Saturday.

Services for Miss Warshaw were held Friday, April 11, at Roby, her former home before moving with her parents to Calgary a year and a half ago.

Services for Johnston were held at Lubbock, 3:00 p. m. Saturday, April 12.

Johnston was visiting his grandfather, George Bradley, near Calgary, when he and Miss Warshaw went for the fatal ride.

## Famous Magician To Appear Here Friday, April 18

Mondro, Master Magician, will present an unusual program at the auditorium, April 18, sponsored by high school band.

This famous performer has the reputation of offering to the show-going public, one of the most pleasing and amazing programs of modern and oriental magic on the American stage, featuring the Artist's Dream, an illusion never before witnessed in this country.

His feats with eyes sealed and blindfolded will hold you spellbound being pronounced by critics and scientists as "The man with X-ray eyes, an ovelty of the 20th century."

The Mondro Wonder Show carries a truck load of elaborate stage equipment.

Two full hours of mirth, magic, and mystery. Special band concert in connection with this program.

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## Duck Creek Water Facilities Project Being Extended

The services of the Duck Creek Water Facilities Project are being extended to all farmers and ranchers residing in the newly organized Duck Creek Soil Conservation District, Elton D. Cook, Sr. District Technician, announced today.

Under the Water Facilities Program, farmers and ranchers will be assisted in the installation or construction of stock ponds, farm storage reservoirs, wells, water spreaders, small garden irrigation systems, and windmills or pumps. In addition, landowners will receive technical assistance in the establishment of complete and coordinated soil and water conservation systems for their farms or ranches, Mr. Cook continued.

Since the project was established with headquarters at Spur, in March 1939, 150 farmers and ranchers have received help under the water facilities program. Some of the facilities installed under the program are: 15 new wells drilled, 20 windmill towers repaired, 20 new towers constructed, 50 stock troughs storing more than 63,000 gallons, 10 new earthen stock tanks storing more than 20 acre feet of water, 16 overhead tanks and towers and piping systems. The soil and moisture technical assistance rendered by the project consists of 23,000 acres of controlled grazing; 10,600 acres of contour cultivation; 94.4 miles of terraces constructed; 307 acres of contour furrowing; and 450 miles of terrace lines run and marked.

The water facilities program is a cooperative enterprise, being carried on jointly by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, the Farm Security Administration, and the Soil Conservation Service. The Soil Conservation Service and the Farm Security Administration have been given the general responsibility for the operations phase of the program, especially in working out plans for water facilities with the farmer or rancher and in supervising the construction or installation of water facilities. In addition, the Farm Security Administration is responsible for financing the program for individual farmers. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics is charged with over-all planning for designated agricultural areas.

Work on individual farms will be financed through loans made to the land operators by the Farm Security Administration. Funds thus advanced may be used by the landowner to meet costs of installation of the facilities. The farmers or ranchers are not required to pay for planning or other technical assistance furnished. The loans, at three percent interest, may extend for the life of the structure, but in no case for more than 20 years. Planning and technical help is also available to farmers who do not need loans.

Farmers and ranchers furnish as much as possible of the necessary labor and materials needed to install or construct a water facility. They are provided with a sound farm or range management plan worked out in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service and the Farm Security Administration. Such plans provide for the use of a complete and coordinated soil and water conservation farming system and a crop production program which will provide living expenses, operating costs, and loan payments as well as assistance crops to furnish food and feed for family and livestock.

Of the 15 water facility projects in Texas, 11 are in the Western Gulf Region which includes all of Texas except the High Plains.

Since the first projects were established in Texas about three years ago, 729 farmers and ranchers who operate more than 594,000 acres in the 11 projects in the Western Gulf Region have received assistance under the water facilities program. They not only are developing an adequate and dependable water supply for farming and ranching operations, but they are also establishing complete conservation systems which hold more water on the land and which conserve the soil.

These farmers have constructed 151 stock ponds which have a total

## Band Parents Will Sponsor Barbecue Tuesday, April 29

The Spur Band parents are sponsoring a chicken barbecue, to be held Tuesday, April 29 in the Swenson Park near the stadium.

Proceeds will be used to send the Band to the National Contest at Waco, Texas. The Spur Band won highest honors at the State Contest held in Amarillo, April 4-5 placing in the First Division, which requires a score of from 95 to 100.

The Spur Civic Club and School Board are supporting the Band Parents in this endeavor to earn enough money to make the trip possible.

Your support is solicited to send the band to Waco. Tickets are on sale at the following drug stores: Sanders-Chastain, Red Front, City Drug, and Gruben Drug—get yours today.

## Dailey Bros. Circus Coming To Spur Monday 21st

The elephants are coming to Spur Monday, April 21st, and this will give the Spur lads the opportunity to carry water to the big beasts just as their fathers did years ago.

Dailey Bros. Circus, a high class two ring outfit, will arrive in Spur Sunday afternoon from Post where it exhibits the day before, but its city of tents will not be erected until Monday morning. There will not be any street parade as all of the larger and better shows have eliminated that form of advertising.

The Dailey Circus boasts one of the great novelty of acts in its very unique program and will prove that after all there is something new under the sun in the way of circus entertainment. The cast of performers includes scores of young people, the beautiful and perfectly formed girls competing for honors with the husky and muscular males of the company.

Variety, originality and novelty and quality are the elements presented with the Dailey Bros. Circus. The program is presented in what may properly be classed as streamlined, fast without any delay, and arranged so that every spectator is sure not to miss anything.

Just as one sample of the unusual novelty of the acts to be seen we refer to a Japanese troupe, the star of which, while balanced on his head on a swinging trapeze, drinks a glass of water and eats a banana. Any reader thinking this an easy stunt might try it.

With almost two hours of continuous program of such surprising thrills the public is sure to depart from the circus big top in Spur Monday April 21st well satisfied with the clean and extraordinary entertainment enjoyed.

The American Legion Post has assumed much responsibility for things it wishes to accomplish in Spur and are anticipating a nice profit from the engagement of the Dailey Bros. Circus which will give afternoon and night exhibitions Monday, April 21.

Little Miss Wiletta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mat Dawson, of Espuela, underwent an operation at the Nichols Sanitarium for removal of appendix Sunday, and is reported to be doing nicely at this time.

Mrs. Elsie Smith returned Thursday, from a visit since Tuesday with her son, Russell Smith, of Dallas.

storage of 348 acre feet, have developed 120 wells, and have installed 136 windmills and 17 power pumps.

Landowners and operators may file their applications for assistance under the water facilities program with:

Mack Woodrum, County Agent, Dickens County.

W. R. Kimbrough, County Agent, Kent County.

Farm Security Administration, Spur, Texas.

Soil Conservation Service, Spur, Texas.

Any of the Supervisors of the Duck Creek Soil Conservation District, and any Vocational Agricultural Teacher in the district.

## Services Held Friday April 11th For Fredrick Malone

Funeral services for Fredrick Malone, 24, were held at the Church of Christ at Spur, Friday, April 11, 1941 at 5:00 p. m. Mike M. Young, officiated.

Death occurred Thursday, April 10, after a six months illness of pneumonia followed by tuberculosis, for which he received treatment at Sanatorium, Texas, five weeks preceding his passing.

Interment was made in Spur Cemetery, Campbell Funeral Chapel in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Duward Woodward, R. J. Bell, William Starcher, Fred Kinney, Johnny Hopkins, and Carl Arthur.

Flower bearers: Ann Lee, Doris Arthur, Mozelle Arthur, Oleta Dell Reed, LaVoris Lee, and Ouida Fern Harkey.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Malone.

Fredrick Malone was born in New York City, March 28, 1917. At the age of three he was legally adopted by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Malone of Decatur, Texas, and made his home with them.

In January 1924 the family moved to Spur, where Fredrick grew to manhood. He graduated from Spur High School and attended Abilene Christian College one year.

Having been reared in a christian home, he, at the age of nine, obeyed the Gospel and was baptized into the Church of Christ of Spur, where he held membership at his untimely demise.

Out of town relatives here to pay last respects were: Mr. and Mrs. McNameor, of Olton; and Wm. Armstrong of Littlefield. One Uncle was unable to attend because of illness.

## Boy Scouts Hold Court Of Honor Friday Night

Boy Scout Court of Honor was held in the District Court room at Dickens Friday night, April 11.

Following is the program and list of awards and merit badges awarded.

General assembly, Scout Songs—Leader J. C. Grimes.

Invocation—W. D. Starcher.

Opening remarks by chairman.

Presentation of Tenderfoot awards to Milton Yarbrough, troop 36; Bateman Middlebrooks, Clent Allison, Price James Harvey, Alfred Willingham, Raymond Lee, Leslie Ashby, Melvin Hickman, Bill Hickman, troop 84, Afton—Judge E. H. Boedeker.

Presentation of Second Class Awards to William Starcher, Ned Blackwell (Troop 35), Chas. Don Finley, Billy Glenn (Troop 36), Carlton Dodson, Elbert Hash, Ed Partidge, Ira Edwards (Troop 117)—By Johnnie Koonsman.

Presentation of First Class Awards to Doyle Akin (Troop 35), Pete Adcock, Junior McLaughlin (Troop 36),—By Lester Ericson.

Presentation of Life Awards, to Joe Ericson (Troop 35)—By Jack Christian.

Presentation of Merit Badges to members of troop 25, (Spur): S. C. Fallis, Jr., Civic, Reading, Bird Study.

Jimmie Vernon, Birds Study. Calvin H. Simmons Machinery, Farm Mechanics.

George Walker Bird Study, Reading, Farm Home and its planning. Leonard Wilson, Civics, Bird Study, Indian Lore, Sheep Farming. Dr. Lilburn E. Standifer made the presentation of Merit Badges.

Presentation of Merit Badges, troop 36, (Spur): Johnnie Peacock, First Aid, Alvis Adcock, Handicraft, J. T. Franklin, Photography, Printing, Scholarship, Woodcarving—Eric Ousley.

Presentation Merit Badges, troop 117, (Dickens): R. C. Littlefield, Pathfinding, Reading, Kenneth Street, Music, Pathfinding, Reading, Safety, Cecil Hugh Meadors, Jr., Music, Bookbinding, Pathfinding, Safety—Joe B. Long.

Scout Benediction, directed by Scoutmaster—Cecl Fox.



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**FALLIS FAMILY HAS ROUNDUP**

Another family round up in Spur was in the S. C. Fallis home. Mr. Fallis who has been working the past three months in Brownwood and Miss LaNell Fallis, student in NTSTC, Canyon, came in Thursday to spend the Easter holidays at home with Mrs. Fallis and their son, S. C., Jr.

Other guests were another daughter, Mrs. W. B. Ford, Jr., and W. B. Jr. of the Ford ranch 24 miles south west, near Kalgary.

Misses Bonnie and Isabell Campbell and friend, Mr. Curtis Crossman, returned Monday to resume studies at Southwestern University following an Easter holiday visit in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Steadham, of Broadway, are the parents of a daughter born April 10th. The infant weighed 8½ pounds and was named Carol Ann.

Ida Rankin Rucker, who recently underwent a blood transfusion operation at Lubbock and who for the past ten days had been convalescing at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Rankin, of White River community was shopping and visiting with friends in Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Steel spent Easter Sunday at Cross Plains visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steele and family and in Brownwood visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Barclay and family.

Miss Grace Foster, student in McMurry College, Abilene, spent the Easter holiday season in Spur with her mother, Mrs. Era Foster and friends.

Mrs. Vernon Campbell who recently underwent a minor operation at a Lubbock hospital, is convalescing at the home of his parents, Atty. and Mrs. V. J. Campbell, of Post, Texas.

Mrs. Mattie Ragsdale will return to her home in Abilene after a short visit to Spur, looking after property interests here and visiting friends. Mrs. Ragsdale is in the grocery business in Abilene, and states that business is very good at this time.

Mrs. A. Lollar, of 6 miles east of Spur was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office while here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Westfall, of Red Hill, were selling cream, eggs and probably other produce to Spur merchants Tuesday.

**BETTE DAVIS - GEORGE BRENT**



Playing at the Palace Theatre, Wednesday and Thursday in "The Great Lie" another stirring screen experience from the stars and director of "Dark Victory" and "Old Maid."

Mrs. E. L. Caraway held open house during the Easter holiday season, having a family round up and visit together. E. L. Caraway, of the Caraway Nash Motor Co., Lubbock, spent Sunday with his family at the Spur home, also Mr. and Mrs. Cash Wilemon and son, Cash Caraway Wilemon, of Stamford. Mrs. Wilemon is a daughter. A niece of Mrs. Caraway, Miss Mary Nancy Roberts, a student in TSCW, Denton and Bill Caraway, senior in TCU, Fort Worth. Bill returned Monday driving a special DeLuxe Chevrolet town sedan, the gift from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caraway for his graduation in June.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cage, of Broadway spent several hours in Spur Monday afternoon attending to business interests and visiting Mrs. Betty Howard.

Bill Putman, TMI Cadet, returned Monday to Terrell after an Easter holiday vacation visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Putman of Spur.

Misses Helen Patterson, Joyce McCully, and friend Frances Lawles, of Sylvester, and Alton McCully, all students in McMurry College, Abilene, returned the first of the week to resume work following an Easter holiday visit in the McCully home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Glover and children spent the week end the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Glover and family of Lubbock.

Miss Polly Clemmons, of Polly's Shop, spent Tuesday to Thursday inclusive in Dallas, buying new stock for her shop and visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Blanche Collier and little Miss Jean, had as guests Easter Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Parks of near Dumont.

Miss Lucille Lucas, teacher in the Longview schools spent the Easter holidays with her mother, Mrs. R. R. Wooten and Mr. Wooten, of McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kinney, returned last week from Freeport, Texas, to again make their home in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith of Roaring Springs, spent Tuesday in Spur looking after business interests and visiting with friends.

James Cowan returned to Austin Monday after an Easter holiday visit in Spur with his mother and sister.

Mrs. C. F. Cannon is spending a few days visit in Spur the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Monk Rucker, Mr. Rucker and son, Johnny Monk.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Goodrich, of the Centerview community, in Stonewall county, were shopping with Spur merchants while spending the day here Monday. A "gully washer" rain fell in that section of country Monday according to Mr. Goodrich.

Mrs. Lillian Webb and small daughters, of Espuela, were shopping and visiting while in Spur Tuesday.

Mrs. W. B. Francis and daughter, Miss Nell, had as guests Thursday to Monday, their son and brother, W. B. Francis and bride, of Austin.

Mrs. Ray Carr and small daughter, Kay, of Lake Charles, La., arrived in Spur Wednesday to visit her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell and sons, Jack and Ned.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Howard accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Whitwell spent the week end the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bishop, of near Crosbyton.

**CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION**

Sealed proposals for constructing 33,949 miles of Seal Coat From Jet. with U. S. 82 in Dickens to Spur & Dickens Spur & From Jet. with St. 70 in Dickens to 4.7 Miles West; From Benjamin 7.630 Miles East & From Wheeler 9.942 Miles West on Highway No. St. 70, Dickens Spur, U. S. 82, & 152, covered by Conts. 106-1-10; 131-6-11 & 106-13-1; 133-3-8 & 397-2-11, in Dickens, Knox & Wheeler Counties, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., April 22, 1941, and then publicly opened and read. The wage rates generally prevailing in this locality, which are listed below, shall apply as minimum wage rates for those employees employed and paid by the Contractor, on this project.

Title of "Laborer" or "Mechanic"	Prevailing Minimum per Diem Wage (Based on Eight Hour Working Day)
Shovel or Crane Operator	\$8.00
Mechanic	8.00
Roller, Tractor or Blade Operator	4.00
Distributor Driver or Operator	4.00
Broom or Spreader Box Operator	4.00
Truck Driver (Over 1-½ Tons)	4.00
Fireman	4.00
Weigher	4.00
Truck Driver (1-½ Tons & Less)	3.20
Flagman	3.20
Unskilled Laborer	2.50
Watchman	2.50
Water Boy	2.40

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates.

Plans and specifications available at the office of Palmer Massey, Resident Engineer, Childress, Texas, and Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Jones were week end visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Garner and family and Mrs. Loretta Beason and son, Robert Keith of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McArthur had as guests during the Easter season their daughters, Mesdames Henry Mans and Jack McClung and small son, Jackie Jr., of San Angelo.

David McAteer, of 5 miles on Dickens highway was a business visitor to Spur Monday.

Mrs. P. C. Nichols motored to Denton Tuesday to return her daughter, Miss Martha, student in T. S. C. U. following the Easter holiday visit to her home in Spur.

Jack Eubanks, trainee at Camp Bowie, is spending a few days here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eubanks and family.

H. C. Parsons, prosperous and extensive farmer of near Kalgary spent Saturday morning in Spur buying supplies of the merchants and greeting friends.

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## Social Happenings

### Miss Francis Brewer And Jack Robertson Married April 12th

Miss Francis Brewer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Brewer, of Spur, became the bride of Jack Robertson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Robertson of McAdoo, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe McCombs, 4:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, April 12th. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. L. Thurston, pastor of the Methodist Church of Spur.

The bride wore navy blue alpaca trimmed in white with black accessories. Her attendants, Naydine Brewer, sister of the bride, maid of honor; Mary and Nita McCombs as bride maids. Mr. Robertson's brother served as best man.

Those attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Robertson, McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. Olin Brewer, Mrs. J. E. Coll, Virginia Johnson, Janice Gibson, Margie Coll, Mrs. B. F. Saxon, Junior McLaughlin, Mrs. J. R. Coll, Harold Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie McWilliams, of McAdoo.

### Misses Mary And Nita McCombs Hostesses At Bridal Shower

Misses Mary and Nita McCombs were cohostesses to a bridal shower honoring Miss Francis Brewer on Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies were served to the following, using as plate favors, little Easter bunnies:

Mesdames J. E. Cole, Olin Brewer, W. J. Johnson, Floyd Elkins, Bennie McWilliams, Ab Bingham, Charles Spraberry, Pete Gannon and daughter, Erma Lou, Lem King, B. F. Saxon, E. C. Robertson, A. Howe, Rosa Hindman.

Misses Marjorie Cole, Virgie Murray, Janice Garner, Virginia Johnson, Ruby Nell Morgan, Bertie Bell Glenn, Velma Nell Glenn, Mary Lee Smith, Mary Reid, Naydine Brewer, Pearlina Bailey, Oleta Hoover.

Those sending gifts were: Mrs. Horace Hyatt, Mrs. G. W. Rash, Buck Robertson, Mrs. Dee Hairgrove, Louise Ince, Mrs. M. C. Golding, Mrs. Susie Hinson, Maxine Sandlin, Mrs. D. L. Booth, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. A. Griffin, Mrs. Don Ramsey, Mrs. Alva Smith, Junior McLaughlin, Lone and Viola Pickens, Mrs. Jack Moore, Mrs. White Moore, Wilma Morgan, Mrs. Raymond Powell, B. F. Saxon.

### Mrs. O. C. Thomas Is Hostess To 20th Century Club

The Twentieth Century Club met with Mrs. O. C. Thomas, Tuesday, April 15.

A lovely luncheon was served at 10 o'clock, after which the president, Mrs. O. C. Thomas presided over the business session.

Mrs. E. D. Cook was leader of the program on West Texas Plants and Flowers. The members of the club exchanged plants.

Mrs. Koon talked on Wild Flowers of West Texas, and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff gave Flowers and Shrubs of West Texas.

The home was beautifully decorated with spring flowers.

Members present were: Mesdames W. S. Campbell, E. D. Cook, F. B. Crockett, Erie Foster, O. L. Kelley, J. A. Koon, E. S. Lee, O. M. McGinty, L. D. Ratliff, O. B. Ratliff, A. M. Walker, Cliff Bird, and Hostess Mrs. Thomas.—Rep.

### Mesdames Glasgow And Karr Hostesses Friday 11th

Mesdames Alf Glasgow and Guy B. Karr were delightful hostesses Friday when they entertained with a one o'clock luncheon at the Glasgow home 918 West Harris Street.

The luncheon was served buffet style from the dining table holding a decorative center piece, a large bowl of purple iris. White iris and lilacs were other decorations.

Following the luncheon, three tables of bridge were in play. Party favors went to Mrs. F. W. Jennings, high, and Mrs. E. D. Cook, second high.

Other guests were Mesdames Ty Allen, L. E. Standifer, Crit McDonald, Jack Christian, W. T. Andrews, Mack Woodrum, Hill Perry, Harvey Giddens, Henry Alexander, Truman Green, and Mrs. P. C. Nichols.

### Mrs. L. R. Barrett Is Hostess To Exchange Club Wednesday 9th

The Exchange Club met with Mrs. L. R. Barrett Wednesday afternoon, April 9th.

New officers were elected and are: Mrs. Virgie Dunwoody, president; Mrs. Aletha Fox, vice-president; Mrs. Bessie Payne, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Winnie Barnett, reporter.

Games were played and gifts exchanged.

Easter plate favors accompanied the delicious refreshment served to the following club members: Mesdames Georgia Barrett, Nellie Carlisle, Helen Burns, Dessie Mae Benson, Gladys Lewis, Virgie Dunwoody, Aletha Fox, Gertie Moore, Faye McArthur, Bessie Payne, Lillian Roberts, Edna Allen, Winnie Barnett, and a guest, Mrs. Williams.—Rep.

### METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY SKATING PARTY AT SILVER FALLS MONDAY EVE.

The Methodist Young People enjoyed a Skating Party at Silver Falls Monday night. About 35 young people composed the party with Rev. Thurston, Mack Woodrum, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fox, Jr., their councillor. A picnic lunch was had on the Church steps before leaving. Everyone reported an excellent time with the exception of a few bruises.

Young people are invited to attend and your presence is appreciated.—Rep.

## THE ELEPHANTS ARE COMING



Spur lads will have the opportunity to carry water to the big beasts pictured above, just as their fathers did years ago,

when the Dailey Bros. Circus comes to Spur Monday, April 21st.

### Methodist Missionary Society Met Monday At Church

The forty-sixth Psalm was given as a devotional by Mrs. J. L. Henson Monday at the Methodist church. She also led an interesting study "Investing Our Heritage" which is a study and comparison of the educational institutions of foreign and home countries.

Next Monday the Mission study of China "Dangerous Opportunity or the Crisis of China, will be begun. This is said to be the finest book yet written on China and the women of the church and visitors are urged to attend.

### Afton H. D. Club Met With Mrs. M. L. Kelly

The Afton Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. M. L. Kelly.

Miss Perrin gave an interesting discussion on "Our Approach to Living Room."

Two new members joined the club, Mrs. Jess Powell and Mrs. Curtis Goodwin.

Refreshments were served to: Mrs. Allie Barton, Mrs. Byron Haney, Mrs. Russell Williams, Mrs. Claude Flippin, Mrs. V. S. Ford, Mrs. Jess Powell, Mrs. Curtis Goodwin, Mrs. Verle Hinson, Mrs. I. G. McInroe, and the hostess, Mrs. M. L. Kelly.

### Albin Family Have Easter Reunion

Mrs. Ollie Albin had the pleasure of an Easter season visit from her out of state children and a reunion of her family with one exception, that of Miss Julia Mae who left Wednesday of last week for Washington, D. C. to enter the Civil Service.

Those present included Mrs. Lera Mateer and daughter Patricia; Mrs. Annis Stotts and daughter, Jo Ann; and Henry Albin, of Oklahoma City. Mr. and Mrs. John Albin and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell Albin and daughter, Jane Ann, of Spur.

### Presbyterian Church John C. Ramsay, Minister

10 a. m. Sunday School, Cap McNeill, Superintendent.

11 a. m. Morning Worship and the Word. Sermon: "No Marks."

3 p. m. Outpost Sunday School. 6:45 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Bertha Nelle Walker, President.

7:45 p. m. Evening Worship and the Word. Sermon: "Honor Versus Great Revenues."

Monday, Woman's Auxiliary. Wednesdays Mid-week Prayer Meeting at 7:45 p. m.

On Friday at 1:15 p. m., a group of Young People will represent this church at the Spring Rally of Ft. Worth Presbytery at the First Presbyterian Church, Abilene, the 8th and 9th. The Rally opens at 5 p. m., and it is hoped Spur, who has always been well represented in the past will have a good opportunity to win the banner for the largest attendance.

Please remember that this is the church that lets no visitor or stranger go away unwelcomed.

Mrs. M. Hairgrove and son, Ralph, arrived last week for a several days visit with her daughters, and their families, Mrs. Richard Gibson, Spur, and Mrs. Otha Thompson, Dickens.

I. D. Loe, of Afton, was transacting business in Spur Tuesday. Mr. Loe reports good rains in the Afton country Sunday and Monday nights.

### CARD OF THANKS

To our friends and neighbors, we wish to express our gratefulness to every one who in any way, tried to help our dear Boy, for the visits, cards, letters, fruits and flowers while he was in the Sanatorium, and the sweet loving expressions made about him by those who loved him, also for the beautiful flowers cards and kind words of sympathy and consolation for us during his illness and after his passing, we cannot find words to thank you enough. May our Heavenly Father who understands all things guide us in every thought and deed.

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**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We take this method of thanking our many friends for their kindness and sympathy in the loss of our darling, Betty Jo. Especially do we thank our neighbors of Calgary for each kind word and beautiful floral offering. May the Lord bless each is our prayer.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warshaw, Kenneth Warshaw,  
 Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hadderton, Mrs. A. C. Rinker,  
 Mrs. F. Warshaw,

Mrs. William Alexander and children, Billy Bob and Trixie, of Gordon, spent Wednesday to Monday in Spur with their husband and father, William Alexander and Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander and family at their home 401 East Hill Street. Friday Mesdames R. L. Alexander and William Alexander and children, Billie Bob and Trixie, made a trip to Colorado to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alexander.

Mrs. E. J. Cowan made a trip to Dallas, Tuesday to Thursday, inclusive, to attend the Baptist Sunday School Convention at that place and to return to Denton her daughters, Misses Emily and Ruby Cowan and friend Bobby Orny, of Temple, students in TSCW, who had spent the Easter holidays in the Cowan home.

Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell had as guests during the Easter Sunday season their daughter, Mrs. Rob Simmons and Mr. Simmons, of Haskell, and her mother, Mrs. Emma Shields, of Broadway.

Misses Margaret and Dolly Elliot, of the Spring Creek community, spent Monday afternoon in Spur shopping with the merchants and visiting with friends.

The Rev. C. R. Joyner, Mrs. Ella K. Miller, and Miss Jennie Shields are in Dallas this week, Monday to Thursday, attending the Baptist Sunday School Convention now in progress in that city.



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Mrs. W. F. Godfrey motored to Lubbock Monday afternoon to return her son, Fike, freshman engineering student in Texas Tech, following a visit over the Easter holidays at his home in Spur. Other Tech students who had been home for the holidays returning Monday were Victor Joyner, Frances Bingham, Bill Gruben, Bill Lane, Denton Graham, Chas. Senning, John Jo Costolow, Misses Ruth C. Swan, Regina Lee, Elizabeth Powell, Winifred and Helen Ruth Lee and Gladys Robinson, Wynell McClure, assistant in the office of Mrs. Mary Doak, Dean of Women at Texas Tech, and friend Miss Helen Robinson, senior business administration student in Texas Tech, Lubbock, spent the Easter holidays vacation visiting in the McClure home in Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cooke and other members of Soil Conservation and Water facilities program at this place were hosts Thursday evening to a picnic party at the Charles A. Jonee Memorial Park, naming as honor guests, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Keith and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren and children. Others present included Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eminger, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tinney, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hickerson and E. H. Barnhill, district conservationist of Abilene, Texas.

Miss Mozell Arthur returned Monday to resume studies in W. T. S. T. C., Canyon, after an Easter holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Arthur and family and friends in Spur.

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Mrs. R. E. Dickson and mother, Mrs. J. H. Grace, spent the weekend in Stamford with Mrs. Burrow, sister of Mrs. Grace and other relatives, leaving Monday morning for Austin, where they will spend several days visit with Ray Dickson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hilley, Miss Nina Grace, Mrs. Helen Grace Williams and son, Pat Williams.

Judge and Mrs. W. D. Wilson of Lubbock made a trip to Brownwood last week to visit their one and only grandchild, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holden of that place. Baby Holden tipped the scales at nine pounds at birth, Saturday day, April 5th. Mother and baby getting along nicely.

Bob Weaver motored to Lubbock Monday afternoon to return his sister, Miss Margaret Mae, student in Texas Tech, who had spent the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Weaver and family of Spur.

Mrs. Bill Elliot spent several days the latter part of last week and first of this week in Post to attend Miss Virginia Elliot during an illness.

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